

project updates



ASU Health & Wellness Renovation

owner Arizona State University

architect HDR Architecture

location 5th Street & Van Buren | Phoenix

size 13,770 SF

Renovation construction of an existing interior space in the Arizona Biomedical Collaborative (ABC) building at ASU's Downtown Campus. The project included renovation work on the first and second floors of the four-story research laboratory building that also houses offices, laboratory support and interaction spaces. The first floor of the space houses the Physiological Assessment Lab, Metabolic Assessment Lab, Imaging / Ultrasound, Metabolic Research Kitchen and dining areas. The second floor incorporates the Central Laboratory suite, Body Composition Lab, Endocrine Assessment Lab, Kinesiology Lab, Behavioral Lab, ancillary and support spaces. This project was built in conjunction with Kitchell Contractors and Kitchell CEM.



The Suites @ NAU

owner American Campus Communities

architect Todd & Associates

location Northern Arizona University | Flagstaff

size 157,700 SF

dwelling units 275

student beds 550

New construction of a student residence hall that includes two (2) four-story-plus-plaza level wood-frame residential buildings over podium with a community center included on the first floor of one of the buildings. The project includes dwelling units in two (2) suite-style unit types: private accommodations in a two-bedroom / one-bathroom suite, and shared accommodations in a one-bedroom / one-bathroom plan. The 12,140 SF community center features a fitness center, theater, social lounge, business center and a plaza with 4,365 SF of retail space. The development also featured a bridge over McConnell Drive built from recycled railroad cars. This residence hall community was designed for sustainable construction on par with a LEED® Silver level.



Phoenix Collegiate Academy Recognized & Growing



hardison/downey will complete the new high school building for Phoenix Collegiate Academy (PCA) in June, however, the highly successful local charter school is not done growing yet.

Executive Director Rachel Bennett Yanof credits the success of PCA to what she learned through Building Excellent Schools (BES), a national training program helping individuals to open high performing charter schools in urban and low income areas. In 2009, she opened her school near Southern and Central in a 50-year old building with 70 sixth graders. This fall, her new 20,000 SF high school building will be filled with 120 ninth and tenth graders, and the existing middle school will have 320 fourth through eighth graders. Since its inception, PCA has consistently been recognized as an outstanding educational facility, culminating with the distinction of being awarded the 2012 Arizona Charter School of the Year, given by the Arizona Charter Schools Association.



The success of PCA has landed it in the Building Excellent Schools family of schools nationally. In addition, it has recently been named recipient of the Inflection Point Grant, given by BES and funded by the Walton Family Foundation. This grant will fund the school's expansion to include two additional school buildings. Their third building, an elementary school, will open in south Phoenix in the summer of 2014, and the fourth building, at an as yet to be determined location and grade level, will open in the summer of 2015.

For more information on Phoenix Collegiate Academy and Building Excellent Schools, please visit www.phxca.org and www.buildingexcellentschools.org.

project awards



Cobalt Apartments

new multi-family construction | 122,226 SF | 66 Units

owner: Goodman Real Estate **construction manager:** Tilton Development

architect: Todd & Associates

location: 32nd Street & Union Hills | Phoenix

Fry's Food Stores PowerParasol

solar installation | .5 MW

owner: Fry's Food Stores **developer:** Strategic Solar Energy

architect: debartolo architects

location: 27th Avenue & Bell Road | Phoenix

Quarles & Brady LLP

law firm remodel | 6 Floors

owner: Quarles & Brady **architect:** McCarthy Nordburg

location: One Renaissance | Phoenix

featured employee



10 Things You Don't Know About....Graig Ludwig | PE

1. I am an identical twin (the better looking one).
2. I went to college for 11 years...but do not have a PhD.
3. I have been addicted to "Jeopardy" my whole life.
4. I work out mainly because I love to eat.
5. When I was 7 I contracted spinal meningitis and was paralyzed from the neck down... only to recover and become captain of my high school football and wrestling teams.
6. I had a full beard by the time I was 16 years old.
7. I never forget a face, but can never remember a name.
8. I have never broken a bone, but have at least one set of stitches from each of my three brothers.
9. Someday I will walk into a restaurant, pass myself off as Liev Schreiber and get away with it!
10. My twin brother and I still play jokes on people by switching places.