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December on the Roof

Project Update: Grace United Church, Lloydminster



Grace United Church in Lloydminster is nearing completion. After nearly eight years of planning and building, the Grace congregation and staff will be re-occupying the sanctuary and portions of the new facility by mid-December. Completion and full occupancy is slated for early 2016. Berry Architecture is thrilled to see this project come to fruition after overcoming many hurdles. Congratulations to the congregation and staff and the wider community which they serve! Completion photos of the exterior and interior to be shared soon!

Staff News Corner



Instead of doing a staff gift exchange at our Christmas lunch this year, we gathered donations for the Red Deer Christmas Bureau. It was a very impressive collection. Well done, team! The Christmas Bureau provides donors with a list of appropriate and needed gifts for boys and girls in various age categories. Especially needed are gifts in the Girls age 10-12 category and Boys and Girls age 13-16 category.

November/December Courses:

George and Daren attended a PSMJ conference in San Francisco, December 2-4. Sessions included staffing, business operations, project business planning, and project delivery.

Marie, Tracy, Daren, Carlos, Ileana, and Breanna have all participated in advanced Revit training with Chris St. Clair—this will allow us to tap into the enormous potential of the program more fully.

Shylia completed the Auditor Training Program to become a Certified Safety Auditor, November 25 - 27, and is our new Health and Safety Officer.

Welcome to the Team, Chris St. Clair



We would like to welcome Chris St. Clair to our team. Chris is a senior architectural technologist who joined the team in November. Chris has many years of experience as an architectural technologist and is a Revit specialist. He will be working for Berry Architecture on a contract basis for various projects. Chris is also assisting us with Revit training and has already conducted training sessions with our production staff. We are so pleased to have Chris on board with both production and training. Welcome, Chris!

Can-Quest Energy Modeling Course

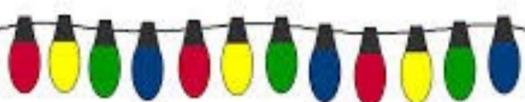
On December 10 and 11, Berry Architecture hosted a two-day Energy Modeling Course in our office. As a result of the new National Energy Code of Canada guidelines, all new buildings will be required to meet higher levels of energy efficiency. Tracy and Daren attended from our office; this is their second training session with the new energy modeling software. George and Susanne have also taken the training, and we plan to have all production staff fully trained in the new energy requirements in the next few weeks. We are ready to implement the new standards immediately as required of all new buildings in Canada.

Name That Architect



Here's the second instalment for "Name That Architect." The first person to correctly identify the architect of the featured building receives a gift card. [Respond here with your answer.](#)

Congratulations to Joanne Daley for correctly identifying Philibert de l'Orme as last month's architect.



Happy
Holidays!



We could all use a little help brushing up on our winter driving skills with winter upon us! Check out the helpful hints below.

Winter Driving Tips—Alberta Canada.com

