

# *THE WEST END WIRE*



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## **HAPPY THANKSGIVING GREETINGS** *FROM WEST END ELECTRIC CO., INC.*

Thanksgiving is a time of remembering. The tradition of Thanksgiving has always been to take time out to remember God's care and provision for us, and thank Him. The Pilgrims made 7-times more graves than huts... nevertheless, they still set aside a day of Thanksgiving. We too, have a lot to be thankful for. The work picture for our area has improved tremendously over the past 12-months, and it looks like this trend will continue. With each project we complete, we are making a difference in the lives of many. From education to medical, atomic power to banking, and from water treatment to safety. We all have a part in the building of the future, for our area.

It is our Prayer that God's Blessings will be with each of you and your Families during this Thanksgiving season.

## ***Work Continues At The Atomic Employees Credit Union, In Picketon.***

Andy Eldridge and his crew continue to rough-in conduits in the walls and ceilings of the new Atomic Employees Credit Union Building, near the intersection of State Route 32 and Shyville Road; in Pike County. Workers on this project include Brandon Harbolt, Tim Literal, and Anthony Gross. No injuries to date. Keep up the good (and safe) work.

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## **Wheelersburg's New K-12 School Building Is Progressing**

We currently have a total of 17-Electricians and Apprentices working on the new Wheelersburg K-12 School project. This will be the largest school building in Scioto County. Jared Downey has done a great job of keeping the project moving at a rapid pace. As we speak, the crew is preparing to energize the permanent Electric Service. Workers on this project include Jared Downey, Ed Sommer, Ray Ervin, Chris Fowler, Bill Loper, Randy Eldridge, Andy Holsinger, Nathan Geyer, Anthony Arthurs, Todd Davis, Jared Johnson, Tyler Siebert, Josh Reed, Boyd Wisecup, Dereck Morgan, Adam Mullins, Jeff Siebert, and Operator Tim Sommer. The expected completion date is late May or early June 2008.

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*It is easier to do a job right than to explain why you didn't.*

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November Birthdays: Dave Nichols, Miles Lee Ferguson, Christine Singer, Phil Matiz, and Sam Gillum.

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## **Gallia County Child Center Is Wrapping Up**

The new Child Development Center, in Gallipolis, Ohio is finishing up. The Owner is expected to move in by December 1, 2007. Led by Danny Beekman, this project included help from Ben Pollard, Ed Sommer, Danny Maple, Tim Jenkins, and Charles Keller. No injuries have been reported on this project.

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## **Very Good Things Continue To Happen At SOMC!!**

West End Electric has been awarded two large expansion projects at Southern Ohio Medical Center. Our work started this past June, on the South Addition, which houses an expanded Emergency Room, and one floor of 12ea. Operating Rooms. This phase of the construction is expected to be completed in June of 2008. Our work just started on the North Bed Tower, which is a four story building, with over 120-Private Patient Rooms, and a new Main Entrance and Lobby. This phase of the construction is expected to be completed in December 2008. Our crew, led by Bill Mershon, consists of the following Electricians: Danny Adams, Dustin Pendleton, Mike Mershon, John Lambert, Randy Eldridge Jr., Jeff Tackett, Howard Zellers, Phil Matiz, Steve Marth, Josh Gammon, Keith Webb, Bill Taylor, Greg Shirey, Wes Cline, Matt Rider, Jim Walsh, Clyde Blanton, Gerald Boston, and Charles Keller. Manpower levels on these two projects is expected to hit fifty around February 2008. We consider it a privilege to be a part of this major expansion at SOMC. This facility will touch lives for years to come.

In addition to the major expansion project, we have had a small crew performing work around the SOMC facilities; which includes Office Suites, a Maintenance Facility, Lab Renovation Work, upgrade work at the new Hospice Center, repairs to Electrical equipment in the Hospital, parking lot lighting and gate control work, and other projects requested by the Hospital Staff. Led by Miles Lee Ferguson, this crew includes Bud Thacker, Bobby Conn, and Jimmy Joyner.

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## **Scioto County JVS Work Underway**

Renovation and addition work began on the Scioto County JVS School in July 2007, and is expected to run until May 2009. Led by Mike Snipes, our crews are gutting the existing buildings, and installing all new Electric. There will also be a connector building built between the Schulte and Taylor Buildings. Our workers on this project include Mike Snipes, Dave Nichols, Mark Fitzgerald, Craig Gammon, Ryan Evans, and Aaron Lore. To date, there have been no injuries reported on this project. Keep up the good work!

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*The average pencil is seven inches long, with just a half inch eraser -  
in case you thought optimism was dead.*

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## **Work Continues To Pick-up at A-Plant**

Task Order work continues for our crew, led by Pete Nichols, at the A-Plant. Work continues to increase on the ACP Centrifuge Project, with Fluor and USEC. In addition, we will be starting a crew on the DUF6 Conversion Project, on November 26, 2007. There looks to be many years of work at the A-Plant. Our workers on site include Pete Nichols, Mike Cantrell, Chad Hawes, Dan Maple, Nicholas Kingrey, Robert Bowman, John Howard, Nelson Duncan, Matt Louanglath, Charles Johnson, Sam Gillum, Tim Jenkins, Christine Singer, Rick Eastwood, Brian Maple, Michael Gay, and Greg Tingler.

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### ***We've Added Staff***

We want to welcome Nathan Vest to our Office Staff. Right out of the Engineering Class at Shawnee State University, Nate has been working part time since August, doing Electrical coordination drawings for the South Addition work at SOMC. Nate will become a full time employee in December, and will also be working on the SOMC North Bed Tower drawings, as well as helping out with other office duties. Nate and his wife, Danielle reside on Pleasant Ave., in Portsmouth.

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## **New Community Center Near Completion**

The new 14<sup>th</sup> Street Community Center is ready to open. We are finishing up some last minute extras for the owner right now. Dwane Johnson has been in and out of this place for weeks now, wrapping things up. Again, no injuries have been reported on this project.

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## **New Boston Shopping Center Coming Soon**

We began the underground Electrical work on the New Boston Shopping Center last month. This project, led by J & H Erectors, is a fast paced project, with an expected completion date in February 2008. Danny Beekman will be starting on this project in the next week or two. This Shopping Center is being built behind the new Bob Evans Restaurant in New Boston.

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## **State Electric Supply Is Building New Facility**

We have been awarded the Electrical work on the new State Electric Supply Company Facility, being built in the 2000 block of 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Dwane Johnson and Danny Beekman have installed some underground conduits, and the overhead conduit work will be starting very soon. For those of you who did not know, State Electric Supply recently bought out Central Industrial Supply. Both of these businesses will merge in the new 8<sup>th</sup> Street facility. We thank the folks at State Electric Supply Company for allowing us to be a part of this project.

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*Pleasure on the job puts perfection in the work.*

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## **Shawnee State University Begins Rhodes Center Renovations**

We were recently awarded an Electrical Contract for the Phase I Renovation of the James Rhodes Athletic Center. This facility is preparing for a major renovation project that will provide SSU with one of the finest basket ball Courts in the State. Work on this project should begin late December 2007.

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## **Work Nears Completion At Northwest High School**

Punchlist work, as well as some extras continue at Northwest High School. Kenny Stewart, along with Gerald Boston, Justin Diller, Charles Keller, and Dave Marting have been working to complete the loose ends this month. The School District and BBL Construction Services have been great to work with. This work will extend into December. No serious injuries have been reported on this project.

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*On a personal note, I want to thank each one of you for your thoughts, Prayers, and support for my Family and I during the past 4-months. I can never express how much it has meant to each of us. Your acts of kindness will never be forgotten.*

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## **Desco Renovating Main Office**

Desco Federal Credit union is renovating the First Floor of their main Office in Downtown Portsmouth. We will begin some Electrical demolition work this week. Once completed, the first floor and entrance will take on a whole new look. We are grateful to the folks at Desco for the opportunity to bid, and be awarded this project.

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*We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit.*

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## **ODOT GETTING NEW MAINTENANCE GARAGE IN PIKE CIUNTY.**

Work began last month on a new Highway Maintenance Garage, being built beside the old garage near the intersection of State Routes 23 and 32. While we were awarded the Electrical Contract on this project, J & H Erectors was awarded the General Contract, and J.A. Guy was awarded the Mechanical work. Kenny Stewart will be running this project for us. Kenny will be joined by David Marting and Tim Literal. This project is expected to be completed in Mid-2008.

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## **Lake White Gets Needed Electrical Upgrades**

Repair and upgrade work on the Lake White Locks and Dam started over a year ago. West End Electric was awarded the Electrical Contract for the project. Since that time, there have been several Electrical extras on the project. Andy Eldridge completed the original contract work. The additional Electrical work is being completed by Miles Lee Ferguson and Bobby Conn. This work should be completed sometime in December 2007.

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## **Scioto County J.V.S. South Campus**

Have you noticed something going in the former Big Bear Grocery Store Building (Currently J.W. Village)? The Scioto County Joint Vocational School has moved some of it's classes into the West end of the building. Dwane Johnson has been performing Electrical work in the building for several months now.