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Hispanic Heritage Month

Please join Belstar in recognizing and celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. Held from September 15 – October 15, 2019, this observance started in 1968 under President Lyndon Johnson as Hispanic Heritage Week. In 1988, it was expanded by President Ronald Regan into a month-long celebration. September 15 is especially significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico celebrates its independence on September 16, and Chile celebrates on September 18, all falling within this 30-day timeframe.

It is at this time that we pay tribute to the histories, cultures and contributions of those who came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America, and the many generations who have enriched our nation and society. If you would like to get involved, click [here](#) for more information about this celebration, including events such as the [Hispanic Heritage Month Community Day](#) at the Smithsonian, and [ZooFiesta](#) at the National Zoo.

Project Wins

Belstar will be providing change order review and cost-estimating services for Parsons as part of the Baltimore Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport Concourse A Gate Expansion project.

The District Department of Transportation has awarded Belstar a renewal of option year #2 for the A-E Schedule, on-call prime contract providing construction management inspection services.

During the third quarter of 2019, Amtrak awarded Belstar new commissioning task orders in Illinois, New York, Washington and Pennsylvania.

Click [here](#) to see a comprehensive list of Belstar projects at www.Belstar.com

Charitable Donations

American Red Cross – Hurricane Dorian Relief
Maya Angelou Public Charter School – school supplies
Breakthroughs for Mental Health Recovery – In memory of Austin L. Mejia
Compassion – for benefit of Rose-Carline Petit-Frere
McLean Bible Church – general donation

Promotions & Recognitions

Why Choose Belstar

- Core Values
 - Trust - Faith In Others
 - Shared Values - Common Goals
 - Effective Communication - Good Listeners
 - Humble Leadership - Shared Spotlight
 - 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
- 34 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
- EagleBank Banking needs
- Hertzbach & Company, P.A.
- MacConel & Dodd CPA

The Capital Region Minority Supplier Development Council has selected Belstar as a 2019 Top 100 Minority Business Enterprise award recipient as part of the MBE awards.

Belstar also made the Top 100 MBE list for Capital Region Minority Supplier Development Council, and is also nominated for Supplier of the Year.

Congratulations to Mike Johnson, who will be celebrating 15 years with Belstar on September 27, 2019. Recently, Mike joined Belstar's District of Columbia Water and Sewer and EPC Consultants, Inc. led DC Water Clean Rivers Program Division J onsite team as a project inspector.

Belstar would like to wish the following team members a Happy Birthday during the third quarter of 2019:

Cindy Clymore 7/22
Harman Biggs 8/19
Mike Johnson 9/5
Allan Luai 9/6

The Washington Architectural Foundation's Fall Design Fête

The Washington Architectural Foundation's Fall Design Fête will be held Friday, November 22, 2019 at the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C. Belstar was a sponsor of the 2018 Washington Architectural Foundation's Fall Design Fête, which was a black-tie event, including a cocktail reception, a seated dinner, and an awards program.

The event celebrates individuals who make Washington better through their contributions as designers, advocates, and clients. The 2019 honorees are:

Hany Hassan, FAIA

Centennial Medal for Service to the Chapter, the community and profession

Robert P. Kogod

Glenn Brown Award, honoring an individual who has raised public awareness of architecture and its benefits to society and who has improved the quality of life in Washington, DC

Douglas Crawford, AIA

Emerging Architect Award

Gina Volpicelli, AIA

John 'Wieb' Wiebenson Award for Architecture in the Public Interest

Attendees will learn about the work of the honorees as well as 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.

To review sponsorship opportunities, click [here](#). To become a sponsor now, click [here](#).

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 hand-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 19th Annual ACE DC Scholarship Awards Breakfast on Friday, May 17, 2019. 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.

Mr. Paul Choquette, III, Board President, gave the opening comments and also presented the ACE DC Impact Award Presentation to Turner Construction. Continuing with the program was an update from ACE National Executive Director, Ms. Diana Eidenshink and the introduction of the keynote speaker, Mr. Monty Hoffman.

Mr. Hoffman was the Principal and Founder of [PN Hoffman](#) in 1993 with a single townhouse conversion, and has since transformed the company into a market leader of real estate development in the Washington DC, metro area. With more than 30 years of experience, he actively leads the company's business development and market strategy, as well as the design initiatives for every PN Hoffman Project.

He is a founding board member of the DC Students Construction Trades Foundation, which provides educational and apprenticeship opportunities for district students interested in design, engineering, and construction; a member of DC Public Schools Engineering Advisory Board; and a member of the Federal City Council. He graduated from the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown with a Bachelor of Science in Civil/Structural Engineering Technology.



Ms. Gina Welc and
Ms. Cindy Clymore of Belstar

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.

Sponsorships

Belstar has been sponsoring **Rose-Carline Petit-Frere** from 2004 to present. Compassion International is a faith based charitable organization that fights poverty personally. They are a child-focused organization. They work with the neediest and most vulnerable children – the poorest of the poor; to the children in greatest need, without ulterior motive because they are a “love thy neighbor” organization/ministry.



Their child Sponsorship Program offers:

- Medical checkups and health care
- Ongoing Christian training through a local church
- Educational assistance, including textbooks, school uniforms, post-secondary courses, tutoring, test and lab supplies and even literacy and financial training for caregivers
- Key life skills training, mentoring and vocational programs
- Nutritious food and supplements to protect against malnutrition
- Recreational activities and support to develop self-confidence and social skills
- Protection from crime, violence and danger
- Access to special services like surgeries and disaster relief

If interested in sponsoring a child, please call 1-800-336-7676; or you can visit their website at <http://www.compassion.com>.

Kathryn Baker

Belstar began sponsoring Kathryn Baker in 2019 and will continue until 2021. Ms. Baker is an upcoming third-year medical student at West Virginia University. She plans to pursue a Preventive Medicine residency upon completing medical school with hopes of dedicating her career to helping patients naturally prevent and reverse chronic diseases through lifestyle behavior changes.



In addition to serving as a physician, she hopes to be an active advocate for healthy lifestyle habits in the community through public outreach programs and education development. Ms. Baker is in the process of establishing a non-profit in the state of West Virginia to start working toward this cause. Last year, she started a program at her medical school that connects students of various healthcare backgrounds with children in the community. This program provides hands-on,

interactive lessons to children in K-12 schools to educate them on the anatomy and physiology of the human body and how lifestyle behaviors affect our health. She launched this program as an IRB-approved research project last year and is proud to say that the program was recently published in a research journal.

If you would like to help sponsor Ms. Baker or find out more information, you can e-mail her at <mailto:kbaker17@mix.wvu.edu>.

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- Be sure to visit www.Belstar.com for more information regarding Belstar's [internships](#).
- Watch for an updated listing of Belstar's past and present projects in the [Projects section](#).