

CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY – LASTINGER ATHLETICS COMPLEX

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The 75 year old Southern California construction firm, Earl Corporation, has been awarded the multi-million dollar contract to complete Chapman University's Erin J. Lastinger Athletics Complex in Orange County, the new home of the Donald P. Kennedy Intercollegiate Athletics Program.

The complex, set for completion in 2008, will be built with proceeds from a \$20.5 million dollar athletics capital campaign. The University, which competes in National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III, "deserves championship-level facilities," said James L. Doti, president of the 5,700 student university, when announcing the campaign in late 2005.

When completed, the complex will include the new 2,000 seat Ernie Chapman Stadium and Tom and Joan Riach Stadium Terrace, Zee Allred Aquatics Center and Olympic Pool with the 500 seat Frank E and Mary Ann O'Bryan Aquatics Stadium, and the new Baldwin Family Pavilion with coaches' offices and locker rooms and the Jamie Case-Babson Weight Training Room. The complex will also include the recently completed Holly and David Wilson Field and Lastinger Parking Facility with more than 950 underground parking spaces. The Lastinger Athletics Complex also includes the existing Hutton Sports Center located on campus, which opened in 1978. The Robert and Marie Gray Collegiate Rowing Center in Newport Beach, which opened in 2004, is also part of the University's comprehensive athletics program facilities.

Thanks to the farsighted generosity of the A. Gary Anderson Family Foundation and its CEO, Chapman alumna Erin J. Lastinger '88, whose \$6 million dollar gift made

the athletics complex possible, Chapman's twenty-one intercollegiate sports teams and clubs will practice and compete in the state-of-the-art facilities.

In business since 1932, Earl Corporation is based in Irwindale, California, and provides site planning, construction analysis, interior design and design-build services in addition to general contracting. The company has traditionally been active in the higher education, public building, museum and historic preservation arenas.