

Campus Smokestack Comes Down

The Ursuline Campus smokestack was demolished in a most unusual way. A demolition ball was attached to a special twin-bladed helicopter which then swung the ball into the tall building. The ball slowly chipped away at the smokestack until it was nearly three-fourths of the way gone. The bottom portion will be removed using land equipment.

The smokestack and maintenance shop it sat on were taken down to make way for a new gym as part of the Ursuline Campus Schools' construction project. The demolition of the smokestack was funded by the Ursuline Sisters.

The building was once used to heat the Motherhouse and several more buildings on campus and was later used as a maintenance shop. The helicopter used to take down the smokestack is one of only 23 in the world and can carry up to 6,000 pounds of weight.



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