

# RWC Crew Talk



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## Bethany Lutheran College Completes New Student Housing



As another school year quickly approaches on the Campus of Bethany Lutheran College, students will be returning to find a new building on their campus. Construction was recently completed on “Edgewood Place”, a 33,000 SF student housing building. This project was constructed using the design build process and is an excellent representation of the hard work of the construction team which included our firm, KOH Architects (Jason Kraus), Bethany Staff (Dr. Dan Bruss, Greg Costello, Steve Jaeger, Ted Manthe, John Sehloff, John Winch), Weber Plumbing & Heating and Javens Electric. The building, which has apartment style housing with 16 units that can each hold 4-6 students, will be seeing furniture arriving soon with students not far behind as the entire building has been

filled for the upcoming school year. We would like to thank the Staff at Bethany Lutheran College for all their hard work throughout the project which helped create the beautiful building we see today. We are very proud of the effort from everyone involved with this project and would like to thank the following subcontractors for their quality work: Southern Minnesota Construction, Ted Kenne Construction, Floor to Ceiling, Lloyd Lumber, Schwickerts, Kendell Doors, South Central Glass, RTL Construction, Jerry’s Tile, Twin City Acoustics, Rickway Carpet, Reichel Painting, Weber Plumbing & Heating, Olympic Fire Protection and Javens Electric. We especially want to

thank Mick McMartin (RWC Job Superintendent) and all of the talented RWC employees who worked on this job for a job well done.

*Jeremy Hatlevig  
Project Manager*

### RWC Crew

Jim Amundson, Doug Baer, Chad Becker, Tim Clabo, Tracy Coy, Bernie Davey, Roger Davey, Ron Domas, Doug Drill, Glenn Eilders, Aaron Furst, Keith Furst, Don Hermel, Jim Jirak, Bruce Johnson, Rich Landsteiner, Joel Langlie, Tim Leonhardt, Kirby Loewen, Mick McMartin, David Morris, Jesse Mueller, Brent Otto, Heath Pickell, Arvin Rustman, Eric Sage, Jerry Salfer, Jim Schmidt, Mark Stadler, Dan Stangler, Greg Sunderman, Robert Umhoefer, Dale Van Stelten, Paul Wels, Jared Wendt, Vic Wendt, Curt Willson, and Malachi Wunderlich



## Recap of 2nd Annual Safety Day

On July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005, we held our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Company Safety Day with 47 employees in attendance. It was held at the Midwest Wireless Civic Center in Mankato and began with a buffet style lunch. The opening statement was made by Lee Carlstrom who commented on our goals and efforts toward a zero injury culture.

Mil Carroll from State Fund Mutual made a presentation on "Managing the Body in Construction" which focused on the following areas; information on injury results, definition of the challenge for preventing strains, review of work activities that lead to loss, the role of effective stretching, personal responsibility, and a review of stretching activities. The goal of his training session was to enhance our understanding of safety, hazard identification, and risk control.

Doug Swenson from the AGC made a presentation called "Hazard Perception Challenge" which consisted of three different video clips. Employees had to spot the hazards and violations that were in the clips, so this segment allowed for good

audience participation. Doug also showed another video entitled "Meet Joe's Wife" which was about the affects on a widow and her family when her husband died after a work related accident.

I reviewed last year's OSHA 300 log which had three reportable injuries. This year so far we only have two First Reports of Injury. I also reviewed the findings from our OSHA consultations that were held on July 6<sup>th</sup>.

During the comment and question period, there was discussion about pre-task planning. In our on-going effort to improve job-site safety, we will continue to utilize this process, and it will likely become mandatory for all employees by the first of next year.

Scott Umhoefer made the closing statement, thanked everyone who has served on the safety committee over the years, and also thanked all employees for a job well done. The day ended with hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and door prizes.

*Al Hagen, Safety Director*



Pictured above with their door prizes: Greg Sunderman (Dewalt Radio), Tracy Coy (gift certificate), Craig Jaskulke (patriotic hard hat)

"We've come a long way since Al Hagen took the position of safety director. We have new rules, new equipment, and procedures. However, safety is more than rules, regulations, and protective equipment. Safety is an ATTITUDE. To achieve this attitude we have to believe in what we are trying to accomplish. We also have to communicate with each other. Our goal is zero injuries. Remember this, safety is a job that will never be finished. We have to be able to adapt to changes that continually occur in the construction industry.

*Scott Umhoefer, President*



### Current Projects



✘ Bethany Lutheran College new parking lots and student housing, Mankato, KOH Architects

✘ ISJ/Mayo Health System, Mankato, various projects, Ellerbe Becket Architects

✘ Springfield Medical Center/Mayo Health System addition & renovation, Springfield, Engan Associates, P.A.

✘ McLane Minnesota, warehouse remodel & parking lot, Northfield

✘ Taylor Corporation, North Mankato, various projects

✘ Creative Company warehouse addition, North Mankato, I & S Engineers and Architects

✘ Kraft Foods, New Ulm, various projects, TKDA Engineers-Architects-Planners

✘ Nicollet Public School additions, Nicollet, GLT Architects

### Several ISJ Hospital Remodels Underway

Robert W. Carlstrom has recently completed and is currently working on many projects at ISJ Hospital. In the Dialysis Wing, a remodel was recently completed which added two dialysis stations to the busy wing. We were able to complete this work while not disturbing the patients or the busy schedule in this wing. Craig Jaskulke and his crew put in some long hours and often time late nights to accommodate the patient schedule. We worked closely with the staff to minimize all disruptions and keep them up and running. We want to thank Kathy Sonnek and Dialysis staff for their help and cooperation during construction.

We are also beginning two more large remodels in both the ISJ Lab and the ISJ X-Ray area. Updates will follow in the upcoming newsletter. We especially want to thank Craig Jaskulke and his crew for all their hard work and dedication to the work they do at ISJ Hospital and to the ISJ Staff for their help and cooperation.

# Employee Spotlight



Mark Stadler has been with Robert W. Carlstrom Co., Inc for 14 years as an

equipment operator. Before beginning at RWC, Mark worked as

a mechanic at both John Deere and Bobcat. He also has a two year degree from Dakota County Vo-Tech.

Working outdoors and being able to learn new things each day are a couple of things that Mark likes about the construction industry. He also believes that running heavy equipment is something everyone would like to do (even carpenters). Mark is proud that the people he works with trust him when he is

running equipment around them. He would like to share the following message with our employees: "Do your job right the first time, and take pride in your work."

Mark lives in Cleveland, MN with his wife, Lisa, son, Casey, daughter, Rene, step-daughters, Jaleesa and Bailey, and their German shepherd, Ray. In his free time, Mark enjoys riding motorcycle, golfing, and camping.

## Recent Groundbreakings



A ground breaking ceremony was held on July 8<sup>th</sup> for the Springfield Medical Center-Mayo Health System 2005 Surgery and Radiology Addition and Renovations project. Construction on the two story addition started on July 18<sup>th</sup> and completion is anticipated in March 2006 with completion of the renovation phase in July 2006. The addition will have a new surgery suite, radiology and CT scan rooms, and outreach facilities, while the lower level of the addition will have a

classroom and two meeting rooms as well as restrooms, mechanical spaces and receiving and material management. The renovation will include an expanded X-ray reception area, patient lounge, changing rooms, and EKG rooms. Arnie Nimps is the Construction Manager and Paul Doring is the Project Manager.

A ground breaking ceremony was held on Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, for the construction of two new additions to the Nicollet Public School. The combined 47,000 SF additions will be a construction management project and will be managed by Jeremy Hatlevig and Jim Jirak. The project is expected to be completed by Summer of 2006.



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	1	2	3	4 Tim Clabo	5 Steve Tollefson- 5 yrs	6
7	8	9	10 Terry Gappa	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Keith Furst-2 yrs	18	19	20 Paul Doring
21 Arnie Nimps-7 yrs	22 Mick McMartin- 25 yrs	23 Tim Clabo-2 yrs	24	25	26 Al Hagen-4 yrs	27
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25	26	27	28	29	30 Craig Jaskulke	