

AWARDS, HOMESHOWS, AND STRONG SALES HIGHLIGHT FIRST QUARTER FOR GDB&R

On Thursday, January 30th, members of all GDC divisions attended the Contractor of the Year (CotY) Awards Ceremony hosted by Miami Valley NARI at Walnut Grove Country Club.

During the event, NARI recognized Dayton area remodelers who had completed award-winning projects submitted under the CotY program. Greater Dayton Building & Remodeling was recognized in five award categories, including:

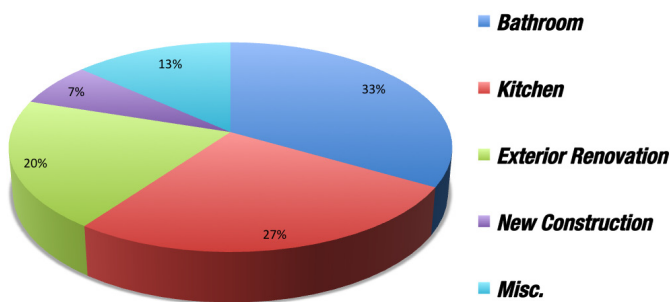
1. **COMMERCIAL SPECIALTY**
MEDINA AUTO MALL
2. **COMMERCIAL INTERIOR**
SALAR RESTAURANT & LOUNGE
3. **COMMERCIAL EXTERIOR**
1207 WAYNE AVE. (FULL CIRCLE DEVELOPMENT)
4. **HISTORICAL RENOVATION/RESTORATION**
1209 WAYNE AVE. (FULL CIRCLE DEVELOPMENT)
5. **RESIDENTIAL KITCHEN \$60,000-\$75,000**
BECKER RESIDENCE

Regional CotY winners will be notified in early February while National winners will be announced in April at NARI's Annual Night of Excellence.



PROJECT MANAGER, JOHN POPELAR AND FULL CIRCLE DEVELOPMENT'S THERESA GASPER POSE WITH THEIR AWARD WINNING COTY SUBMISSIONS

-PHOTO COURTESY OF CAROLINE MORGAN



BREAKDOWN OF 1ST QUARTER REMODELING SALES BY RENOVATION TYPE

-GRAPH COURTESY OF CAROLINE MORGAN

In addition to being recognized for their award winning projects, Greater Dayton Building & Remodeling is excited to start the new year off with a sizeable sales forecast.

The new projects will include luxury bathroom remodels, a new construction pool house and five custom kitchen renovations (see total breakdown on the left).

These January sales will complement an already busy first quarter as homeshow season is right around the corner.

The first round of homeshows for B&R will take place at the Airport Expo Center the second and third weekends (7th-9th & 14th-16th) of February at Miami Valley HomeWorld.

New this year for HomeWorld is the choice of two ways to attend the show. Buy a single-day pass for \$7.00 OR buy an unlimited pass for \$10.00.

For additional information on the homeshow and its exhibitors, visit: mvhomeworld.com.

WHITE ALLEN EUROPEAN AUTO DEALERSHIP RECEIVES UPGRADES

In early June, the White Allen European Auto Dealership located in Miamisburg, Ohio, underwent a series of building improvements as part of their franchise's (Porsche and Audi) new corporate brand requirements.



STEEL FRAMING OF THE AUDI ADDITION (IN PROGRESS) AT WHITE ALLEN EUROPEAN AUTO DEALERSHIP
- PHOTO COURTESY OF JEFF KALTENSTEIN

The dealership's renovation scope included: a 1,105 sqft. addition (to accommodate Audi's new vehicle showroom), ACM paneling, signage and curtain wall installations, as well as updated cashier areas and a branded service bay area for Porsche vehicles.

Oberer Thompson Company was awarded the contract in June of 2013 and finalized construction in January 2014.



FRONT ELEVATION OF WHITE ALLEN EUROPEAN AUTO DEALERSHIP AFTER RENOVATIONS
- PHOTO COURTESY OF JOHN POLLOCK

PROJECT AT A GLANCE:

CUSTOMER: WHITE ALLEN EUROPEAN AUTO GROUP

PROJECT MANAGER: JEFF KALTENSTEIN

SUPERINTENDENTS: JOE EARLEY / JOHN POLLOCK

COMPLETION DATE: JANUARY 2014

ARCHITECT: PITCHELL ASSOCIATES

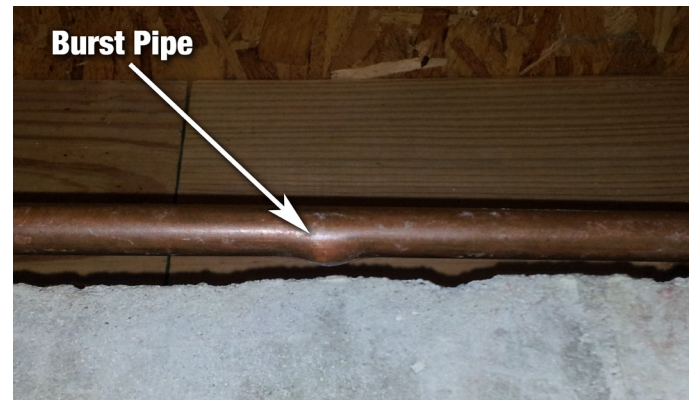
GDCG RESPONDS TO WATER LOSSES AS PIPES CONTINUE TO FREEZE

During the month of January, Greater Dayton Construction Group's Emergency Response Team responded to over 115 water losses as a result of the "unseasonably" cold weather. Several days were recorded with a record low temperature of -30 degrees (with the windchill.)

While the restoration scopes of the water losses varied across the Miami Valley, worst case scenarios included collapsed ceilings and total floor replacements.

Pipes that freeze most frequently are those that are exposed to severe cold, like outdoor hose bibs, swimming pool supply lines, water sprinkler lines, and water supply pipes in unheated interior areas like basements and crawl spaces, attics, garages, or kitchen cabinets. Pipes that run against exterior walls that have little or no insulation are also subject to freezing.

To protect your home from frozen or bursting pipes, it is recommended that faucets be left on in a "dripping" position to enable hot and cold water flow. Additionally, opening kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors can aid in the circulation of warm air around the plumbing.



Exterior precautions like disconnecting water hoses from hose bibs and keeping garage doors closed should also be considered.

If you do spot a burst pipe, turn off the main water valve immediately. Shut all faucets and open only the low-lying faucets in your home. That will drain the water from your home, mitigating the damage caused by the burst pipe.

Please keep this information in mind as it is valuable when speaking with homeowners, agents and adjusters.

OTC ENHANCES RESEARCH INSTITUTE'S LABORATORY SPACE

In September 2013, Oberer Thompson Company was awarded a design-build contract with the University of Dayton Research Institute (UDRI) to construct an enclosure for a new laboratory. The new lab, totaling approximately 1,200 SF with an additional 300 SF of storage, is located within the National Composite Center at the south end of the building at 2000 Composite Dr. in Kettering.

The new laboratory will be used to produce carbon nanotubes continuously on a wide-range of substrates, including carbon fabric and fiberglass.



LAB ENCLOSURE AT UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON RESEARCH INSTITUTE

- PHOTO COURTESY OF ZACK WALTERS

The scope of work included: Metal framed walls and ceilings, new epoxy coated flooring, FRP paneling, overhead roll-up doors, spark-resistant electrical lighting and devices, new mechanical systems, and a beam guided rolling hoist.

Most intriguing was the new mechanical system, which was heavily designed to ensure proper air balances and venting. The new heat exchanger is environmentally friendly, as the "energy wheel" directly heats up air to reduce the heat increase needed by the unit.

The new setup, known as the National Adaptive Hybrid Fabric (NAHF-X) facility is scheduled for completion in February 2014, with production set to begin within the next four to six months.

PROJECT AT A GLANCE:

LOCATION: KETTERING, OHIO

SUPERINTENDENT: KIT KITCHEL / BEN PATRICK

PROJECT MANAGER: BILL HIBNER

ASSISTANT PROJECT MANAGER: ZACK WALTERS

ARCHITECT: D'AMICO ARCHITECTS

BERNARD RESIDENCE RECEIVES SEVERAL HOME UPDATES

The Bernard's of Xenia, came to Greater Dayton Building & Remodeling with an extensive wishlist for their 1987 home.

Under the remodeling contract, GDB&R provided a new floorplan in the master bathroom, complete with a full tile shower, new vanity cabinets and flooring.



MASTER BATHROOM AT BERNARD RESIDENCE

- PHOTO COURTESY OF VICTOR ROONEY

Selections in the kitchen included: Cambria Quartz countertops, tile backsplash, new sink and faucet as well as an added end cabinet in a contrasting color.



KITCHEN AT BERNARD RESIDENCE AFTER REMODELING EFFORTS

- PHOTO COURTESY OF VICTOR ROONEY

Additional work provided by GDB&R included a porch renovation and a stone fireplace upgrade.

PROJECT AT A GLANCE:

LOCATION: XENIA, OHIO

SUPERINTENDENT: SHANE MOORE

SALES REPRESENTATIVE: VICTOR ROONEY

SAFETY UPDATE

In the month of January, Greater Dayton Construction Group and Oberer Thompson Company held the first two Safety Meetings of the year for the Commercial and Residential divisions.

In both meetings, discussions focused on Construction Bulletin #3, Personal Protective Equipment, 2013 Safety Year in Review, and a plan of action in case of injury. To review safety for 2013, OSHA publishes a "Top Ten" list of the most cited violations.

See the list below to ensure jobsite safety:

Top Ten OSHA Violations During 2013

- Fall Protection
- Hazard Communication
- Scaffolding
- Respiratory Protection
- Electrical, Wiring Methods
- Powered Industrial Trucks
- Ladders
- Lockout/Tagout
- Electrical, General Requirements
- Machine Guarding

The "Top Ten" list for 2013 is very similar to the list provided at the end of 2012. In fact, the top four violations stayed in the exact same order. After reviewing the "Top Ten" list, GDCG/OTC held an open discussion about its third installment of the Construction Bulletin. The Construction Bulletin is an informative tool to help all workers learn of items that have been witnessed or occurred on projects managed by GDCG/OTC.

The main topic for Construction Bulletin #3 was underground utilities and excavation. In the meeting, there was a discussion about the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) and who is responsible for calling them. OUPS is a service that can be called to locate the utilities that are on a property where excavation may occur. Before you dig, OUPS will need to be called 48-hours in advance by each company performing excavation work. Once the excavation area has been established, OUPS will contact the major utilities that have underground lines in the excavation area to come to the site to mark their lines with spray paint and/or flags. Each type of utility has a specific color to use so the excavator knows what type of utility is underground.

To finish off the safety meeting, GDCG/OTC dis-

cussed personal protective equipment and a plan of action for injuries or accidents that may occur on jobsites. Second quarter safety meetings are scheduled for the Spring.

GDB&R TO HOST BREAKFAST OPEN HOUSE AT SELECTION CENTRE

On Saturday, February 22, Greater Dayton Building & Remodeling will host an open house at the new Selection Centre in Kettering between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The open house, "Design over Donuts", will be a great opportunity to discuss possible remodeling projects with potential/existing customers while indulging in breakfast sweets.

If you have any questions about the event, or would like to attend, see a B&R division member. Invitations are available to handout to customers from Victor Rooney or Matt Jones.

GDC, LTD. NOMINATED FOR BBB ECLIPSE INTEGRITY AWARD.



Greater Dayton Construction, Ltd. is pleased to announce its nomination for the Dayton Better Business Bureau's 2014 Eclipse Integrity Award.

The submission process requires nominees to turn in a 2-inch, 3-ring binder that includes documents supporting their efforts to operate with integrity and commitment to excellence in their respective fields.

Submissions are due March 3, 2014 with a site visit to follow in April. Award winners will be recognized at the Eclipse Integrity Awards Dinner at the David H. Ponitz Sinclair Center on May 13, 2014.

Greater Dayton Construction is honored to be considered for such an award and appreciates the dedication to customer satisfaction from all of its employees.