

YEAR END REVIEW

2018 was a year of change and accomplishments for us at Beckenhauer Construction. We now have three new Business Development team members. Eric Bauer is full time and working in the Omaha market. Mike Steckler is based out of our Yankton, SD office working in the Rural Health market. Laci Fitch will be taking over for Ron Stauffer upon his retirement at the end of the year, working mostly city, county and education facilities. Laci will also fill a marketing role.

We have also implemented a new estimating software, Destini. This new software allows for unlimited sorting, 2D takeoff, 3D takeoff and BIM integration and comparison reporting. Destini allows us to build a 3D model and make instant adjustments to show how design can affect the project budget.

This year we completed several projects including a clinic renovation at Jennie M Melham Memorial Medical Center in Broken Bow, an out patient clinic renovation at Nemaha County Hospital in Auburn, the first of two phases at Cherry County Hospital in Valentine, an interior renovation at BankFirst in Norfolk and a renovation for the new Our Savior Lutheran Church. We are also currently working on a renovation at Norfolk Country Club, multiple renovations at Regional West Medical Center in Scottsbluff, renovation to the Women's Empowering Life Line in Norfolk, renovation and addition to Norfolk YMCA, and the new Homestead Interstate Rest Area and Welcome center in South Dakota.

We were recently awarded another Certificate of Commendation for Excellent Safety Record from the AGC of America! This recognition is earned for compiling an excellent safety record of zero safety incidences during the past three years. A big THANK YOU to Jeff Ackerman, our Safety Director, and all Beckenhauer employees for making this happen.



Our Employee of the Year was extra special this year as two employees were awarded, Kim Nelsen and Doug Michael! Kim is our Accounts Payable clerk, but she is always willing to help out anywhere she is needed with a positive upbeat attitude. This year was especially challenging for Kim as she was also filling in for our accounting department for a good part of the year. She stepped right up to the challenge and got the job done. Doug is a Superintendent for us and has been working at Regional West Medical Center for the last couple years. Doug has done a great job at RWMC and has kept all the projects running smoothly.

Joe Beckenhauer & Kim Nelsen



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BUMPER STICKER HUMOR

A bird in the hand is always safer than one overhead.

Any landing you can walk away from is a good one.

Say no first—then negotiate.

There is no job so simple that it cannot be done wrong.

Always leave room to add an explanation if it doesn't work out.

The best things in life are not things.

The trouble with being punctual is that no one is there to appreciate it.

Q: What kind of bird can write?

A: A pen-guin!

Q: What do you get if you cross Santa with a detective?

A: Santa Clues!

Q: Why did they let the turkey join the band?

A: Because he had the drum sticks!

Q: What do you get when you cross an apple with a Christmas tree?

A: A pineapple!

Q: What did Adam say on the day before Christmas?

A: It's Christmas, Eve!

Q: What did the Gingerbread Man put on his bed?

A: A cookie sheet!

Q: How do sheep say Merry Christmas in Mexico?

A: Fleece Navidad!

Q: Why wasn't the turkey hungry at Christmas time?

A: He was stuffed!

Q: What kind of ball doesn't bounce?

A: A snowball!



QUICK TIPS

Everyone gets hit with a craving for sweets every now and again. In fact, some people find that their sweet tooth gets going every day. If you are trying to lose weight, this can end up being your downfall. But to combat this, you don't have to give up all sweets. Simply opt for fruit instead of candy or cake every time you have a sweets craving. If you foster this habit, soon it will be easy to manage this type of craving.



If you become stranded in your car during bad weather due to mechanical problems or an accident, remember that the safest place is in your car. Leaving your car exposes you to the elements and to other vehicles that may lose control in the extreme conditions. Run the engine and heater if possible for 10 minutes every hour and make sure the tailpipe is not blocked so that carbon monoxide does not build up in your vehicle.

It can make a big difference when you bring your own cloth bags to the grocery store. If you shop just once a week, in three years you will have kept about 500 plastic grocery bags out of landfills. By using fewer bags, you will also help cut energy use when the bags are manufactured. Even better, some grocery stores offer discounts when you use your own bags. This means that your bag will pay for itself in no time.

Have you laughed today? Researchers have found that laughter might just be the best medicine. Laughing reduces stress, lowers blood pressure, and boosts your immune system. It can even improve relationships. Take some moments each day to look at the lighter side of things and your mood and health will benefit.



Early Shopping

It was Christmas and the judge was in a merry mood as he asked the prisoner, "What are you charged with?"

"Doing my Christmas shopping early," replied the defendant.

"That's no offense," said the judge. "How early were you doing this shopping?"

"Before the store opened," countered the prisoner.



Holiday Fun on a Budget

Have you been wanting to throw a holiday party but are afraid of the resulting hit on your wallet? With some money-saving tips, you can have a great and affordable party.

- Instead of pricey invitations, send out your invites via email. Not only is this cheaper, but your guests will appreciate how easy it is to RSVP right away.
- Serve appetizers rather than main course dishes.
- Serve only beer and wine, rather than hard liquor. Alternately, you can also stick to one hard liquor drink, like eggnog or hot rum toddies.
- Save on decorating costs by using lots of strands of white Christmas lights. Instead of purchased cut flowers, use branches of green shrubbery from outside, nuts, pinecones, fresh fruit and potted plants to decorate. Arrange them on cake stands, in baskets or bowls, and finish your displays off with holiday ribbons.
- Instead of buying crushed ice, fill buckets with snow to chill wines, soft drinks, and beers.

Holiday Essay

After returning from Christmas break, a teacher gave her class a writing assignment, asking them to begin a story with the line, "At Christmas, we exchange gifts with _____." The students filled in the blank, and the teacher asked each to share what they wrote with the class before they wrote the rest of their essay. She called on Tommy, who promptly said, "At Christmas, we exchange gifts with receipts!"

Name that Christmas Song!

1. My Sole Desire for the Yuletide Season is Receipt of a Pair of Central Incisors
2. From Dark 'til Dawn, Soundless and Sanctimonious
3. Celestial Messengers from Splendid Empires
4. The Antlered Quadruped with the Cerise Proboscis
5. The Event Occurred One Minute After 11:59 pm With Visibility Unlimited
6. Ornament the Enclosure with Large Sprigs of a Berry-bearing Evergreen
7. Personal Hallucinations of an Alabaster December 25th
8. Anticipation of this Noel's Mementoes: Nil
9. Clapper Inverted Cups, Amalgamated
10. Testimony of Witness to Maternal Parent's Infidelity with Kris Kringle
11. In A Distant Bovine Dine
12. Universal Elation
13. O, Miniature Nazarene Village
14. The Approach of the Holiday Commemorating the Birth of Christ is Becoming Evident
15. Susanna, the Frigid Drip, Draws Nigh
16. May Jehovah Grant Unto Your Hilarious Males, Retirement
17. Those of You Who Are True, Come Here
18. The Original Natal Day
19. During the Dark Hours When Herdsmen Attended Their Charges
20. The Horned Ruminants Do a Slated Hesitation

Answers:

1. All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth
2. Silent Night
3. Angels from the Realms of Glory
4. Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer
5. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
6. Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly
7. I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas
8. I'm Gettin' Notin' for Christmas
9. Silver Bells
10. I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus
11. Away in a Manger
12. Joy to the World
13. O, Little Town of Bethlehem
14. It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas
15. Here Comes Suzy Snowflake
16. God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
17. O Come All Ye Faithful
18. The First Noel
19. While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night
20. Up on the Housetop Reindeer

A large illustration of a nativity scene. In the center is a stable with a yellow interior where the Virgin Mary and baby Jesus are silhouetted. To the left are palm trees and a donkey. To the right, three wise men with staffs and two shepherds with sheep are silhouetted. The background is a dark blue night sky with a bright star and three angels blowing trumpets. Light rays emanate from the star.

Merry Christmas

During this season, we take time to reflect upon the many blessings we have...like our partnership with you. Beckenhauer Construction wishes you peace, joy and prosperity throughout the coming year. Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to working with you in the years to come.

Our Mission...To provide unparalleled service to our clients and to strive for superior performance and absolute reliability.

Our Vision...To focus our unwavering dedication to the task of turning our client's vision into a reality.

Our Value...To hold to the standards of safety, quality, reliability, integrity, honesty, and a caring Christian work environment.