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Established in 1910



An architect's rendering of the Lady Luck Casino.

Luck Be A Lady Tonight

Penzel Construction Company is presently involved in a renovation project for the pavilion building at Lady Luck Casino in Caruthersville, Missouri. Initially constructed in 1995, Penzel was the pavilion's original builder for Aztar Corporation. The property was acquired by Isle of Capri Casinos in March 2007, and marked a significant milestone in the implementation of Isle's business plan when the former Casino Aztar was rebranded as the company's first Lady Luck casino in June 2008. The reintroduction of the Lady Luck brand was part of the firm's new strategic plan.

Isle of Capri Casinos, Inc., founded in 1992, currently operates 18 casino

properties in six states across the U.S., as well as international venues in the Caribbean and England. Lady Luck Casino is a 21,000-square-foot riverboat casino located in Caruthersville. The riverboat itself, named *City of Caruthersville*, is located on the Mississippi River, and is connected to the pavilion by a skywalk, which serves as an entry point for customers. The building houses a restaurant with banquet facilities, specialty food stations, a casual "grill & go" bar, as well as a large, local tavern and screened back porch.

"Our team has enjoyed working closely with Penzel, as well as our other vendors and contractors, to design and

build a comfortable, casual entertainment destination built by local craftsmen and women for the local community. When the project is finished, everyone who worked on the renovation will be proud to stop by for a great meal, play a few games and show off their handiwork," said Paul Keller, senior vice president and chief development officer.

The project features many beautiful and unique finishes and was designed by Kuhlmann *design* Group based in St. Louis. Project managers were Mark Beck for Kuhlmann *design* Group, John Beasley for Isle of Capri, and Glen Hinkebein for Penzel. Jobsite superintendent was Bob Sachse.

Prominent Southeast Missouri Architect Passes

A venerable icon in the Southeast Missouri construction industry passed away on October 1, 2008, at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center. He was 81 years old.

Harold to some, Mr. Porterfield to most, was a fixture on the local architectural scene longer than most of us can remember. He began his architectural career after moving to Poplar Bluff in early 1950. In 1963, he started his own architectural firm, which later became known as H.R. Porterfield, Architect, specializing in education and commercial facilities. Of the more than 1,000 buildings he designed throughout southeast Missouri and northeast Arkansas, he was especially proud of the Black River Coliseum, the Tinnin Fine Arts Center, the Administration Building and the Bess Student Activity Center on the campus of Three Rivers Community College, the Poplar Bluff Chamber of Commerce building and First Community Bank.

Porterfield was the designer of numerous buildings in area school districts, including Farmington, New Madrid, Bonne Terre, Dexter, Campbell, Bismarck, Oran and Poplar Bluff. For more than 40 years, he offered his clients the very best in design and never tired of the excitement and challenge of "the next project."

Those who knew him respected him, appreciated him and will sorely miss him. Penzel Construction Company's employees offer his family our prayers.



H.R. Porterfield

—Glen Hinkebein

Since 1910...

We provide comprehensive preconstruction and construction services—from competitive estimates and proven project management to seasoned supervision, as well as strong relationships with subcontractors who get the job done...right.

Previous generations built an outstanding reputation, passing it on to the present family owners of Penzel Construction Company, Inc. Although we were established nearly 100 years ago, Penzel is a modern, forward-looking company and a technological leader in the industry. Our strong record of success speaks for itself... just ask some of our clients.

Project Updates

Several highway projects were recently completed, including the following:

- **Route 72** widening project between Jackson and Patton is finished. Penzel completed work in association with Apex Paving on this **MODOT** project. Dave Conrad was the project superintendent.
- The **Route 25 – Dunklin Country project** was completed as scheduled. Mike Williams was the project superintendent.
- **County Road 620 bridge replacement** for the **Cape Special Road District** has wrapped up.



- Penzel Construction was awarded the \$1.04 million **Route 72 – Madison County** project on October 29. Construction started on the new 107-foot, single span concrete girder bridge on December 8, with a Fall 2009 completion anticipated. Work includes a temporary bypass and bridge, clearing and grubbing, earthwork, paving, guardrail, construction signing and other miscellaneous items.

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