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Construction Outlook

2007 Spring Events

February 16: Leadership Panel

Sponsored by *KLMK Group*

February 27 & 28: Construction Internship and Career Fair at Cassell Coliseum

Social Sponsored by *RW Murray*

March 15: Diversity Panel

Sponsored by *Bovis Lend Lease*

March 30: Workshop with The Effectiveness Institute's Tom Champoux

April 25: Capstone Presentations

April 26: Myers-Lawson School of Construction Industry Board Meeting

April 26: Myers-Lawson School of Construction Awards Banquet

Keynote Speaker Sponsored by

Forrester Construction

Social Hour Sponsorship *still available*

April 27: Ross Myers Lecture

April 28: Golf Tournament & Constructor's Challenge

For more details on these events please contact
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*A Note from the Department Head
And Director of the Myers-Lawson School of Construction*

The 2007 spring semester is underway. This year brings us new staff, new faculty, new degrees, and a new building.



Our new building, Bishop-Favaro Hall is currently under construction and is expected to be completed in November of 2007. Fundraising for this building and future expansion continues with naming opportunities and other involvement. It is appropriate for me to mention the vision and mission of the Myers-Lawson School of Construction.

The vision is to be a constant beacon of innovation and excellence in construction education, research, and outreach.

The mission is that we provide a unified identity for excellence in construction education, research, and outreach within Virginia Tech, to the academic community, and to the construction industry.

We have several initiatives started to help us along our path. These include: a center for construction safety, a center for leadership, and an across immersion program into the world of sustainability and integrated facility.

I want to recognize the contributions made to Bishop-Favaro Hall. The continued support from our donors allows our programs to strengthen and grow.

I personally look forward to the journey ahead.

Thank you,



Yvan Beliveau

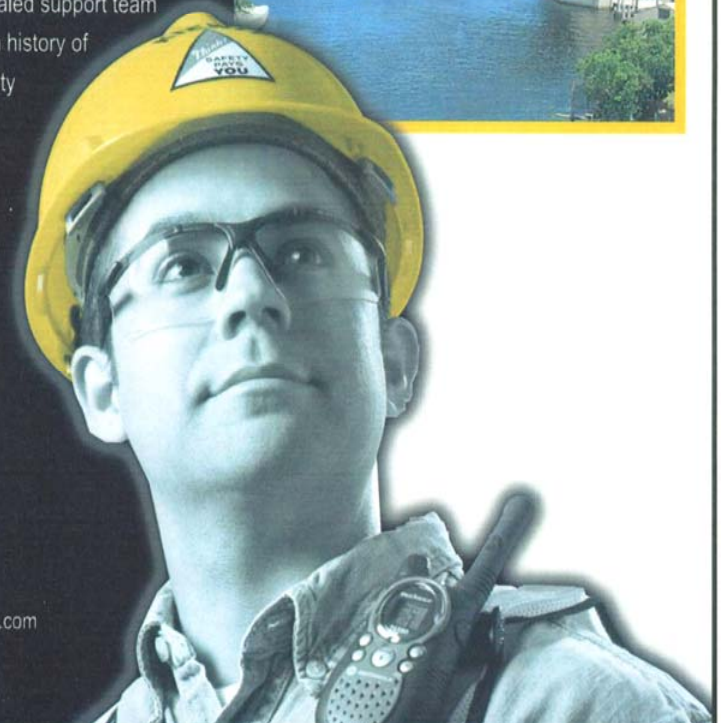
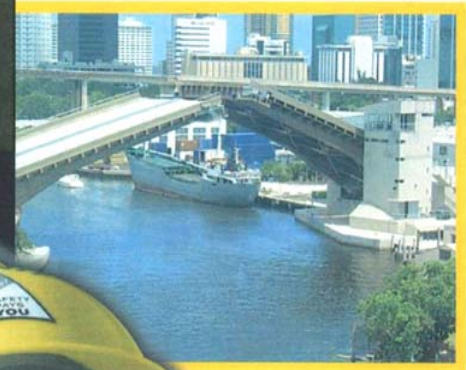
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Walid Thabet and Yvan Beliveau
Study Abroad trip in
Rousillon, France
Winter 2006/2007

BC Department Announcements



Our department says farewell to Trevia Moses as she ventures onto retirement. Trevia served Virginia Tech for 25 years and 15 of those years were spent in the Department of Building Construction. Trevia says she plans to relax and enjoy time with her family, pets, and working in the garden. We will miss her dearly.



We would like to welcome Ursula Halferty to our staff. Ursula will serve as the Department's administrative assistant. She joins us from University Development. Before coming to Virginia Tech two-years ago, Ursula lived and worked in New Jersey as a high school German teacher. She says she and her husband fell in love with Blacksburg when they were visiting campus on a college tour with their sons and decided to move here. We are happy to have her as part of our team!

The Myers-Lawson School of Construction is pleased to announce a new faculty member. Christine Fiori joined the team in January from Arizona State University's Del E. Webb School of Construction. Christine attended Drexel University and earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering, an M.S. in Civil Engineering, an M.S. in Engineering Geology, and Ph.D. in Civil Engineering. We are delighted to have her here!



Myers-Lawson School of Construction INDUSTRY BOARD MEMBERS

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As roles change and interest grows, the Myers-Lawson School of Construction leadership continues to shape its identity. We are thankful for the ongoing contributions of this board and the support of all its member companies.



Reservation Form **Myers-Lawson School of Construction**

Awards Banquet
Thursday, April 26, 2007
The German Club, Blacksburg, VA

Name/ Company	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Phone	
Email	

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ _____
made out to **Treasurer Virginia Tech** for the
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Quantity	Sponsorship	Price	Total

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Sponsored Student Name (if applicable):

**Mail to Lynette Kessinger, MLSoC, 250 South Main
Street, Suite 300 (0188), Blacksburg, Virginia 24061**

Ticket and Sponsorship Information

**Myers-Lawson School
of Construction
Awards Banquet**

Tickets:

- Students please see Dannette Beane for availability and price.
- Industry representatives and alumni, please choose one of the ticket options below
- Companies and sponsors, please choose from the options below.

Sponsorships:

Individual \$200

Includes 2 tickets and mention in the program

Student Sponsor \$300

Includes 2 tickets, 1 student ticket, and mention in the program.

Table Naming \$1000

Includes 2 tickets, company name displayed on table, and mention in the program

Social Hour \$2500

Includes 4 tickets, company banner to be displayed at registration, and mention in the program

Event registration and information is also available at www.bc.vt.edu.

BC Organizations

Young Alumni Committee

The Young Alumni Committee is working with the student organizations mentioned below to create a comprehensive mentorship program for all Building Construction students where students will receive academic and professional guidance.

For any questions or if you would like to be a part of the Young Alumni Committee please contact Mike DuBose at mdubose@wmjordan.com.

Current Sigma Lambda Chi Honors Fraternity

George Gray	Tait Nelson
Dan Young	Ashley James
Brian Stewart	Justin Balchun
Thomas Maurer	Jake Tucker
Carter Howarth	Brian Tincher
Daniel Hawkins	Qian Chen

Constructor's Consortium

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Employers Attending 2007 Spring fair:

84 Lumber Company	Holder Construction Company
AES Consulting Engineers	Hourigan Construction Corp.
American Infrastructure	James G. Davis Construction
Anderson & Associates, Inc.	JPI
Avalon Bay Communities, Inc.	Kiewit Southern
BE&K Building Group, Inc.	Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.
Bechtel Power Corporation	Kjellstrom & Lee, Inc.
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Bovis Lend Lease	Koontz-Bryant, PC
Bowman Consulting	Land Design
Bozzuto Construction Company	Manhattan Construction
Branch Group, The	Mass Electric Construction
Brisk Waterproofing/Western Construction	MCA of Metro Washington
Cates Engineering, Ltd.	McDonough Boylard Peck
Centex Construction	Mid Eastern Builders, Inc.
Century Concrete, Inc.	North Carolina DOT
CH2M Hill	Paciulli Simmons & Assoc.
Cherry Hill Construction, Inc.	PBS&J
Clark Construction Group, LLC	PJ Dick Inc./Trumbull Corp.
ColeJenest & Stone, PA	Project Solutions Group
ColonialWebb Contractors	Pulte Homes
Delta Airport Consultants	R. W. Murray Co.
Dewberry	Resource International, LTD
Donley's, LCC	RGI General Contractors
DPR Construction, Inc.	Rinker Design Associates, P.C.
Draper Arden Associates	S&ME, Inc.
Dustin Construction	Scott-Long Construction, Inc.
Ehlert/Bryan, Inc.	Skanska USA Building Inc.
English Construction Company	Southland Concrete Corporation
ESP Associates, PA	Struever Brothers
Faulconer Construction Company, Inc.	Thurston Companies
Firegaud Corporation, The	Timmons Group
Fluor Corporation	Tishman Construction Corp. of DC
Forrester Construction Co.	Toll Brothers
Georgia Department of Transportation	Tri-Tek Engineering
Gerdau Ameristeel	Truland Systems Corp.
Greenhorn & O'Mara, Inc.	Turner Construction Company
Harkins Builders, Inc.	Urban, LTD
HASKELL	Vantage Construction Corp
Hatchett Home Improvement	Vecellio Group Inc
Hayes, Seay, Mattern, and Mattern	VIRTEXCO Corporation
Henkels & McCoy	Whiting-Turner Contracting Co.
Hensel Phelps Construction Co.	Wiley & Wilson, Inc.
Hess Construction Company	Wilson T. Ballard Company, The
HITT Contracting	W.M. Jordan Company
	Wm. L. Griffith & Co.

Myers Lawson School of Construction Recognition & Awards Banquet April 26, 2007 German Club Manor

Program

5:00-6:00PM

Social Hour

6:00PM

Dinner

7:00-7:45PM

Keynote Speaker

7:45-9:00PM

Award Presentation



Nomination Form

Name of Submitter: _____

Company: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Company: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Checklist for Nomination Packet:

- _____ Nomination form
- _____ *Maximum* two pages addressing the following:
 - a. Professionalism
 - b. Integrity
 - c. Competency
 - d. Business Achievements
 - e. Professional Organizations & Community Involvement
- _____ Supporting documentation
- _____ Six Copies of Nomination Packet

Mail to: Review Committee
 Attn: Dannette Gomez Beane
 Department of Building Construction
 Virginia Tech
 250 South Main Street, Suite 300 (0156)
 Blacksburg, Virginia 24061

Submission Postmark Deadline: March 30, 2007
 Awards announced April 26, 2007



CALL FOR INDUSTRY NOMINATIONS & AWARDS BANQUET REGISTRATION

Myers Lawson School of Construction Recognition & Awards Banquet

Thursday April 26, 2007
 German Club Manor, Blacksburg, Virginia

Included for Review:

- Description of Award Categories
- Nomination Procedure
- Nomination Form

Nomination Deadline: March 30, 2007



ABOUT THE MYERS-LAWSON SCHOOL OF CONSTRUCTION BANQUET

The Myers-Lawson School of Construction Banquet will be held Thursday April 26, 2007 at the German Club Manor in Blacksburg, Virginia.

The Banquet brings industry and education together to recognize the benefits and opportunities of our industry. It is a forum in which to honor our industry leaders and our students, and to unite in celebration of Construction as a profession of choice. We hope that you will join us in this celebration.

The Building Construction Department and Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering invite its peers in industry to nominate individuals who have shown *expertise and achievement* in the field of construction. Please give thought to those you believe qualify for special recognition.

Each nomination is given serious consideration by the review committee. Award recipients will be notified prior to the banquet. Please review the nomination criteria carefully and send all the required documentation to the review committee, postmarked no later than **March 30, 2007**.

For questions regarding nomination submissions contact Dannette Gomez Beane, 540-231-1924/gomezds@vt.edu



AWARD CATEGORIES

There are two *industry nominated* award categories:

- **Myers-Lawson Award**

Awarded for the person's exception contributions to the construction industry

- **Leadership and Innovation Award**

Awarded for the person's leadership qualities and innovation in the field of construction.

JUDGING

A committee of industry professionals will review the nominations. Each entry is considered on its individual merits and not in relation to other entries.

Each Nomination Packet must include:

- **Separate Entry Form** for each Nomination
- **Describe the Nomination/Nominee** in a concise and effective format in two pages. Please refer closely to the judging criteria provided on the nomination form, and follow it when describing the nominee.
- **Include supporting documentation** such as photographs, brochures, award announcements, etc. Endorsement letters from others who support this nomination are strongly encouraged.
- **Submit six (6) copies** of each Nomination Packet