

Building Excellence July 2014 Vol. 13 No. 1

IN THIS ISSUE



The Future Vision



DTE Improvements





Golf Returns To Roncelli

4

"EPIC" EXPERIENCE LAUNCHED BY MJR

MJR Theater Group opened their newest theater on June 20, 2014, at 100 E. Maple Road, at the corner of Maple and Livernois in Troy, Michigan.

The MJR Grand Digital Cinema 16 sets a new standard for upscale cinematic entertainment venues. It houses sixteen studios with 3,200 pedestal mount, high back rocker style seats on deep stadium style platforms. Large, wall to wall, floor to ceiling curved screens literally encompass the audience in their borders. The projection booths are 100% "Christie" digital and include "3-D" technology. The building is primarily masonry bearing, supporting a large structural steel mezzanine and roof.



L to R: Roncelli Project Manager Carl Roehl, Roncelli Chairman Gary Roncelli, MJR Chairman Mike Mihalich, Roncelli Project Executive and Vice President Dennis Bishop.

The 8,000 sf naturally lit lobby features a vaulted ceiling with decorative glazed tile wall finishes and custom ceramic tile flooring. A new MJR concept, the Lobby Bar, is a full service adult beverage meeting spot just off the main promenade.

The highlight of the theater is the 450 seat EPIC EXPERIENCE auditorium that features one of the largest movie screens in North America at 80 feet wide and 45 feet tall.

The exterior finishes of the building are composed of brick veneer and EIFS stucco with ceramic tile accents and a "MJR-Red" full height, curved golden glass, reflective curtain wall that vaults to 52 feet high.

At the VIP Grand Opening on June 18, 2014 MJR's Chairman, Mike Mihalich thanked Roncelli and its project team for delivering this stunning theater over a nine month schedule during Michigan's coldest, snow filled winter.



MJR Troy Grand Opening

SAFETY FIRST

Roncelli is committed to ensuring the safety and health of all individuals working on or near its projects by preventing the occurrence of incidents that lead to occupational injuries or illness. Roncelli considers safety its most important core value and understands the impact it has on both its client's and its own operations.

Everyone must be committed at all times to the safe performance of their duties and the duties of their fellow workers. Accidents occur because of either unsafe acts or unsafe conditions within the workplace. Roncelli is very proud of its safety program and will continue to seek improvements that enhance its safety results by eliminating unsafe behaviors and/or controlling unsafe conditions.

The Roncelli safety program governs the activities of all personnel employed in any capacity on Roncelli projects and is dedicated to the goal of providing work environments free from recognized hazards and unsafe acts or behaviors. Each contractor is responsible for the safety and security of employees and work areas under their control.

Roncelli demands that appropriate regulations from the United States, Canada, Mexico or any other governing body are strictly followed in addition to its customer's and Roncelli's Site-Specific Project Safety requirements.





GM Design Dome - SmithGroup JJR Rendering Boardroom / Conference Room

Redefining the Future

Considered an architectural masterpiece, the Design Dome is a cornerstone to GM's mission to design, build and sell the world's best vehicles.

Roncelli was selected to perform the Design-Build renovation and restoration of the GM Design Dome, a historic building designed in 1948 by legendary architects Eliel and Eero Saarinen. The Saarinen's vision was that architecture had to reflect the qualities of the company's products, as the building was often used to unveil concept automobiles, dream cars and significant new vehicle launches. This unique building is connected to General Motor's design studios by an underground tunnel system for security and weather protection.

Roncelli selected the SmithGroupJJR to serve as its Design-Build A/E of record to work collaboratively with the team to complete the architectural and engineering design consistent with Roncelli's contract scope of work. The project consisted of the complete demolition of mechanical and electrical systems and the installation of state-of-the-art heating, cooling, ventilation, audio visual technology and sophisticated lighting systems, complete with customized motorized controls and concert quality illumination technologies.

For optimal sound functionality, the project included a BASWAphon seamless sound

absorbing plaster system and renovations to the boardroom that included an EVI touch-panel control system and compound curve Corian® solid surface control panel. Roncelli also installed access platforms within the Dome's historic attic space and included newly installed speaker arrays and high-definition projectors. African Teak Wood finishes were installed within select renovated and restored areas to match existing architectural finishes.



The Roncelli project team worked closely with GM's Global Facilities, Design Staff and Building Occupant Team Member to ensure the functionality and future access to audio visual equipment during the installation process.

The outer dome is 65 feet high with a span of 188 feet and is covered with an aluminum skin three-eighths of an inch thick. The Design Dome can be used as an auditorium to seat 1,000 people or as an exhibition hall with a high tech newly installed boardroom.

REFLECTING ON SUCCESS

As Roncelli approaches the half year mark it is a good time to pause an acknowledge some of its accomplishments. Roncelli's GM successes continues to be plentiful in the US, Mexico and Canada and is gaining recognition for its exceptional delivery, with unparalleled safety results. Roncelli is also creating future opportunities at Chrysler and Ford while continuing to set the bar for the Ford Construction Commodities Management (CCM) program.

Though Roncelli recently completed constructing its fourth MJR Theater, it also is expected to play a role in the rebirth of Detroit through the redevelopment of Capitol Park.

Roncelli has begun a challenging project at Beaumont with the renovation of all operating rooms at the Troy hospital. Continuing the healthcare trend Roncelli has busted through the barriers at Henry Ford as it starts a two story renovation at the Henry Ford Macomb Hospital.

Roncelli is putting a new face on Police Operations at Detroit's Metro Airport and has started its first of many religious/ Archdiocese of Detroit projects.

DTE Seeing Clearer

Within five months the DTE Energy Detroit Service Building had eye-opening improvements to its exterior facade.

Roncelli was selected to perform the window replacement program for DTE Energy at their downtown Service Building located at One Energy Plaza Drive Detroit, Michigan.

The project involved the replacement of 24,000 square feet of 1930's era windows and glass block with 1,024 new double-pane insulated glass units and included related work such as environmental remediation, lintel refinishing, rough and finished carpentry, plaster patching, painting of office walls and window treatments. Work also included the replacement of a curtain wall entry system including new prefinished metal soffits above the entry.

The installation required the use of movable partitions, swing stages and hydro-lifts to efficiently perform demolition and installation while ensuring safe progress throughout the project including maintaining safe access and passage for pedestrian and vehicle traffic on all sides of the building. The five month schedule incorporated two shifts of work per day with select demolition and removals during non-office hours. Sequencing was driven by DTE's requirement of displacing a maximum of twenty-five workstations at any given time.



Roncelli has proven success in working closely with its customers to coordinate interior fit-out and workplace transformation construction activity within occupied spaces to minimize the impact to occupants. For the window replacement project, Roncelli worked closely with DTE Energy team members and Service Building managers to sequence work that included phased construction activities in completing the demolition and installation and minimize impact to Service Building tenants and ongoing operations.

Completed in 1938, the Service Building stands at 6 floors and supports DTE Energy's customer service, technology initiatives, corporate functions and employee wellness including a gymnasium and work-out areas.

INVESTING IN THE FUTURE



On April 30th and May 1st Roncelli professionals David Roncelli, Dennis Bishop, John Raimondo, Paul Day, Steve Skaglin, Jeff Pfeifer, Nick Contesti, and Anthony Palazzolo each hosted a table of students to support the Utica Community Schools Foundation for Education Excellence Career Focus luncheon at the Palazzo Grande Banquet Facility in Shelby Township.

Sixth grade students from the districts 25

elementary schools were matched with business and community leaders for lunch and conversation.

Top administrators from two of southeast Michigan's most prominent healthcare systems were keynote speakers. Thomas Brisse, Executive Vice President of Operations for Beaumont Health System, and Barbara Rossmann, President and CEO of Henry Ford Macomb Hospitals.