

THE LACY LEDGER

Construction news and trends, plus a little light-heartedness

Lacy Construction Project Named to the 2017 Varco Pruden Hall of Fame, Best of Category



Friesen Ford

Aurora, Nebraska

Scope: New 18,751-square-foot auto dealership

Architect: Emsick Architects

Project Completion: November 2015



Authorized Builder

The building features a combination of burnished block and horizontal wall panels to accent VP's Panel Rib™ wall panels and SSR™ roof system. The building also includes a glass storefront for the showroom with the new Ford branded entryway.

During the construction process, there were the normal building challenges, but none were more daunting than the weather. During construction, a record-setting 54 inches of rain fell at the site. The most difficult task was the construction of the parking lot. Thanks to our GPS guided grading and concrete placement systems, we were able to set new company records for placement of the outside parking.

We are pleased that this project was recognized by Varco Pruden for its excellence in design and construction. Congratulations to Jason Friesen and the entire design-build team!



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Where Did All The Skilled Labor Go?

A recently-released survey by the Associated General Contractors of America revealed that nearly 80% of construction businesses are having a hard time finding qualified skilled labor. Beginning first in small isolated pockets when home construction bottomed out in 2011, the labor shortage is now in full bloom—for both residential and commercial construction—and the repercussions are being felt throughout the nation. The reality is that, while the building industry has experienced steady and positive growth in recent months, this growth could be even faster if there were enough qualified candidates to fill open positions.

We are feeling it too at Lacy Construction. The economy has improved, commercial construction spending is up and more business owners are willing to invest in new buildings and upgrades to existing facilities.

Currently, we have several open positions for project superintendents, CAD drafters, project managers and a business developer. If you know someone interested in joining a growing, progressive firm with 70+ years of excellence, send them to our website to apply for one of our positions: www.lacygc.com/careers



“I would highly recommend Lacy Construction for any construction project you might have. Everyone at Lacy was always helpful, considerate, and willing to go the extra mile to see that I was completely satisfied!”

—Jason Friesen
Principal, Friesen Ford



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