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=== UMC NEWSBLAST ====

Star Performer of the Month: Paul Donahue

This month's star performer is Paul Donohue of the Service Group. Paul exemplifies our core values of Teamwork & Performance. Paul's duties as a Service Group Project Manager require that he work very closely with all groups within our company. Paul works diligently to provide a very high level of technical coordination for Service work on Commercial Projects as well as being completely responsible for all Service Projects. Paul is currently managing the first Turbocor Compressor retrofit in Washington at Microsoft Bldg# 8. Congratulations Paul & keep up the good work.

Ring the Bell!

Congratulations to our **Industrial team** for bringing in 2 bids for the **Everett Water Pollution Project**. The packages are a \$.5M Mechanical package put together by **Jim Carlson** as well as a \$9M Process Mechanical package assembled by the Industrial Group. Great work!

A UMC Welcome!

Owen Welling joined UMC on 5/31 as a Project Engineer after recently completing a 2-year mission for his church. Prior to that he worked for Bechtel Construction as a Piping Field Engineer on power projects in California and New York. Owen graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Montana State University. He enjoys winter sports, mountain-biking and hiking and comes from a rural upbringing in Colorado & Montana. He is currently working onsite at the Bellevue City Hall project. Welcome aboard Owen!

Project Spotlight - The Cosmopolitan

Joe Gehr gives us the following update: Things are just getting started with Mark Stenson as General Foreman and Shaun Cavanaugh as Foreman on the dry side. Cosmopolitan (formally known as Century Tower) is a 33-story residential condo building. Once completed, it will be the tallest residential building in Seattle with level 1 being retail/mixed use, levels 2 through 8 will be parking and level 9 will feature a sauna, spa and other amenities as well as 5 condo units. Level 10 through 33 are condos only, with 31, 32 and 33 being the large upper-end units with balconies.

We are the full mechanical contractor, including performing in-house sheetmetal. This is the first project we have done where the outside air, range exhaust and makeup air ductwork are placed in the concrete floor slab. Plastic pipe is utilized for domestic and hot water, which is also in the slab. We are currently installing underground waste, vent and underslab drainage, with sheetmetal detailing starting at the end of June and installation starting mid-August. Once floor pours start, they will pour a floor a week which requires all our HVAC, plumbing and heating work to be installed on time within that week as well. This is a design-build project, which will reach maximum workload in mid March '06 with completion by the end of 2006.

UMC Charitable Foundation Award

UMC was nominated and won the award for **Volunteerism** from the **Association of Washington Business** for "Recognizing Outstanding Volunteerism and Contributions That Make Our Communities Better Places To Live and Work". Doug Smith attended the awards banquet in Spokane and accepted our award.

Check out our framed award located on the second floor display area as well as the press release and award acceptance photo at http://pipeline.umci.com/intra/temporary/university.jpg and http://pipeline.umci.com/intra/temporary/university_award_release_2005_05_253.pdf Thanks to all of you who give so much to support so many important causes!

Quotable Leader

When you have got an elephant by the hind leg, and he is trying to run away, it's best to let him run.

-Abraham Lincoln

Dates to Remember

The year is moving along all too quickly! We have several company events coming up, so please mark your calendar for the following:

UMC Company Picnic – Saturday, August 27

UMC Golf Tournament – Sunday, September 11

Halloween Party – Friday, October 28

Santa Party – Thursday, December 15

Holiday Party – Saturday, January 14, 2006

<u>Safety Tip – Confined Spaces</u>

Smart Safety Rules

- 1. Know what you're getting into
- 2. Control all hazards before entry
- 3. Use Entry Permit & Procedures
- 4. Do not enter without permission, proper training & equipment
- 5. Understand the additional hazards of the work you will be doing
- 6. Immediately exit if any conditions change
- 7. Entry Attendant, Supervisor and Rescue Services must be available for entry into Permit Required Spaces

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