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Photo: Courtesy of Fort Hood Public Affairs

J&S Construction Goes West

J&S Construction broke ground in December on an $11.5 million contract for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Fort Worth District. The contract will include the construction of an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Maintenance Complex at Fort Hood, just 70 miles north of Austin, Texas. This contract marks J&S Construction's first project at Fort Hood.

The 22,181 square-foot Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Maintenance Complex, which has a scheduled completion date of May 2015, will consist of a Tactical Equipment Maintenance Facility (TEMF), Organizational Storage Building (OSB), Hazardous Waste Storage Building (HWSB), a Petroleum Oil & Lubricant storage building (POL) and a UAS Container Storage Building.

This project is designed to meet LEED® Silver requirements by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC), and environmentally friendly features will include geothermal heat, transpired solar wall panel system, skylights, solar hot water, spray foam insulation, air barrier system, radon piping system, low flow water fixtures, energy recovery units, occupancy sensors, low VOC and recycled materials.

These facility types are used for the purpose of maintaining and repairing vehicles, complete with equipment and parts storage and administrative offices. J&S Construction has completed two TEMF projects for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Fort Campbell base, one being a $13 million LEED Gold facility, completed August 2010, and the most recent being a $12.2 million facility, completed September 2013, which has been submitted for LEED Silver Certification.

"J&S Construction shares the Corps' vision of building sustainable, energy-efficient projects," said Brad Leimer, J&S Construction LEED AP and project manager. "This contract represents our eighth LEED certified project with the government sector and twelfth LEED certified project overall."

J&S Construction has designed and built over 131,000 square feet of LEED certified space. To learn more energy-efficient building techniques, visit www.jsconstruction.com, or contact 931-528-7475.

Kerry Ingredients Adds to Facility

J&S Construction Company recently signed a $219,055, two-phase contract with Kerry Ingredients, a top manufacturer of food ingredients that is located in Monterey, Tenn.

This design–build project includes 1,050 square feet of new office space with lockers, a break area and storage space. The pre-engineered metal building was provided by American Buildings Company and was designed for a seamless transition to the existing facility.

The second phase of work includes the installation of five concrete pads for various uses around the plant and a new concrete masonry unit (CMU) wall to catch sawdust. J&S Construction will also convert an old storage area into office space and reconfigure some existing office space to allow for the addition of future equipment.

Kerry Ingredients is a liquid smoke facility that creates the smoky flavor in a variety of food products. The plant also provides coloring agents which make microwaveable foods more appetizing and preservatives that will not alter the taste of products.

"We are pleased to begin a new relationship with Kerry Ingredients," said Johnny Stites, J&S Construction's CEO. "We always look forward working with local facilities that help provide jobs throughout the Upper Cumberland."

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J&S Construction's LEED Expertise Requested by Corps of Engineers

J&S Construction was recently invited to speak at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' 2013 Construction Roundtable Conference which was held in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Interior Shot: Sustainment Brigade Complex Administration Facility, Fort Campbell, Ky.

The event, held by the Great Lakes and Ohio River Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), included discussion of construction issues of mutual interest to contractors and the government and an in-depth look at some ongoing projects and lessons learned.

Brad Leimer, LEED AP and project manager, was selected to speak as a representative for J&S Construction regarding energy-efficient techniques used in the construction of the Sustainment Brigade Complex Administration Facility, in Fort Campbell, Ky. The lecture focused on design techniques used by the architect, as well as construction methods used by J&S Construction.

"It was an honor to speak to the Corps about the sustainable features and construction of the Administration Facility," said Leimer. "This project embodies what the federal government is trying to achieve through the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007. I expect many of the sustainable features in this project will become the standard in future USACE projects."

The facility houses the Sustainment Brigade Defense Finance (DFAS) to process military pay actions. Designed with sustainability in mind, the 30,900 square-foot building consists of a reinforced concrete foundation, concrete floor slab, insulated concrete form walls, masonry and metal panel façade, standing seam metal roof, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC), plumbing, mechanical systems, security systems and electrical systems.

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Subject: VTS Catoosa Cantonment Area Reroof Project
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Mr. Jack Stites
J&S Construction Company, Inc.
1843 Forman Drive
Cookeville, TN 38501

Dear Mr. Stites,

I'm sending this letter of commendation in regards to our recent construction project completed by your company, J&S Construction Company, Inc.

There are several observations I would like to share concerning this project.

First, it was a partnership between your company and the State of Tennessee Army National Guard. We were absolutely delighted with the implementation process and the end product. We can't remember having a project run smoother.

Second, your project manager, Mr. Kevin McCaleb, made every effort to make our best interest his top priority. All J&S employees and the sub-contractors used were dedicated, dependable, trustworthy and above all positive in the execution of their respective assignments.

Third, this project was completed within the approved budget and much sooner than the committed time frame. This is a sure sign of very successful Project Management.

Finally, I suppose the best recommendation we can give is to affirm we would recommend your company to anyone!

Point of Contact (POC) for this memo is the undersigned. You may contact me at (615) 313-0620.

Sincerely,

ANDREW P. MILLIGAN
Lieutenant-Colonel, Engineers, TNARNG
Construction Facility Management Office
Design and Project Management Chief

The building serves as Fort Campbell's Pilot Project for Sustainable Design and was designed by the USACE to meet LEED Silver requirements by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). However, J&S Construction submitted for LEED Gold Certification at no additional cost to the government and expects to receive certification within the next 60 days.

Environmentally friendly features built into this project include: pervious pavement, rainwater harvesting and re-use system and low-flow water fixtures. Energy-efficient features include photovoltaic solar panels, solar water heating, insulated concrete forms, spray foam insulation as well as an enhanced energy monitoring and control system.

On a base with over 4,000 existing buildings, this project contains the base's first geothermal heat pump system as well as the first photovoltaic solar system. Design elements and processes used for this project could be replicated on future projects at Fort Campbell.

This Roundtable Conference is the second invitation J&S Construction has received from the USACE to participate in and to advise various Contracting Officers.

J&S Construction's first conference appearance focused on the discussion of the $13 million Equipment Maintenance and Supply Complex, also located at Fort Campbell. This project resulted in an Outstanding Rating by the USACE for J&S Construction's performance, as well as marking the first LEED Gold Certification at the Corps of Engineers' Fort Campbell base and for the Louisville District.

2013 J&S Christmas Celebration

J&S Construction recently hosted a Christmas Celebration for all of its employees. The highlight of the event was when Matt Davenport, a three-year employee and project manager at J&S Construction, was named as the Founder's Diamond Award winner, J&S Construction's highest honor. The Founder's Diamond Award was established in 2004 in honor of J&S Founder, John D. Stites. Nominees of this award must exhibit the following characteristics in the workplace: thinker, learner, honest, humorous, humble and unselfish. The award is tallied from votes which are collected from all field and office employees. Employees were also recognized for their years of service at J&S Construction, including Ronnie Prater being honored for 30 loyal years at J&S.

Founder's Diamond Award

Matt Davenport

Years of Service

30 years of service: *Ronnie Prater*

Years of Service

Five years of service: *Phil Adams*

20 years of service, Left to Right: *Terry Garrett and Eric Reynolds*

15 years of service: *Rick Bennett (Not pictured: Hap Salyer)*

All in the Family

Birthdays

January

Larry Thompson 1/1
Steve Lewis 1/2
Hap Salyer 1/10
Rosaura Alfaro 1/18
Skip McDonald 1/22
Sylvia Folger 1/23
Terry Garrett 1/24
Charley Paul 1/29

February

Matt Whitaker 2/3
Ben Moore 2/8
Stan Morris 2/12
Ben Salyer 2/13
Jimmy Smith 2/19

March

Marty Jackson 3/1
Matt Billings 3/10
Anna Dilts 3/10
Steve Hassler 3/10
Ben DeBerry 3/15
Patrick Caughey 3/17
Russell Long 3/19
Jim Kimbrell 3/26
Johnny Foust 3/27
Eric Reynolds 3/27
Ginger Finn 3/30
Andy Stites 3/30
Jack Stites 3/30
Kristin Durrence 3/31

Anniversaries

Suzanne and Hap Salyer 1/1/2000
Mary and Jack Stites 1/4/1969
Lindsey and Ryan Morris 1/6/2001
Jessica and Mariano Amicarelli 1/11/2010
Priscilla and Jim Kimbrell 1/15/2010
Ginger and Matthew Finn 1/26/1999
Deborah and Dennis Raymond .. 2/11/1973
Laura and Jeremy Bennett 2/14/2005
Samantha and David Ladd 2/16/2002
Sandra and Gary Young 2/16/1985
Kim and Ron Reading 3/17/2006
Amy and Rick Bennett 3/18/1995
Vicky and Buford Cole 3/21/1977

With Deepest Sympathy in the Loss of Loved Ones:

Phil Adams ..... Mother-in-law
Larry Fuell ..... Brother-in-law
Ryan Morris ..... Grandmother
Tammy Murphy ..... Grandmother

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Army National Guard	1
Dogwood Manor	2
Filtra-Systems	4
Horsehead Corporation	56
Insurance/Restoration Division (Jobs since Jan. 2013)	
Includes many of nation's top insurers	325
Kerry Ingredients	2
Siemens	1
Tenneco	4
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	14
VF Imagewear	1

Numbers listed reflect number of projects completed and in progress

J&S' Workforce Continues to Grow

As J&S Construction prepares for a New Year and various new contracts continue to be signed, several new faces have been brought into the corporate office to join the J&S Construction family.

Ben DeBerry joined J&S in September to assist the project management team with subcontract agreements, purchase orders, submittals and drawing reviews. Ben was born and raised in Cookeville and graduated from Tennessee Technological University (TTU) with a B.S. in human ecology and a concentration in housing and design. He completed an internship this past summer at KHS&S in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., one of the nation's largest interior contractors.

Darlene Provance is the newest member of the J&S accounting department and also serves as the accounts receivable manager. Her duties include monthly invoicing and collections, job set-up, contract schedules, change orders and payroll processing. Darlene has a B.S. in business administration and has been a licensed CPA since 1997. Darlene relocated to Tennessee with her husband, Jeff, in 2011. They recently celebrated 10 years of marriage in November and enjoy spending time with their son, Hunter (18) and daughter, Summer (16).

Justin Vann came to J&S Construction in September and is a pre-construction project manager. His duties include soliciting subcontractors to bid/estimate projects in the government sector, as well as maintaining relationships with all vendors. Originally from Huntsville, Ala., Justin graduated from TTU in May 2013 with a B.S. in mathematics and served as a four-year starter for the TTU Golden Eagle football team.

Matthew Whitaker joined the J&S group in August as an assistant pre-construction manager. He works with the company's estimating team and focuses primarily on building project estimates by reviewing plans, calculating takeoff quantities and soliciting subcontractors. Born and raised in Cynthiana, Ky., Matt is a graduate of Murray State University. Prior to working at J&S Construction, he worked for a software company for six years in Lexington, Ky. Matt and his wife, Katherine, were married in 2012 and relocated to Tennessee following her job acceptance as a dentist at Hayes Family Dentistry.

Paula Whitson has been hired as the Insurance and Restoration Team administrative coordinator with her primary focus being insurance claims and restoration projects. Paula has over 20 years' customer service experience and will have close interaction with clients, field managers and insurance company representatives. Paula and her husband, Mike, live in Sparta, and have two daughters, Sharon (33) and Shannon (31) and two granddaughters, Kylie (10) and Kadie Jo (8).

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