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New Donated Pantry Box for Mason City’s Plugged-In Iowa Organization

Plugged-In Iowa is a non-profit organization that provides mental health peer support to adults with mental illness and meets inside the Mason City Community Kitchen.

Wanting to give back to the community they receive so much support from, they contacted DSC about possibly helping them with an idea they had for a pantry box, similar to “little free libraries”, but for toiletry resources or other items not provided by the Community Kitchen. They sent us a picture of what they were thinking, and DSC donated the materials and time for DSC carpenter Dan Becker to put it together.

Within the box, they worked with other community businesses to fill it. Local dentist offices donated toothbrushes, toothpaste, and floss while others donated deodorant, shampoo, soap, etc. All of the items inside the boxes are free, with no strings attached. Those using the boxes can come and go as they wish, with a suggestion of only taking items as needed and leaving what they can for others.



DSC Carpenter & Box Designer, Dan Becker



Plugged-In Iowa Participants with their New Pantry Box

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DSC is onsite for a new multi-purpose arena in downtown Mason City in the former JCPenney's store.

DSC Awarded Multi-Phase Project with Mason City

This past February, the City of Mason City held a groundbreaking ceremony / construction kickoff for a new multi-purpose arena as part of a development project designed to enhance Mason City’s downtown area.

Awarded all three construction phases, Dean Snyder Construction has been busy converting the former JCPenney’s in the Southbridge Mall into a space that follows the city’s Prairie Style architectural design. The new facility will be 75,000 square-feet with an official NHL-sized ice rink at 200’ x 85’.

In order to work through the cold temperature of winter, rainy spring, and keep the schedule on-track, crews implemented with the designers a splice detail for the high-volume area columns so that steel could be set under the existing roof. Having an extremely aggressive schedule with multiple complex items, Project Manager Cole Landau is happy to report the project is ahead of schedule.

The new venue will have a capacity of 3,400 (with 2,044 fixed seats) and be used for ice sports by the Mason City Youth Hockey, North Iowa Figure Skating, North Iowa Bulls as well as for other athletic competitions and concerts. The project is scheduled to be completed this December.



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Renderings provided by ICON Architecture

New Hires at DSC!

Logan Bahler has joined ATURA architecture as a Graphics and Marketing Coordinator. Logan has a bachelors degree in Business Administration from York College in York, NE, and brings eight years of graphics experience to the position.



Lillian Chamness of Ames, IA, has joined our Ankeny office as a Project Coordinator. A recent grad of ISU, Lillian majored in Ag Business and interned this spring at the Governor's Office as a Communications Intern.



Jolene Leerar has joined the Clear Lake office as the new Accounts Payable Assistant. She previously worked for the Mason City Clinic and has a home business providing quick book assistance for clients. She has over 25 years of experience in accounting and payroll.



Also new to the Ankeny office is Laura Barnes as an Accounting Clerk. Laura is from Altoona and previously worked for Monaghan Corporation as a bookkeeper/office manager.



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New Pet Shelter for Perry, Iowa
DSC & ATURA broke ground in May on a new design-build 6,280 sq. ft. facility for Raccoon River Pet Shelter in Perry, Iowa.

Currently, the private organization is housed in a 300' "shed." The new facility will have 13 kennels, 40 cat condos, a meet and greet multi-purpose room, grooming and operation rooms, isolation rooms for cats and dogs, secured entry and drop-off for law enforcement, office space, and storage space.

The facility also includes a state-of-the-art HVAC system to ensure a welcoming and odor-free environment for years to come.

Construction is scheduled to be completed by late 2019.



DSC Donates \$25,000 to Kids with Cancer Foundation

Dean Snyder Construction is the \$25,000 presenting sponsor for the 2019 WHO Pinky Swear Radiothon this December. Co-owner Don Snyder became involved with Pinky Swear Foundation after hearing the story of a family dealing with childhood cancer during the 2017 radiothon.

"It touched me so deeply that I immediately called in to donate," Don said. The next year DSC joined as a sponsor of the 2018 radiothon, and Don volunteered his own time to answer calls for the event.

"It's a parent's worst nightmare to have their child diagnosed with cancer. The assistance Pinky Swear provides to help with bills that are weighing heavily on these parents allows them to focus on what's important – their family. We've now made it a company priority to support the foundation, which helps to keep our communities strong."

"Pinky Swear Foundation is so thankful for Dean Snyder Construction. They truly embody what it means to be a community partner," said Mary Mendenhall-Core, Iowa area director for Pinky Swear Foundation. "Our mission of supporting kids with cancer and their families can't just lie on the shoulders of individual donors. We truly value the support of local businesses to reach even more families."

The 2019 WHO Pinky Swear Radiothon will take place December 13, 2019 when News Radio 1040 WHO devotes an entire day to on-air fundraising for the organization and the families it serves.



Owner Don Snyder on air with WHO radio to announce \$25,000 sponsorship.

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Tania Bowman, DSC Business Development Associate, was named 2019 Midwest Region Future Leader of the Year at the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Midwest Region Annual Awards Gala this spring.

DSC Design-Builds Harrison Truck Centers Expansion

What started as a single truck sales business over twenty years ago in Waterloo, Iowa, has grown to become Harrison Truck Centers with locations throughout Iowa and Minnesota. When Harrison Truck Centers needed to expand their location in Clear Lake in 2008, they turned to Dean Snyder Construction for design-build services.

Now, as Harrison Truck Centers prepares to update their corporate branding, they once again turned to DSC for design-build services.

Together with ATURA architecture, our design-build team has been working at the Harrison Truck Centers Altoona location to expand the facility's operations. Last fall, DSC broke ground on the first of several phases with phase one including a Sukup pre-engineered 85' x 100' steel building addition to house quick lane/express service bays for their trucks. This new addition will allow for their clients to drop off semi-trucks in a designated area and have easy in and out repairs completed.

Crews will also be remodeling a portion of the existing building to include a service write-up area. The next phases include more service bays, an office expansion, and a detail building.



Rendering of completed expansion project in Altoona designed by ATURA architecture

DSC Partners with NIACC to Train for Jobsite Success

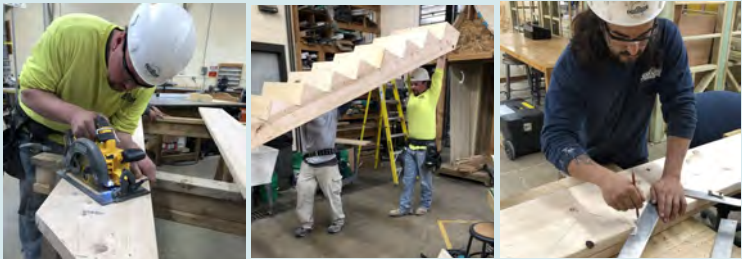
DSC has partnered with NIACC's Building Trades instructor Gregg Helmich for a new opportunity to provide additional training for DSC field employees.

Whether they are just beginning their career or looking to advance their skills, the Construction Fundamentals Training program was designed to help our employees expand their knowledge and help them understand the building process from the ground up.

"We work with our employees when we hire them to know what their professional goals are, and we want to help get them there," said Brian Carrott, Director of Human Resources.

For 15 weeks, employees have training sessions on carpentry, concrete, steel, power tools, layout, wall framing, truss setting, rafter cutting, stairway building, floor framing, anchors and fasteners, commercial door/frame & hardware installation, floor finishing, concrete wall forming, concrete paving and sidewalks, and concrete curb rolling.

"I am very excited about how the inaugural Construction Fundamentals Training went this spring. It was well received by the attendees, and we'll continue to expand the training as needed. As always, no matter where our employees are in their experience, our goal is to always have safe, achievable environments on the jobsites," said Carrott.



Recently Completed Manufacturing Facility

DSC recently completed construction on a \$24 million, highly potent API (HPAPI) manufacturing facility for Cambrex Corporation in Charles City, IA. The 6,000 sq. ft. facility underwent validation and was ready to start customer projects in May 2019. With the completion of this new facility, the Charles City site now has the flexibility to support all phases of development and offer all scales of HPAPI manufacturing across the full OEL band spectrum. Cambrex is the leading small molecule company providing drug substance, drug product and analytical services across the entire drug lifecycle.



ATURA'S ANNUAL STUDENT COMPETITION



ATURA held their 4th Annual Student Collaborative Design Competition on April 24 at the Clear Lake Art Center. Five teams from area schools participated with the task to design a multi-use school/community rec center. Having the winning presentation this year and winning \$600 towards their school was Garner-Hayfield-Ventura. St. Ansgar received 2nd place.

ATURA PROJECTS OPENING SOON



Iowa Specialty Hospital Clinic in Garner, IA, will soon open their new \$2.7 million one-story 9,000 SF integrated care clinic. Design included twenty exam rooms, a covered drop-off/pick-up and clerestory windows for natural lighting.



Clear Lake Community School will soon have space for a 3 & 4-year-old preschool in their 13,360 SF addition onto the current Clear Creek Elementary school. Once completed, the facility will have its own safe & secure entry and drop-off / pick-up lane. The design included 5 classrooms, a large activity area, media center/multi-purpose room, teachers lounge, restrooms, and creative nooks within the classrooms to allow for individual learning and reading time.

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