

## WITHIN THESE WALLS



■ SMBH is a sponsor of the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP) regional conference, to be held Oct. 20-22 in Madison, Wis.

■ Kara Hendren and Terry Marsh have joined SMBH as project engineers, and Jeff Collins has joined as a CAD Specialist.

■ Jerry Marselle has been promoted to CAD Manager/System Administrator.

■ Eric Messerly has been named president of the Columbus Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI).

■ Jon Beier, Project Engineer, has been named an Associate with SMBH. Beier has been a member of the SMBH team since 1999.

■ Mike Totsch, Director of Business Development, has been elected President-Elect for the Society of Marketing Professional Services (SMPS) Columbus Chapter.

■ SMBH recently sponsored the national SMPS conference in Denver, Colo.

■ Bill Shelley has volunteered to serve on the Vertical Construction Committee of the Ohio Chapter of American Council of Engineering Companies. Comprised of six member firms engaged in various disciplines from across the state, the committee is charged with developing/discussing the unique issues facing engineers engaged in building design. The committee will reach out to other organizations, trade groups and government agencies with the idea of establishing common-ground for solutions.

## MESSAGE FROM THE FIRM

Expanding to Serve

Realizing a 35 percent growth in staff in just over a year has been an incredible learning experience for everyone at SMBH. As exciting as it has been to welcome such a diverse group of talented professionals to our family, it has also created a “crowded house” for us. As we continued to welcome new staff, it became apparent that our office needed to expand to accommodate current as well as anticipated future growth. Our current office location is ideal, so we decided to expand our office into the undeveloped space next door. This noisy and dusty expansion occurred during the summer months with only minor interruptions to our daily activities. The resulting new space, coupled with our existing space, should meet our firm’s needs for some time to come.



Only because of wonderful relationships with current clients and aggressive action to meet new clients is such expansion possible. Growing our office to better meet the needs of our clients — regardless of the size of their project — is of paramount importance. Fostering and enabling the cooperative and collaborative environment that makes our firm successful is equally important. None of this, however, is growth simply for growth’s sake. In everything we do and every decision we make, we are guided by our core values of RESPONSIVENESS, INNOVATION, and RELATIONSHIP. SMBH is a creative culture of passionate people engaged in innovative structural design. Let us bring this incredible resource to your next project, no matter its size or complexity!

Sincerely,

Shelley Metz Baumann Hawk

## GET TO KNOW: JERRY MARSELLE

Recently promoted to CAD Manager/System Administrator, Jerry has been part of the SMBH family since October 1997. He actually started at SMBH while still in high school and now leads the CAD/Drafting and Modeling team. In addition to his drafting duties, Jerry has unique expertise in Revit (BIM) Modeling, scheduling, developing and implementing CAD standards as well as creation and maintenance of reusable CAD and Revit content, standards and procedures. His leadership role also includes training and supervision of SMBH’s in-house CAD and Revit team as well as general technical support.



Jerry said he enjoys the variety in his job and each day brings its own unique challenges. He also really enjoys the people he has met working for SMBH.

Known as the SMBH resident Star Wars Geek, Jerry’s diverse interests include playing and building guitars, watching movies, as well as writing music, poetry and short stories.

“Jerry has grown with SMBH — from a high school student unsure of his direction, to a gifted family member whose dedication to our firm is a model for others. He relishes the constant challenge of keeping pace with new technology in such a rapidly growing firm,” said Bill Shelley, SMBH President.

## SAVE THE DATE

Be sure to mark your calendars for the SMBH open house, to be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28 from 4–7:30 p.m. Our fourth annual open house presents a great opportunity to network with your peers and explore our newly expanded offices. We hope to see you then!

## PROJECT LISTING

SMBH is currently involved in the following projects. Visit [www.smbhinc.com](http://www.smbhinc.com) for more information and project updates.

- **Franklin County Courthouse** – Columbus, Ohio; \$86 million
- **Reynoldsburg City Schools** – Reynoldsburg, Ohio; \$74 million
- **Multi-plex Student Housing, University of Akron** – Akron, Ohio; \$25 million
- **Electrophysiology Expansion, The Ohio State University** – Columbus, Ohio; \$4 million
- **Medina County Courthouse, Renovation and Addition** – Medina, Ohio; \$12 million
- **Purdue Champion's Center, Parking Garage and Condominiums** – West Lafayette, Indiana; \$52 million
- **Wheeling Hospital Tower 5 and Parking Garage** – Wheeling, West Virginia; \$40 million
- **Founder's Plaza Shawnee State University** – Portsmouth, Ohio; \$1 million

## ABOUT SHELLEY METZ BAUMANN HAWK

Shelley Metz Baumann Hawk is a full-service structural engineering firm located in Columbus, Ohio. Formerly Lantz, Jones & Nebraska, Inc., they have served the architectural and construction communities in Ohio and its surrounding states since 1972. With a broad range of experience, the firm has worked with all building types including educational, commercial, healthcare, institutional, recreational, public projects and residential. For more information call 614-481-9800 or visit [www.smbhinc.com](http://www.smbhinc.com).

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## PROJECT SPOTLIGHT

Polaris Hilton Hotel and Conference Center  
Columbus, Ohio

The Polaris Hilton Hotel and Conference facility is a 253-room, nine-story hotel with a 40,000-square-foot conference center that opened this past summer. The project was on a tight construction schedule and SMBH used Tilt-Up construction, which saved valuable time. The use of this system for the stairwell shaft enabled the concrete work to be completed before the other trades (structural steel and pre-fabricated walls and floors) started on the project, which eliminated the safety issue of workers below the formwork and fighting for crane boom space. In addition to time savings, the cost of constructing the walls using Tilt-Up was less than cast-in-place



concrete. This project is recognized by the Tilt-Up Concrete Association as having one of the Tallest Tilt-Up Panels. The coveted panel, which nabbed the number five spot on the list, measures 85-feet in height and weighs almost 54 tons.

## WHAT OUR CLIENTS ARE SAYING

At SMBH, we are committed to providing responsive, high quality structural engineering services to our clients. Our talented group of engineers develops innovative solutions to problems plaguing our customers. We pride ourselves on the amount of repeat business we receive. Read on to learn more about our clients' experiences.

*"We have worked with the principals of SMBH for nearly 25 years and have found their professionalism to be consistent and dependable. Their practical analysis of structural systems has always lead to economical yet solid design solutions for our clients. The thorough detailing and coordination with both architectural and other engineering disciplines produces complete, easy to understand documents, which in turn results in low change orders. The new personnel now being introduced into our projects to assist the principals bring this same dedication to their work. This consistency has been the determining factor in maintaining this positive relationship for so many years."*

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