



# NEWS & VIEWS

. . . . what's happening at Wick

1st Quarter, 2004

## CURRENT PROJECTS

- **Southwest Recycling & Transfer Station**  
**Mountlake Terrace, WA (Job 692)**

Project Team:

*Steve Norman, Project Manager*  
*George Mason, Superintendent*  
*Ian O'Reilly, Project Engineer*  
*Kelly VanHooser, Admin. Assistant*

The new Recycling and Transfer Station for Snohomish County is now over 80% complete. As you can see below, the main metal building framework is done. Siding & liner panels, overhead sprinkler & rain leaders are nearing completion and the last of the perimeter push walls will be poured this week.



Some interesting job facts:

- 23 truckloads of rebar were delivered for just the tipping deck slab (for building above) and compactor slab adjoining it. Over 2 million pounds in the job to date!
- 842 CY was the biggest one-day concrete pour. Coupled with the day before that, the combined winning two day total is over 1,400 CY. Total CY to date is 7,091, not counting  $\pm$  1,500 CY for shotcrete walls.



Carpenters David Bratlien and Donnie Bomberly planning their next move. The major soldier pile retaining wall behind them will be covered with a shotcrete finish, sculpted to look like natural stone; the first 150' is to be done this week.



Slab pour for 60' truck scale being finished by Wick laborer, Monte Coffin, in the foreground. Work also progressing on underground electrical and new water main for the scale booths.

This was an exciting project to visit – thanks to George Mason for helping with this story and cluing me in on the action.

(by Karen Moon)

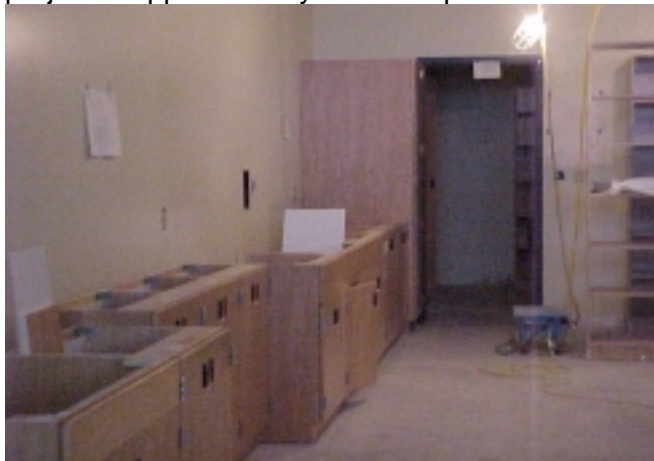
**North Seattle Community College – Arts & Sciences 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Remodel, Seattle, WA (Job 696)**

Steve Hansen, Sr. Project Manager  
Nathan Kirstein, Project Engineer  
Les O'Dell, Superintendent  
Karen Moon & Nicole Batchelor, Admin. Assistants

This extensive interior renovation is on schedule for a June completion. **D**estruction is done and construction well underway on new Art & Science classrooms, prep areas, and labs.



An outdated electric heat system has been removed and a new gas fired boiler/heat exchange system is being installed, together with all new ducts. Fixtures are appearing on the main level, and the lower level toilets are framed, with mechanical/electrical rough-in proceeding. Floor coverings are starting and permanent lighting will illuminate work areas very soon. The overall project is approximately 80% complete.



Casework is all delivered for the south half of the project.  
..... (Thanks for the tour, Les!)

**New Bethel High School #3, Graham, WA (Job 697)**

Steve Hansen, Sr. Project Manager  
Dana Malek, Superintendent  
Dave Proctor, Project Engineer - Structural  
Brett Bennett, Proj. Engineer – Arch., Mech., Elec.  
Karen Moon & Nicole Batchelor, Admin. Assistants

Another job with lots of action, this \$29 Million, 177,000 SF project is almost 20% complete. Sitework activities continue, and despite some problems with moisture levels in the soil, good progress is starting to be made on the parking lot and playfield areas.

Roofing is scheduled to start this week at Area A. Steel is being erected for Area B, which includes space for the kitchen & servery, life skills instruction, administration and the commons.



Area B Structural Steel Erection, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor.

Auditorium slabs in Area C, which also includes science classrooms, are poured and foundations are starting in Area D.



John Carlson, Jeff White, Robert Clark, and Bob Fisher setting up Area C slab pour at Job 697 – New Bethel H.S. #3.

(Photos contributed by the team of Kristin Betancourt, Mike McCorvy, and Dana Malek.)

**Qwest Projects**

Current activity in the midst of our 2003-2005 contract with Qwest is as follows.

**Current/Ongoing:**

Bellingham C.O.	<i>Joel Chriscaden</i>
- Generator Installation	<i>Duane Baker</i>
- Soil Remediation	

The original project involved replacement of an existing 250 KW interior emergency generator with a 450 KW exterior generator. Main activities include a temp. generator, foundation slab, concrete & brick wall infills, fuel piping, electrical with a new generator distribution switchboard, paint and asphalt.

While executing the first contract, fuel contaminated soil was encountered. Previously installed formwork had to be removed before all soil determined by testing to be contaminated was excavated and hauled away. While pursuing this work, water was encountered, requiring installation of wells to dewater the site. Asphalt installation and final painting work should wrap up this project around 04/09/04.

**Recently Completed:**

Renton C.O. Generator/ HVAC/Fire Alarm Replacement	<i>John Carlson</i> <i>Andy Martinsen</i>
Lakewood Cinema Restroom Expansion	<i>Dana True</i> <i>Duane Baker</i>

**NEW JOB!**

**On March 31, Wick Constructors was the successful low bidder on Phase 3A at Hazen High School in Renton. This \$2,119,800 contract must be completed by August, 2004.**

**BIDDING**

*Current schedule:*

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| 04/07/04, 3:00 p.m. | Franklin Elementary School<br>Kirkland, WA |
| 04/08/04, 2:00 p.m. | Frylands Elementary School<br>Monroe, WA   |
| 04/15/04, 6:00 p.m. | Issaquah 9th Grade Campus<br>Issaquah, WA  |
| 04/21/04, 6:00 p.m. | North Hill Elem. School<br>Des Moines, WA  |

**ACTIVITIES**

Friday night, February 6, was the second annual Wick **hockey night**. Quite a few participants met up beforehand for a bite to eat and drinks, then headed to Key Arena where they were rewarded with a decisive Thunderbirds win over the Portland team. Thanks to Dave Pederson for a well organized event.

A group also went **skiing** and inner tubing at Stevens Pass on Saturday, March 27. Although the weather was a bit too wet, it was a good get-together and the lodge turned out to be a cozy place for some games brought along by those with good foresight. Construction people plan ahead all the time! Thanks to Ryan Rudolph for arranging this outing.

*Social Committee Members: Laura Rupert, Nate Kirstein, Kristin Betancourt, Ryan Rudolph, Dave Pederson and Mike McCorvy.*

## NEW EMPLOYEE

Welcome Brett Bennett, who will be joining us full time as a Project Engineer after he graduates this Spring from the UW with a degree in Construction Management.



## BIRTHDAYS

April:	04/01	Ron Couch (692)
	04/01	Ralph Weatherholt (692)
	04/14	Randy Lisman (693)
	04/25	Brent Buzard (Office - Insurance)
	04/25	Doug Karvonen (696)
May:	04/25	Ian O'Reilly (Office & 692 – P.E.)
	05/01	Dale King (Expediter)
	05/02	Jacob Robinson (697)
	05/06	Nicole Batchelor (Office – Admin.)
	05/11	Joe Malloy (696)
	05/18	Dave Pederson (Office – P.E.)
	05/20	Kidder Anderson (697)
	05/23	Robert Clark (697)
June:	05/23	Karen Moon (Office – Admin.)
	06/12	Robert Fischer (697)
	06/16	Eric Dysert (697)
	06/17	Kelly VanHooser (Office – Admin.)
	06/25	Michael Drake (Qwest)
	06/26	Jack Seip (Office)
	06/27	Ryan Rudolph (Office – P.E.)

## WICK ANNIVERSARIES

April:	Terry Lavin – 20 Years
	Les O'Dell (696) – 1 Year
	David Bratlien (692) – 5 Years
	Dale King – 13 Years
	George Parent (Qwest) – 5 Years
	Donnie Bomberry (692) – 1 Year
	John Prata (692) – 1 Year

### Anniversaries, continued

May:	David Proctor – 2 Years
	Dave Pederson – 1 Year
	Craig Papke – 2 Years
	Laura Rupert – 3 Years
	Robert Fischer (697) – 1 Year
June:	Ray Vaughan (693) – 1 Year
	Ron Couch (692) – 1 Year
	Joe Malloy (696) – 3 Years
	Bruce Myers – 26 Years
	Steve Norman – 1 Year

## Summer is Coming! Remember these BOATING SAFETY TIPS:

Boats and other watercraft are being pulled from storage in preparation for the warm weather ahead. During this preparation safety is forgotten or set aside as low priority. Returning home safely from a day on the water should be top priority. Below are just a few safety tips you should consider.

- Learn to swim. The best thing anyone can do to stay safe in and around the water is to learn to swim. This includes anyone participating in any boating activity.
- Alcohol and boating don't mix. Alcohol impairs your judgment, balance, and coordination - over 50 percent of drownings result from boating incidents involving alcohol. For the same reasons it is dangerous to operate an automobile while under the influence of alcohol, people should not operate a boat while drinking alcohol.
- Look for the label: Use Coast Guard-approved life jackets for yourself and your passengers when boating and fishing.
- Develop a float plan. Anytime you go out in a boat, give a responsible person details about where you will be and how long you will be gone. This is important because if the boat is delayed due to an emergency, becomes lost, or encounters other problems, you want help to be able to reach you.
- Find a boating course in your area (Red Cross, U.S. Power Squadron, the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, US Sailing, etc) -- these courses teach about navigation rules, emergency procedures and the effects of wind, water conditions, and weather.
- Watch the weather: Know local weather conditions and prepare for electrical storms. Watch local news programs. Stop boating as soon as you see or hear a storm.