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One more thing ...

We had a Merry Christmas!



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Bioscience & Technology BTBC

Business Center

Mar Lan Construction is heavy into the construction of the additions to the Bioscience and Technology Business Center (BTBC). The 30,000 square foot expansion is progressing as scheduled toward a mid-summer completion.

The first phase of the two-phase project was completed in November and BTBC has already taken occupancy of those spaces. This phase included a building addition for four new lab spaces, and a remodel of two existing lab spaces.

The second phase of the project, the much larger addition, will house wet and dry labs as well as additional space for expansion. The erection of the structural steel and the pouring of the elevated concrete floors was made more challenging with the snow and extreme cold of this winter. But, despite the weather, the project remains on schedule. Thanks to Marty Criqui and our dedicated group of employees and subcontractors for braving the elements and keeping the project moving forward.

The courtyard area, as shown in the center picture to the right, is also making progress. This area will provide a terraced landscape that will be surrounded by the BTBC building on three sides. Construction scheduling for work in this area is critical because once the building is erected, there is limited to no access to this area.



Project Update

Merchants Pub & Plate



The brick ovens are gone, the kitchen has a new look, the menu has changed, and the new owners of Merchant's Pub and Plate are off and running. The new look at Merchant's (formerly Tellers) was the result of a complete makeover during the summer shutdown. Mar Lan Construction was responsible for major renovations to the kitchen, which included the removal of the massive brick and concrete ovens that have been a symbol of the old Tellers for over 20 years. The entire floor of the kitchen area was removed so that a new structural floor system and floor tile could be installed. All of the dining areas were upgraded, but yet the feel of the old bank building (Merchant's Bank) was maintained.

Congratulations to new owners Phil Wilson and TK Peterson for a wonderful concept, and great food and drink.

Naismith Hall



The Naismith Hall project finished up with no time to spare! This fast paced project included a renovation to the entire first floor amenity level – the exception being the dining area.

Demolition began just as school was dismissing in the summer and was to be completed by the time school started in the fall. Simple, right? Wrong! As it turns out, this is the busiest time for Naismith Hall. The summer camps that are housed at this facility far exceed the occupancy of the building during the school year. The function of the building had to remain uninterrupted during the construction phase.



New design would open up the existing floor plan to a large student lobby with a 4' x 8' gas fireplace in the feature wall as well as a TV viewing area. The reception desk and mail room were relocated, a new Manager's Office, public toilets, renovation of the manager's apartment, relocation of the computer lab and a new fitness/workout room with a view to the existing pool were all completed. Also new mechanical equipment was installed, plumbing was upgraded, new energy efficient lighting was installed throughout and modifications to the fire suppression systems were done. This took a very "hands on" effort from all of our vendors and subcontractors.

Naismith Hall was a great project and one that would not have been completed on time without the help of the Naismith Hall staff and those associated with The Bromley Group.

The new Administrative headquarters for Frontier Farm Credit in Manhattan represents the 8th time Mar Lan Construction has had an opportunity to work with this great company. The 25,000 sf office building was designed to connect with the surrounding landscape of the Flint Hills, utilizing warm tones of brick and limestone that represent the natural materials found in the area. The building allows the staff of 57 employees to be housed in one central location as they support more than 6,000 customers.

The open space features modern work stations, desktop surfaces that raise and lower, and each is equipped with three computer monitors. The building also includes a natural gas automatic back-up generator, shower facilities, and nine conference rooms all named for Native American Tribes and Western Legends.

The Grand Opening and ribbon cutting ceremony was held on December 12, 2013., in Manhattan.



Frontier Farm Credit



Located in Lewis Hall on the University of Kansas campus, Ekdahl Dining is perched on top of Daisy Hill and serves nearly 3000 students daily. Commonly known as Mrs. E's by KU students, this 3.8 million dollar renovation project had only 76 calendar days to complete. Work started the day after May graduation and was completed prior to students returning in early August.

The work included a complete renovation of 17,000 sf of dining and servery areas. The extensive remodel included all new finishes, new servery equipment, major mechanical and electrical upgrades including a new chiller, new air handler, new make-up air units, and new lighting. Along with many new food selections to be offered, the complete remodel of the space will help make the dining experience more enjoyable and comfortable.



The entire project required meticulous scheduling and coordination to ensure that material deliveries and manpower were available as needed. Long days, long weeks, and the tireless efforts of Mar Lan employees and the dedicated subcontractors on this project were the keys to keeping this project on schedule. Of special note is the monumental task of day-to-day superintending that was accomplished by our superintendent, Marty Criqui. Without Marty's extended efforts, the project most certainly could have fallen short of expectations.

We would also like to extend our appreciation to the staff of KU Dining, KU Housing, and KU Design and Construction Management, along with all of the design team for their efforts in helping us keep the project on track.

What some said couldn't be done, was done, and will provide a new dining experience for KU students.

Ekdahl Dining



The approximately 200 students and staff at Bishop Seabury Academy will have a new sense of security when storms begin this Spring. Mar Lan Construction completed the safe room project in December which also serves as locker rooms and showers for the school's athletic teams. The project was made possible

by a \$450,000 FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) grant, and with the help of Douglas County Emergency Management. The safe room was designed to withstand winds up to 250 mph or the equivalent of an EF5 rating on the Fujita Scale.

Bishop Seabury FEMA Shelter

Swarthout Recital Hall

Mar Lan Construction has been notified that we have been selected by KU Endowment and the University of Kansas as the Construction Manager for renovations to Swarthout Recital Hall in Murphy Hall. The 300 seat recital hall will be undergoing extensive renovations that are scheduled to start immediately after Spring graduation and be completed in March