



General
Contractors

Message from WRL Project Administrator, Teresa Berry

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

2017 has arrived as we continue to keep the pace on projects that didn't know it was the holiday season! But such is life in construction, right?

Looking back, I have to say how grateful I am to be part of WRL. When I started working here 21 years ago, I was pretty good at office administration, but knew nothing about construction. Since then, a wealth of water has passed under the bridge and I've truly grown to love it. How many people in other industries get to point at the brand new school or hospital in town and say, "I helped build that"? Sure, I may not be hands-on in the field, but as a project administrator, I get to make sure that all of the pieces are in place for a successful job and I am blessed to get to lend my mind and energy to help do something so great and to have the opportunity to work hard, observe, and learn along the way. Every day, we get to see the progress our team makes. Yes, there are days it seems like nothing gets done and we are back-pedaling all the way, but even those challenges teach us something we can do differently going forward. Probably the most rewarding part is watching that day-to-day progress turn into a completed project and something good for the entire community. Plus, this job is all about collaborating and forming strong networks because everyone on the team depends on everyone else to get the job done. WRL has relationships with some truly wonderful owners, architects, engineers, and subcontractors with whom we collaborate and for that, we are grateful. So here's to another year.....let's go get it done!



Teresa Berry

WRL Team Member Spotlight - Carolyn Lively



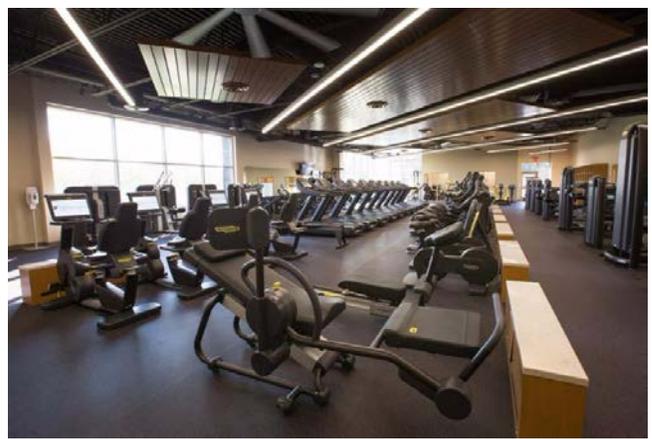
Carolyn Lively worked in day care for most of her life, until she was hired at WRL 21 years ago, now she takes care of the WRL family, full time. She told the Leavines when she was interviewed that she wanted to answer phones and file and she would be perfectly happy doing just that. Well, in the last 21 years, Carolyn has created a role for herself that is so much more than answering phones and filing, and we are ALL grateful for everything she does in our office and for our Superintendents in the field.

Our Office Manager, Carolyn, is the first smiling face you see when you walk in our front door, and the

first cheerful voice you hear when you call our office. In addition to being energetic and reliable, Carolyn is skilled at working with a diverse group of people. Carolyn works diligently to support the WRL team and office to keep both running at maximum efficiency. Maintaining an extensive inventory of office supplies, handling all incoming and outgoing mail, supplying first aide equipment and legal postings to every job site, directing a busy plan room, and assisting a large staff of project managers, administrators, and superintendents are just a few of her many talents. Carolyn keeps the WRL team and office prepared for success at all times.

Working with Carolyn is like going to your Granny's house every day. She's always bringing us goodies. She makes you feel like you are the most important person in the world, especially if it's your birthday, anniversary, or if you have another special life event. She plans the BEST company Christmas parties every year. She has a delightful sense of humor. She's always up for something exciting and entertaining (see photos). She's generous. She's always happy to see you, and if not, she's great at faking it! We adore you, Carolyn!

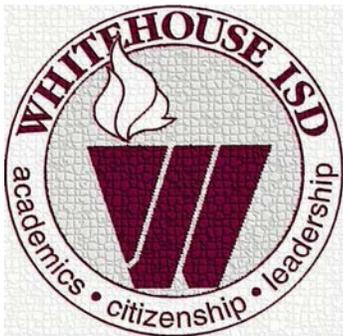
Featured Project - Herrington-Ornelas HealthPark CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System



Construction on the multi-physician HealthPark began in January of 2016, and the 43,500 sqft facility opened ahead of schedule in November. **Herrington-Ornelas HealthPark** features primary care services, extended hours, and extensive laboratory and imaging services to expand access to needed medical care to patients in the region. Also included in the site are an Urgent Care clinic, Physical Therapy services, an Eye Center and the largest Health and Fitness Center and accompanying swimming pool in the CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System. There will also be space dedicated to future growth, with the ability to add further specialties, such as Sleep Medicine. The new facility, located near the intersection of Grande Blvd. and Hwy 110 in Tyler, is the largest HealthPark of its kind in the System, and offers advanced facilities providing the highest quality of care and increased access to needed health care services in Southern Smith County.

It is a pleasure to have Trinity Mother Frances, now CHRISTUS, as a repeat client since 1994 and to work with Harris Craig Architects on yet another project.

Upcoming Project - 2016 Whitehouse ISD Bond Program



The Whitehouse ISD board approved WRL as the General Contractor for their 2016 Bond Program totaling \$94.79MM!! The bonds will fund construction, acquisition and equipping of school facilities including a new junior high, a new elementary school and additions to the existing high school.

Proposition 1 will fund replacement of the junior high campus and the Brown Elementary campus, addition of academic classrooms to the high school, renovation and addition to the transportation facility, addition of fine arts classrooms and spaces to the high school, renovation of Brown Elementary as an Education Support Center. It also will fund addition of a field house on the high school campus, addition of career and technology education classrooms and facilities at the high school, construction of tennis, softball and baseball facilities on the high school campus, construction of a new warehouse, replacing the high school roof and HVAC systems and purchasing land for a new elementary school.

Proposition 2 consists of building a new multi-purpose facility for indoor sports on the high school campus and renovations to the athletic complex.

We are honored to work with Whitehouse ISD Superintendent Dr. Chris Moran and his team as well as Harris Craig Architects.



Our Partners are Paramount - Glass Services, LLC



Glass Services, LLC was awarded all of the Bullard ISD projects. They successfully measured, ordered and installed a large amount of glass and frames at all SIX projects. That was a large task for any subcontractor considering many of the installations took place at the same time on different school campuses. They were always looking ahead to the next areas of the buildings that would need glass and never let us down.

The Northeast Texas Community College project has been a logistical challenge, and Glass Services has performed like a true professional. This project consists of replacing windows, storefronts, and aluminum entrances on eight different buildings with two building having two to three phases within its schedule. They have been on schedule, working around other trades, college administrators and all the college kids. Their performance is one that you desire from all your trades: professionalism, flexibility, proactive, craftsmanship and speed.

Glass Services has become a preferred Subcontractor because of their can-do attitude. As an example, at Herrington-Ornelas HealthPark, they developed a special glass wall system with very short notice to get the system fabricated and installed prior to building completion when our original supplier increased their lead time from 2-3 weeks to over 8 weeks.

Glass Services, LLC is a locally owned and operated Commercial Glass and Glazing Contractor with a combined 135 plus years of experience in installation, fabrication and estimating. They take pride in their dedication to serve customers like WRL and with the utmost quality and respect in order to meet their needs and requirements to get the project completed on time and on budget.

Community Involvement - Whitehouse ISD Education Foundation

The **Whitehouse ISD Education Foundation** understands that there are incredible teachers in the Whitehouse Independent School District who, each year, think of new and innovative ways to inspire and teach our children. Often times, though, those teachers are faced with the decision of either paying to implement those ideas out of their own pocket or foregoing implementation altogether. The Foundation recognizes that there are private individuals and businesses who want to see these great ideas put into action, and who are willing to contribute their monetary resources voluntarily to make it happen. Ultimately, these inspiring and innovative ideas will compete for funds raised by the Foundation.



WRL is proud to stand with the Whitehouse ISD Education Foundation in supporting our public school system. It is only because of support from the community that it is possible for the Foundation to do its work and change the lives of students by giving innovative teaching grants, and by recognizing excellence in teaching, as well as academic achievement.



Projects in Progress at WRL

<p>Whitehouse ISD - Athletic Complex</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Harris Craig Architects</p>	<p>Marshall ISD - Sam Houston STEM</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Huckabee</p>	<p>Northeast Texas Community College</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Corgan</p>
<p>Tyler Classical Academy</p> <p><i>Arhcitect:</i> Wright Group Architects Planners</p>	<p>Cumberland Elementary Tyler, TX</p> <p><i>Arhcitect:</i> LPA, Inc.</p>	<p>Precision Spine Care of Tyler</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Fitzpatrick Architects</p>
<p>Longview ISD - Montessori Pre-K & K</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Huckabee</p>	<p>Marshall ISD - Price T. Young Elementary</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Huckabee</p>	<p>NCP - Cardiac Cath Labs Beaumont, Plano</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Fitzpatrick Architects</p>
<p>CHRISTUS Mother Frances South Tyler Hospital</p> <p><i>Architect:</i> Philo Wilke Architects</p>		

Upcoming Projecsts at WRL

<p>Bonham ISD 2017/2018 High School Additions & Renovations</p>	<p>Whitehouse ISD - 2016 Bond Program</p>	<p>St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church new sanctuary Flint TX</p>
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Architect:
Stantec

Architect:
Harris Craig Architects

Architect:
Prevot Design

All Saints Episcopal
Elementary
Tyler, TX

Architect:
Fitzpatrick Architects

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CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Clayton Detten received his Remote Pilot Certification and is now our official drone pilot.

Shannon Mercer hired as Accounts Payable.

Chelbie Bonnell-Serpas gave birth to Nora Tyler Serpas on December 29th.

Bob Bonner got engaged to Wanda Keller on Christmas Day.

Josh Coburn resigned from WRL to start his own business (happy for his new adventures, but sad to see him go.)

[CHECK OUT OUR TEAM PROFILES](#)

First Quarter Birthdays and Work Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

January

1/7 Mitchell Gibson

1/11 Kelly Norris

1/21 Morgan Mitchell

1/26 Sharon Leavine

February

2/5 David Detten

2/13 Leslie Miller

2/21 Brent Bishop

March

3/3 Chris Martineau

3/19 Paul Pardue

3/20 Timothy Wilson

3/23 Catherine Nussbaum

3/23 Stephen Dunn

3/26 Brian House

ANNIVERSARIES

January

Teresa Berry - 21 years

Bob Bonner - 2 years

David Salinas - 1 year

Leslie Miller - 1 year

Shaun Wood - 1 year

February

David Detten - 13 years

Jason Pierce - 9 years

Roberto Hernandez - 7 years

Mark White - 6 years

Kenneth Kennedy - 1 year

Morgan Mitchell - 1 year

Roy Shafer - 1 year

March

Kelly Norris - 16 years

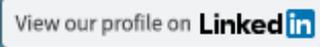
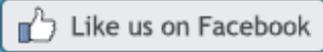
Maria Huckaby - 10 years

Clemente Lopez - 3 years

Arnoldo Ramos - 1 year

Sincerely,

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