

## PROJECT NEWS

### Courtyard of Loyaltown

This new one-story 35,000 square foot Assisted Living Alzheimer's facility in Joliet, Illinois opened in early January. Operated by Emeritus Senior Living, the Courtyard of Loyaltown boasts of an atmosphere of community, while still respecting the independence of its occupants. The facility is made up of 38 resident rooms with 65 beds, two living rooms, two dining rooms, an activity room, a sun room and a beautifully landscaped courtyard and backyard.

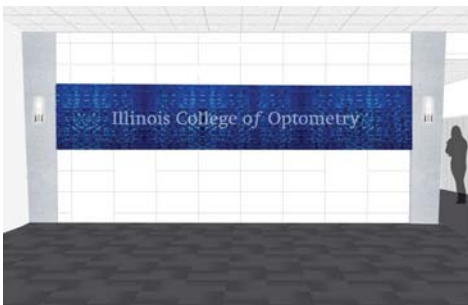


Foyer



Living Room

The large number of common spaces encourages interaction among residents. Casework and lighting add style and warmth, while finishes, furniture and accessories were selected to create a home-like atmosphere. The facility was also outfitted with modern safety features such as motion sensor light switches in the tenant bathrooms, motion sensors in the bedrooms, a custom magnetic locking system and security alarms. This thoughtful and effective design provides a comfortable and secure environment for dealing with the difficulties of memory impairment and helps residents and their families ease the transition into assisted living.



Design Rendering of Feature Wall



Design Rendering of Student Lounge

## IN PROGRESS

### Illinois College of Optometry

Located in Chicago's south loop, the Illinois College of Optometry called on Jensen & Halstead and Studio One Design to remodel their facility. Operating with a design from thirty years ago, the classrooms were un-flexible and there was no open public space for students to congregate. With teaching styles and new technologies evolving, the school needed an update. The renovation design is based around 5 new classrooms with movable furniture and 2 new eye labs with state-of-the-art equipment. A "Main Street" arrangement of corridors promotes a sense of community with lounge-like public areas and easy navigation of the space. The Student Lounge and Conference Room will have new windows to showcase beautiful views of downtown Chicago.

The interiors are being updated accordingly with a fresh contemporary style. A neutral color palate makes for a classic feel, while punches of metallic and bright blues energize the space. Careful furniture selections enhance the mobility of the learning environment and accommodate future technological advancement and functional needs. Special attention was paid to provide a quiet underfoot in the corridors and a soft underfoot for the teachers in the labs. Set to begin construction in May, the renovated space will be far more functional and the exciting new look is sure to promote learning and communication among faculty and students.

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### Central Baptist Village - Skilled Nursing Pavilion

At Central Baptist Village in Norridge, Illinois, they pride themselves on offering amenities, services, activities, and special conveniences to their residents. Studio One Design worked with Central Baptist Village six years ago to develop a new campus image for their Continuing Care Retirement Community. As part of that master plan, Studio One Design was recently asked to modernize the two-story 120-bed Skilled Nursing Pavilion to suit the current needs of patients and staff. Under-utilized existing space was restructured to create a new activity lounge on each floor. The dining rooms received updated finishes and a reconfigured nourishment set-up to accommodate their new food service.

Nurse stations were transformed into welcoming areas, promoting interaction between patients and staff by replacing unapproachable desks with low work surfaces and guest chairs. The bathing/spa area was renovated to create better flow and more privacy. Within the patient rooms, more usable storage solutions were employed and restrooms were upgraded. The residents were also treated to a new Fitness Center outfitted in an inviting soft neutral color palette. A new lounge was created where employees can eat, talk to colleagues and retreat. The finishes selected for the project were not only within the aesthetic of the Central Baptist Village image, but were also chosen for their easy maintenance to help keep the facility impeccable. Overall, this project has transformed the Skilled Nursing Pavilion into a place where residents and staff can feel pride, comfort and unity.



Resident Room



Fitness Center

## SYMPOSIUM *o* INNOVATION

This exciting new event will be held on March 5, 2008 at the Oak Brook Bath & Tennis Club. Earn 3 CEUs while learning about *Future Perfect Materials* as presented by Education-Works. Following the presentations, enjoy drinks, hors d'oeuvres, and live music while networking with colleagues and perusing materials on display. For more information or to RSVP for this event, contact Mirta Gonzalez at 312-664-7557.