

Great Falls Orthopedic Institute Completed

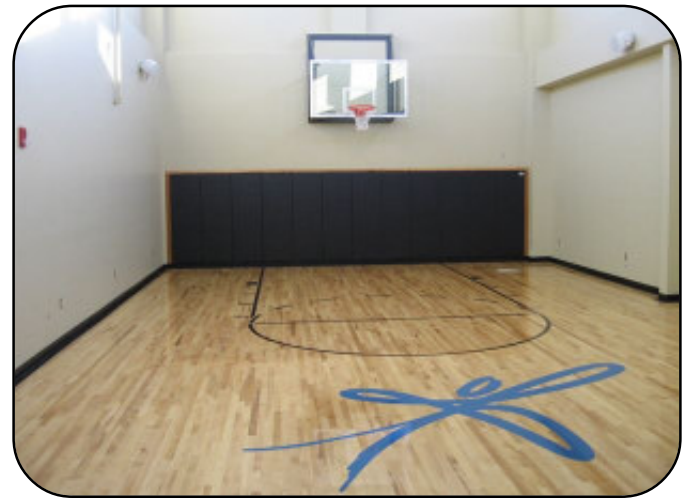
This past month, the Sletten Northern Building Division turned the Great Falls Orthopedic Institute over to the owners, BBB LLL and Benefis Health Care System of Great Falls.



The 70,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility was designed by L'Heureux Page Werner Architects, Great Falls, Montana. Jim Page was the project architect.

The two-story facility will house doctors' offices, examination rooms, a gymnasium, a rehabilitation area, MRI facility, day-surgery prep and recovery rooms, an x-ray room, an administration and reception area, and a two-story interior water feature.

The Sletten project team was Wes Jackson, pre-construction services; Matt Laughlin, superintendent; Pete Schultz, project manager.



Congratulations to the owners of the Great Falls Orthopedic Institute. Your new facility is a great asset to our community. Thank you for selecting Sletten for your construction services.

Photos by Pete Schultz

Expansion of Ambulatory Care at VA Medical Center, Cheyenne, Wyoming

by Steve Lamar

Sletten Wyoming has been selected to be the design-build contractor for the addition project for the Cheyenne VA Medical Center.

The project will consist of an approximately 23,000 SF (Design-Build) addition to the existing VA Medical Center. Currently we are progressing to the 60% design submittal (tentative submittal April 29, 2010) to the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

Per the Request for Proposal, the new addition will be a single-story structure with a second level mechanical penthouse, constructed with conventional spread footings, slab-on-grade, structural steel framing with an exterior veneer brick finish to match the existing buildings.

Notice to Proceed for the design portion of the project was issued on February 26, 2010 with ground breaking in mid-July, 2010 and construction to be completed in August 2011. Design and construction costs have been established at a value of \$5,500,000.

CTA Architects & Engineers, Billings, Montana are providing the design services.

Bridges on I-90 Started

The Montana Department of Transportation awarded the Sletten Bridge Division a \$10,192,000 contract for the construction of two new bridges and the MRL tunnel crossing the Montana Rail Link line on Interstate 90 near Bozeman, Montana.

Both bridges are three-span, 430 feet long with a 39 foot wide roadway. Construction for the bridges is concrete footings and piers, steel plate girders and concrete decks.

The MRL tunnel is 30 feet wide and 151 feet long. Construction for the tunnel is cast-in-place concrete wing walls and tunnel walls with a precast concrete vaulted ceiling.

A total of 2800 cubic yards of concrete will be formed and placed for the project. The project requires placing 300 tons of rebar.

The Sletten management team is Don Charters, superintendent and Chad Mares, project manager. The MDOT project manager is Jim Day.



The old and the new Lightning Creek Bridges

Photo by Jim Wickens

Wal-Mart Projects for Phoenix Office

by Sandra Richardson, Marketing Director

Sletten Construction of Arizona was selected as the general contractor for two Wal-Mart remodel projects. The first is in Surprise, Arizona and includes remodeling 229,541 square feet with a contract value of \$1,185,071. The project team includes Kasey Richardson, project manager; Ashley Farmer, project engineer; and Jerry and Jeff Stafford, superintendents.

The second project consists of remodeling 195,395 square feet for the Wal-Mart Store in Show Low, Arizona with a contract value of \$1,584,457. The team on this project consists of Kasey Richardson, project manager; Ashley Farmer, project engineer; and Will Zarlengo and Jack Richardson, superintendents.

Fort Hall Justice Center

by Jason Osterburg

On February 16, 2010, the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of Fort Hall, Idaho, the Boise-based Sletten crew of Patrick Gilliam, Jason Osterburg, Nick Farley, Ron Hagen, Russ Valline, Erik Sletten and several Idaho political representatives, celebrated the completion of the Sho-Ban Tribal Justice Center, in unique cultural fashion.



The Grand Opening celebration kicked off first thing in the morning with a Sunrise Dedication Ceremony and Prayer complete with spiritual fire,

song and drum, followed throughout the day with an open house that drew more than 750 visitors, and finished off with one last dedication prayer and drum session complete with an Ash Ceremony... that posed the threat of triggering the Fire Alarm system... needless to say we were kept on our toes.



Photos by Jason Osterburg

The combined Police/Detention/Tribal Court Facility is the first of its kind regionally and has been on the tribes' wish list for over 16 years. It is an important milestone for the tribe, as it will allow them to efficiently manage internal judicial and correctional programs as well as house their growing police forces.

The entire program will help to ensure that future generations will have a safe environment in which to live, learn and grow up. We are pleased to have been a part of something so significant.

Lyon County Detention Facility Construction Manager at Risk

by Sandra Richardson, Marketing Director

Sletten Construction of Nevada, Inc. was selected as the Construction Manager at Risk for the new 45,000 square foot Lyon County Detention Facility in Yerington, Nevada. The new facility will include a 160-256 bed housing pod, reception area, sally port, booking area, medical, kitchen, laundry and commissary.

The project team includes Tony Ewalt, senior project manager; Troy Young, project manager; Mike Collins, general superintendent; and Josh Guisti, on-site superintendent. The construction budget for the project is approximately \$16,000,000. The owner is the Lyon County Board of County Commissioners and the architect is Clemons, Rutherford and Associates.

Projects In Progress

MCLAUGHLIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Great Falls, Montana
Architect: L'Heureux Page Werner
Superintendent: Mike Lewis
Project Manager: Cliff Garness

SOUTHWEST WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY

Henderson, Nevada
Engineer: CH2M Hill
CM: Carollo
Superintendent: Tim Farmer, Keven Blankers
Project Managers: Robb Ellis, Rob Balock
Assistant PMs: Matt Schumacher, Rich Lindsey

WEST CAREER & TECH CENTER

Las Vegas Nevada
Architect: Pugsley Simpson Coulter
Superintendents: Rick Woodward, Josh Guisti
Project Managers: Dane Carter, Neal Darlington, Matt McCullough, Kraig Kuglin, Brad Wood

LIGHTNING CREEK BRIDGE

Clark Fork, Idaho
Engineer: Idaho Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Don Charters
Project Manager: Russ Robertson

MISSOURI RIVER MANOR

Great Falls, Montana
Architect: Bob Fox
Superintendent: Eric Flinn
Project Manager: Ron Lucero

PINNACLE BANK

Cody, Wyoming
Architect: CTA
Superintendent: Loren Tope
Project Manager: Casey Waltari

CENTRAL CITY BUS TERMINAL

Las Vegas, Nevada
Architect: SH Architecture
Superintendent: Curtis Terry
Project Manager: John Jones

HENDERSON DETENTION ADDITION

Henderson, Nevada
Architect: Durrant Group
Superintendent: Dave Hanson
Project Manager: Tony Ewalt

HILLTOP WWTP

Kingman, Arizona
Engineer: Brown & Caldwell
Superintendent: Earl Heddleston
Project Manager: Dave Eisenbeis

BAINVILLE EAST & WEST

Bainville, Montana
Engineer: Montana Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Jason Plouffe
Project Manager: Wade Robertson

BENEFIS KITCHEN REMODEL

Great Falls, Montana
Architect: CTA
Superintendent: Lindon Chagnon
Project Manager: Mike Guelff

DOVER BRIDGE

Sandpoint, Idaho
Engineer: Idaho Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Kip Harris
Project Manager: Jim Wickens

MUDDY CREEK BRIDGE

Bynum, Montana
Engineer: Montana Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Rich Potter
Project Manager: Jim Wickens

BENEFIS WEST CAMPUS REMODEL

Great Falls, Montana
Architect: CTA
Superintendent: Dan Shanahan
Project Manager: Mike Guelff

GLENDIVE I-94 BRIDGES REHAB

Glendive, Montana
Engineer: Montana Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Steve Cahill
Project Managers: Jim Wickens, Russ Robertson

RETRO FIT HOUSING UNIT (CMAR)

High Desert Prison, Nevada
Architect: Arlington-Watkins
Superintendent: Frank Tuss
Project Manager: Tony Ewalt

BUTTE INTERSTATE BRIDGES

Butte, Montana
Engineer: Montana Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Dan Frank
Project Manager: Russ Robertson

HARLEM BRIDGE

Harlem, Montana
Engineer: Montana Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Jason Plouffe
Project Manager: Chad Mares

CULBERTSON SCHOOL SITE WORK

Culbertson, Montana
Architect: Bauer Group
Suprintendent: Ken Hagemann
Project Manager: Cliff Garness

CULBERTSON SCHOOL NEW ENTRY

Culbertson, Montana
Architect: Bauer Group
Superintendent: Linder Hanks
Project Manager: Cliff Garness

ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REMODEL

Boise, Idaho
Architect: Hutchinson, Smith
Superintendent: Jerry Hine
Project Manager: Ron Hagen

MONTANA RAIL LINK BRIDGES

Bozeman, Montana
Engineer: Montana Department of Transportation
Superintendent: Don Charters
Project Manager: Chad Mares

VA AMBULATORY CARE ADDITION

Cheyenne, Wyoming
Architect: CTA
Superintendent:
Project Manager:

LYON COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY (CM)

Yerington, Nevada
Architect: Clemons, Rutherford and Associates
Superintendent: Mike Collins, Josh Guisti
Project Managers: Tony Ewalt, Troy Young

WALMART REMODEL

Show Low, Arizona
Architect: Raymond, Harris & Associates
Superintendents: Will Zarfengo, Jack Richardson
Project Manager: Kasey Richardson

WALMART REMODEL

Ephrata, Washington
Architect: Harrison-French & Associates
Superintendents: John Hanson, Patrick Gilliam
Project Manager: Nick Farley

Employee News

by Michelle Cohens

TRENT URWILLER, BEN HUBBARD and JAKE THIEL from the Sletten Wyoming Division undertook a volunteer project for the Powell Valley Healthcare facility (PVHC). PVHC has a free medical clinic to benefit low income individuals. Just outside of this facility was a sidewalk in such disrepair that there had actually been an accident by one of the people visiting the clinic. PVHC contacted us to ask if Sletten could help with a quick fix. Trent, Ben and Jake devised a plan to remove and replace the problem concrete over the weekend at no cost to PVHC.

Congratulations to GLEN MARQUEZ, Jr. and wife JENNIFER. MIA JADE was born on February 25, she weighed 7 lbs. and was 18 1/2" long. Big brother NOAH is enjoying his little sister, and all are doing well.

During a recent trip to Scottsdale, crane operator / superintendent DON "Ralf" PINION was reported to be performing on stage at a local watering hole. This event was captured on film. Ralf was reported to have stated "If this crane operating thing don't work out I'm ready to start my Country/Western career". Best of luck to you Ralf, we wish we had the audio.

Cody Office Assistant, ARIEL BURT, and her husband, BRAD, had a baby boy on February 16. His name is PATRICK LEE, and he is welcomed by his older brother, Karson Burt. All are doing very well! Grandma SUZETTE is very happy and proud!

Congratulations to BEN HUBBARD, JUDY LIPPEL and MICHELLE COHENS for the award of the Edmunson Scholarship, an ESOP scholarship. Each is able to attend an ESOP Association conference in 2010.

DAN EDEN is looking forward to attending the FIFA World Cup in South Africa in June. We are certain to have a colorful recap of his experience.

We want to wish VIOLET STANPHILL a happy retirement! Violet has been dedicated to Sletten in the accounts payable/payroll department since 1983. Enjoy the next chapter!

JUDY LIPPEL is filling Violet's shoes. Judy has worked in Sletten's accounts payable department for 14 years; please help make her transition as smooth as possible.

We send our condolences to the family of MARVIN MERKEL, a senior superintendent. Marv had given over 30 years to Sletten. Marv was involved in an accident on April 4. He will be deeply missed.



Looking Back

Twenty years ago at this time of the year, Sletten Construction activities were varied and scattered throughout the West. The company had a total of twenty-six projects in various stages of construction.

Sletten Nevada had several projects under construction. A few of those were:

- Jacobson Elementary School, designed by JMA. Tim Malone was the project superintendent.
- Lunt Elementary School, JMA Architects; Bob Cereck was the project superintendent
- T. J. Maxx Distribution Center. Dave Hanson was the project superintendent.
- Lynch School, another JMA Design with Roger Sands, superintendent.
- Green Valley High School. Ben Deleo was the superintendent and the architect was Tate-Snyder.

The Sletten Industrial Division had three projects under construction.

- Tempe Water Reclamation Facility. Paul Robinson was the project manager. The facility was designed by Greely-Hanson.
- The Great Falls Water Treatment Addition which was near completion. TD&H were the design engineers and Bert Brown was the project superintendent.
- Sun Dog Waste Water Treatment Plant in Prescott, Arizona. Keith Ferguson was the superintendent; design services by Black & Veatch.

The Sletten Northern Building Division had two projects underway.

- Columbus Hospital Surgery Addition. Ron Lucero was the superintendent and Hessler-Bray provided the design services.
- Malmstrom AFB Health Care Facility was being built for the U.S. Corps of Engineers. Bob Nelson was the project superintendent on this facility.

The Phoenix area office had three large projects under construction.

- The Chemistry & Bioscience Building for the University of Arizona at Tucson was in the early stages of construction. Designed by Anderson, DeBartolo, Pan Inc.; Ron Chamberlain was the project superintendent.
- The dormitory for the Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff was being built with Chuck Hogeland as superintendent. Design services were provided by NBBJ Gresham Larson.
- The Paradise Valley High School Campus was eight months into construction. The \$27.4 million complex was designed by Hickman-Schafer-Turley & Beck. The Sletten project team consisted of Craig Felts, Dave Eisenbeis, Ron Chamberlain and Ray Richardson.

Safety

by Tom Morano

This year at the annual Las Vegas meeting in March, the Dahlman Award was given to the SWWRF Industrial Project in Henderson, Nevada. The project had worked 186,360 man-hours with only one reportable incident in 2009. Superintendent awards were handed out to Tim Farmer and Keven Blankers for a project over 60,000 man-hours, Woody Woodward and Josh Guisti for a project 40,000 to 60,000 man-hours, Lynn Coles 20,000 to 40,000 man hours and Quentin Reed for 0 to 20,000 man-hours.

Thanks to everyone for their hard work and commitment to keep our projects safe.

Employee of the Quarter

The second quarter Employee of the Quarter winner is Christy Simmons. Christy has been the Phoenix Division's Office Manager since January 2009. She continually strives to become more efficient, simplify processes, and assist employees and clients by meeting their needs. Her efforts are recognized and appreciated. Congratulations Christy!

Immaculate Conception Church

This past month, the Sletten Northern Building Division completed the Immaculate Conception Church at Wolf Point, Montana.

The architectural firm of L'Heureux Page Werner provided design services for the church.

Construction for the church is slab-on-grade, wood frame, cement board siding, glulam roof structure with asphalt shingles. The interior finish is drywall and paint with slate tile floors.

The Sletten Construction team was Linder Hanks and Ken Hagemann, superintendents; Cliff Garness, project manager. The project architect was Tim Peterson.



Immaculate Conception Church

Photo by Linder Hanks

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