

# DMBC E-NEWSLETTER

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## LAUNCH OF OUR NEW WEBSITE

It has been seven years since we first introduced ourselves on the internet. During this time, we have grown as a company and to commemorate our growth, a new corporate identity has been developed.

We felt it an appropriate time to kick off our new identity with an improved website which is easier

to navigate and more user-friendly.

Clients can easily download our brochure, resumes, project sheets, newsletters, and much more.

We hope you enjoy our new website. Come take a peek.

[www.dmberg.com](http://www.dmberg.com)



## NEW PROJECTS



We always welcome the opportunity to discuss new projects, large or small, and are willing to meet with our clients

and enumerate the services we offer, and how best to approach and execute the project to successful completion.

We are confident that we can offer practical and cost effective solutions to most design challenges.

Please call Tom Heger or Ali Borojerdi to discuss new business and ways we can assist you on your next project.

### Avalon at Lexington Square

Redevelopment of the former Metropolitan State Hospital into a 387-unit apartment community, including new buildings and adaptive reuse of some existing structures.  
Architect: The Architectural Team, Inc.  
Estimated Total Completion: Year 2009

### Avalon at Hathorne Hill

Redevelopment of the former Danvers State Hospital into a 460-unit apartment community with our focus on the adaptive reuse of the historic "Kirkbride Building".  
Architect: The Architectural Team, Inc.  
Estimated Total Completion: Year 2009



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## STAFF PROFILE

## Benjamin M. Schlick



Benjamin Schlick joined DMBC in 2004 and has quickly become an asset to our firm.

Mr. Schlick assists senior staff with the analysis and design of new and existing structures.

He is also responsible for updating in-house literature to ensure we have the most current information on hand.

Outside of the office, Ben's interests include going to the gym, playing golf, basketball, and racquetball. He also enjoys watching football.

Ben is currently working on the following projects:

300 Apollo Drive, Chelmsford  
*Architect: Spagnolo Gisness*

Avalon at Hathorne Hill, Danvers  
*Architect: The Architectural Team*

Ocean Edge Mansion, Brewster  
*Architect: Russell, Scott, Steedle & Capone Architects*

Ben holds a Masters Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Massachusetts.



## Massachusetts Building Owners Take Note:

**If you own, or know someone who owns a building in the Commonwealth, read on...**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Building Code (780 CMR) Chapter 10, Section 1028.3 requires structural certification of exterior fire escapes and egress balconies every five (5) years.

*"All exterior bridges, steel or wooden stairways, fire escapes and egress balconies shall be examined and/or tested, and certified for structural adequacy and safety every five years, by a Massachusetts registered*

*professional engineer, or others qualified and acceptable to the building official; said engineer or others shall then submit an affidavit to the building official."*

**The onus of complying with the Code requirement is on the building owner.**

DMBC can provide building owners with peace of mind. We offer complete examinations of exterior egress and fire escapes in full compliance with the above code requirements. Our detailed report includes a complete description, maintenance issues, repair details and information along with future maintenance

recommendations. Our structural expertise provides building owners with practical, detailed drawings for necessary repairs.

We follow up after the noted repairs have been completed and issue a notarized affidavit to the building official.

We can, for your convenience, database and schedule future examinations. Call or email us to schedule an appointment before your exterior egress and fire escapes become a costly problem.

### An Engineer's View:

*Okay, it's obvious...engineers think differently...if you ask an engineer if the glass is half full or half empty...their reply would be "the glass is twice as big as it needs to be!"*

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