

# THE LACY LEDGER

Construction news and trends, plus a little light-heartedness

## E-Free Groundbreaking

Working with Wilkins Hinrichs Stober Architects, Lacy Construction will be constructing more than 28,000 square feet of new space for Evangelical Free Church in Kearney, Nebraska. Included will be a 900-seat sanctuary, additional children's spaces, expanded lobby and atrium areas, and a café. The \$5.8 million project is scheduled for completion in January 2011.

We look forward to working within the team the E-Free congregation has formed. As was evident to Lacy's Jerry Huismann and Tim Rush, who attended the groundbreaking ceremony on July 12th, they are an outstanding group excited about this new chapter for their church. As always, we will be bringing you more on this project in future issues of *The Lacy Ledger*.



*A very upbeat beginning to a significant addition to their church, with a few words, some song, prayer and a climactic balloon launch. Among other attendees was the newest member of the church, a 16-day-old infant; we didn't ask about the oldest.*



*A few of the church workshop attendees discussing information that was presented specific to the design, construction and financing of church projects.*

## Learning Workshops Church Seminar

Lacy Construction regularly offers educational workshops in the different areas or industries within which we work, each offering insights into the unique processes these industries will encounter when they plan to build or renovate.

Our most recent workshop was tailored to meet the needs of churches. With finance expert Dave Richardson of Equitable Bank on hand to speak on church project financing, church architectural expert Matt Adams of Adams Architecture speaking about the design process and, of course, Tim Rush of Lacy presenting the construction particulars, we were able to help a group of people get started in the right direction on their projects.

If you, your church, or someone you know could use this type of information, please give us a call; we would be happy to get it to you. Also, if you would be interested in attending one of our workshops covering such topics as healthcare or senior living, please let us know and we will inform you of the particulars.



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*New West Sports Medicine – Beginning to look a lot like a building!*

## What's Up At Lacy?

### Projects in Progress

**New West Sports Medicine**

Kearney, Nebraska

*New Facility*

**Evangelical Free Church**

Kearney, Nebraska

**Red Cloud Grocery**

Red Cloud, Nebraska

**Nova Tech**

Grand Island, Nebraska



### Red Cloud Grocery Store

*Lacking only new signage, the entire exterior of the store has been updated, while interior work continues.*



## Why Build Green?

The built environment has a profound impact on our natural environment, economy, health and productivity. In the U.S., buildings account for:

- 36% of total energy use
- 65% of electricity consumption
- 30% of greenhouse gas emissions
- 30% of raw materials use
- 30% of waste output
- 136 million tons annually
- 12% of potable water consumption

### Environmental benefits:

- Enhance and protect ecosystems and biodiversity
- Improve air and water quality
- Reduce solid waste
- Conserve natural resources

### Economic benefits:

- Reduce operating costs
- Enhance asset value and profits
- Improve employee productivity and satisfaction
- Optimize life-cycle economic performance

### Health & community benefits:

- Improve air, thermal and acoustic environments
- Enhance occupant comfort and health
- Minimize strain on local infrastructure
- Contribute to overall quality of life

Source: LEED®, the "Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design" Green Building Rating System, is the nationally accepted standard for green buildings developed by the USGBC membership.

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