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In Other News

• The Annual Picnic is set for August 23rd. Notices will be mailed out soon.

• Our new website is live. Same address, new look www.mtstates.com

Mountain States Messenger



WALLA WALLA WINE WORKS WINE PRODUCTION FACILITY Walla Walla, Wa **Project Manager - Delton Bonds** Superintendent - Steve Bond

Steve Bond and his crew at the Walla Walla Wine Works project just outside of Louden, began standing concrete tilt-up panels May 19th for the 54,000 sf wine production facility being built for Precept Brands. Soft soil and unforeseen site conditions have created some excitement on site bringing new experiences for many. May 22nd the last tank room panels were stood. Steve and his crew are working diligently to stay on schedule to make the owners crush date. The overall project consists of the 54,000 sf production facility currently under construction, a 40,000 sf Case Goods Storage building, a Tasting Room, and Bungalow all scheduled to start in July, and a possible Vodka Distillery later this summer. Looks like we're going to be spending quite a bit of time in Walla Walla this year. More to come on this project in the next newsletter.



COLUMBIA RIVER BANK - Sunnyside, Wa Project Manager - Mike Thelen Superintendent - Dan Glenn

Mountain States is wrapping up construction of a new 5,000 sf Columbia River Bank here in Sunnyside. The interior of this new bank hosts a look of the flowing Columbia River with the way the flooring consisting of rock, slate and carpeting along with the teller line flow together. The exterior also boosts the Columbia River gorge look with its rockwork and heavy timber trusses.

The grand opening for this new bank is set for mid July and the owners are really looking forward to moving in. Dan Glenn along with his crew have done an amazing job with this pristine looking wood framed structure. The new sharp look of this bank will add value to the corner of Lincoln Avenue and Yakima Valley Hi-way here in Sunnyside, and should help attract future businesses to this area.

Featured Drojects



MESSAGE TO THE CREW

2008 is moving along quickly and the summer months are already upon us. We have many opportunities to look forward to and also to be thankful for again this year.

The history of Mountain States has been built on diversification in the types of projects we complete. This issue of the Messenger reflects our ongoing commitment to remain diversified and is represented in the projects highlighted.

While our current project mix is still heavily made up of winery work - including production facilities for Walla Walla Wine Works and Tertulia Cellars, a barrel room for Mercer Wine Estates, a new tasting room for Hightower Cellars, and an amphitheatre for Maryhill Winery. It also encompasses a new facility for Columbia River Bank in Sunnyside, an expansion to a hop building at Newhouse farms also in Sunnyside, and a new farm store for Bleyhl in Grandview. Work has wrapped up at a tire reclaim processing plant in Boardman, Oregon and a waste water treatment facility upgrade for the City of Mosier, Oregon will carry thru the end of the year. We continue to service our long-term clients with numerous smaller projects that present themselves. Several medical office buildings and wine facilities close to home should start this summer as well as an opportunity for a challenging hydroelectric project this fall.

The individuals at Mountain States play a key role in our ongoing ability to remain diversified. This allows us to be unique offering broader knowledge and skills to customers we service. We have welcomed new members to the project management and estimating team and we are excited at the abilities they too bring to the mix.

All in all we are looking at another promising year. We have forged ahead with new relationships while continuing to hone our existing ones. As always, thank you for your ongoing dedication and support.

EMPLOYEE FOCUS



BEN SARTAIN Carpenter Leadman Ben Sartain has been with Mountain States since November of 99. He and his wife Stacey recently moved to Goldendale where they live on 20 acres.

Hobbies include Bow & Riffle hunting as well as golfing with the crew in Walla Walla. Ben has demonstrated commitment to safety and will receive an 8 year safety award at this year's company picnic.

NEW FACES AT MSCC



MICHAEL MOORE Project Manager / Estimator

I was born and raised in the Yakima Valley and earned a Construction Management degree from Central Washington University in 2001. I first started in the construction industry building homes during my college years for a residential contractor in Yakima. I have spent the past 7 years living and working in the Puget Sound area. A majority of

my experience has been working in heavy civil construction including a new on-ramp to I-90 in downtown Seattle and a cofferdam project at the headworks of the Green River. I also spent two years working for a masonry restoration contractor. This was a very interesting job and I especially enjoyed the historical projects that tasked us with restoring a weathered, run-down building to its original prominence.

My wife of 6 years, Seana, is a Women's Health Nurse Practitioner in Yakima. We have a seven month old son named Kevin. My hobbies include golfing, fishing, and boating.



LUKE SCHILPEROOT WSU Construction Mgt. Student Intern

I am currently a student at WSU studying Construction Management and I have 2 years left to go until I graduate. This is my second summer at Mountain States. I worked in the field last summer and now I am an intern in the office.

I have grown up in Sunnyside my

whole life where my Dad is a farmer and my Mom is a school teacher. I have two older brothers, Ryan and Jake. One is a farm manager and also farms on the side, and the other works at Hanford.

My big hobbies include water skiing, playing basketball, and golfing. But my biggest interest is restoring cars and motorcycles. I always seem to have some project going on and this summer is no different as I have one of each to finish by the end of summer.

WORD ON SAFETY

With high temperatures it is important that we all work together in preventing heat related illnesses. It is very important that we are able to prevent and recognize the symptoms of 'Heat Stress' and know what to do in the event of any form of heat stress. Lets all work together and make sure that there is plenty of water on site. Also, keep an eye on the guy working next to you for any sign that he may have a problem. If we all work together we will have another great summer! Thanks, Ken

NEW SDACES

REKLAIM TECHNOLOGIES (Right) - Boardman, Or Project Manager - Linda Farmer Superintendent - Jerry Garza Site Supervisor - Jesse Pacheco

Reklaim Technologies is expecting to recycle old tires and through a unique process, come up with three bi-products: (1) Carbon, used for dye for inks, paint, etc, (2) Steel and (3) Oil. Mountain States' scope included complete site work, grading, utilities, asphalt, perimeter fencing, erection of a 27,600 sf pre-manufactured steel building and a truck loading dock. Two masonry buildings sit inside the building housing the electrical and control rooms. In addition, a 3,000 sf office area was framed out at the front of the building.

For the processing side, Mountain States formed and placed one Fuel Tank Storage Containment area and several slabs for the processing equipment. The last slab, approximately 3,500 sf has a 55' steel tower which



was erected for the processor. Other work included pipe support systems and numerous housekeeping pads for various pieces of equipment.

HIGHTOWER CELLARS (Right) - Benton City, Wa

Project Manager - Linda Farmer | Site Supervisor - Matt Menshew

MSCC took a 36 ft x 45 ft pole barn and transformed it into a fermentation room and laboratory. Two additions were made to the pole barn: (1) A 20 ft x 36 ft addition for a barrel storage room and; (2) A 600 sf tasting room. Both additions utilized a "green" block product for the walls, called Durisol blocks. The Durisol is made of graded raw wood shavings and chips, which are neutralized and mineralized, then bonded together with Portland cement. The wood chips make the blocks very light weight and extremely energy efficient. The 12" Durisol walls have rebar installed, like regular block, but with no mortar joint. The interiors of the blocks are filled/grouted with 3,000 psi concrete, giving the walls an equivalent of an R-21. For the exterior finish, the Durisol was sanded and ground down to expose the wood chips and clean sealed. Inside the barrel storage, smooth Hardiboard was installed as the Durisol block doesn't provide a moisture barrier, but would absorb the moisture put into the air in the barrel storage room.

The entire winery had the old metal roof removed and a new standing seam roof installed. The old metal siding was painted and 8" LP siding was installed an 1-1/2" off the old building and with $\frac{3}{4}$ " air gaps between siding boards, giving the exterior a lot of depth. The tasting room ceiling was finished with clear stained Baltic Birch plywood. The floors of the tasting room and patio were stained concrete. New wood windows and wood doors were installed in the tasting room.

The entire plumbing system was upgraded and the electrical service was relocated and upgraded.

The Hightowers now have a place that compliments both their wine and style. The upgrade to their winery is another improvement to Red Mountain. **www.hightowercellars.com**

TERTULIA CELLARS PRODUCTION FACILITY - Walla Walla, Wa Project Manager - Chad Null | Site Supervisor - John Sanders



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The first part of May brought completion to a new 6,570 sf Production Facility for Tertulia Cellars. The new production facility is located just behind the tasting room off of Whitely Road in Walla Walla. The facility, though small in size is large in style. And the people around the winery are ever so happy to see you. Stop by the next time you're in the area. Check our website and theirs for more pictures. **www.tertulia.com**

NEW SPACES cntd.

WILBERT PRECAST - Union Gap, Wa

Project Manager - Mike Thelen | Superintendent - Lee Rath

Lee Rath along with a small crew have been working intermittently at the new Wilbert Precast Plant in Yakima since finishing construction of the main facility back in early January. The small projects MSCC has completed include a new rebar shop, exterior canopy, water separation pit and a new state of the art pre-stressed slab for high tech pre-cast panels for the United States Military.

JELD-WEN EXTRUSION PLAN - Yakima, Wa

Project Manager - Mike Ross | Site Supervisor - Travis Glenn

This pilot project for Jeld-wen will allow them to make their own vinyl profiles used in the fabrication of windows and sliding doors rather than having to purchase them.

Mountain States' scope of work consisted of upgrading a 42,000 sf portion of a 30 plus year old building that was previously used for making wood door components. Interior up grades included a 16'x 120' Cupola to house some of the extrusion equipment, the old electrical, water and air lines were removed, and the building interior was washed down with fire hoses and repainted. The

existing concrete pits and trenches in the floor were filled and new trench drains were installed. The addition of a rail spur was added to receive raw materials by rail car. The old loading dock was enclosed and new offices for management and staff were constructed. Several concrete pads were poured outside to support equipment.

WESTERN PETERBILT PAINT SHOP - Yakima, Wa Project Manager - Linda Farmer | Superintendent - Lee Rath

The addition to Western Peterbilt was divided into three sections – additional space for part storage, the truck wash bay and 3,600 s.f. of new truck body shop. The truck body shop has a new 45 ft by 16 ft x 16 ft high paint booth. Mechanical ventilation was added to the truck body shop. Once the new paint booth is up and operational, the old HVAC unit and filter bank at the roof of the existing building will be removed and patched.





MARYHILL WINERY AMPHITHEATRE (Above)- Goldendale, Wa Project Manager - Delton Bonds | Superintendent - John Hanson

John Hanson and his crew have wrapped up a new Stage/Amphitheatre to house the Maryhill Summer Concert Series. The new stage is just under 4,000 sf and has 38'-0" plus tall walls that sit on a concrete pad that is 4'-0" above the surrounding grade. The stage structure is a preengineered steel building with cementious siding that is coated with a textured paint. The interior of the stage has metal building insulation with a black vapor barrier, 2x framing for sound panels, and plywood sheathing to a height of 8'-0" to protect the interior walls from the Roadies. The completion to the Stage adds another impressive component to the growing Maryhill Winery.

For more information on concert dates and artists playing at Maryhill, go to their web site at **www.maryhillwinery.com**.

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

CITY OF MOSIER WWTP UPGRADES (Above) - Mosier, Or Project Manager - Mike Thelen Superintendent - Jerry Garza

Mountain States broke ground this spring on a waste water treatment plant upgrade for the small town of Mosier, Oregon. Mosier is located on the Columbia River between The Dalles and Hood River with a booming population of 430 people. The upgrades for this \$1.7 million dollar project include a new cast in place concrete clarifier structure and a control building. The work also includes some smaller structures and new equipment upgrades. Jerry Garza along with his small crew along with a little luck should wrap this project up this fall.

MERCER WINE ESTATES - BARREL ROOM - Prosser, Wa Project Manager - Justin Door | Superintendent - Scott Carlson BLEYHL FARM STORE - Grandview, Wa Project Manager - Mike Ross | Site Supervisor - Travis Glenn SNIPES RANCH BARN REMODEL - Prosser, Wa Project Manager - Dave Ranger | Superintendent - Quintus Jones SAFEWAY BEVERAGE PLANT SHOP REMODEL - Bellevue, Wa Project Manager - Mike Thelen | Site Supervisor - Mike Hyatt NEWHOUSE HOP KILN ADDITION - Sunnyside, Wa Project Manager - Mike Ross | Superintendent - John Hanson