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### **Detroit's Builder**

#### Roncelli continues its presence at the Guardian Building.

Roncelli, Inc., a Michigan headquartered construction company celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, is proud to announce that it has received certification as a Detroit-Based Business (DBB) by the City of Detroit. This certification means that using Roncelli satisfies the City of Detroit's Executive Order No. 2014-5, which requires that certain Detroit supported contracts be awarded to 30% Detroit Based Businesses.

The Detroit Based Business Certification is granted only to firms that demonstrate significant operations, personnel and office space in the City of Detroit. The Detroit Business Certification Program is an important component of the economic revitalization of Detroit. Roncelli, Inc. relocated its Detroit operations to the Guardian Building last year in support of these efforts.

Roncelli, Inc.'s Detroit presence is led by Gino Roncelli, Principal, who is also a resident of Detroit himself. Roncelli commented that "the certification reflects our company's continued investment in Detroit, and we are excited to be recognized as a Partner in the efforts to revitalize the City. Moving was an easy decision that just made sense for us, and for the service of our Detroit and Wayne County based clients."

In addition to Gino Roncelli, the company's efforts to strengthen its presence in Detroit is also headed by Ehrlich Crain, Business Development and Diversity Leader. Crain

noted that "in addition to the service of our clients, continued investment in Detroit opens more opportunities for diversity and the utilization of Detroit businesses and Detroit residents on our projects, each being strategic goals that make us a better firm." Crain achieves these goals through Roncelli's diversity program.

The Detroit office adds to Roncelli, Inc.'s list of locations that include its corporate headquarters in Sterling Heights, Michigan, its Canadian operations center located in London, Ontario and its Mexico operations center located in San Luis Potosi.



Roncelli's Detroit office is located in the Guardian Building in Downtown Detroit



#### A Tribute to the American Workforce

We are proud to recognize the contributions made by hardworking people throughout the region.

After breaking ground a year ago, the monument named "Tribute to the American Workforce" was unveiled at an August 20th ribbon-cutting ceremony to organized labor supporters, community leaders and the public. The event was hosted by Freedom Hill Amphitheatre owner Tom Celani and his wife Vicki Celani.

The monument is within the main concourse of Freedom Hill Amphitheatre in Sterling Heights, Michigan and was designed by the architectural firm of Infuz Ltd. Roncelli, Inc. coordinated construction of the wall by partnering with organized labor groups and vendors that donated their time and material to the project. The wall which is 70 feet long and 17 feet high features sponsorship tablets recognizing the America workforce that have contributed to the construction of Freedom Hill Amphitheater and Macomb County. All parties have committed time and resources to construct a monument that will recognize the hard working men and women of southeast Michigan.

The project took approximately 5,000 manhours to build. The wall is finished with a limestone veneer over reinforced masonry block and includes a 10 foot x 10 foot LED video screen centered prominently in the wall. Companies donated materials, labor and equipment, and building trades union members erected the wall.

Dennis Bishop, Vice President of business development for Roncelli, said "It's been a great opportunity for companies to pitch in and do something they are to be proud of. This is a tribute to American workers for all that they have done to make our lives better."

The wall is sponsored by several companies and unions, including DTE Energy, Roncelli, Inc., Michigan Lottery, IBEW/NECA Local 58, Michigan Regional Council of Carpenter Local 687, Operating Engineers Local 324, Lear Corporation, Field Measurements, Inc., Detroit Diamond Drilling, McCoig Materials LLC., Casadei Steel, Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local 2, UAW Ford and Lutz Roofing.







L to R: Director John Raimondo, Director of PM Paul Day, Safety Manager Bill Parker and President Tom Wickersham.

### Roncelli Wins Prestigious CURT Construction Industry Safety Award (CISE)

The Construction Users Roundtable (CURT) presented Roncelli, Inc. with the Construction Industry Safety Excellence (CISE) Award at CURT's National Conference in New Orleans on Nov. 7th. The award recognizes commendable safety management and improvements of owners, constructors, and local user councils who have most effectively implemented recommendations detailed within the CURT Owners Safety Blueprint (R-807) that serves as a strategic guideline for safety performance.

"We are honored to be presented with this prestigious award. Our dedicated project teams have earned this award by their efforts to protect the lives and livelihoods of everyone working in our offices and on our projects by ensuring they return home," said Bill Parker, Corporate Safety Manager.

The CISE award winners are evaluated on critical safety requirements including:

 OSHA Injury/illness statistical data for the contractor's site personnel from OSHA 300 logs

- Effectiveness in managing subcontractor's safety performance
- The contractor's safety management system as it pertains to implementation of the CURT R-807 Construction Owner's Safety Blueprint
- Review of safety performance with three client companies for whom the constructor recently performed work

Roncelli is a privately owned construction company established in 1966 with operations in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Roncelli provides construction management, design-build, integrated project delivery, program management and general contracting services in the healthcare, industrial, commercial and institutional markets. "Dedicated to Building Excellence", Roncelli offers flexible and innovative solutions tailored to meet each client's specific needs.



#### RONCELLI, INC. RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEES FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

In honor of Roncelli, Inc.'s 50th anniversary it celebrated the career milestones of twenty-three employees at a private luncheon in recognition of their outstanding years of service to the company. Employees were awarded anniversary gifts and recognized by Gary Roncelli, Chairman, Tom Wickersham, President, and David Roncelli, Executive Vice President at the company's recognition ceremony. "The successful growth of our company is the direct result of you, our valued employees," said Gary Roncelli.

Employees received a corporate lapel pin engraved with their years of service along with a gift certificate to the company store. The 20 to 24 year service recipients were Hank Riberas, Jim Tessmer, John Sliwinski, Steve Skaglin, Paul Day, Jim Carnacchi, Dennis Bishop, John Johnson and John Geer. Recognized for 25-30 years of service were Len Look, Tito Garcia, Lou Roncelli, Mark Walsh, Dan Machuta, Chuck

Soule, Nancy Poxson and David Ladomer. Jack Galiati was recognized for 31 years of service and Al Vanlerberghe and Dennis O'Leary both were honored for 33 years of service.

"We're very proud that so many of our employees have stayed with us for 20 years or longer," said David Roncelli, Executive Vice President. "This has helped us build a reservoir of experience and a stability that has been crucial to our success."

Along with employees with 20+ years of service, Roncelli also recognized those employees with 5 or more years of service with lapel pins and gift certificates. Department managers thanked and congratulated each of their team members on their career milestones and thanked them for their part in maintaining Roncelli's performance standards and commitment to excellence.

#### TOPPING OUT CEREMONY MARKS MILESTONE

Project team members of the Wayne County Airport Authority's new Administration Building project joined together on Thursday, August 11, to celebrate the completion of the steel framework on the new, 86,000 square foot, four story building.

During a ceremony at the building's construction site all project team members from the Wayne County Airport Authority, Roncelli, Inc., Ghafari Associates, Casadei Steel, and Sterling Erectors signed the final beam signifying their participation in the work. The beam was decorated with the American flag, an evergreen tree as well as banners from Local 25 Ironworkers, Roncelli and all company partners.



The signing of the beam represents a successful new beginning and the tree symbolizes unity and strength through tough and challenging times.

As the assembled attendees and construction workers looked on, the final

beam was ceremoniously hoisted into position accompanied by cheers and applause as it was connected in place by two ironworkers.

The project is expected to be completed in April, 2017.

## Henry Ford Macomb Hospital Surgical Infill Addition

Converting an exterior courtyard and mechanical area-way into a two story addition was no easy feat. The Roncelli team provided comprehensive construction management services for Henry Ford Macomb Hospital's Surgical Courtyard Infill Project.

The project was composed of 32,300 sf of horizontal and vertical expansion, some of which was constructed over existing hospital operations. New ground floor areas provided for the expansion of the hospital's cystoscopy services department along with future shell space for seven operating rooms (ORs), one Hybrid OR and support areas.

As with most complicated projects there were some challenges to overcome. One of which was the installation of deep, cast in

place caissons within the interior courtyard during the initial phase of the project. This operation had to be strategically staged so that the main structural steel girder could be lifted over the hospital. Then the girder had to be precisely placed during decreased hospital activity hours and above areas that were temporarily vacated.

A new, four stop patient elevator was also installed within the former courtyard space to provide vertical transport from the existing and future OR areas to patient beds in the upper floors of the hospital. Upgrades to two major air handling units (AHU's) and the installation of a new AHU were included in the project's work scope along with new power and distribution to the newly expanded areas.

Overall, the project's 26 month schedule was comprised of two major phases broken into twenty two, segmented sub-phases of work. All of the complex phasing, logistics and construction methods which were used were required in order to eliminate risk to hospital operations and resulted in bringing the project to a successful completion.

