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Finance & Commerce names Top Projects of 2012

Duluth's Enger Park Gazebo wins award

The massive renovation of the Union Depot in St. Paul and the striking new Lowry Avenue Bridge in Minneapolis are among the high-dollar public construction projects named to Finance & Commerce's Top Projects Series of 2012.

But comparatively low-dollar projects made the list, too: **a park gazebo made out of old timber** from the former Boeing B-17 plant in Duluth and the Minnesota Fallen Firefighters Memorial on the Capitol Mall in St. Paul.

Nearly 70 nominations — a record — were submitted this year, and 26 projects were selected for the honors. Projects were judged for their degree of difficulty, creativity in design, innovative construction techniques, cooperation among contractors and management, and sustainability efforts. To be eligible for consideration, projects had to be fully completed in 2012.

Honorees spanned the state including a new school built in Wadena after a tornado destroyed the previous one and the University of Minnesota's NOVA Far Detector Building in Ash River Falls.

But there was plenty of room on the list for private projects including the dramatic makeover of a vacant Shinders store in downtown Minneapolis, the new MoZaic mixed-use building and its outdoor art park in Uptown Minneapolis, and the Target Commons "alternative workplace" in downtown Minneapolis.

Here are the honorees:

430 Oak Grove

Address: 430 Oak Grove, Minneapolis

Description: conversion of office building into upscale apartments

Contractor: Kraus-Anderson

Architect: Elness Swenson Graham

8th and Hennepin Building

Address: South Eighth Street and Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis

Description: redevelopment of old Shinders bookstore into offices for Shea Architects as well as for the rooftop Union restaurant and Marquee Lounge
Contractor: Welsh Construction and Diversified Construction
Architect: Shea Architects
Engineer: Mattson MacDonald

American Academy of Neurology

Address: 201 Chicago Ave., Minneapolis
Description: new headquarters
Contractor: Mortenson Construction
Architect: Elness Swenson Graham Architects
Engineer: Horwitz/NSI; Gephardt Electric

American Swedish Institute

Address: 2600 Park Ave., Minneapolis
Description: construction of Nelson Cultural Center; renovations to Turnblad mansion
Contractor: Adolfson & Peterson Construction
Architect/engineer: HGA Architects and Engineers

Carondelet Village

Address: 525 Fairview Ave. S., St. Paul
Description: senior housing project developed by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and Presbyterian Homes & Services
Contractor: Frana Cos.
Architect: InSite Architects

Evans Hall

Address: Carleton College, Northfield
Description: renovation of 1927 dormitory
Contractor: PCL Construction
Architect/engineer: Collaborative Design Group

Flux

Address: 2838 Fremont Ave. S., Minneapolis
Description: 216-unit new apartment building with vacation-style amenities
Contractor: Frana Cos.
Architect/engineer: BKV Group

Fort Road Flats

Address: 2242 W. Seventh St., St. Paul
Description: new affordable housing building
Contractor: Watson-Forsberg Co.
Architect: UrbanWorks Architecture
Engineer: BKBM Engineers; Emanuelson-Podas; McConkey Johnson Soltermann

Hamline University Anderson Student Center

Address: 1536 Hewitt Ave., St. Paul
Description: new student center
Contractor: McGough Construction
Architect: Shepley Bulfinch
Engineer: Dunham and Associates

HealthEast Midway Clinic

Address: 1390 W. University Ave., St. Paul

Description: conversion of former Borders bookstore

Contractor: Welsh Construction

Architect: HGA

Julia Marshall Gazebo

Address: Enger Park, Duluth

Description: permanent gazebo made of recycled timbers from old Boeing plant, which built B-17 aircraft in World War II

Contractor: Hovland Inc., Timber Framers Guild

Architect/Engineer: Collaborative Design Group

Lowry Avenue Bridge

Address: North of downtown Minneapolis, spanning Mississippi River

Description: 1,600-foot bridge with basket-style design

Contractor: Lunda Construction Co.

Architect/engineer: SRF Consulting and T.Y. Lin International

Minnesota Fallen Firefighters Memorial

Address: State Capitol Mall, St. Paul

Description: monument

Contractor: Meisinger Construction Co.

Architect/engineer: Leo A Daly

Minnesota Veterans Home, Building 19

Address: 5101 Minnehaha Ave. S., Minneapolis

Description: New 100-bed replacement building

Contractor: Adolfson & Peterson

Architect/engineer: Horty Elving

Mother Baby Center

Address: 902 E. 26th St., Minneapolis

Description: construction of 96,000-square-foot facility and remodel of 22,000 square feet, connecting Abbott Northwestern's labor delivery and newborn nurseries to Children's Hospital's neonatal intensive care unit and other facilities

Contractor: Knutson Construction

Architect: HDR Architects

Engineer: Palanisami & Associates

MoZaic

Address: 1350 Lagoon Ave., Minneapolis

Description: conversion of two-acre parking lot into 10-story mixed-use building, outdoor art park

Contractor: Ryan Cos. US

Architect: BKV Group

Engineer: RLK Inc.

North Education Center

Address: 5530 Zealand Ave. N., New Hope

Description: new three-story center for learning

Contractor: JE Dunn

Architect/engineer: TSP Architects & Engineers

NOvA Far Detector Building

Address: Ash River Falls, Minn.

Description: University of Minnesota's advanced physics laboratory to study neutrinos

Contractor: Adolfson & Peterson

Architect/engineer: Burns & McDonnell

Olson

Address: 420 N. Fifth St., Minneapolis

Description: new office in Ford Center

Contractor: RJM Construction

Architect: Gensler

Engineer: BKBM

Riverside Plaza Renovation

Address: 1600 S. Sixth St., Minneapolis

Description: infrastructure upgrades and renovations involving 11 buildings including 1,300 apartments, school, day-care center, grocery and ramp

Contractor: Knutson Construction

Architect: Blumentals/Architecture

Engineer: Karges-Faulconbridge

Siebert Baseball Field

Address: 516 15th Ave. SE, Minneapolis

Description: replacement of field and stadium for University of Minnesota

Contractor: PCL

Architect/engineer: DLR Group

Soltvå

Address: 701 N. Second St., Minneapolis

Description: conversion of polluted warehouse site into 100 apartments

Contractor: Weis Builders

Architect: Tushie Montgomery Architects

Engineer: Nelson Rudie & Associates; Civilsite Group

Target Plaza Commons

Address: Nicollet Mall and South 10th Street, Minneapolis

Description: renovation of two historic buildings into "alternative workplace"

Contractor: Ryan Cos. US Inc.

Architect: Julie Snow Architects, Ryan

Engineer: Ryan; Ericksen Roed & Associates

Union Depot

Address: 214 E. Fourth St., St. Paul

Description: Redevelopment of defunct rail station into multimodal transportation hub

Contractor: Mortenson Construction

Architect: HGA

Engineer: URS Corp.

University of Minnesota Lind Hall First Floor Renovation

Address: 207 Church St. SE, Minneapolis

Description: renovation for the College of Science and Engineering

Contractor: McGough Construction

Architect/engineer: Collaborative Design Group

Wadena Deer Creek Middle and High School

Address: 600 Colfax Ave. SW, Wadena

Description: replacement of school destroyed by tornado

Contractor: Kraus-Anderson

Architect: Perkins+Will

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