# Friday August 26, 2005



# === UMC NEWSBLAST ====

UMC's "STAR Performance" Core Values (Safety, Teamwork, Accountability, Respect, Performance) truly reflect our culture and are instrumental in the achievement of our goals.

This month's STAR Performer: Steve Otis

Steve came to UMC from Seimens in December, 1999 and very quickly became an instrumental part of our operations group. Steve has proven valuable in both lead and support roles. For instance, in the midst of the SeaTac STEP Project, we asked Steve to jump in and help. Steve made a significant impact on the project, and helped us to get through the toughest part of the job and contributed greatly to the success of the project. Steve was the Project Manager on the Suzzallo Library project at the UW. This was a very complex project, which Steve and his team executed with great success. Steve also worked on Park 90-5, UW Bothell campus, misc. Boeing projects, Industrial shutdown and piping projects. Steve is currently working on Bellevue City Hall and UW Genome projects while also maintaining his labor management role for UMC. Steve clearly exemplifies UMC's culture, work ethic and core values. Steve, keep up the good work!

#### Ring the Bell!

UMC was awarded the **Block 40** project with GLY Construction. Vulcan is the Owner on this two-building, design-build project at South Lake Union. UMC's team did an OUTSTANDING job procuring this project. Kudos go to Ted Granston who led the charge, Maria Boyer, David Malone, Steve Otis, Dean Petterson, and Lise Van Deusen who did the last minute scramble putting it all together. Good job to all in procuring this important project.

UMC was also awarded the **Boeing 18-03** contract this week, with Skanska as the General Contractor. This is the first design-build project Boeing has done with UMC, with approximately 8000 sq. ft. of office and support space located on the first floor in the Boeing Building 18-03. The construction start date is just around the corner in September 2005.

## A UMC Welcome!

**Bob Hollowed** started working for UMC on 8/22 as **Operations Manager**, reporting to Jerry Bush. Bob's last position was with Marelich Mechanical as Senior Project Manager for two years. Prior to this he worked for Scott Company for twenty-three years, where he served on the Board of Directors, and held several positions including Project Manager/Estimator, Vice President/General Manager of the Chicago Division and most recently, Vice President/General Manager for the Los Angeles Division. Bob's wife Barbara, and daughter Megan currently live in Southern California, with plans to move to the Seattle area. Bob enjoys golf, reading and watching his nephew play football at Mercer Island High School.

**Mitch Droz** started working for UMC on 8/22 as a **Project Engineer**, reporting to Maria Boyer. Mitch came to UMC from Foushee & Associates, where he worked as a Project Engineer. He attended Central Washington University, where he earned a BS in Construction Management in August of 2004. Mitch enjoys skiing, fishing, golf, outdoors, winery/brewery tours, puzzles and music.

**Bruce Pence** started working for UMC on 8/15 as a **Detailer**. Bruce's last position was with CDM as Lead Drafter for two years. Prior to this he was a CAD operator for HNTB for two years. Bruce has nearly twenty years of detailing and drafting experience in piping, plumbing, HVAC, geotechnical, mechanical, electrical and environmental detailing. Bruce enjoys running, biking, competing in triathlons, and spending time with his wife, Nancy.

Please stop by and give our new employees a UMC welcome!

### **Project Spotlight**

**General Chemical** in Tacoma, owned by Pioneer Chemical, has contracted with us to salvage chlorine manufacturing equipment we installed in 1988. We will be responsible for crating it for shipment and removing it to a warehouse awaiting final shipment to the purchaser. The process equipment includes tanks, vessels and reaction cells, and will require about thirty trailer loads to move it all. This two-month project is being well led by **Will Welsch**.

### Congratulations!!

**Steve Brooks** and Jenny Walther said their "I do's" on August 5th, 2005 at the University Christian Church. The newlyweds honeymooned on the northwest coast of Costa Rica on the tropical beaches of Guanacaste. They spent their days relaxing on the beach, hiked up into the Rincon National Park and rode horseback through the jungle. The evenings were filled with watching the sunsets on the Pacific. Sounds like a perfect beginning!

Mary Pakinas did it again! At the Evergreen Fair (Monroe), Mary received 2 merit awards (better than first) 4 - first place, and 2, second place ribbons for her Baking. The two merits were for her Snowballs and Almond Roca.

Mary, maybe you should bring in lots of samples of those award-winning baked goods! We would like to taste first hand!!

She also received 1 - second place and 2 - third place ribbons in the Photography category.

Congrats Mary!

## **UMC Golf Tournament**

# The UMC golf tournament is just around the corner – Don't miss out!

Where: Harbour Pointe Golf Club

When: Sept. 11, modified shotgun start at 7:30 a.m.

Golf Tournament will be followed by a BBQ luncheon at the Corporate Office from noon to 2 p.m. – family members are welcome!

Contact Dean Petterson at (206) 368-6246 or at deanp@umci.com with the following information:

- Name
- Handicap or average score for 18 holes
- How many kids and adults will be attending the BBQ

#### **UMC Picnic**

# LAST CALL!

The picnic will be tomorrow!, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Blyth Park, Bothell Don't miss out on all the fun by not signing up!

Please contact Lisa Bigler at 368-6969 or at <u>lisakb@umci.com</u> and sign up today! For driving directions, click on the link:

http://pipeline.umci.com/intra/temporary/picnic\_driving\_directions.pdf

#### **Quotable Leader**

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

# Safety Tip

# Fire Extinguisher Safety:

## **Types of Fires**

Class A

Combustible material such as paper and wood

#### Class B

Fires involving flammable liquids such as gasoline, paint, diesel fuel or solvents

#### Class C

Fires started in electrical equipment by arching or overheating

## Class D

Fires involving combustible metal powders, flakes or shavings

# Types of Fire Extinguishers

Extinguishers are classified by the type fire they are used for, **A - B - C or D.** Some extinguishers are Combination types such as **A-B-C** or **B-C.** All extinguishers have a classification label.

# **Using a Fire Extinguisher**

#### P-A-S-S

Pull the pin
Aim at base of fire
Squeeze the handle
Sweep from side to side

## **Smart Safety Rules**

- Stand 6 to 8 feet away from the fire.
- Use an extinguisher ONLY if you have been trained to use it.
- Fire Extinguishers are for small fires in the early stages.
- Know where fire extinguishers are located.
- Never place a pressurized fire extinguisher upright unless you are holding it if it falls over the nozzle can break off.
- All fire extinguishers should have an inspection tag and a trigger seal and a pin.
- After use, do not put a fire extinguishers back on its mounting it must be refilled before being returned to its location.

If you have any questions, please ask Jim Schick or Brian Van in our safety department.