



# Behind the Scenes

News and Information from the Paving, Sitework, Pavement Reclamation and Concrete Work Professionals at Blount

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## Our Mission:

*"Blount Construction Company Inc. is a dynamic employee-owned company with integrity whose people are committed to deliver safe, cost-effective, and quality turnkey solutions to our customers while utilizing and creating innovative rehabilitation techniques to improve sustainability in our environment."*

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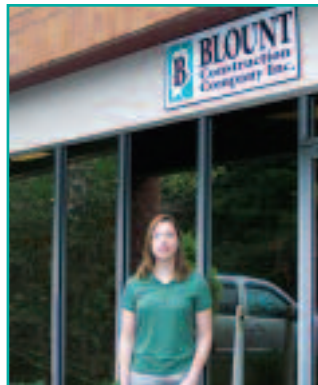
## From the Editor

### Blount Keeps Growing to Serve Our Customers

By John Indrunas

As with most construction companies in America, we at Blount Construction Co. Inc. continue to grow by leaps and bounds to keep up with our ever-changing customer needs. On behalf of our company, I thank our valued existing customers and welcome new relationships with The Home Depot, Key Construction, CH2M Hill and QPR Lafarge. A few months ago, our Asphalt Plant Manager Randall West broke new ground for our company by becoming the newest supplier of QPR High Performance Coldmix in the nationwide supply chain for Lafarge.

While we appreciate all of the very hard efforts of this employee-owned company, we feel it is worth noting that we have had some significant promotions within this past year. **Kenneth McHan**, **Carlos Vidal** and **Benjamin Quintanilla** were all promoted to forman within our Public Works Division under the leadership of **Glenn Dailey**, who we would like to clone.



In addition, Blount welcomes experienced leaders **Sam Kennedy**, **Tom Fago**, **Shawn England**, **Ed Turner**, **Robert Hardin**, **Cris Bivins**, **Robert McGrew**, and **John Indrunas**. This addition of bright, young talent brings further depth to our level of expertise.

**Hilke Neuerburg** has joined the Atlanta Chapter of the U.S. Green Build Commission.

For further information about our national associations please visit [www.ara.org](http://www.ara.org) and [www.usgbc.org](http://www.usgbc.org) or [www.southface.org](http://www.southface.org) respectively. Hilke will assist our customers in accumulating LEEDs credits. Even in the midst of unprecedented growth for our firm, we are staying true to our mission statement of "improved sustainability in our environment".

## New Project for The Home Depot Now Under Way

We are currently working on another major site work project for The Home Depot.

"I am proud to say that we are on track to complete our third project for The Home Depot due to our ability to provide the fullest utilization of Blount's diverse heavy civil resources for our client," said Senior Project Manager **Blake Keener**. "We have performed every facet from clearing, demolition, and heavy excavation to utilities, soil stabilization, retaining walls, concrete curb and gutter, and asphalt pavement in our contracts with The Home Depot."

"I commend the efforts of our staff and subcontractors Metro Atlanta Demolition, Cherokee Grading and Utilities, and PT&B Engineering," he added. "Through extensive teamwork, management of our client, staff, and subcontractors, and the effective usage of our extensive resources, we have shown the ability to finish large scale projects such as this on time and on budget."

"Moreover we have the personnel, equip-

ment and technical expertise to provide economical alternative solutions to conventional construction," Keener said, "It is not uncommon for us to save our clients several hundred thousand dollars by using innovative techniques such as soil stabilization and asphalt recycling."

To learn more about these techniques, please see [www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov](http://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov) course #131050. For a no-cost estimate on your next project, please contact one of our expert estimators here at Blount Construction Co. Inc.

## Have a Great Holiday

All of us here at Blount Construction wish you a very pleasant and safe holiday.

Please feel free to visit our Web site [www.blountconstruction.com](http://www.blountconstruction.com) for updated information and photos for the jobsites mentioned in this newsletter.

## Deep Excavation for America's Mart 4 Completed Successfully

Holder Construction Co. provided our firm with the opportunity to perform a deep excavation at one of our historic landmarks – the Greyhound bus station – for the expansion of the America's Mart facility in downtown Atlanta. This project required the cooperation of Willmer Engineering, John Portman & Associates, and Holder Construction to deal with previously contaminated soil conditions, as well as mass rock blasting and removal. We owe the success of this job to our cooperative efforts with Schnabel Foundation Company, Controlled Blasting Inc., Greir Brothers Enterprises, Waste Management Inc., and Ronny D. Jones Enterprises Inc.



This unique contract specifically entailed working around the client's aggressive trade show schedule and numerous civic activities at the hub of Atlanta's convention district. The contracted utilities were excavated and shored utilizing vacuum trucks and no-dig technology to avoid damage to any of the tangled underground infrastructure web. ⚙️

## Experienced Subs Help Make CDC Lab Project a Huge Success

Blount recently completed our third contract with Gilbane Building Company, CDC Lab 110 and Central Utility Plant. This \$6.3-million project covered the entire Chamblee campus and included a 1,500-lineal-foot utility tunnel. We thank Sunbelt Structures, Schnabel Foundation Company, and Reynolds Inc. for partnering with our team on this job. Without the help of our very experienced subcontractors, this project would not have been the huge success that it was. ⚙️

## Fulton County Resurfacing Showcases Recycling Capabilities and New Machinery

A \$4 million resurfacing project that encompassed 25 miles of roadway scattered throughout one of Georgia's largest counties, Fulton County, recently became one of the first projects to utilize our new half-lane milling machine.

"It sure pleased me to see such success with the maiden voyage of our newly formed milling division," said Senior Vice President Dale Cronauer. "Working in conjunction with CW Mathews, our own hot mixed asphalt plant staff, and Richard Coates from Fulton County made this job a success. Our General Paving Superintendent **Johan Louw** and Supervisor **Robert Hardin** also played instrumental roles in achieving the outstanding results."

The project began early in March 2006 and concluded near the end of the season, on schedule and budget.

"We feel that by using the milling machine, as with the reclaimers, we give our clients the ability to recycle their valuable resources such as asphalt pavement," Cronauer added. "It is worth noting that by weight, asphalt is the number one recycled product in America." ⚙️

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