



Bluff View Elementary School Project



Bluff View Elementary School recently completed an addition to an existing school in Lake City, MN. The addition included a new gymnasium along with many other facility upgrades. This new addition will support the faculty and provide the students with a school ready for future growth.

Molin Concrete Products worked with Kraus Anderson (Rochester), MLA Architects, and LS Engineers throughout the project budgeting, and design development and was selected after the bid to provide 17,000 square feet of architectural precast concrete wall panels,

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2,800 square feet of structural precast concrete wall panels, and 1,100 square feet of 8" hollow core plank for the project.

The architectural precast concrete wall panels incorporate a light color with an etched finish to closely resemble the existing school accent pieces. An abrasive blast at the upper portion of the panels and cast in thin brick at the bottom match the existing features and will tie the addition to the school.

Molin provided completed facility tours to the architect and sample requests to assist the owner and design team in selecting the final building aesthetics. Molin prepared shop drawings and engineering services while working with the design team to finalize construction drawings in order to meet the project's required construction schedule.

Throughout the process, Molin's project manager and field superintendent coordinated site access, crane and trucking logistics, safety and installation plans with Kraus Anderson's project managers and job superintendents to make sure installation was completed safely and on time. «



Molin Invests in Schnell Rebar Bender

Molin recently installed a new rebar bender that replaced an older aging bar bender that had definitely seen its better days. The new Schnell Coil 16 stirrup bender offers the ability to transition between #3 (3/8") and #4 (1/2") coil rebar in the matter of a minute or two. The improved efficiency not only offers the ability to bend #3 bar coil for all columns and continue to bend #4 bar coil for beams and solid slabs, it will provide a significant financial savings for Molin.



Dan Knudsen
Structural Plant
Manager



A lot of pre-planning went into making the transition from the old equipment to the new seamless. According to Molin's Structural Precast Plant Manager, Dan Knudsen, "Ben Lisowe and his team did an excellent job of coordinating the contractors for concrete cutting and electrical installation to ensure a very smooth installation process." Dan also praised Dana Durand and his crew for how well they prepared to keep production at full capacity with no missed pours. «

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Molin Concrete Products Announces New Hires and Retirement

I am pleased to announce the hiring of new team members at Molin Concrete Products:



Dan Bible
President

Caryn Taylor joined Molin in March 2020 in the position of Senior Accountant.

Ken Chenal joined Molin in April 2020 in the position of Drafter.

Brad Stulc joined Molin in May 2020 in the position of Drafter.



Molin Hires Brad Stulc

Brad Stulc was hired as a Drafter for Molin in April 2020. He graduated from The Art Institutes International Minneapolis with a BS in Interior Design. Before his employment at Molin, Brad worked for BestBuy drafting on the Remodeling Team. He also worked at Corexpo drafting 2D and 3D designs for expo displays and booths used at events like the Home & Garden Show and the Auto & RV Show. Brad is married and has a 21-year-old daughter and a 17-year-old son. Brad is an archery coach for Mahtomedi Schools and is involved with an outreach program through his church. He is an avid outdoors person who enjoys hunting and maintaining the family property for hunting. In his down-time Brad enjoys photography and drawing.



Molin Hires Caryn Taylor

Caryn Taylor was hired as a Senior Accountant for Molin at the end of March 2020. Caryn graduated with her Bachelor of Science with a focus in Accounting from Metropolitan State University in December 2011. She earned her CMA from the Institute of Management Accountants in August of 2017. Prior to joining Molin, she filled accounting roles at Andersen Windows, Newscycle Solutions, and at Land O'Lakes. Her hobbies include reading, video games, crochet, archery, and fishing.



Molin Hires Ken Chenal

Ken Chenal was hired as a Drafter for Molin in April 2020. Ken Attended Dunwoody College of Technology for Electrical Design and Management and Graduated with an Associate's degree in 2011. After leaving Dunwoody, Ken worked at Wunderlich Malich Engineering as Drafter and then at Parallel Technologies as an Electrical Designer. Ken then spent a year working to build a new home in the country with his wife. When he isn't working, Ken enjoys traveling, hunting and fishing.

Arlyne Harmer Retires from Molin



The news of Arlyne Harmer's retirement after almost 22 years of valued employment at Molin is bittersweet. Arlyne spent the bulk of her tenure assisting the company through the booming 90's, and 2000's. Arlyne experienced many of Molin's major expansions and proved herself to be an integral player of the sales team along the way. Arlyne is the ultimate organizer and will always be remembered for her generosity and hospitality. Whether for a staff meeting, a potluck, or for no reason at all, Arlyne was the "in-house caterer" for Molin. Golfers at the annual AIA-MN golf outing will miss her famous "seasoned pretzels" and her management of the Molin Concrete Putter putting contest. Due to Covid-19 there will not be a formal celebration of retirement that Arlyne deserves. All of us at Molin wish Arlyne the very best of what retired life has to offer.

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During this challenging period of Covid-19 that includes implementing safety standards and social distancing practices, representative from Molin still offer multiple continuing education opportunities for architects, engineers, and contractors. Lunch & Learn presentations can be provided in client offices or combined with a PCI plant tour. Many presentations and tours are registered with AIA/CES and Registered Continuing Education Program (RCEP) of the National Council of Examiners for Engineers & Surveyors (NCEES) for



continuing professional education credits. If you're looking for product information, want to schedule a plant tour or box lunch presentation, or wish to be contacted by a Molin representative, please visit our website at **www.MOLIN.com** and fill out and submit the "Contact Us Form."

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