

Larry Glazier – Recipient of the 2014 Architectural Foundation of Nebraska *Distinguished Commitment to Architecture Award*



Larry Glazier, of Grand Island, is the 2014 recipient of The Architectural Foundation of Nebraska's *Distinguished Commitment to Architecture Award*. Glazier consistently exhibited, over his 37 years of service as College Business Officer, Central Community College, his commitment to excellence in architectural design; passion for innovation in the built environment and unwavering vision for sustainability.

During his tenure in the community college arena, he administered over \$120,000,000 in construction on the three Central Community College campuses in Grand Island, Hastings, and Columbus as well as the colleges learning centers in Holdrege, Kearney, Lexington, and Ord.

The Central Community College College-wide Master Plan was initiated by Glazier in 2005 and updated in 2010. His vision was a document that would guide the college in sustainable and manageable building and program growth. The effect of his vision for creating a new image for the aging campuses can easily be seen on each campus today. He encouraged the architects on every project to think beyond the apparent problem and always design for the bigger picture and long term viability.

Glazier was instrumental in promoting a sustainability initiative at the college. This was evidenced in many ways, starting with his hiring of a campus sustainability coordinator. He also implemented a college wide waste management project as well as other green practices. Glazier was undaunted in his efforts to make LEED Silver buildings a standard governing board policy. He also took the lead in encouraging the college to sign the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment and in the college becoming a member of the Sustainability Education & Economic Development consortium of community colleges.

"Larry Glazier had an exceptional commitment to furthering the value of architecture and a commitment to sustainability in Central Nebraska and the community college environment. I know of no better recipient in central or western Nebraska." said nominator, Jeff L. Hinrichs, AIA, Wilkins, Hinrichs, Stober Architects and President, AIA Western Nebraska.

The Distinguished Commitment to Architecture Award, presented by The Architectural Foundation of Nebraska, is given to individuals outside the profession of architecture for their activities and accomplishments in the area of professional life, which have notably contributed to the advancement of architecture.