



# MONTERAY *Developments*

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## New Developments

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Greetings from Monteray Construction, and welcome to the first issue of our new quarterly newsletter!

We've developed this publication as a way to share our successes and to keep our customers and friends abreast of what we've been doing.

This summer has been busy, with plenty of new jobs and with the closeouts of others (read about these on page 2), and our company is growing, with the addition of five new full-time employees (page 4).

Monteray is proud to announce our new affiliations with the national and the Carolinas Associated General Contractors, the Society of American Military Engineers, the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce, and the South Carolina Green Builders Council.

Our membership in these organizations will help us offer more comprehensive services for our customers, and we'll be on top of the latest information available to general contractors, architects, and engineers.



## Making the Connection

Monteray Construction exhibited in July at the Greater Columbia Chamber of Commerce's Making the Connection trade show.

The event was a great opportunity for us to meet fellow Chamber members, to see what types of businesses are thriving in the Columbia area, and it allowed us to showcase our services and recent projects.

General Manager Sandi Brazell was interviewed by The Andy Thomas Show. If you would like to listen to this broadcast online, visit

[www.monterayconstruction.com/news&events.htm](http://www.monterayconstruction.com/news&events.htm)



**General Manager Sandi Brazell and Owner Monte Lemmon Represented Monteray at the Making the Connection Chamber Event**

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# Completed Projects



McEntire Air Force Base Fire Station Upfit

Monteray completed in June extensive renovations and upfits at the McEntire Air National Guard base Fire Station.

Estimator Jeff Noah bid the project, and Superintendent Billy Threat worked closely with the base's Colonel McLeod, Major Timothy Dotson, Captain Richard Noble, and Ms. Marcella Sumter to ensure all components met their standards.

Renovations included demolition, installing Department of Defense approved blast-resistant glass, installing a Moneco fire alarm system, and performing standard alterations that brought the fire station up-to-date.

Superintendent Casey Scott of Monteray Construction recently finalized an exhaustive 22,000 SF Lexington County office space interior upfit.

The original structure was a Kroger grocery store on West Main Street that was transformed into offices for Pardon and Parole, Health and Human Services, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and Voter Registration.

The Monteray team thanks the hard work and help of Lexington County officials Larry Porth, Sheila Fulmer, and Ray Discher.

Construction of a 16,000 SF surgeon annex was completed in June at the McEntire Air National Guard Base.

Superintendent Billy Threat worked with architects LTC Associates to build the structure that includes office quarters and a work-out room.

Monteray has a long history of working with McEntire, and we look forward to continuing this relationship in the future.



McEntire Air National Guard Station Surgeon Annex

**We Aced the Test!**  
An Independent survey of our customers conducted by Open Ratings revealed we scored a 93% for overall satisfaction and 100% for customer service!

## Lessons in Life: #1

BY MARIAN ANDERSON, US SINGER

### The Cleaning Lady

During my second month of college, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions, until I read the last one: "What is the first name of the woman who cleans the school?"

Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her 50s, but how would I know her name? I handed in my paper, leaving the last question blank. Just before class ended, one student asked if the last question would count toward our quiz grade.

"Absolutely," said the professor. "In your careers, you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say 'hello'."

I've never forgotten that lesson. I also learned her name was Dorothy.

*Watch for Lesson #2 in our Nest Issue*

# Estimator Joins Association

Jeff Noah, Monteray's Senior Estimator, recently joined the Columbia chapter of the Professional Construction Estimator's Association (PCEA).

According to their website, [www.pcea.org](http://www.pcea.org), the association exists to promote construction education, uphold ethical estimating standards, and act as a common ground for estimators to exchange ideas and network.

In the near future, PCEA plans to become a certifying agency for estimators in the construction field. Monteray is proud that our outstanding estimator has chosen to join such an outstanding organization!



**Jeff Noah, Monteray's Senior Estimator, joined the Professional Construction Estimator's Association in July**

# Down to the Lowcountry



**Kourtney King & Georgette Nicholson Represented Monteray at the Procurement Fair**

Project coordinator Georgette Nicholson and Marketing Director Kourtney King recently attended in June the Southeast Alliance Government Procurement Fair held at the convention center in Charleston.

Part of Monteray's strategic plan includes continuing our work with the military. The procurement fair gave us the chance to meet representatives from the Air Force and the General Services Administration among many others.

# Great Trails: Hiking Through SC

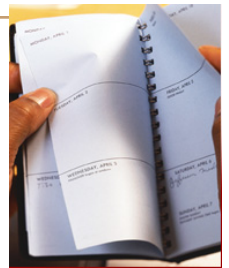
With school starting and Fall quickly approaching, the weather will soon be perfect for hiking and camping. South Carolina, with its diverse ecosystems, offers a wealth of opportunities for day hikes, nature walks, or weekend camping excursions. Visit [www.sciway3.net/outdoors](http://www.sciway3.net/outdoors) for detailed information and directions. Highlighted below are some of our best finds:

**Poinsette State Park and Manchester State Forest:** Located on the edge of Wateree Swamp, this area has unique scenery that combines "mountainous terrain with moss-draped trees of the swampland." You may hike, horseback ride, or bicycle, the park offers access to the Palmetto Trail, and there is an equestrian camping area.

**Eutaw Springs Battleground:** Located on Lake Marion, this area is the site of the last major Revolutionary War battle fought in the Carolinas. You may also access the Palmetto Trail from here.

**Cape Romain Wildlife Refuge:** Encompassing an astounding 64,000 acres of beach, tidal creeks, marshlands, and maritime forests, this wildlife refuge located in the Pee Dee region offers a plethora of birds, raptors, and other wildlife, boasts the largest nesting grounds for loggerhead turtles, and is working diligently to recover the endangered red wolf. Visit [www.fws.gov/caperomain](http://www.fws.gov/caperomain) for more information.

# Projects & Events



- **NEW JOB:** D.O.I.M. National Guard Administrative Building
- **NEW JOB:** Beatty Road Judicial Center designed by John Bowman Architect
- **NEW JOB:** Pine Ridge EMD Dining Facility designed by McMillan, Smith and Partners
- **NEW JOB:** 25,000 SF Hinson Cabinets Office Building on Atlas Road designed by CDA Architects
- **NEW JOB:** 40,000 SF of Warehouse Buildings designed by Wes Lyles of Studio 2LR
- **EVENT:** Society of American Military Engineers (S.A.M.E.) Golf Tournament on August 23
- **EVENT:** Hurricane Katrina Relief Effort—visit [www.monterayconstruction.com/news&events.htm](http://www.monterayconstruction.com/news&events.htm)
- **EVENT:** Carolinas Associated General Contractors (CAGC) Golf Tournament on October 3

## Who's New?

The Monteray Construction family is growing! We're pleased to welcome the following employees on board:

Josh Cooke, Crew Member

Frankie Goodwin, Crew Member

Eddie Gunter, Crew Member

Sam Holthaus, Crew Member

Kournay King, Marketing Director

And our newest member is the beautiful daughter of Project Coordinator Georgette Nicholson and her husband Travis. Congratulations!



**Precious Little Niblet,  
Lucia Presley Nicholson**

**Joey Lemmon, the son of owner Monte Lemmon, recently completed a comprehensive thirty-hour OSHA safety and health training course offered by Carolinas AGC.**

*Great Job, Joey!*

## Handy Hint: Rubber Eraser Child Protector

To protect children from bumping their heads on countertops and tabletops when they stand up, glue a rubber eraser to the underside of protruding corners. Use a clamp to hold the eraser in place until the glue dries.

*Each of us is carving a stone, erecting a column, or cutting a piece of stained glass in the construction of something much bigger than ourselves.*

**Adrienne Clarkson**



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