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Dear Caryn,

Welcome to our first issue of The Milestone (on) Times, our monthly newsletter. In it, we will be featuring recently completed projects and other items we think might interest you. We hope you like it! Of course, you may unsubscribe at any time if you do not wish to receive future mailings. Just use the "Unsubscribe" button at the bottom of the page.

Houston's First CyberKnife®



St. Luke's Episcopal Health System opened Houston's first CyberKnife® facility in August 2009. This state-of-the-art facility is home to a leading edge technology that is able to precisely care for a variety of medical conditions that may be unable to be treated with traditional surgical options.

CyberKnife® technology, developed by Accuray, is used to treat cancerous and non-cancerous tumors in one to four treatments, spaced one or two days apart. This greatly reduces the length of treatment plans for patients who would otherwise be treated with a linear accelerator. Linear accelerator treatments typically require more procedural visits over a duration of six to eight weeks.

The facility also houses the latest in linear accelerator technology, the Varian Trilogy system. The Trilogy is the first of a new generation of cancer care systems, optimized for providing multiple forms of treatment, including radiation therapy and radiosurgery. Use of the Trilogy system has decreased the number of patient visits significantly when compared to traditional radiation protocols.

The project team of St. Luke's Capital Projects, Milestone Project Management, m-Architects, SSR Engineers and JE Dunn Construction was able to exceed the strategic goals of the project by delivering the project for **less than the budgeted amount** and **one month earlier** than scheduled.

St. Luke's Radiation Therapy and CyberKnife® - By the Numbers



15,000 - The number of SF in the facility, including eight exam rooms, and three vaults (home to the CyberKnife®, the Varian Trilogy, and an additional Varian linear accelerator).

8 - Months in the original construction schedule. The project was delivered in **seven** months!

10,071 - The number of cubic yards of concrete poured into the three vaults, weighing an estimated 3.75 million tons.

2001 - The year that CyberKnife® technology was approved by the USDA.

300 - The number of cities where Accuray's CyberKnife® system is treating patients. 100 of these cities are in the United States.

We hope you've enjoyed reading about what Milestone Project Management has been up to in this newsletter. Future issues will spotlight additional projects and also tell you more about our growing staff!

If you would like additional information about Milestone Project Management, or to give us feedback on this newsletter, please email us at info@mpmllc.com.

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