



Carly Wansing, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP



STREET DIXON RICK
Architecture, PLC

NOTE: For a complete list and photos of green improvements Carly and Ed Wansing made to their home, please see the "Living Green" storybook at www.sdrarch.com/main/publications.php.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE USGBC AWARDS "GREEN STAR AWARD – INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION" TO [STREET DIXON RICK ARCHITECTURE'S](http://www.streetdixonrick.com) CARLY WANSING

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Carly and Ed Wansing are known as one of the "greenest" couples around town. Their expertise is sought by clients, friends and family members who wish to make their homes and work places both healthier and more energy efficient.

Recently the Middle Tennessee chapter of the US Green Building Council (USGBC) awarded Carly Wansing, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP, the prestigious "Green Star Award for Individual Contribution." Ed Wansing, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP, joined her on-stage for the presentation. The Green Star Award is given to an individual, company or project that promotes principles of sustainable design and construction.

"Ed and I hope to be an inspiration to others by showing them and teaching them the easy things you can do to save money, energy and the planet. We hope that one day our grandchildren will be able to enjoy nature the way we know it today," Carly said.

Carly was one of the first intern architects with [Street Dixon Rick Architecture](http://www.streetdixonrick.com) to become LEED accredited. (LEED stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design).

Carly's work experience includes a multi-million dollar project that recently won first place in awards given by the Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc., Central Pennsylvania chapter. The project, Founders Hall, is an 1879 building on the campus of Juniata College, and it won in the category of Restoration/Renovation. Carly was instrumental in the client's decision to register the project for LEED Silver certification. Juniata College will dedicate Founders Hall this weekend.

At home, Carly and Ed Wansing have made a number of improvements and investments in an on-going effort to create a home that uses no energy. They invested in solar panels, use rain barrels to capture irrigation water and much more. In fact, since February 2008, their highest electric bill was \$14 – and because their solar panels provide energy to the electric company - the electric company now owes them \$51.

A full list of the improvements they made can be found at www.streetdixonrick.com.

For a complete list of 2009 Green Star Award Winners, visit: usgbcmidtn.com. Awards were presented at the Middle Tennessee USGBC Gala in early October.

BACKGROUND:

Street Dixon Rick Architecture, PLC

Street Dixon Rick Architecture, PLC, has taken a leadership role in sustainable design and predicts LEED accreditation will become standard for the profession. Street Dixon Rick Architecture's entire architectural staff has earned LEED accreditation. Recent projects include Founders Hall at Juniata College, Huntingdon, PA; Hill Center at Nashville West, a commercial retail and office space project; renovations and additions for Nashville State Community College; master planning and design for First Presbyterian Church/Oak Hill School. Street Dixon Rick Architecture also designs residential projects, including renovations and adaptive re-use projects.*

****(Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, a building rating system by the USGBC.)***

USGBC Nashville Chapter

The USGBC Middle Tennessee Chapter's mission includes advancing buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to live and work. The USGBC's vision is that buildings and communities will regenerate and sustain the health and vitality of all life within a generation. A portion of proceeds from the 2009 Green Carpet Event go to Y-Build, a YMCA youth program that provides green job training in construction.