



CONNECTIONS

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CEO Corner

The *U Connections Newsletter* is back! After a short hiatus, I'm glad to say we are back online with your company newsletter.

U Connections is a great forum to share and pass on key company news and information to all in a format that exemplifies our culture. Feel free to e-mail Marj or me directly with any comments or suggestions you have on the newsletter content, etc. Also let us know if you have news you would like to share.

2008 is UMC's year of planning and preparation. We have a tremendous backlog of projects that get going this fall. As usual, we are in the midst of internal improvement projects, as well as ongoing construction projects. Making the time to plan for upcoming work is always a challenge, and a must.

Some of our major upcoming projects include Brightwater Treatment Plant, Providence Everett Medical Center and Good Samaritan Hospital. Along with these significant projects, the Industrial, Special Projects, and Southern Washington groups will continue to execute a steady volume of work.

Enjoy this edition of U-Connections and, again, let us know if you have any suggestions or news to include in U Connections.

-Jerry Bush

Safety

UMC was accident-free in January: no recordable accidents and no first aid cases. Congratulations to all for working safely. Keep up the good work!

The focus of the Safety Department in 2008 is training and improved communication. We are building our training schedule now and classes will start later this month. Please make every effort to attend classes that you are scheduled for. Targeted training is essential to a safe and productive work environment.

Safety communication is to be a two-way street. For your part, please let us know if you have any safety concerns or suggestions. Please report all accidents and near misses immediately. Safety can be managed only if lines of communication are clear and open.

Safety Director Jim Schick retires at the end of February. Jim has been the safety guy at UMC for sixteen and a half years. He has developed our safety program from the ground up. Jim will be traveling, golfing, and skiing through retirement! Come to his retirement lunch on Thursday, February 28th, 11:30am-1pm, at the Mukilteo office, to send Jim off with your best wishes!

Congratulations to Kirk Baisch for recently being appointed as the MCA Safety Committee Chair - way to go Kirk!!!

STAR Performer-FEBRUARY

RANDY BAILEY



Randy has been with UMC as part of the Reno team for almost two years. Recently, he has relocated to Washington to work with us on the Bachelors Enlisted Quarter (BEQ) project in Everett.

While in Reno, no matter how small or large a task, he worked diligently, efficiently, and without a complaint work these additional task into his already busy schedule. He was responsible for spool drawings, fabrication plans, start-up and commissioning. He is now working on BEQ and giving his all to help this project be successful.

When not at work Randy enjoys flying, which demonstrates his attention to detail that he brings to his work.

If you see Randy, please welcome him to the UMC family here in the great Northwest.

CONGRATULATIONS Randy!



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Project Spotlight: In the Hopper

SPECIAL PROJECTS UPDATE

Current Projects

Overlake Backfill Dan Lehosky, Ned Moore, and Ryan Lynn Currently working on section 8 with anticipated completion date of 4/1/08

Overlake East and West Tower Renovations Dan Lehosky, Ned Moore, and Ryan Lynn remodel of existing east and west tower spaces anticipated completion date of 4/1/08

Overlake Seismic Valve installation Steve Turek, and Ryan Lynn anticipated completion date of 2/19/08

Sammamish Children's School Dan Lehosky, Floyd Burkey, and Greg Ferguson Currently waiting to set finish with anticipated completion date of 5/1/08

Boeing 4-20/21 Seismic Upgrade Todd Olson, Dan Lehosky, Greg Ferguson, Brett Endres Seismic upgrade of the plant initially used to build WWII bombers. Boeing has voluntarily chosen to upgrade the structure which resulted in 14 months of mechanical revisions to accommodate the structural changes. Included installation of 400' of 10" Steam line 50' above grade. Project completion is anticipated to be Spring of '08.

Boeing Poseidon Project Static and Fatigue Structures Todd Olson, Greg Ferguson, Brett Endres Installation of 2 test fixtures to stress and fatigue test new 737 model. Includes utilities used in the testing processes. Project completion is anticipated to be Spring of '08.

Boeing Poseidon Project Phase 2 mechanical installations Todd Olson, Greg Ferguson, Brett Endres Installation and procurement of test equipment; including Air Compressors, 10,000 gallon air accumulator,

installation of 200' of hydraulic piping. Project completion is anticipated to be Summer of '08.
Boeing Wing Line Upgrades (7 Projects) Todd Olson, Randy Adams, Wayne Denton, Greg Ferguson, Brett Endres 7 projects designed around creating a more efficient wing line system (CONFIDENTIAL) Project completion is anticipated to be Fall of '08.

Boeing IDS Tower Control Room (Design Build) Todd Olson, Floyd Burkey, Greg Ferguson, Mike Harshman 1,500 square test facility, complete stand alone structure (portable 3-story) for static and fatigue observations. Anticipated completion 3/15/08
Swedish Cherry Hill Garage Shawn Hawker, John Strand construction of a new parking structure with Lydig Construction. This project has a very tight construction site in between 3 existing buildings. Project completion is anticipated to be Fall of '08.

Swedish Cherry Hill (Several) Shawn Hawker, Larry Savell, John Strand anticipated completion...never?

Fred Hutch (Several) Dave Newson, Doug Neilson, Pat Cook, Ron Durst, Steve Brooks ongoing TI work in support of Fred Hutch Campus construction group. anticipated completion...never?
SCCA Level 2 MRI/Simulator Dave Newson, Doug Neilson, Steve Brooks Installation of a new MRI and Simulator in an existing building, new MRI will be inserted into an opening in the north face of the SCCA tower on level 2. Project completion is anticipated to be spring of '08.

SCCA (Several) Dave Newson, Doug Neilson, Steve Brooks ongoing TI work in support of SCCA construction group. anticipated completion...never?

Recently Completed

Boeing 4-86 Building Process Water Re-Pipe Larry Savell, Greg Ferguson, Jim Schick Installation of 2,200 feet of process cold water, majority of the work was completed over the holiday shutdown and off hours! Congratulations to all involved, it was perfect!

Boeing 8FME structure Installation Todd Olson, Greg Ferguson, Floyd Burkey, Brett Endres Installation of 2 Wing assembly positions over the Holiday shutdown, majority of the work was completed over the holiday shutdown! Congratulations to all involved, it took a lot of planning and it went perfect!

Horizon House Dental Vacuum Installation Dan Lehosky, Jon Ericson, Mike Harshman, and Danny Blaine Installation of a new dental vacuum system and piping.

Pending Projects

MS 26 Cooling Tower Replacement
Boeing Fredrickson Fuel Testing Project

True Soups Kettle Relocations
Overlake South Tower Espresso Stand
SCCA Alliance Lab.

SOUTHERN WA UPDATE

After a busy 'bidding' season in developing 'new' relationships while maintaining the strength of those 'old', the Southern Washington Group is currently focusing on close out activities on several key projects from 2007 as we gear up for the wave of 2008 projects slated to begin in the month of March.





Project Spotlight: In the Hopper -cont'd

Projects 'In & Out of the Hopper'...

Closing out

Grays Harbor Community Hospital

- First Step Into The Future:

Early in 2007, UMC teamed with **Skanska** in a design assist role for the build out of two shelled spaces with laboratories and imaging within the new expansion at Grays Harbor Community Hospital. The UMC team of Dave Ranger, Ron Clark Sr.; Leon Bialkoski, Dave Hanson; Don Swenson and Krista Powers are currently finalizing all installation & documentation closeout issues as Vern Roach heads up the final equipment startup activities. UMC scope of work targeted is to be completed by February 29th.

CMP Warehouse: UMC Design Build Office Expansion Tenant Improvement. Completed January 2008.

Capital Medical Center - MRI

Expansion: Recently completed in January 2008, this plan/spec project with **BN Builders** added a new MRI facility to the Capital Medical Center Hospital in Olympia.

Good Samaritan Hospital -

Sustaining TI work: The UMC team completed (11) TI projects at Good Sam with **Howard S.**

Wright over the course of the last ten weeks. The majority of these projects were capital improvements and staffing moves necessary to support the kick-off of the upcoming new Tower project.

In Progress

UW Assembly Hall: Underground rough-in is complete on the construction of the new University of Washington Assembly Hall in Tacoma. The UMC team of Marshall Nichols; Danny White and Ralph Woodruff will continue the installation once the four story structure is erected by **Korsmo Construction** at the end of this month. The overall project is currently slated for completion in August 2008.

Olympic Medical Center - MRI

Expansion: UMC is starting rough in activities at the Olympic Medical Centers new MRI expansion in Port Angeles. This Plan/Spec project with **Fischer General Contracting** is being executed by Marshall Nichols; Ron Clark Sr.; Danny White and Ned Moore. This project is to be completed by May 2008.

St Peters Family Birthing Center:

UMC recently completed Phase-I of the Family Birthing Center at Providence St Peters in Olympia. The UMC team of Dave Ranger, Danny White, Krista Powers and Don Swenson have delivered another successful phase for **Andy Johnson Construction** at Providence. With three additional phases still to come, the completion of the Family Birth Center was a major milestone in attaining the hospitals overall goals.

Pre-Construction

Ft Lewis BCT Project:

The Ft Lewis BCT complex is being built to support the Stryker Brigade Unit, this multiple building project includes (1) Brigade Headquarter; (3) Battalion Headquarters; (2) Combat Operation Facilities and (1) Enlisted Personnel Dining Facility. Underground construction is slated to begin in March 2008 with a

targeted completion date of April 2009.

WSECU Project: The Washington State Employee Credit Union (WSECU) is a Design Build Shell & Core construction of a 5 level Parking Garage and a 5 story Office Bldg. The UMC engineering team, led by David Malone has completed the design and is scheduled to turn the project over to construction within the next few weeks as construction activities are slated to start in May 2008.

Good Samaritan Hospital TI

Projects: UMC maintains a variable volume of sustaining work for the main campus at Good Samaritan Hospital. The following are some of the current upcoming tenant improvements.

Starbucks - UMC will be the Design Build contractor for the new Starbucks that is to be added within the existing hospital lobby. Construction to start March 2008.

2nd Floor Imaging - UMC will be the Design Build contractor for the Imaging Room Tenant Improvement within the existing hospital. Construction to start April 2008.

North Wing Ventilation - UMC is working in a Design Assist role with CDI Engineers for the up coming North Wing Ventilation Upgrade. This project will include the demolition of all existing HVAC systems and reinstall a new HVAC system to serve the second floor patient care wing within the existing hospital facility. The UMC team has coordinated an early release of the Air Handling Units to ensure that deliveries will not impact the overall 10 week fast track construction schedule. Field work is slated to begin late April 2008.

Coming up next month:

"Major Projects" & "Industrial" will be featured.

New Hires



Rene Mendez started working for UMC on 1/7 as an Account Executive. Rene's last position was with Savage Direct Marketing as VP of New Business Development. Prior to this Rene was a Senior Account Executive for Aramark Uniform Services, formerly known as Overall Laundry Services, for fifteen years. Rene has fifteen years experience in the Service Industry, specializing in procuring Service Agreements. Rene also enjoys golfing and snowboarding.



Daniel Vu started working for UMC on 1/14 as a Design Engineer. Daniel's last position was with Wood Harbinger as Mechanical Engineer for nearly four years. Prior to this he was also a Mechanical Engineer for TKG Consulting Engineers. Daniel has nearly ten years of engineering and drafting experience in piping and HVAC systems. Daniel enjoys bowling, running and playing basketball.



Ruthann Browse began work at UMC on 1/16 as an Administrative Assistant. She is happy to be officially rejoining the workforce. For the last several years Ruthann has played the role of mom, childcare provider, pre-school substitute, and self-proclaimed "queen of odd jobs". Ruthann enjoys walking, singing, reading, playtime with family and friends, and all things theater.



Marj Schmidt started working for UMC on 1/21 as Executive Assistant for Jerry Bush. Marj has numerous years experience in a support role and most recently worked at ICOS Corporation in Bothell for eight years. Prior to working at ICOS, she has worked for Professional Practice Environments/Salmon Bay Design Group, an Architectural firm in Ballard and The Rice Group, a Mechanical Engineering firm in Edmonds. Marj lives in Snohomish with her husband, Kevin, and has two children, Nick & Natalie. She also enjoys cooking, baking, crafts and traveling.



Ryan Hoggatt started working for UMC on 1/29 as a Project Engineer. Ryan's last position was with Tucci and Sons in the heavy road construction industry as an asphalt raker. Prior to this he was a high school history teacher. Ryan likes to spend his free time hunting and fishing.

Birthdays

January

- 2 Patrick Damitio
- 3 Christopher Gunn
- 5 Steve Bueler
- 7 Wayne Hakola
- 11 Kirk Baisch
- 11 Brett Endres
- 14 Khai Xiong
- 16 Jonathon Ericson
- 29 Scott Locke
- 30 Rick Hawkins

February

- 3 Davin Chea
- 6 Paul Donohue
- 14 Sheila McBroom
- 17 Warren Rose
- 22 Ruthann Browse
- 24 Shane Jacob
- 25 Rickard Kirk
- 26 Wayne Denton
- 29 Dean Petterson

Anniversaries



15 years

Wayne Hakola - Feb 9

Calendar of Events



August

9th Company Picnic (Juanita Park)

September

Golf Tournament-TBD

October

30th-Halloween Party

December

12th-Santa Party

January, 2009

10th Holiday Party (Red Lion, Bellevue)

UMC Charitable Foundation

A very special **THANK YOU** goes out to the following employees who generously donated to the 2007 UMCCF fund:

Brett Endres	Jim Schick
Bill Laughlin	Leah Holden
Doug Smith	Rick Coulter
Gail Kinner	Tom Riordan

LIVESTRONG

"At the Lance Armstrong Foundation, we unite people to fight cancer believing that unity is strength, knowledge is power and attitude is everything."

If you would like to purchase a yellow "Livestrong" wrist band for \$1, please contact or see Marj. The money collected will be donated to the Livestrong Foundation. Thank you for your support!!

