## DESIGN AWARDS

## Design with Brick 2002 Awards

- The Brick Association of the Carolinas announces the winners of its biennial design competition for South Carolina architects.
- The Design with Brick awards were presented during the American Institute of Architects South Carolina Summer Design Conference August, 2002 in Asheville, NC at the Biltmore House on the Biltmore Estate.



## Coastal Federal Field

Myrtle Beach, SC

This project was a joint venture between a local municipality and county and a private minor league team owner. The intent was to develop a multi-purpose facility that would allow for municipal events and concerts while meeting and supporting the design criteria for a single "A" professional baseball team.

The site consists of 20 acres and was donated by a large land owner/developer within the area. Its proximity is across from the largest shopping and tourism destination complex within the coastal municipality at the intersection of two major vehicular thoroughfares into and around the city. A future pedestrian tie-in to the adjoining shopping/entertainment complex's expansion into a future town center is planned, along with an out-parcel office and retail beyond the outfield fences.

The facility is designed to accommodate 6,000 spectators, consisting of a multitude of seating options ranging from 9 luxury skyboxes to open picnic and berm seating areas as well as reserved armchair seating. Supporting the stadium is a variety of food service facilities, concourses with administrative offices, public restroom facilities, first aid and full television and radio broadcast capabilities, all presented in a colorful and festive context.

Special fan amenities include a picnic area along the right field line with an adjoining city park, designed for use during ballgames or during non-game hours. The park is such that visibility to the field is available as well as to the adjoining central retention pond. Along the left field line is the Diamond Fun Plaza, a quarter scale replica of the ball field made of colored concrete unit pavers and marble pavers. The plaza incorporates imprinted pavers sold to raise funds for the local community's youth baseball field building fund.



Team amenities include luxury clubhouses for both home and visiting teams. Each clubhouse includes locker rooms, shower and toilet facilities, training and workout rooms with whirlpools, etc., and private conference and coach's offices. Additional storage and maintenance facilities are provided to support team needs as well as maintenance to the playing field.



The Stadium and all the associated facilities are fully ADA compliant. The site supports parking in excess of 1,200 cars and 20 buses with special parking for handicap, team buses, TV/Radio broadcast vehicles as well as VIP parking. The parking was divided with a central retention pond which not only serves as a storm water retention basin but also to act as a visual corridor for pedestrian access between the parking areas and the