



Pair of projects publicly praised

The John Igo Branch Library was among the projects honored at the 2008 Design Awards of the San Antonio chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

Mayor **Phil Hardberger** recognized the Igo Library (shown in the photo to the right) for the Mayor's Choice Award. This award is given to a publicly funded project.

The 16,000-square-foot facility at Hausman and



Woller roads had a grand opening in December 2007. The library includes a meeting room, computer labs, and a windmill/art structure that acts as an alternative energy source/environmental demonstration project.

Project architect was Rehler Vaughn & Koone Inc. with design enhancement by James Hetherington. CIMS Architect **Chester Slimp**



served as project manager. F.A. Nunnally Co. was the construction contractor.

A panel of architects from Atlanta, Austin, and Des Moines, Iowa, recognized 11 designs from more than 50 entries by 19 local architectural firms.

Mayor Hardberger lauded Zachry Construction Corp. for its work at the City's Emergency Operations

Center (lower left photo), which opened in 2007. The mayor said President George W. Bush visited the EOC earlier this year during hurricane preparations.

The mayor thanked Zachry for its "on time, on budget" completion of the project.

The EOC is a world-class facility designed to provide coordinated delivery of emergency services.

CIMS preparing for holiday luncheon Dec. 12

CIMS employees are invited to the department's holiday luncheon **Friday, Dec. 12**, at the City's International Center - 203 S. St. Mary's St.

The luncheon is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the conference center, located on the third floor.

Luncheon committee members are **Veronica Barefield, Trudy Bussey, Tammy Caverly, Elda Esquivel, Elvie Fernandez, Laura Flores, Jo Kusek, Terri Lee, Aurelia Marotta, Yolanda Marquart, Annie Menchaca, Cynthia Story, Alexis Villaseñor, and Lisa P. Woodard.**



From the Director's Chair

By Mike Frisbie, P.E., City Engineer

Greetings, and happy holidays to everyone!

This time of year is a season of lights, new beginnings, and a hope that all of us - in our own little way - can make a big difference in the world. Whatever your role in CIMS may be, you have something special to offer and give to others. Your talents and areas of expertise are gifts.

The holiday season, for many, is a time when children, especially, make wish lists, are on their best behavior, and look forward to opening gifts from people who love them. Come to think of it, some adults never really grow up in this special time of the year, and that's okay.

As your CIMS Director, I have a wish list of my own. I hope you are happy working for our department and the City, and providing the best service to our residents and visitors alike. In this time of giving, let us share and do for each other and for those who depend on us.



CIMS has a long list of individuals and organizations that count on us to listen, do our jobs well, be responsive, deliver projects on time and on budget, and bring satisfaction through our hard work and quality products.

My wish is that we recall the simple words that convey so much meaning. I am referring to our Mission Statement and Core Values. I hope you read these words - see below in the lower right - and check them twice for how you can use them in your daily work.

There are numerous songs this time of year that talk about shiny red noses, winter wonderlands, and being good or else. I like to think of this season as one of everlasting hope, fulfillment of promises, never-ending love, generosity and kindness, and appreciating what we have.

I am grateful for your part in my life and what you bring that I may not have otherwise. Take care.



Congratulations!

Top photo: **Lisa Torres**, Senior Engineering Associate (Scheduler) in Reporting & Web Portal Support, and her husband Bobby celebrated their 10-year anniversary on Nov. 14 at Grand Bahama Island.

Bottom photo: **Denise Shaffer**, Contract Coordinator, received her 10-year service pin from **Mike Frisbie**.



Happy birthday in December

CIMS wishes a happy birthday to employees born in the last month of the year:

Jaime Camero, Vertical Projects (2nd); **Antonio Mendez**, Vertical Projects (10th); **Sean Strong**, Horizontal Projects (14th); **Aurelia Marotta**, Fiscal Services (15th); **George Rodriguez**, Real Estate (15th); **Sean Cummings**, Technical Services (19th); **Gerlach "Gig" Laven**, Vertical Projects (20th).

Alexis Villaseñor, Real Estate (20th); **Steve Hodges**, Real Estate (21st); **Edward Treviño**, Technical Services (23rd); **Elizabeth Vidal**, Horizontal Projects (23rd); **Luis Maltos**, Technical Services (30th); **Ricardo Ramirez**, Technical Services (30th); and **Victor Maldonado**, Technical Services (31st).

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CIMS Mission Statement

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

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Our Core Values

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



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