

1ST QUARTER 2010



Special points of interest:

- **Great American Tower at Queen City Square taking shape**
- **Look Valley up on www.jobsite123.com**
- **Columbus sees new bid awards in late 2009 lifting spirits**
- **Progress being made at Springfield Hospital**

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INSIDE THE VALLEY

An Informational Source for Current Events at Valley Interior Systems, Inc.

WHAT WILL HISTORY SAY ABOUT 2010? By John Strawser

How will history view 2010? Unfortunately, this question won't be answered for many years to come. A question, however, that can be answered in a relatively short period will be what history will have to say about Valley's 2010.

Winston Churchill once said "The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist see opportunity in every difficulty." In other words, with a positive, proactive attitude we can play a significant part in the story we are helping write. First, we must understand that we cannot change our past, but we can, and should, learn from it.

I spent this past weekend attending a few meetings at Miami University, where I had the opportunity to hear two separate state of the union addresses. The first was regarding future growth of the university and the second, on the progress of athletics which they have termed "Culture of Champions". Both stories are similar to what we are facing at Valley. Projects that were successful and some that were not, goals that were met and many that were not. They were not afraid to admit failure, individually or collectively, but what you sense, was that the failures made them stronger and more committed to their vision and overall mission.

We can continue to write the his-

tory book on Valley Interior Systems. We, as one, can do amazing things. Minister Chuck Swindell once said "We cannot change our past. We can not change the fact that people act in a certain way. We can not change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude." What he also should have added is that when you combine that one string with other well tuned strings, you can create something beautiful, something magical, and something that defies logic. We can do something that not only changes history but makes history at Valley in 2010!

John Strawser

Great American Tower at Queen City Square Beginning to Take Shape

The Great American Tower at Queen City Square is beginning to take shape with the final floor recently put into place making it the tallest building in Cincinnati. A picture demonstrating the progress of this project is shown at the top right. Great American Tower at Queen City Square is a 42 story tower located downtown Cincinnati along the banks of the Ohio river. In addition to being the tallest and most modern high rise in Cincinnati the tower offers impressive views of the

reds stadium as shown in the picture to the lower right. This picture was taken from the 42nd floor of the tower.

Heading up this project for Valley is Project Manager: Justin Taulbee, Superintendent: Darrell Woodruff, Executive Foreman: Todd Brandenburg, Safety: Brad Rudd.



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COLUMBUS OFFICE NEWS AND NOTES

The Columbus office finished the last two months of 2009 with four fairly nice projects, which helped lift some spirits going into 2010. The start of 2010 has brought us a little success also with the addition of 1,250,000.00 in sales. We continue working with Turner Construction on the Nationwide Insurance Corporate Headquarters Re-Stack. Valley has been renovating each floor in both Plaza 1 and Plaza 3 for just over 3 years, and see this year being just as busy. Below are some of the larger contracts received:

COTA Administrative Offices (\$382,750.00) w/ Gutknecht Construction

V.A Chillicothe – Phase 103 (\$946,900.00) w/ Messer Construction

Ross Heart Electrophysiology Lab @ OSU (\$499,000.00) w/ The Altman Company

Deloitte Tenant Alterations (\$227,235.00) w/ Continental Building Company

Art History Museum @ Kenyon College (\$760,440.00) w/ The Albert M. Higley Company

Radiology Addition @ V.A. Medical Center (\$237,380.00) w/ Calvary Contractors

Letters of Intent

John Clem Elementary School (\$198,680.00) w/ Gutknecht Construction

Columbus Museum of Art (\$291,870.00) w/ Corna/Kokosing

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO THOSE CELEBRATING THEIR EMPLOYMENT ANNIVERSARY WITH VALLEY IN JANUARY, FEBRUARY, & MARCH

The following employees are celebrating their anniversary during the months of January, February and March. Thank you for your dedicated service to Valley. Your efforts and continued service is greatly appreciated!

James Cuthbert Sr.(7 years), Jim Melaragno (16 years), Nick Bockrath (3 years), Rod Atherton (18 years), Terry Smith (12 years), Scott Schutte (11 years), Ricky Hutchins (3 years), Katie Seta (13 years), Sharon Horstman (6 years), Tony Glass (7 years), Marcus Napper (7 years), Brian Tussing (13 years), Chris Walpe (2 years), Darrell Woodruff (19 years), Mark Woodruff (19 years), Floyd Wright (2 years),

Rodney Barger (9 years), Brian Hassett (1 year), Jerry Priddy (1 year), Tim Bruce (17 years), Bob Reeves (1 year), Scott Schlosser (8 years), Armando Benavides (3 years), Fidel Carrasco (3 years), Michael Dean (3 years), Patrick Jones (2 years), John Foreman (6 years), Craig Quake (5 years), Christopher Gable (3 years), Eric Huff (3 years), Terry Smith (8 years), Terry Gyelvai (10 years), Brian Brandenburg (12 years), Steven Carter (1 year), Francisco Delgado (1 year), John Ferguson (7 years), John Essman (5 years), Tony Shadle (17 years), Billy Taulbee (17 years), Shawn Ratliff (13 years), James Woodall (5 years), Dan Blank (7 years), Tony Grandstaff (10 years),

Kristopher Edwards (6 years), John Rudd (20 years), George Miller (3 years), Martin Smith (3 years), Ricky Kline (7 years), Zackary Williams (11 years), Casey Long (10 years), Mark Hiler (20 years), Eddie Hayslip (11 years), Keith Starrett (7 years), Thomas Ingram (10 years), Al Meyer (12 years), Darin Day (16 years), Dave Johnson (6 years), Dennis Johnson (6 years), Bob Bartlowe (20 years), JR Clyborn (12 years), Norman Neece (18 years), Timothy Eckstein (7 years)

VALLEY JOINS JOBSITE123.COM AND UPDATES WEBSITE

Valley is excited to announce it has joined a web based organization called jobsite123.com. Jobsite123.com mission is to be the free repository of choice for all commercial construction related companies, in order to showcase their qualifications and industry relationships. Jobsite123.com allows Valley to potentially increase sales and grow our business by nurturing relationships with

local industry contacts, offer a reliable referral system, and offer recommendations from peers and colleagues whom we do business on a regular basis. Valley is excited to be part of jobsite123.com and encourage you to search us on their website. You can do so by going to www.jobsite123.com and search Valley Interior Systems, Inc. in their search window.

In addition to joining jobsite123.com Valley is in the process of enhancing our website to include up to date information on projects, Tri-State Supply information, and improved graphics and animation. We anticipate the updated Valley website will be completed the first part of March. To see the updated Valley website please visit www.visohio.com



PROJECT SPOTLIGHT: MIAMI VALLEY HOSPITAL SOUTHEAST ADDITION

When driving down I-75 through downtown Dayton you quickly notice the large tower crane just south of the downtown. This Tower crane sits at the Miami Valley Hospital Southeast Addition Hospital project. Last March Valley Interior Systems of Dayton was awarded the lower half work (6 floors) of this project.

The Miami Valley Hospital Southeast Addition project is a new 484,874-square foot, 12-story tower addition to the main campus of the Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton, OH. The

tower is constructed of cast-in-place concrete, topped with structural steel, and clad with a combination of precast and curtainwall. The focus of the new tower will be a comprehensive heart center, featuring imaging services, cardiac testing, cardiac catheterization labs and heart surgery suites. The new tower will also include a total of 180 private patient rooms. The project is expected to cost \$150 million with a completion date set for late 2010. International architecture and design firm NBBJ is the project architect; Skanska-Shook

is the construction manager.

The Valley Management team for this important project is Project Manager: Don Hiler, Superintendent: Monte Meyer, Project Foremen: Rick Hutchins, Project Estimators: Terry Gyetvai, Brent Ballinger and Al Meyer and Safety Inspector: John Rudd.



SAFETY IS PRICELESS By John Rudd, Safety Director

When I recently held my first grandchild for the first time, it gave me cause to reflect on how precious life is. We all have special people in our lives who depend on us on a daily basis. I want all of us to be extra vigilant in protecting ourselves and co-workers while performing our daily job tasks.

In 2009 our lost work days and E.M.R rate were significantly higher than years past. The money we have spent on lost work days and medical bills has increased dramatically. A higher E.M.R. rate negatively affects our ability to bid jobs!

Please make every effort to protect yourself and your co-

workers. If you see a hazard or someone working in an unsafe manner report it immediately. If you have an idea on how to improve safety please report it so it can be improved upon. Your ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

Lets work together and make 2010 the safest year yet!

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PROGRESS AT SPRINGFIELD REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Springfield Regional Medical Center is a new 254 bed, 475,000 square foot, full service medical center currently under construction in downtown Springfield Ohio. Groundbreaking on this impressive project began in October 2008 with a completion date set for January 2012.

Progress is moving quite well and many facets of this project are

ahead of schedule. Valley was awarded the exterior framing and walls, interior framing, drywall, and finishing for the patient towers portion of this project.

The Valley team heading up this project is Executive Foreman: Mike Ditullio, Superintendent: Monte Meyer, Project Manager: Brian Wudke, Safety: Frank Ferguson.





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CONGRATULATIONS

Brad Rudd is the proud new father to Jenna Grace Rudd born January 17, 2010 at 2:40 AM. Jenna was 7lbs. 7oz. and 21 inches long at birth. We wish Brad well in his new role as a father. Congratulations!

Mike Strawser's son, Michael, has been accepted to Indiana University and will attend IU Bloomington in the fall 2010. Congratulations to Mike and his son on this achievement.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL WHO ARE CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAY JANUARY, FEBRUARY & MARCH



Happy Birthday to all those who are celebrating their birthday during January, February, and March

January:

Travis Henderson, Dennis Smith, Lane Klette, Cesar Ramirez, Danny Abdon, George Miller, Shawn Myers, Frank Bartolovich, Vincent Bednarczuk, Micah Duke, Markus Willis, Steve Erhart, Jason Anderson, Scott Hardman, James Davis, Brad Horton, Jerry Priddy, Bob Reeves, John Weidauer, Tony Schadle, Mike Grennell

February:

Ricky Hutchins, Tim Eckstein, Kristopher Edwards, Steven Carter, Michael Chambers, Tim Kirk, Ronald Cummins, James Singleton, Todd Taggart, Nelson Taylor, Terry Gyetvai, Brian Tussing, Thomas Wash, Thomas Ingram, Zackary Williams, George Henderson, Todd Watts, Katie Seta, Francisco Delgado, Michael Blair, Armando Benavides, William Hamilton, Kevin Dudley, Richard Beekman, Mike Cook, Xavier Rivera, James Curthbert Jr., Anthony Michael

March:

Dustin Hawk, Mike Dunaway, Mark Phillips, John Essman, Jame Cuthbert Sr., Michael Annarino Jr., Randall Church, Steven Gill, Justin Taulbee, Tim Kleinberg, Jarritt Mullins, Jason Ruff, Tony Glass, Josh Elliott, Joshua Young, James Patton, John Rodeniser, Jason Murray.