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October on the Roof

Green Roof Award Update—October 7, 2015



George accepting award from Cities Alive hosts, David Yocca and Steven Peck



George Berry recently travelled to New York City to accept our Green Roof Award of Excellence from the premier green roof association, Green Roofs for Healthy Cities, at the annual Cities Alive Green Roof and Wall Conference. Berry Architecture received the award in the Extensive Industrial/Commercial Category. Submissions were judged on functionality, ecological benefits, economic benefits, aesthetic benefits, and context.



Staff News Corner

On September 3, George Berry, Daren Blair, and Tracy Wells attended an Energy Upgrades Workshop pertaining to the new National Energy Code of Canada. The National Energy Code is being implemented as part of the new Alberta Building Code, and these guidelines will apply to all new buildings in the province. The NEC will require all new buildings to achieve a higher level of energy-efficiency; thus, initial costs to implement these standards will be increased. However, the long-term benefits in terms of energy savings and cost-effectiveness will be substantial. All professionals in the industry will need to be up to date on the new energy codes and their impact on the construction industry. We are being proactive and will be utilizing the new energy-modeling tools to provide our clients with better, more efficient, and more cost-effective buildings.



Annie L. Gaetz 50th Anniversary Open House + Modernization Celebration

On September 25, Annie L. Gaetz School held a special assembly in honour of the 50th anniversary of the school and in celebration of the completion of the school modernization. It was a lovely ceremony with handbell choir performances, speeches, songs, jokes, and the official ribbon-cutting and plaque unveiling. George Berry and Angela Flinn attended representing Berry Architecture as the senior team members on the modernization project.



The two-storey library is now fully set-up and stocked. The mezzanine provides a cozy reading area for the students and large windows flood the school's central core with natural light.

Project News—New Seniors' Lodge for Pincher Creek

Berry Architecture and the Pincher Creek Foundation are so pleased to be beginning work on the new Crestview Lodge in Pincher Creek, Alberta. The new lodge will provide 50 suites and will be located on the site of the existing lodge. Phasing plans are in place to ensure minimal disruptions to lodge residents who will remain in their building until the new lodge is complete. Most preliminary work and schematic design has already begun as we had been retained to do research, planning, and design work for this project over the past 4 years. Therefore, we are ready to dive in with design development and get the project underway as soon as possible. The building will be situated to take advantage of the sweeping views and will feature a large outdoor patio. The new lodge will also access an existing gazebo and barbecue patio we previously designed for the site. It is very exciting to see this vital project finally coming to fruition!



Exterior Elevation Presentation Drawing—Dining Room and Patio



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