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# Breaking Ground

## Hamstra's In-House Design Team Helps Our Clients Save Time And Money

**H**amstra's in-house design staff has a diverse construction and design background that allow us to better meet the needs of our clients. By primarily utilizing the design-build method of construction, The Hamstra Group helps our clients save time and money on their construction projects, no matter their size or complexity. Three members of our design team are integral in providing our clients with the best customer service and end results.

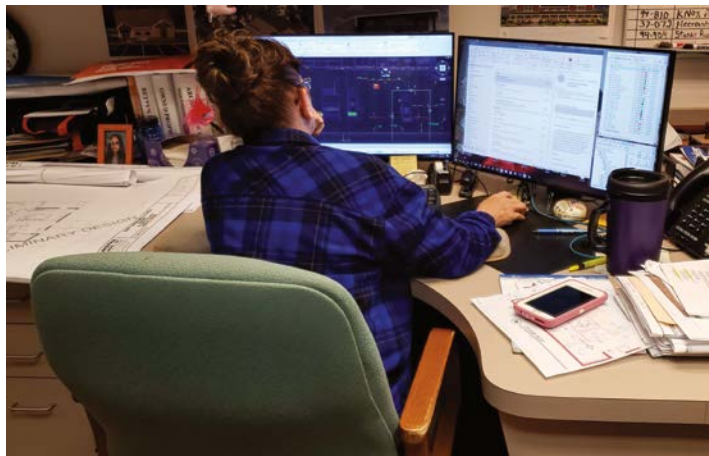
Scott Hazlett, ALA, a project architect at Hamstra, has been a licensed architect since 1997, and holds licenses in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Ohio. In 2015, Scott began serving as the Vice President of the Indiana Chapter of the Association of Licensed Architects (ALA). He started his career as a draftsman in 1993 and worked with various architectural firms throughout Northwest Indiana before joining the Hamstra team. His extensive background in all aspects of building design include site design, structural system layouts, and building utility systems (plumbing, mechanical, and electrical).

Design Coordinator Rick Eenigenburg joined The Hamstra Group more than 30 years ago as a draftsman after graduating from Purdue University. He specializes in retail design and agricultural facilities. Rick is also well-versed in site septic systems, especially for locations that are unable to access public waste systems.



*Project Architect Scott Hazlett, left, teams up on a project with Design Coordinator Rick Eenigenburg.*

Betty Lamp, Hamstra's architectural designer and illustrator, joined our team as a draftsman 15 years ago. She specializes in retail design and religious facilities. Betty also has an extensive background in interior design and finishes.



*Architectural Designer and Illustrator Betty Lamp joined the Hamstra team 15 years ago as a draftsman.*

Collectively, our design team manages between 15 and 20 projects at a time in a variety of building types and phases of development. When a client comes to us with a project in mind, we start with a preliminary design, allowing us to address the structure's basic requirements and features. Our design team works to combine all of our client's desires into a functional space.

Next, we develop a design, making modifications where needed to optimize the design to fit our clients' budget and timeline. Construction documents are then created, detailing the plans for various construction crews and subcontractors who will implement the design.

The majority of projects currently flowing through our design department are from clients whom we have worked with in the past. We feel this speaks volumes to the quality of work we produce as well as the budget-conscious approach we take to each and every project. Having a design team in-house provides us great flexibility to work with contracting staff in the field, mitigating problems as they arise. Being able to provide solutions so quickly and having a close relationship with the field staff prevents challenges from derailing our clients' projects, ultimately saving them both time and money.

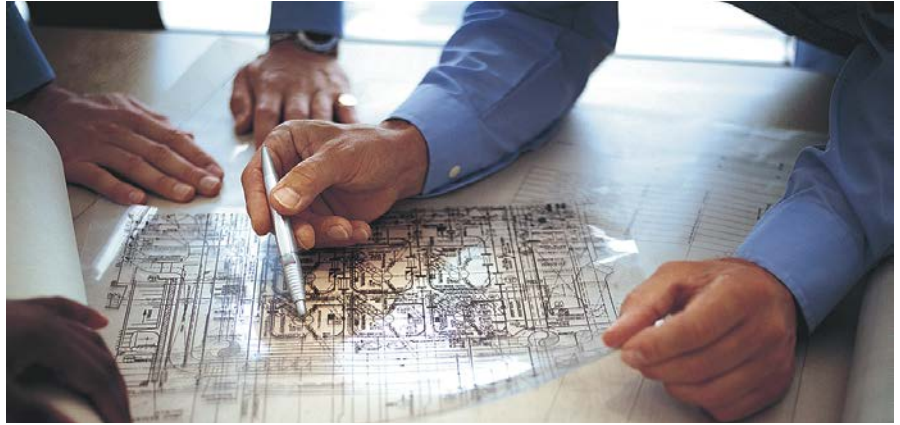
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Hamstra is in the design-build field of project delivery. Time has proven that this method of construction, bringing the architect onboard at the start of a project to best design our client's space within their budget, is the most efficient way to build a project. Despite the obvious cost- and time-saving benefits of design-build construction, we also work with clients who are more comfortable utilizing the more traditional design-bid-build method of construction. We would love to help you with your next project—contact our office today at 219-956-3111.



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## Our Holiday Wishes

As the holiday season is upon us, we find ourselves reflecting on the past year and on those who have helped to shape our business—our employees, business partners, and, of course, our clients. It's been quite a year for us at The Hamstra Group. We hope that 2019 has been just as memorable for you, your colleagues, and your loved ones. The entire team at Hamstra extends their gratitude and wishes you peace, joy, health, and prosperity throughout the coming year.

