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**IN CELEBRATION OF COMPANY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY, WEST OFFICE
Helps Wexford Ridge Move into New Lussier Community Education Center Home**

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In honor of the company's 100th year, the West Branch Office has been supporting the Lussier Community Education Center in both their fund raising efforts and most recently assisting in the physical move from the Wexford Village site to the bright new space at the Lussier Community Education Center facility.

As part of the United Way's "Days of Caring" campaign, Realtor James Dickinson of the Company's West office sums up the experience best; "There was a lot of work to do, from packing up to moving and unloading at the new space. Our band of 12 volunteers manned everything from broom, mop, sponge and hose to clean office furniture, windows, even to watering the new landscape plantings...pretty much whatever needed done we lent elbow grease to."

The Company's involvement with Lussier began with the JMM Spartan Youth Service Team's Better Life 5K Run/Walk, on Saturday, May 17, 2008, raising over \$2,000. "The Stark Company exemplifies a business that gives back to their local community and we are grateful for their support and partnership," said Jill Pfeiffer, development director, Lussier Community Education Center. "The company has been involved in more than just writing a check – going above and beyond by providing volunteers for a wide variety of activities at a critical time, as we become the new Lussier Community Education Center."

"We are proud of our rich heritage and tradition of industry leadership as well as customer service and community support," said David K. Stark, president, Stark Company Realtors. "What better way to celebrate our 100 years of service than to give-back, partnering with charitable organizations as well as supporting fun fundraising events where everyone can participate."

About Lussier Community Education Center

The **Lussier Community Education Center** is an innovative, inter-generational, green built, community center on the west side of Madison, Wisconsin. We are located on the grounds of Jefferson Middle School and Memorial High Schools. Our center has evolved out of the **Wexford Ridge Neighborhood Center (WRNC)** which has been serving and nurturing a growing population on Madison's west side for over 30 years.

Our mission is to provide programs, services and access to resources that promote personal growth and community well-being in response to neighborhood needs. Madison is growing and changing, and the Lussier Community Education Center will dramatically increase our capacity to impact our community. For more information visit: <http://lcecmadison.org/>

Giving Back to the Community

As part of the Company's 100 Year Celebration the Company began the year, by seeking out several community events to provide support to, throughout the year. The celebration kicked-off with a Sunshine Place Food Drive in Sun Prairie in April, followed by company volunteer support for the 11th Annual Pantry Classic Golf outing, benefiting the Stoughton Food Pantry. There are several additional programs planned including building a park gazebo in Stoughton and partnering with Porchlight, Inc. and Lussier Community Education Center to support specific community needs throughout the remainder of the year.

As a culminating event, the company hosted the 2008 Stark Company Realtors Community Classic *Giving Back to the Community* Golf Outing on Monday, August 11, raising \$10,000 for seven area community organizations, including Stoughton Area Food Pantry, City of Baraboo Parks and Porchlight.

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