



Drawings provided by Dennis McGrath Design LLC

## Holland Construction expanding Eckert’s operation in Belleville

Holland Construction Services is working on an expansion project at Eckert’s in Belleville, which will expand the popular outdoor entertainment venue by nearly 10,000 square feet. The project will include a new Cider Shed Tasting Room with an open-air pavilion that will accommodate live entertainment, as well as an indoor Cider Donut & Custard Shop. The expansion broke ground in February and is expected to be complete by Memorial Day weekend.

“This is an interesting renovation because Eckert’s is an 8th generation business. This is where the company began, so we’re learning a lot of history while working on this project,” said Holland Project Executive Ryan Savage. “We’ve enjoyed being part of Eckert’s growth.”

The addition will be located between the existing Country Store and Country Restaurant and include the 3,500- square-foot Cider Shed Tasting Room, bar, and an indoor dining room. An additional 5,500 square-foot pavilion with outdoor dining will connect to the Cider Shed and feature a stage for outdoor concerts. Additional

renovations include a new Cider Donut & Custard Shop inside the Country Store.

“This is a complex project since we are remodeling existing facilities, but we are excited that it will be a step forward for Eckert’s in terms of entertainment and appealing to younger adults,” said Chris Eckert, president and CEO of Eckert’s Inc.

“It was a natural way to branch out our brand and make it interesting to a broader market.”

Holland worked with Eckert’s before on the original construction of their Country Store and Restaurant expansion.

“This is the biggest project we’ve taken on since then and we were very happy with how that turned out,” said Eckert.

“We’ve also been very impressed with Holland’s relationships with their subcontractors. They do an excellent job of managing all the details to ensure our project gets the priority and stays on target.”

“It is an honor and a fun experience to work with Chris and the Eckert family,” said Mike Marchal, president of Holland Construction Services. “Eckert’s is a destination for families to come together to eat, drink, shop, play, enjoy nature and be entertained. Holland being a small part of building these family memories makes this a very special project for our team.”

The architecture firm on the project is Dennis McGrath Design LLC.

## Holland Construction completes upscale apartment complex

Swansea-based Holland Construction Services has completed The Flats at Dorsett Ridge, a new \$45 million, 214-unit luxury apartment complex in Maryland Heights, one-half mile west of the I-270 and Dorsett intersection. The project was developed by Pier Property Group and is now leasing.

Developer Michael Hamburg, owner of Pier Property Group, said this is his third project with Holland Construction Services and he is looking forward to working with them in the future.

“Holland’s experience and expertise in building mid-rise luxury apartments shone through every step of the way on this project,” Hamburg said. “Their team takes a very process-oriented approach to their work, and they are excellent at problem-solving through any situation. This is a really challenging construction market right now but being able to have a team like Holland to rely on provides a ton of confidence going forward.”

The Flats at Dorsett Ridge is a four-story, 236,000 square-foot development. It includes a resort-style pool, outdoor game surface, grilling stations, state-of-the-art fitness center with yoga/cycling room, dog park, dog spa, business center, bike storage, and expansive balconies. Units have efficient floor plans, unobstructed views, fiber wireless internet, and high-end finishes, such as stone countertops, stainless steel appliances, tile shower surrounds, and custom flooring. The development also features a 315-car parking deck on the back of the site.

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