

## Member Milestones

Michael J. Faron, **W.E. O'Neil Construction Company** Chairman, received the Award of Honor from the Chicago Building Congress during a reception October 15. The award recognizes an outstanding leader yearly for major contributions to the construction industry. The lifetime award identifies the accomplishments of a productive career. The Association values Mike's commitment to the construction industry and salutes him on thirty years of excellence.

**W.E. O'Neil Construction Company** is providing preconstruction services for the \$700 million University of Chicago Medical Center's New Hospital Pavilion. The building will include technology for both patient care and clinical research. The New Hospital Pavilion will connect to both the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital and the Duchossois Center for Advanced Medicine. Construction for the 1.2 million square foot building will begin in 2009 and the hospital will open for patients in 2012.

**James McHugh Construction Company** recently completed \$25 million in upgrades to Hotel Allegro. McHugh also worked on the building's major rehabilitation in the late 1990s. McHugh removed and replaced the hotel's antiquated mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems and provided design-build services. The baths were completely rebuilt and the rooms revamped with new fixtures, furnishings and equipment.

**James McHugh Construction Company** completed the 92nd floor of the Trump Tower. In three years, McHugh has poured 180,000 cubic yards of concrete-20,000 truckloads-and laid 25,000 tons of steel. McHugh introduced to the United States a three-story-tall windscreen that provided protection from cold and winds. In September crews were slated to begin work on attaching the spire that will cause the building to reach a height of 1,362 feet, making it the second tallest building in Chicago.

**Opus North** announced it has started construction on the Cicero Business Center. The 550,000-square-foot industrial development will bring modern warehouse facilities to a location that has experienced little industrial development. The center will include two buildings resting on 28 acres at 16th Street and 54th Avenue. Each building will include parking for over 100, 30 docks, 32-foot clear ceilings, trailer spaces and flexible office space. Opus Architects and Engineers designed the project and hope for completion in early 2009.

**Valenti Builders** is pleased to announce the completion of the Chicago International Charter School at the Ralph Ellison Campus. Valenti and its partners completely renovated the 1920's limestone building into a state-of-the-art high school. The new addition was built to house labs, a cafeteria, library, and the administrative offices. A new gymnasium was constructed to match the character of the surrounding community.

**McShane Construction Corporation** will be the design/builder of Mori Seiki's new American headquarters. They broke ground on the 102,000 square foot building in late September. The structure will be built on a premier 7.5-acre site at the intersection of West Central Road and Huntington Boulevard in Hoffman



*Renderings of the Cicero Business Center - which Opus North is slated to complete in early 2009 - and Mori Seiki's new American base of operations - which McShane Construction Company broke ground on in September.*



Estates. The headquarters will feature over 59,000 square feet of Class A office space and a fully equipped 42,560 square foot showroom with two 25-ton cranes and a one-ton utility crane in order to showcase Mori Seiki's product line of machine tools.

Breaking ground on a project? Finishing a project? Promotions or awards? The Builders Association wants to know about it!

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