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RAC wins ABC Merit Awards

Roy Anderson Corp was awarded three Mississippi Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Merit Awards in their annual competition. Through this program, the Mississippi ABC honors contractors whose work exemplifies a high degree of quality. Entries were judged by the Mississippi State University School of Architecture on a basis of difficulty of construction, unusual features, contract time, budget, safety, and quality of construction.

AND THE WINNERS ARE:

Gulfport Yacht Club—Gulfport, MS. Located at the Port of Gulfport, this 19,000 sq. ft. building contains meeting rooms, a large private restaurant with full bar, and a dramatic ballroom with cathedral ceilings overlook-



ing the seascape of the Gulfport Harbor, all of which is perched above a large deck. This cast-in-place concrete structure with steel superstructure vaults more than 70 feet above sea level to culminate in a cupola which encompasses 24 windows whose ambient light can be seen for miles away. The roof structure itself has opposing dormers and vaulted arched windows that bathe the interior with natural light during the day. The exterior is enclosed with cement board siding for durability. The Gulfport Yacht Club posed special challenges because of its location on a point of land with little staging area anywhere nearby. This was further complicated by the

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fact the Yacht Club was still operating on the same property throughout the construction schedule. With small children taking sailing or swimming classes literally circulating around the construction zone, there were unique safety concerns. The contract time was 365 days which seemed ample at the beginning, but completing the project around the events at the height of the sailing season required extra effort from all participants. With constant communication and mutual cooperation, we were able to complete the project on-time within the Yacht Club's budget. The most outstanding feature of the completed project is the quality of workmanship exhibited in every facet of the building's finishes.

Air Cargo Facility—Gulfport, MS. Construction of this 51,000 sq. ft. air cargo facility along side of a runway at the Gulfport/Biloxi International Airport includes 20,000 sq. ft. of cold cargo space, 20,000 sq. ft. of dry cargo and sorting space, 5,000 sq. ft. of support space, and 6,600 sq. ft. of 2-story office space. This structural steel building with Centria metal panel skin has a thermoplastic membrane roofing system. This unique facility features a state of the art fumigation system centered around two air-tight, stainless steel lined cargo containers.



In lieu of releasing the used methyl bromide gas into the atmosphere as similar facilities do, this one of a kind system features a methyl bromide recovery system designed to recapture the gas used during the fumigation process and

allows for safe disposal of the recaptured gas. Air-side access from the runway system was designed with safety and efficiency in mind.

The ramp can facilitate two MD11s or DC10s or one B747. The secure



side of the building accommodates the United States Customs Service inspection stations and a drive-through x-ray. The cold storage area is designed to maintain a temperature of 40 degrees and has two separate facilities for seafood and lettuce storage. The land-side of the facility serves commercial freight trucks via seven sealed dock bays allowing 24/7 all weather importing or exporting of goods. Another unique feature is the foundation pile system. The piles are Displacement Rammed Aggregate Piers approximately 10' in depth, in lieu of 65' deep auger cast piles. No concrete or reinforcing steel was used in these piers; only compacted limestone. This was a low-cost, time efficient alternate allowing timely completion of the foundation.

South Beach Resort and Spa—Biloxi, MS. This 147,325 square foot project consists of 101 residences on 9-floors boasting quaint floor plans from 460 square foot to 1,385 square foot with contemporary finishes and private terraces. The South Beach Resort and Spa project features cutting edge design and vibrant colors which provides a retro feel reminiscent of South Beach, Miami. The exterior of the structure features a crisp, white stucco finish which provides contrast to the blue

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RAC Breaks Ground on NOLA School

A ground breaking ceremony was held on October 9, 2008 for the 3-story, 173,208 square foot Lake Area High School in New Orleans, LA. The first floor will contain a media center, full kitchen with dining facility, choir room, band room, drama room and dance room. The second floor will contain a gymnasium, locker rooms, fitness / weight training room, science



labs, academic classrooms, special education classrooms and administration offices. The third floor will contain more academic classrooms, special education classrooms and science labs as well as ROTC classrooms, a yearbook room and student council room. Completion is scheduled for October 1, 2009.



NOTEABLE PROJECTS



Salmen High School
— Slidell, LA



St. Stanislaus College Dining Hall
— Bay St. Louis, MS



Langston Hughes Elementary School
— New Orleans, LA

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impact resistant glass windows and glazed mosaic tile. The first two levels provide 30 parking spaces as well as warm and inviting elevator lobbies which readily welcome guests to the property. The third level includes a spacious sun deck area featuring a cabana bar, club room, café, and an exercise room. The kitchens of the luxury condominium units include granite countertops complimented with espresso stained wood cabinets and stainless steel appliances. The bedrooms are complete with frosted glass doors and lush floor treatments. The upscale bathrooms are designed with beautiful granite countertops, contemporary espresso stained open vanity cabinets that complement the tile bath and shower surrounds. The reinforced concrete and masonry structure rises to a height of 99'-6", lending itself to be a benchmark of Biloxi beachfront construction. This project was completed on schedule and under budget. The completion of the South Beach Resort and Spa is a major milestone for all Biloxi beachfront projects as it is the first condominium to break ground and be completed since Hurricane Katrina ravaged the Gulf Coast.



SAFETY...It's the Lifeline of our Business

Roy Anderson Corp won the following safety awards at the Mississippi Associated Builders and Contractors Merit and Safety Banquet held on Friday, November 7, 2008, in Jackson, MS:

GOLD LEVEL AWARD

In recognition of Roy Anderson Corp's achievements in creating a safe workplace and our continued efforts in the development of a sound safety program.

STEP PLATINUM AWARD

ABC's highest level of excellence in construction safety is recognized by the Platinum Award. Applicants submit safety records which are graded against the highest construction industry safety standards. Applicants must achieve ABC's Safety Training and Evaluation Process (STEP) Program Gold Level for two consecutive years to be eligible for this Platinum Award.

Pictured L-R: Kurt Lunstrum—Senior Project Manager, Stephen Koenenn—Project Manager, Dick Ayres—Safety Director, Debbie Bermond—Vice President, Human Resources, Gina Dambrino Davis—Director of Marketing, Mark McDaniel—Vice President, Operations, Chris Smith—Project Engineer, Doug Johns—Project Engineer.



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