



Building On Their Success **STUART & SHELBY DEVELOPMENT**

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There are a lot of people who build homes and condos in South Florida. But the one name that stands out from the crowd is local construction firm Stuart & Shelby.

Founder and President Chuck Halberg is well known in Delray Beach as a person of great integrity and superior work ethic. His accomplishments in real estate construction and philanthropy are intertwined for the betterment of Delray Beach and its inhabitants.

Halberg and his partners, Bill Neville and Chuck McGovern have all the experience and construction savvy to create the dwelling of your dreams without the drama normally associated with construction projects.

And Halberg wants everyone to know that. "With our vast knowledge of the construction industry, quality of workmanship and total commitment to customer satisfaction, our construction services are unparalleled."

Those are not idle words or empty promises. Halberg has 37 years experience in the construction industry and has worked for some of the greats in the business. In Michigan he worked for Holtzman & Silverman, in Florida he was a construction manager for the Arvida Corporation and for the Holiday Organization (one of the largest builders in Long Island, NY) he was the VP of construction.

It also helps to know that Halberg was chosen Business Person of the Year 2010-2011 by the Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce and won the Ken Ellingsworth Community Service Award two times. He also received a Community Service Commendation from the Delray Beach Police Department for building classrooms in the Delray Youth Vocational Charter School.

You don't have to go far to hear the cheers when Halberg is around. His firm Stuart & Shelby builds homes, commercial properties, does

renovations and works for non-profit organizations. They bought and restored the historic Franklin House and donated it to the Delray Beach Community Land Trust.

They just completed a private 10,000 square-foot home on the Intracoastal in Delray Beach that has been called "magnificent." It has wood and marble flooring, an infinity pool, media room, a four-car garage and complete automated system that give its owners a taste of luxury with common sense technology. When the owner moved into this \$5.4 million dwelling they requested a 2000 bottle wine room so Halberg and his crew are making that happen.

That's the thing about Stuart & Shelby - they don't rest on their laurels and are always up for a new challenge or project. But they don't sacri-

fice quality or service. "We're all about service. When there's a problem we address it with a 'can-do' attitude and look for the solution rather than talk about the problem," said Halberg, who raises money for local charities while on cross country motorcycle jaunts.

You don't have to take their word for it, Stuart & Shelby clients are continually extolling the virtues of this six-year-old construction firm. "We can't thank you enough for building us such a beautiful home. You met all challenges with a 'can do' attitude, in a timely and professional manner, always putting our wishes and preferences first. It was a pleasure doing business with you," said Noel and Edna Malave of Delray Beach.

To know the Stuart & Shelby operation is to



know a little bit about their purpose and passion. Partner and Vice President Bill Neville has extensive experience in construction management, budget estimation and purchasing. He has worked for Arvida, Transeastern Homes and other top companies. Chuck McGovern, the Construction Manager and partner has over 32 years experience in the construction industry and is a real pro when it comes to customer satisfaction.

If you were to classify the raison d'être of Stuart & Shelby it would be superior customer service, an impeccable record of on-time and on-budget project completion and dedication to clients. Halberg is adamant that his cell phone number be at client's fingertips, and that making clients happy is as important as getting them. If you don't believe him just ask Jill Valenti.

"My interaction with everyone at Stuart & Shelby was terrific. All of the guys were professional, responsive and patient. It really generates confidence when your general contractor returns calls within 24 hours and your responses are usually an hour or less. You are a great problem solver and your positive attitude is contagious," said Valenti.

There is a reason for the consistency and professionalism of Stuart & Shelby subcontractors - and it is not a mystery. "I've been working with my subcontractors for almost 20 years. They are all licensed and insured and I respect them because of their professionalism," said Halberg, who is VP of Administration for the Arts Garage and Operational Board Member for Achievement Centers for Children & Families.

One could say the same is true of Stuart & Shelby. They are well respected in the community, offer complete turnkey General Contracting, Design and Building Services (they coordinate all products and services until completion of the project) and Construction Management.

"We can help right from the start with your land purchase, municipality processes, design and value engineering and day-to-day oversight of field operations. I have been doing this my whole life - and there is only one way to do things, and that is the right way," adds Halberg.

If you're ready for a construction project, or just want to talk about doing good in the community give Halberg a call. He is always available on his cell phone at 561-809-1266.

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