

# Building Solutions

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from A.C.E. Building Service

## A.C.E. provides Glander with a prescription for building success

Glander Prescriptions Plus has always had a successful pharmacy business, but its old location – on the far south side of Sheboygan – was limited. So owners Bob Bouche and Terry Zimmermann decided that a modern new northside site closer to the city's hospitals and medical corridor would better serve their customers' needs.

Their first step was to choose a design/build partner for the project, and they interviewed two different construction firms – including A.C.E. Building Service. They were immediately impressed with A.C.E.'s capabilities and felt very comfortable talking with Doug Schwalbe and Ron Schwalbe. After hearing rave reviews from A.C.E.'s referrals, including Sheboygan's Poly Vinyl and D&H Rental, they knew they had found their design/build contractor.

Finding land was the first challenge of the project, and Doug was able to assist them in locating just the right site (on Superior Avenue) in the perfect location. The right piece of land has to fit many different requirements, and this one presented a large challenge with stormwater management regulations. Doug researched the regulations carefully and worked with the local government and engineers to develop the best possible plan. A series of grassed swales and a slender detention basin allowed Glander to get the maximum potential out of the property and still follow strict stormwater laws.

With these site details settled, A.C.E. began the building portion of the project, and Glander came up with an initial design that, after a few minor tweaks, was just right. The Glander project was a 7,500-square-foot Butler metal building system that allocated 5,000 square feet for the pharmacy plus an additional 2,500 adjacent professional space that Glander would rent out.

According to Terry, the Butler system made sense for their particular needs. "We wanted to have a building that was open and friendly; a flexible system that could be easily rearranged if need be. With the Butler system, which had no internal load-bearing walls, we could do that."

Construction went smoothly, with Glander moving to its new location on March 27. They are extremely pleased with both the final product AND A.C.E. Building Service. Says Bob: "We have a great relationship with A.C.E. They really seem to understand our needs and concerns. Even now, after the building is done, they still come around to make sure we are satisfied and to see if we need anything else."

Terry adds that their goal was to have a building that would serve their needs for years to come, and the final result is just that. "Our new building not only meets our current needs, it will accommodate future growth as well." Plus it lands them closer to their customer base – patients, hospitals and physicians. This new high visibility location has already translated into many new customers for Glander.

"We love every aspect of our building," states Bob. "If we had to do it all over again, we would not do anything different, including choosing A.C.E. as our design/build contractor."



The new Glander building features a brick tower that serves as a "beacon," guiding customers to their new Superior Ave. location.



Glander pharmacists (left to right) Joe Zagozen, Gregg Watson, Bob Bouche and Terry Zimmermann.

# Our commitment to training enhances your building success!

A.C.E. believes that a trained workforce is a productive and effective workforce. That's why we continue to invest in employee training in all areas of our company. This helps us ensure we are providing the best and most cost-effective building solutions for you. Here is a summary of our recent training activities:

- A.C.E. employees **Kevin Schroeder, Neil Schrubbe and Chad Stelzer** have achieved certification as American Concrete Institute Certified Concrete Flatwork Finishers after attending a series of three courses on concrete finishing and passing a written exam. Each also met the requirement of having a minimum of 4,500 hours of work experience in concrete finishing flatwork.

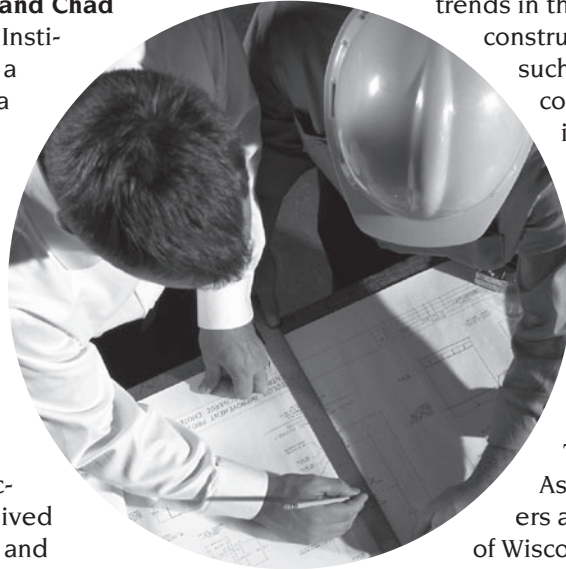
- **Todd Gorter and Mike Frozena** attended the Wisconsin Commercial Building Code Refresher seminar, receiving hands-on information and updates on the code. Information provided allows A.C.E. to effectively navigate the state building code, understand its structure and application, and learn how uses, occupancy and construction type impact commercial building design.

- **All A.C.E. field personnel** attended OSHA's Construction Safety and Health Outreach program. Attendees received OSHA updates on personal protective equipment, power and hand tools, electrical safety, scaffolding, fall protection, excavations, and stairways and ladders.

- **Stan Johnson, Ron Schwalbe and Doug Schwalbe** attended the 2006 Butler Builder Sales Meeting, receiving in-depth information and updates on new Butler products and services.

- **Stan Johnson, Ron Schwalbe and Bill Shimek** attended the "Wisconsin Associated Builders and Contractors" winter conference. The program provided information on current trends in the commercial construction industry, such as regulatory compliance, working with OSHA, safety programs and building codes.

- **Eleven foremen and managers** from A.C.E. participated in a "Transition to Trainer." Led by Associated Builders and Contractors of Wisconsin, the training helped A.C.E. supervisors learn how to better serve as job coaches and provided training on teaching theory, how to assess progress and give feedback to trainees.



## A.C.E. Building Service named HIGH PERFORMANCE builder!



Sales Manager, presenting the High Performance Builder award to Ron Schwalbe (left) and Stan Johnson of A.C.E.

A.C.E. Building Service is among a select group of builders nationwide who has been named a High Performance Builder by Butler Manufacturing Company. The designation is awarded to Butler builders who demonstrate superior skills with the assembly of Butler building and roof systems. Pictured: Jerry Greany (right), Butler Area



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