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*MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR*

FROM WEST END ELECTRIC CO., INC.

Ready or not, Christmas Season is here. As a child, Christmas was a magical time, exchanging gifts with family and friends. As an adult, we enjoy watching our children and grandchildren experience what we once enjoyed; but it doesn't have to end there. We can still experience the Spirit of Christmas in our hearts. Hebrews 13:8 tells us "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." His light still guides our path. His love still graces our hearts. His life still gives us Hope!

May this miracle season bless your heart with new born joy!

Work Begins On New DUF6 Conversion Facility

Task Order work for West End Electric Co., Inc. began on the new DUF6 Conversion Facility on November 26, 2007. Most of this facility is completed, but there is still a lot of work to be done before the facility is ready for operation. Greg Tingler is our General Foreman on this project. Our crew at this facility has grown to a total of 17-Electricians. This work is currently on a 6-10's, and is expected continue into the Spring. Workers on this project include Greg Tingler, Rod Martin, Charles Corns, Chad Roberts, Joe Galloway, Robert Akers, David Gualtieri, Shawn Sparks, Brett Zwahlen, Bret Coville, Ryan Stenson, Denise Shreck, Joe Dillow, Stanley Pence, Terry Lansaw, Lewis Wix, and Lonnie Gooch. We welcome these first time Employees to WEE.

State Electric Supply's Building Is Under Roof

Work continues on the new State Electric Supply Company Facility, being built in the 2000 block of 8th Street. Danny Beekman and Dwane Johnson completed the underground conduits. Danny has installed temporary power and lighting in the building, and has started the conduit rough-in work in the walls and ceilings. It's been cold in there, but I was always told that there is heat in those tools. As of this date, no injuries reported on this project. That's great!!

When you stop believing in Santa Claus is when you start getting clothes for Christmas.

Desco Main Office Renovation Continues

Conduit rough-in work has begun on the First Floor Renovation Work at Desco's Main Office. Led by Miles Lee Ferguson, our crew has been installing conduits in the Basement area, for the upstairs offices. With no injuries reported to date, this should be a good indoor job for this Winter. Workers on this project include Jimmy Joyner and Bobby Conn.

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

Andy Eldridge and his crew have nearly completed all of the conduit rough-in on this project, and have been pulling branch wiring for several weeks now. This building should be closed in very soon. This has been an injury free project to date. Temporary heat should follow very soon. Workers on this project include Brandon Harbolt, Ben Pollard, and Anthony Gross.

December Birthdays: Ben Pollard, Kenny Stewart, Tim Sommer, Matthew Louanglath, Tim Literal, Don Yuenger, and Dustin Pendleton.

Permanent Power's On @ Wheelersburg's New K-12 School

Workers recently turned on the permanent power at the new Wheelersburg K-12 School. We are ready to turn on the heating equipment. You may have noticed the parking lot lights burning during the night. Some areas of the building already have finished floors and ceilings, while other areas still need to be closed in. The completion date is currently scheduled for June 1, 2008. We have a total of 17-Electricians and Apprentices working on this project. Led by Jared Downey, the following workers have been hard at it: Ed Sommer, Ray Ervin, Chris Fowler, Randy Eldridge, Andy Holsinger, Nathan Geyer, Anthony Arthurs, Todd Davis, Tyler Siebert, Josh Reed, Boyd Wisecup, Dereck Morgan, Adam Mullins, Jeff Siebert, Holly Rock Fisher, Gerald Boston, Charles Keller, Adam Arnett, and Operator Tim Sommer. No serious injuries have been reported to date. Way to go!!

*An Honest Politian, a Kind Lawyer, and Santa Claus were walking
down the street, and saw a twenty dollar bill.
Which one picked it up?*

Santa. The other two don't exist.

Very Good Things Are Progressing At SOMC!!

Work on the South Addition of Southern Ohio Medical Center has been moving at a rapid pace. This four level addition includes support facilities on the Basement level, an expanded Emergency Room on the ground Floor, 12ea. Operating Rooms on the First Floor, and a Mechanical Penthouse on top. The Main Switchgear, Normal and Emergency Power Distribution all takes place in the Penthouse. This is one bust Penthouse!! The South Addition is expected to be completed in June of 2008. The overall project is being led by Bill Mershon (General Foreman). Crews in the South Addition include Danny Adams (Foreman), Mike Mershon (Foreman), John Lambert, Bill Cole, Phil Matiz, Keith Webb, Bill Taylor, Bud Thacker, Jim Walsh, Eric DeLong, Howard Zellers, Bill Loper, Matt Rider, Wes Cline, Clyde Blanton, and Steve Marth.

With temporary power and lighting in place on several floors, conduit rough-in has begun on the North Bed Tower Project. This addition consists of 4-floors of over 120 Private Patient Rooms. A new Entrance Lobby with drive-up canopy will complement the main entrance. This one is also on a fast track. The new Entrance Lobby is scheduled for a July 2008 completion, and the rest of the project is scheduled for a December 2008 completion. There is a fifth level to this addition, which is the Mechanical Penthouse. In addition to HVAC equipment, this Penthouse also includes two Emergency Powered Generators, and all of the Normal and Emergency Power Switchgear. Workers on the North Bed Tower include Randy Eldridge Jr. (Foreman), Greg Shirey, and Gary Smith.

In addition to the major expansion projects, we have also continued to perform small projects for SOMC. Electrical work has been completed in the Medical Office Buildings, East Campus, South Campus, as well as the Main Hospital. Led by Miles Lee Ferguson, this crew consists of Bobby Conn, Jimmy Joyner, and Dustin Pendleton. Safety has taken on a whole new look at SOMC, and it must be paying off. We have had zero injuries to date, on the projects we've been involved in. Lets keep this streak going.

*A Christmas Thought: STRESSED is just
DESSERTS spelled backwards.*

Scioto County JVS Work Continues

Renovation and addition work continues on the Scioto County JVS School. Led by Mike Snipes, our crews completed the Electrical demolition in the Schulte Building, and have been roughing in conduits and switchgear; as well as some site work. The building has temporary heat, which will make this a good Winter job. Our workers on this project include Mike Snipes, Dave Nichols, Mark Fitzgerald, Craig Gammon, Ryan Evans, Aaron Lore, David Shoemaker, Dick Greathouse, and Dicky Greathouse. No injuries reported to date, on this project. Keep up the good work!

Task Order Work Continues At A-Plant

Task Order work continues for our crew, led by Pete Nichols, at the A-Plant. Work on the ACP Centrifuge Project with Fluor and USEC has been plentiful. As Fluor prepares to begin hiring around April of 2008, they are getting the facility ready to handle a large work force. In a recent Pre-Construction Meeting with local Business Agents, Fluor stated that they would continue to use the Local Contractors throughout the duration of the project. It's good to see this huge facility placed back on track for completion. Our workers on site include Pete Nichols, Mike Cantrell, Chad Hawes, Dan Maple, Nicholas Kingrey, Robert Bowman, Nelson Duncan, Matt Louanglath, Charles Johnson, Sam Gillum, Tim Jenkins, Christine Singer, Rick Eastwood, Brian Maple, Ed Leslie, James Fleming, Keith Mabe, Leo Burns, Dennis Kubiak; as well as Laura Hawes in the Office and John Howard as our Health & Safety Officer. This site continues to be injury free for our crews.

Did You Know.....

Our Warehouse Crew, led by Chris Bledsoe, have been working hard to keep the men and women on all of our projects equipped with tools and materials. This can be a real juggling act at times, but Chris is up for the challenge. J.B. Cronin and Levi Miller have been with us less than one year now, and have been doing a great job. We really appreciate the work these men do. Let them know how much you appreciate them. (They've been known to accept tips for their services.)

New Boston Shopping Center Work Continues

As of this date, we've installed some underground conduits at the Boston Shopping Center, but work inside will begin once the walls and roof are in place. New Boston continues to squeeze businesses into the Village, and we welcome the opportunity to be a part of this growth. Led by J & H Erectors, this project has an expected completion date of February 2008. Danny Beekman will be starting on this project in the next week or two.

What do you call Santa's Helpers?

Subordinate Clauses

ODOT'S NEW PIKE COUNTY MAINTENANCE GARAGE IS OFF AND RUNNING.

Underground conduit rough-in continues on the new ODOT Highway Maintenance Garage, being built beside the old ODOT garage near the intersection of State Routes 23 and 32. The steel building is expected to arrive some time next month. Led by Kenny Stewart, David Marting and Tim Literal have been working hard to keep up with J & H Erectors. Work on this project is expected to be completed in late-2008. No injuries reported to date, and that is a good thing.

Shawnee State University Begins Rhodes Center Renovations

We are ready and waiting on the notice to proceed on this project. The State Of Ohio seems to be running a little behind on this one. Phase I consists of new Electrical Switchgear, a new Electrical room, a stand-by Emergency Generator, and some Electrical demolition work. This facility is preparing for a major renovation project that will provide SSU with one of the finest basket ball Courts in the State.

Wrapping Up At Northwest High School

Punchlist work, as well as some extras continue at Northwest High School. Kenny Stewart is expecting to complete the loose ends this month. There was a tremendous amount of work completed in this building during the Summer months, with no serious injuries reported. That's a great accomplishment for a renovation project.

Why are Christmas trees like bad Knitters?

They both drop their needles.

Lake White Work Continues

Repair and upgrade work on the Lake White Locks and Dam has been completed, but the extras continue. Underground Electrical power is being extended to the two Picnic Shelters at the South end of the Park, and some Electrical work has to be done at the North end of the Lake; due to safety concerns by ODOT. Andy Eldridge completed the original contract work, and Miles Lee Ferguson, Tim Summer, and Bobby Conn began the Electrical work at the Picnic Shelters. Hopefully, this work will be completed in January 2008. This is another project with no reports of injuries.

Cornerstone U.M.C. Erects Bell Tower

Have you noticed something going on at the South-East corner of 9th & Offnere Streets? Cornerstone United Methodist Church is erecting a Bell Tower that will house two bells that were saved from the former Churches at 7th & Gay Streets and Gallia & Offnere Streets. These bells will be lighted at night, and will include programmable ringers. Dwane Johnson has been working on the Electrical system for the Bell Tower, which is nearing completion. This congregation has been worshipping in their new facility for well over a year now, and we are thankful to have been a part of it's construction.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2008

It is our hope that each of you has a safe and prosperous new year. 2008 looks to have many opportunities for each of us. How 2008 ends depends on how well we begin it. Life is too short to waste by making poor decisions. This time next year, may each of us be able to look back and see a special year; a year like no other.