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Welcome to another issue of Building Blocks and our connection to you on the news and events of the Mills Group.

We look forward to your comments and input with our newsletter.

Michael J. Mills

PROJECT PROFILE

Jones Place....

The Mills Group strives to make a difference in all market sectors that we service and the student housing sector is no difference. Greg Metheny, the owner of Scott Properties, approached the Mills Group with a challenging site within the Sunny Side overlay district in Morgantown. The project had run up against some opposition due to the fact that the site was directly adjacent to a residential district, largely of owner occupied homes. The firm's challenge was to design a contextual solution that bridged the residential neighborhood with the student rental area and make the project economically feasible for the owner.



This is not your average student rental, this is premium living by any standard. The units have commanding views of the downtown campus and the river, dedicated parking, full sprinkler system and detection, and high quality finishes.

The first occupants moved in October with a waiting list of interested students stacking up in a matter of weeks. Phase 1 of 11 townhouses with a total of 44 beds is completely occupied and the construction of the second phase is 80% complete with the units 100% preleased. The leasing agent shared with our staff that the her job has been easy and the units sell themselves given the spacious unit layout with close proximity to campus.

We are proud to have designed a project that has an architectural character to fit in the existing neighbor and sets the bar high for any new develop to come.



Grand Opening - Morgantown History Museum



On December 16th the Morgantown Museum Commission hosted the grand opening of the City Museum with reception to unveil the permanent exhibits in the new rehabilitated historic mail sorting room of behind the Monongalia Arts Center on Kirk Street.

This facility honors the heritage of the our city while celebrating the industry and individuals that made an impression through the decades. The Museum shall be a destination for the residents, school kids, and visitors for years to come.

The Mills Group designed the interior architecture within the historic mail sorting room, provided consultation on exhibit layout, and interpretive signage.



<http://www.morgantownhistorymuseum.org/>

Restaurant Opening at Snowshoe - Sunset Cantina



We are happy to announce the opening of the Sunset Cantina at Snowshoe Village.

The Mills group was tasked with transforming this former Asian restaurant into a Tex Mex Cantina. With a limited budget and many time constraints we worked hard to have the space complete for the opening of the Ski season. The location once housed the Taste of Asia, with had a formal dining experience. The Mills Group sought to create a more casual and rustic atmosphere to complement the menu.

The Restaurant opened on December 16th and is located in the base of the Allegany Springs condos.

<http://www.snowshoemtn.com/village/dining/index/index.htm>

Current Events in Preservation

The Mills Group team has been working on several large historic documentation projects this season including the architectural survey and documentation of the Woodburn Neighborhood. The Morgantown Historic Landmarks Commission chose the Mills Group to complete this suburb which is a turn of the 20th century residential suburb of Morgantown with approximately 400 structures. The team also conducted an architectural survey of the Highland Drive Campus of the Veterans Administration Hospital in Pittsburgh. Both projects required in-depth archival research and a recommendation of eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places.



Mills Group Welcomes a New Employee...



R. Greg Eddy, of Morgantown, has joined Mills Group in the capacity of Project Manager with eight years of experience. Greg is a registered architect in the state of West Virginia and is NCARB certified. "Being from the Morgantown area, I welcome the opportunity to assist my community in its incredible growth and development," said Greg; this sentiment is shown in his involvement in Main Street Morgantown. His project experience ranges from small residential to large commercial with a sensitivity to client focused design solutions. Greg is very excited for the opportunities offered by Mills Group and looks forward to contributing to the burgeoning Downtown Morgantown architecture firm.

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