



Christmas Greetings



Grantham & Associates, Inc. is sincerely grateful to the clients and employees who helped make 2014 an enjoyable and successful year.

COMPANY UPDATE

- ❄️ G&A celebrated its twelfth year of business and its fourth year in the office near Highway 190 and Campbell Road in Garland.
- ❄️ G&A hired three key new employees; Jeff Atwood (Survey), Jose Mireles (CADD), and Graciela Labandera (Administrative).
- ❄️ G&A added New Quest Properties; Carrington Builders; Garver, LLC; and Neel-Schaffer, Inc. as new clients.
- ❄️ The City of Rowlett executed four new task authorizations with G&A for work under a general engineering services agreement.
- ❄️ Engineering and/or surveying work was successfully completed on local projects in Addison, Arlington, Bedford, Carrollton, DeSoto, Euless, Frisco, Grand Prairie, Mansfield, North Richland Hills, and Rowlett; outside the D/FW Metroplex in the Texas cities of Porter, Tomball, and Waco; and in Glenpool, Oklahoma.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

The following projects represent the diversity of G&A's engineering and surveying work in 2014:

Heath Creek and Bee Branch Manhole Rehabilitation . . . various methods were used to rehabilitate sanitary sewer manholes in DeSoto including structural repairs, reconstruction, and lining. These deteriorated manholes were previously identified as part of G&A's Inflow and Infiltration Study of the Heath Creek and Bee Branch Basins.

Rowlett Wastewater Model Update . . . an update of G&A's previous SewerCad model that incorporated existing and proposed changes in land use densities and their impact of the wastewater system. In particular, G&A identified how to deliver wastewater service in a cost effective manner to a major proposed development at Robertson Park on Lake Ray Hubbard.

Dickey Road . . . the replacement of approximately 1,000 feet of two-lane asphalt road in Grand Prairie with a four-lane undivided concrete road. G&A coordinated with NTTA regarding the S.H. 161 frontage road connection where improvements were required to an existing retaining wall in order to keep construction within the existing right-of-way.

Carrollton Town Center . . . topographic survey, design of paving and drainage improvements, and a replat for New Quest Properties on this existing retail site.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS, CONT'D

Arlington Petroleum Product Pipeline Relocation . . . a 1,600-foot long, 10-inch diameter pipe relocation by horizontal directional drilling for Explorer Pipeline Company. G&A's scope included topographic and property surveys, relocation design to facilitate the removal of exposed pipe in a creek, and record drawings.

Addison Pedestrian Connection . . . topographic survey and civil engineering plans for sidewalk, trail, street, and drainage improvements on and adjacent to Belt Line Road, Beltway Road, and Proton Drive. G&A was a subconsultant to Mesa Design Group on this pedestrian connectivity project for the Town of Addison.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



Jeff Atwood . . . joined G&A's R.P.L.S., Kent Mobley, after working with him at a previous firm. Jeff has over 8 years of surveying experience and is proficient in the field with GPS and total station equipment and in the office with survey CADD and technician work.

POINTS TO PONDER

A kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal.
~ Dr. Steve Maraboli, "Life, the Truth, and Being Free"

Ultimately things work out best for those who make the best of the way things work out.
~ Barbara Johnson

I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.
~ Mary Angelo

I've come to know that our families are a canvas on which we paint our greatest hopes – imperfect and sloppy, for we are all amateurs at life, but if we do not focus too much on our mistakes, a miraculous picture emerges. And we learn that it's not the beauty of the image that warrants our gratitude – it's the chance to paint.
~ Richard Paul Evans, "Finding Noel"



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