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Why Choose Belstar

- Core Values
 - Trust - Faith In Others
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Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month is September 15 – October 15, 2018. Beginning as Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968 and expanded by President Ronald Reagan to a month-long celebration in 1988, it is a time to celebrate the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. September 15 was chosen to mark the beginning of the celebration as it is the anniversary of independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Also celebrated are the anniversaries of Mexico, Chile and Belize's independence, as well as Día de la Raza and Columbus Day (October 12), commemorating the exploration, colonization and multi-cultural and multi-ethnic heritage of the Americas.

Please join Belstar in paying tribute to the generations of Hispanic and Latino Americans who have enriched our nation and society. For more information about how you can get involved with community festivals, government-sponsored and educational activities, click [here](#). For more information about Hispanic Heritage Month events at the Smithsonian, click [here](#).

Project Wins

During the 3rd quarter of 2018, Amtrak has awarded Belstar new commissioning task orders in the following states: Florida, New York, Oregon and Texas.

Belstar, as part of the Page Southerland Page team, was selected by the United States Courts for the Wilmington, Delaware United States Courthouse renovation project.

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has elected to renew Belstar's option year #1 of the A-E Schedule on-call contract, which provides construction management inspection services.

Click [here](#) to see a comprehensive list of Belstar's 2017 & 2018 project wins at www.Belstar.com

Promotions and Recognitions

A special thank you to Shadi Kobrosli, web site designer, and Belstar's Gina Welc, Hassan Kobrosli, Cindy Clymore, and the website QA reviewers for the updates to the Belstar website. Please take a moment to check it out www.belstar.com.

Congratulations to Allan Luai on starting his new assignment on Belstar's DDOT Minnesota Avenue Revitalization phase 2 projects.

Charitable Donations

Compassion – for the Benefit of Rose-Carline Petit-Frere

Empowerment - All of the above
*By Lon Solomon (3/5/2000)

- Facility/ Program / Project / Construction Management / Cost Engineering / Cost Management / Dispute Resolutions and Claims Analysis / Scheduling
- 33 Year Record of Performance
- Fees average 20% for combined Office / 15% for Field Below similar-sized firms

The Rest of Our Team:

- Blackthorn Law Group and DeSmet Legal, LLC
- EagleBank Banking needs
- Hertzbach & Company, P.A.
- MacConel & Dodd CPA

VTCA PAC – general contribution
American Red Cross – Hurricane Florence

The Washington Architectural Foundation's Fall Design Fête

Please mark your calendars for the 2018 Washington Architectural Foundation's Fall Design Fête, which will take place on November 16, 2018 at the Washington National Cathedral. Belstar is a sponsor of the black-tie event that includes a cocktail reception, a seated dinner, and an awards program.

This event celebrates individuals who make Washington better through their contributions as designers, advocates, and clients. Attendees learn about the work of this year's Centennial Medal winner for distinguished service to the chapter, community and profession - Mary Katherine Lanzillotta, FAIA; the winner of the Glenn Brown Award for improving the quality of life in DC and raising awareness of architecture and its benefits to society - Tommy Wells, Director, DC Department of Energy and Environment; meet the rising star who has won the Emerging Architects Award - Nakita Reed, AIA; and the winner for the John "Wieb" Wiebenson Award for Architecture in the Public Interest - Greg Kearley, AIA.

Along with celebrating these worthy individuals, the Fall Design Fête supports the Washington Architectural Foundation's education and community outreach programs. Whether they are helping children learn about how buildings work or assisting a local nonprofit with a well-designed space or collecting more than 300 tons of canned goods for the Capital Area Food Bank through CANstruction; the Foundation makes a significant impact in the Washington community.

For more information about the event, please click [here](#) to visit their website. To review sponsorship options, click [here](#). To make a sponsorship gift, please contact Mary Fitch at mfitich@aiadc.com or 202-347-9403.

The Washington Architectural Foundation thanks you for your support of the Fall Design Fête. The Washington Architectural Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Contributions are tax deductible in accordance with IRS regulations.

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 of Washington, DC held its 18th Annual ACE DC Scholarship Awards Breakfast on Wednesday, May 2, 2018. The breakfast was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, DC. In attendance for Belstar were Ms. Gina Welc and Ms. Cindy Clymore.

Opening comments were given by Mr. Paul Choquette, III, Board President, followed by an update from ACE National's, Ms. Diana Eidenshink, Executive Director. Following this update, the Keynote Speaker, Mr. John E. "Chip" Akridge, III, was introduced.

Mr. Akridge, the Founder and Chairman of the commercial real estate firm bearing his name, is an innovator in the industry, a committed advocate of community initiatives in the Washington, DC region, and a dedicated supporter of philanthropic and charitable organizations.

Since his firm's founding in 1974, Akridge has acquired and developed more than 18 million square feet of office, industrial, residential, retail, and entertainment space in the metro area. He is also founder and chairman of the National Mall, a non-profit created to assist the National Park Service to restore and improve The National Mall. To learn more about Mr. Akridge, please visit <http://www.akridge.com/who-we-are#JohnAkridge>

The Program continued with the presentation of the scholarship awards. At the breakfast, local area high school students were recognized with scholarship awards for their outstanding commitment to architecture, construction, and engineering, as well as their overall academic achievement. Belstar would like to congratulate Mr. Mongi Benzineb, pursuing an Mechanical Engineering major,

who won the scholarship sponsored by Belstar, known as the Daniel J. Belcher, Sr. and James G. Browder, Jr. Memorial Scholarship.



Mongi Benzineb – Winner of the Daniel J. Belcher, Sr. and James G. Browder, Jr. Memorial Scholarship and Belstar's Gina Welch

helped her in college and will continue to help her in pursuing her dream to one day own her own company.

Belstar would like to take this opportunity to thank our clients that did contribute to this worthy cause and for those that were present at the breakfast! Your generosity has definitely made a difference in helping our high school students reach their goals!

Support of the award-winning ACE Mentor Program, and initiatives like the scholarship awards, have inspired interest in the architecture, construction, and engineering fields with the next generation, increased high school graduation rates, and have sent amazing students on to continue their studies in higher education.



Mr. Paul Choquette, III, Board President

Belstar personnel have served on the ACE Mentor Washington Chapter Board of Directors for almost two decades!

Please consider making a donation to this very worthy organization. Many young people's lives will be changed by your contributions. If you would like to donate, please text 'DONATE2ACE' to 313131; if you would like to find out more about becoming a mentor text 'ACEDC' to 313131. Or, click [here](#) to make a general donation to the program, or for more information.



Gina Welc (Belstar), Cindy Clymore (Belstar), Joe Sacco (AECOM/Parsons), and Jasmine Chalashtori (Rees Broome, PC)

Mentor Protégé Spotlight

- Congratulations to [Belcher Consultants, Inc.](#) and [Cedar EMC, Inc.](#) on their upcoming twelfth anniversaries this October.
- Congratulations to Belcher Assessments and Project Controls, [Belstar Cost Estimating, LLC \(BCE\)](#), [Holland Home Improvement](#), [James Young FF](#), [Jarrett Contracting, M.A. + Associates, LLC](#), and [Millennium Institute of Constructions \(MIC\)](#) on their upcoming eleventh anniversaries.

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

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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](#).