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Why Choose Belstar

Core Values
 Trust - Faith In Others
 Shared Values – Common Goals
 Effective Communication Good Listeners
 Humble Leadership – Shared
 Spot Light
 Empowerment - All of the
 above
 *By Lon Solomon (3-5-2000)

Special Announcements

Belstar would like to acknowledge Black History Month (February) and Women's History Month (March), in recognition of the many important contributions that Black Americans and women make in every sector of society.

In Celebration of Black History Month...

From Barack Obama, the first African-American President of the United States, to Gullah Statesman, Robert Smalls, who was born a slave and became a U.S. Congressman, to Jane Bolin, the first African-American woman to graduate from Yale Law School and to join the New York City Bar Association, there are heroes all around us, in the past, present and future. Black History Month is about celebrating the deep significance of the individuals who fought to advance a shared culture. In addition to the well-known leaders that we all celebrate, there are many others whose achievements remain relatively unknown. This year, the NAACP gives you the chance to celebrate Black History Month by nominating a hero in your community. During this time of reflection, think back to the individuals in your life who have made a difference and share their story. Click here for more information on the 2012 Unsung Heroes of Black History and to nominate someone.

Let us use this opportunity to continue to celebrate one of our own heroes, the vision and founder of Belstar, Daniel Joseph Belcher. Mr. Belcher, who founded Belstar, Inc. in 1985, is a successful author and graduate of the Agricultural and Technical State University in North Carolina.

Click here for more information about Black History Month.

In Celebration of Women's History Month...

March is National Women's History Month and this year's theme is "Women's Education – Women's Empowerment." The equal opportunity to learn, taken for granted by most young women today, owes much to Title IX of the Education Codes of the Higher Education Act Amendments. This legislation, passed in 1972 and enacted in 1977, prohibited gender discrimination by federally funded institutions. It has become the primary tool for women's fuller participation in all aspects of education from scholarships, to facilities, to classes formerly closed to women. Indeed, it transformed the educational landscape of the United States within the span of a generation.

Women have played, and continue to play a crucial role throughout American history. Recognizing the achievements of women in all facets of life – science, community, government, literature, art, sports, medicine – has a huge impact on the development of self-respect and new opportunities for girls and young women. Click here for more information about Women's History Month and The

National Women's History Project.

- Facility/ Program / Project / Construction Management / Cost Engineering / Cost Management / Dispute Resolutions and Claims Analysis / Scheduling
- 27 Year Record of Performance
- Fees average 24% for Office / 22% for Field Below similar sized firms

Project Wins

- Belstar is a member of the Thompson + Litton team for the Virginia Tech on-call A/E services contract. Thompson + Litton is the prime of record.
- Belstar is a member of the Potomac Crossing Consultants' (PCC) team for the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Replacement project for the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT), Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). Belstar received the Annual Work Program Budget (AWP #15) for 2012. PCC is the prime of record.
- Belstar, a LDBE Team member of Parsons Management Consultants, received the Annual Work Program Budget (AWP #10) for 2012. This contract provides construction support services to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for the improvement of Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport and Washington Dulles International Airport.
- Belstar is the prime on a construction management inspection services (CMI) on-call schedule with DDOT. DDOT has awarded Belstar option year #2 on the contract.

Click here to see a comprehensive list of Belstar's 2011 project wins at www.Belstar.com

Charitable Donations

- Airport Minority Advisory Council (AMAC) Scholarship Fund silent auction
- American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) –Scholarship Fund silent auction
- Architecture, Construction, and Engineering (ACE) Mentor, Washington Chapter – Scholarship Fund
- Compassion For Benefit of Rose-Carline Petit-Frere
- Embry Rucker Shelter, Herndon/Reston, VA
- Virginia Military Institute (VMI) Keydet Club in support of academic and athletic excellence online auction
- Union Street Mission, Washington, DC

Mentor Protégé Spotlight

- Congratulations to **Belcher Consultants**, **Inc**. on their five year anniversary as a full time firm in October of 2011!
- Congratulations to **Cedar EMC**, **Inc.** on their five year anniversary in November of 2011!
- Congratulations to **Belstar Cost Estimating**, **LLC (BCE)** on their five year anniversary in January of 2012!

- Congratulations to **M.A. + Associates**, **LLC** on their upcoming five year anniversary in April of 2012!
- Congratulations to **Belcher Assessments and Project Controls, Holland Home Improvement, James Young FF, and Jarrett Contracting** on their upcoming fourth anniversaries in 2012!

Congratulations to all of the Belstar Mentor Protégés for their continued success!

ACE Mentor Program

Belstar is a sponsor of the Architecture, Construction and Engineering (ACE) Mentor Program of the Greater Washington Metropolitan Area. This program has volunteer mentor teams that go to area high schools and engage students in hands-on industry-related activities and construction site tours, encouraging them to consider careers in architecture, construction and engineering.

The ACE Mentor Program will be having their 2012 Annual Scholarship Awards Breakfast on Tuesday, May 15, from 8-11am. The Keynote Speaker will be Allen Lew - DC City Administrator. For additional information and to register for the breakfast, please click here. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor of the ACE Annual Scholarship Awards Breakfast, click here.

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- Be sure to visit www.Belstar.com for more information regarding Belstar's summer internship program.
- Also watch for an updated listing of Belstar's past and present projects in the Project Experience section.