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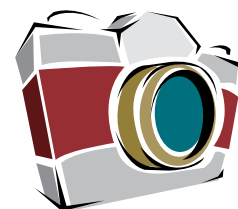
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### Pioneer Truss Co. Contributes to 300<sup>th</sup> Ronald McDonald House

In early 2010, staff and volunteers broke ground on the 300th worldwide Ronald McDonald house in Creve Coeur, a suburb of St. Louis, MO. In April, Pioneer Truss based in Owensville delivered the trusses for the home. The project cost an estimated \$4.5 million.

Mark Lenauer designed the roof system for the 10,500 sq. ft., 20-room building. Lenauer said the trickiest part of the process was accounting for the nonfunctioning brick and mortar chimney sitting on top of the roof for aesthetics. "It measures 3' x 7' x 3.5' tall and weighs about 3,500 lbs. So the roof trusses had to be designed to withhold that weight," he said. Lenauer worked with the building designer to come up with the total load of the brick, mortar and related materials (like sheets of plywood), and then defined the load path to the foundation.

This isn't the first time the company has done work on a Ronald McDonald project. In 2004, Pioneer supplied the trusses for its first McDonald home at Barnes Children's Hospital, also in St. Louis. **SBC**



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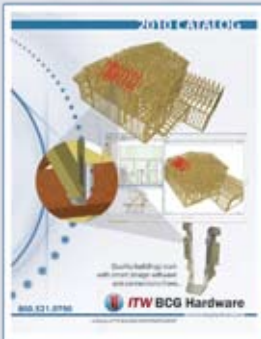


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