



Honors abound for CIMS employees



The City celebrated its first Green Building Awards, and once again the John Igo Branch Library has been recognized.

An awards event celebrated organizations that

Igo Library wins for green design

have made significant strides in improving the sustainability of their buildings. Awards were given in special categories within the divisions of commercial and residential construction. The Igo Branch Library won Honorable Mention in the Commercial division.

The photo on the left has CIMS architects **Chester Slimp** and **Guillermo Moya** outside the library. Slimp was Project Manager for the award-winning branch library in Council District 8. Moya is now Senior Architect for Downtown Projects.

The 17,000-square-foot branch, located at 13330 Kyle Seale Parkway, was featured last spring in *American Libraries* magazine in an article titled, "The Bold and the Beautiful: Spotlight on Design and Construction."

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Hutchins in Academy of Fellows

Senior Engineer **Samuel Hutchins IV, P.E.**, has joined the ranks of a prestigious military group.

Hutchins, who leads CIMS Reporting & Web Portal Support, was inducted to the Society of American Military Engineers' (SAME) Academy of Fellows.

Hutchins, a retired U.S. Army Reserve lieutenant colonel, is shown standing with Rear Adm. Robert C. Williams, who presented

the Fellows medallion, and Rear Adm. Greg Shear, who handed the plaque.

SAME was founded in 1920 as a professional engineering association connecting architects, engineers and builders in the public sector and private industry, uniting them to improve individual and collective capabilities for national security.

Since 1972, SAME has bestowed the honor of Fellow to those Society



members who have given dedicated and outstanding service to SAME and to

military engineering.

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From the Director's Chair

By Mike Frisbie, P.E., City Engineer

Thirty-six months and counting.

That is how long we have until the 2007-2012 Bond Program must be substantially complete and within budget. How many times have you heard presentations or seen in print that the \$550 million Bond Program will be in its final stages in June 2012?

Unlike a professional football game where we get a 2-minute warning and can stop time, the Bond Program will not slow down or stop for anything. We cannot step out of bounds or drop a project to stop the clock.

Using another sports reference, the CIMS team is just about filled at every key position to get us to the finish line by June 2012. Completing the Bond Program is a large undertaking, but we have the best people and systems in place to ensure a successful outcome.

One of the most effective ways to keep us on task of completing the Bond Program on time and within budget is the new Web-based Dashboard. Through this readily available tool, the public can check the status of projects by cash flow, and other measurements.

The Dashboard will tell everyone



instantly if a particular project is on schedule or not.

I told City Council recently that 2010 will be the biggest construction year in San Antonio's history. The Bond Program is well under way at this point. By next year, however, the construction program will be full fledged throughout the City.

We realize that construction can be a frustrating process for motorists, pedestrians, homeowners, and merchants. When San Antonio voters approved the Bond Program in May 2007, they authorized the City to construct new roads, drainage, libraries, and athletic facilities; upgrade existing infrastructure; and essentially build a great San Antonio.

These improvements will not be built overnight or even from one month to the next. Construction is detailed and requires certain procedures, coordination with non-City agencies, decent weather, and yes, patience.

It is up to all of us to exemplify the hard work and commitment to fulfilling our goal of June 2012.

Keep thinking forward and enjoying every day. Have a great summer.

Passing the reins



New City Architect **Betty Feldman** gladly accepts the symbolic baton of responsibility from **Rodney Dziuk**, Assistant Capital Program Manager, who wore numerous hats in Vertical until the new City Architect was hired.

Thank you CIMS staff for service to City

The City honored employees who have worked for COSA at least five years.

CIMS staff recognized by the City were **Carroll Coston**, Real Estate, 5 years; **David Dimaline**, Small Business, 5 years; **Ray Doyal**, Real Estate, 5 years; **Tamara Langwell**, Public Art, 5 years; **Aurelia Marotta**, Fiscal, 10 years.

Mauro Moncada Jr., Technical Services, 5 years; **Thomas Nixon Jr.**, Compliance & Resolution, 5 years; **David Sanchez**, Real Estate, 5 years; **Edward Scott**, Technical Services, 5 years; **Denise Shaffer**, Contract Services, 10 years; **Monica Vasquez**, Fiscal, 15 years.

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The library is named for John Igo, a longtime educator and author who grew up near the location of the library.

Rehler Vaughn & Koone Inc. was the project architect and F.A. Nunnally Co. was the construction contractor. James Hetherington provided design enhancement.

The library opened in December 2007.



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In 1995, SAME organized the Academy of Fellows to bring all Fellows together to further the Society's missions and goals.

Hutchins has been in SAME since 1990. He has served as the San Antonio Post's Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer since 2002 and as a member of the Post Education and Mentoring Golf Tournament Committee. Hutchins is a nine-year City employee.

Hays Bridge, Mission Drive-In, Rogers Road projects under way



A bridge that has spanned the Union Pacific Railroad tracks on the near East Side for nearly a century getting a major makeover.

The Hays Street Bridge will be rehabilitated through a \$3.7 million construction contract awarded to Jay-Reese Contractors Inc.

A "demolition" ceremony May 9 on the Cherry Street approach to the bridge included Jay-Reese crews tearing down a piece of the approach (top left photo). The top right photo shows CIMS Director **Mike Frisbie**, P.E., and Capital Project Manager **Anibal Gutierrez**, P.E., holding the symbolic jackhammer at the event.

The bridge was permanently barricaded in July 1982 and closed to vehicular traffic because it was deemed structurally unsound. City staff and citizens petitioned and were able to secure the bridge from Union Pacific to the City for rehabilitation.

The structure, which has been a San Antonio landmark since 1910, will get new approaches and a pedestrian and biking bridge over the railroad tracks. A public art component is being developed in coordination

with stakeholders. Construction is estimated for completion in July 2010.

The bottom photo shows the facade at Mission Drive-In on Roosevelt Avenue. The site is being developed to include a new District 3 branch library, headquarters for the National Park Service and Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, and commercial uses.

District 3 Councilwoman Jennifer Ramos toured the site May 19 as J.R.



Ramon & Sons began demolishing parts of the post-World War II drive-in, which closed in 2007. The facade will be kept intact and refurbished.

The top two photos on page 4 show the drive-in's four-lane ticket booth being razed. A groundbreaking ceremony at the site is planned for later this year.

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District 6 City Councilwoman Delicia Herrera, Councilman-elect Ray Lopez, and staff from CIMS and Planning & Development Services turned ceremonial shovels May 26 for the Rogers Road Extension project in west Bexar County (bottom photo).

The \$4.8 million project includes right-of-way acquisition and extension of Rogers from Wiseman Boulevard to Mount Evans, just south of Culebra Road. The City's share of construction costs is approximately \$1.6 million.

This project, funded in part by the City's 2007-2012 Bond Program, will widen Rogers to four lanes between Wiseman and Mount Evans with a raised median.

Rogers runs adjacent to the western boundary of the Mountain View Acres subdivision from Culebra.

Improvements include eliminating a low water crossing on Rogers by converting this to a culvert crossing.

Construction is scheduled for completion in spring 2010. Pape-Dawson Engineers is the design consultant and Yantis Company is the contractor.

The Rogers Road project is managed by the team of Capital Project Manager **David McBeth, P.E.**



Happy birthday in June

Happy birthday to CIMS employees born in June:

Laura Flores, Technical Services (1st); **Mike Frisbie**, Director's Office (1st); **Mick Haase**, Real Estate (4th); **Lupe Bustos**, Fiscal Services (7th); **John Donnelly**, Horizontal (7th);

Elda Esquivel, Horizontal (14th); **Kevin**

Schmitz, Technical Services (15th); **Ivonne Diaz-Brufau**, Environmental Services (19th); **Robert Diaz**, Technical Services (20th);

Mauro Calvo, Real Estate (21st); **Brian Orebaugh**, Vertical (24th); **Glen Lee**, Technical Services (25th); **Nicole Fowles**, Director's Office (26th).

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CIMS Mission Statement
Together, Dedicated to Our Community ...
Building a Great San Antonio

Our Core Values

- Accountability & Integrity
- Enjoying every day
- Respecting our customers
- Valuing our diversity & history
- Forward thinking



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