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Penzel Project Wins 2007 State Preservation Award

The Missouri Alliance for Historic Preservation (Missouri Preservation) annually honors individuals, groups and organizations that have contributed to the preservation of Missouri's historic resources. Awards are given to outstanding projects in commercial and residential rehabilitation, neighborhood revitalization, landscape protection and archaeology.

On March 8th, at the State Capitol Rotunda in Jefferson City, Missouri, The Southeast Missourian Building renovation was honored with a Preserve Missouri Award. The project won acclaim for preserving architectural and historic integrity while fully renovating an 81-year-old Spanish Colonial-style building. Along with the owners, the Rust Family, and the architects, Kiku Obata, Penzel Construction Company was recognized as the project's contractor.

Restoration work encompassed the entire structure and included renewal of a tin ceiling, restoration of an office space that had been turned into a conference room, and reestablishing the original main entrance that had been closed off. Bay windows on the front façade, which had been removed, were meticulously reconstructed. Numerous missing items required hand-crafted replacements, including ceramic tiles, woodturnings, cast composite ornaments and wood trim. In addition, the project created a spacious and invigorating working environment, with a more efficient infrastructure.

The Southeast Missourian renovation also won the Preservation of Heritage Award this past spring from Old Town Cape, Cape Girardeau's downtown merchants association.



Signature Packaging & Paper Company's new Jackson, Missouri, facility.

Signature Packaging In Production

After less than four months of construction, Signature Packaging & Paper Company is manufacturing corrugated boxes from its new 84,700-square foot facility, design-built by Penzel Construction Company. Site work started on October 2, 2006, with substantial completion taking place on January 26, 2007. Mitch Robinson, executive director of the Cape Girardeau Area MAGNET economic development organization, says, "I don't know if Penzel Construction put the building up in record-breaking time, but it was pretty fast."

Signature is a full-service packaging firm (concept to delivery), with specialized point-of-purchase capabilities. Servicing a customer base within a 300-mile radius, the company provides packaging to Procter & Gamble paper products, Nordenia U.S.A., and other companies in the region. Jackson's proximity to P&G was the key to Signature locating here. Production is ramped up with one full shift operational; a second shift will be starting up this summer as production demands dictate.

"Penzel came through in the pinch, and in a very short period of time they made it happen," says Signature president/CEO Dennis Vinson. "Penzel's personnel were great to work with; they had a job to do, and they did it. It is very refreshing doing business with a group of people like that. They give you a genuine feeling of caring. We need more of that in business today."

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Project Updates

- The **High School Campus Development** for Jackson School District is on schedule, with work progressing on the Phase I addition to Jackson High School. Demolition and additions to the auditorium building are underway through the summer and will be complete before school starts. Oklahoma Street is being removed, regraded, and new concrete poured with a right turn lane added for additional egress out of the area. Work is progressing on the rest of the building. We anticipate the new gymnasium to be complete by December 1st. When the project is done, the new structures and existing high school buildings will be brought together under one roof with a gross floor area of approximately 110,000 square feet. Penzel's project superintendent is David Mirgeaux and Howard Hemmann is our project manager. We appreciate all the hard work our employees, material suppliers and subcontractors have performed on this project.
- **Advance School Renovations** involves demolition of the old administrative building, constructed in 1949, and the construction of approximately 10,000 square feet of new space for administrative needs, kitchen area, classrooms and protected walkways for the students. This fast-tracked project was bid on January 23rd, awarded on February 6th, and Penzel started work on February 19th. Completion is scheduled for August 18th, prior to the start of the new school year. David Conrad is the project

superintendent, with Ryan Holder the assistant superintendent and Howard Hemmann serving as project manager. Special thanks to all the workers, subcontractors and material suppliers who are helping meet the tight construction schedule. We sincerely appreciate all your hard work.

- **Wood and Huston Bank's** new 5,000-square-foot Jackson facility is located on East Jackson Boulevard. Construction started in early spring and an October completion is anticipated. Penzel provided the design-build services for the project. Luke Miget is the project manager and Tim Johnston is site superintendent.
- **The Bank of Missouri's** new facility is well underway. This 4,000-square-foot project is projected for completion in September and will provide easy access when the new I-55 interchange is completed. Penzel is the design-build contractor for this, the Bank of Missouri's second Jackson location. Luke Miget is the project manager and Bob Sachse is the site superintendent.
- **OB-GYN Specialists of Southeast Missouri** is a new physicians' office with almost 13,000 square feet. The project should be complete in November. The project manager is Luke Miget and the

site superintendent is Jack Conklin, Jr.

- **Christ Church of the Heartland** in Cape Girardeau is progressing. Phases I and II are scheduled for completion in August, and will add 24,000 square feet to the existing structure. Luke Miget is the project manager and Dennis Ward is the site superintendent.



- **Route 34 Phase II** began May 15, 2006. The project involves widening the existing roadway and includes staged bridge construction. Storm sewers, curb and gutter, driveways and concrete paved approaches are complete. Estimated project completion is late summer, prior to the start of school. Dave Conrad is

the superintendent and Mike Williams is the project manager.

- The **AECI project** involves fly ash silo modifications at the New Madrid Missouri Power Plant. A new walkway and door into two existing silos will be added, along with modifications of the silo interiors to create sloping walls for the smoother flow of materials. Silo #1 is complete; the concrete step footings, gunite, and structural steel were completed April 25th. AECI started filling Silo #1 with ash May 7th. Work began on Silo #2 at the end of May. Paul Koeper is the project manager and Jack Conklin, Jr. is the site superintendent.

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