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**Suburban  
and  
Hobby Buildings**



116007  
36' x 48' x 13'6"  
Young America, MN

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You invest a lot of time and effort working so you can enjoy life's diversions. That might mean spending time in your wood shop or tinkering with your car collection. It might mean storing and maintaining a boat, RV or your fleet of snowmobiles. Or it might just mean hanging out in your personal rec./entertainment room. Whatever it means to you, if it means you need a building, consider a Lester!

From large to small, simple to well-appointed, there's a Lester building just waiting to help sustain and improve your active lifestyle!



116986  
50' x 60' x 16'  
Norfolk, NE



311069  
36' x 40' x 11' 6"  
Westminster, MD



116991  
40' x 96' x 18'  
Oakland, NE

Let Lester Buildings' flexible design options, renowned quality and value bring your dreams to reality!



*"Very impressed with building materials, fit & finish of building. We expect many decades of service from this fine product."*

BRUCE CARBAUGH  
MIDDLETON, MD

# Uncompromising Quality and Innovation

Lester Buildings has been meeting the custom building needs of the American landowner since 1947. And with over 140,000 buildings dotting the landscape, Lester has quietly put together an unmatched field performance record in the industry. This could only be accomplished through an unbending commitment to engineering excellence, top quality materials and leading technology.

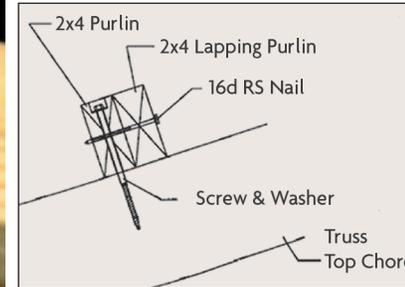
The difference between Lester buildings and others is clear. For instance, while others use nails for fastening sidewall and/or roof steel panels to underlying framing, Lester continues our long and proven practice of using high quality, color-matched galvanized screw fasteners on the entire structure for superior overall building integrity.

## Lester Steel Panel

Lester Uni-Rib™ steel panel, roll-formed by Lester itself, is available in four systems, to fit your specific needs. All



Detail of the industry's strongest purlin-truss connection.



provide dependable performance through Lester's proprietary and alternative panel rib profile, .0156-.0198 thickness and five protective coatings and paint.

And, only Lester's smaller building system, the Town & Country, uses a purlin-truss connection featuring a hefty 6" screw that

fastens through a factory-bored hole in the purlin. The screw connects into the exact center of the truss a full 2-3/4". This precision placement at every connection throughout the roof system means ground-breaking holding power.

## Lester Steel Panel

Lester Uni-Rib™ steel panel, roll-formed at our Charleston, IL plant, is available in four systems to fit your specific needs. All provide dependable performance through Lester's proprietary and attractive panel rib profile, .0156 - .0198 thickness and five protective coatings and paint.



## The Town & Country Purlin-Truss Connection

Compare Lester's framing systems to others and you can see the difference. For example, it's common to see 2 x 4 purlins laid flat on top of the trusses, then nailed in. First, nails simply are not as strong as screws. Second, manually-driven nails often miss their mark (the truss) — and go into nothing but air, reducing overall strength.

On the other hand, with Lester's brawny Uni-Frame® "purlin pocket" system already used on larger structures, we went to work on developing an economical but equally sturdy system for smaller suburban/hobby Lester buildings.

The result is the engineered Lester Town & Country connection featuring "on edge" purlins. It's a higher-performance system made even stronger with its factory-placed screw fastener pattern.

# An Easier, More Informed and Confident Buying Experience

*“Lester buildings are built with strong trusses and the lumber quality is superior to other manufacturers. And the Lester rep provided clear, accurate drawings showing the design and look of my building right on his laptop!”*

DAVID LEHTOLA  
MCGREGOR, MN

*“The Lester Buildings sales representative came to my workplace and while I was working, he entered our building wishes on his laptop. We also provided him with a picture of what we wanted our building to look like. He then printed out a picture of our Lester building and an estimate we were very, very happy with.”*

LISA JOHNSON  
HILLMAN, MN

With three plants and nearly 150 independent, locally-owned dealers and factory reps, your own Lester building is always close at hand. And easy on the stress level too! That’s because Lester offers up the most innovative, consumer-friendly building purchase process.

It starts with Lester **eBuildings**, America’s only real-time internet pricing service\* for post-frame structures. With eBuildings, you can conveniently browse, customize and price all sorts of Lester suburban and equestrian buildings in the comfort of your home or office.

Browsing and pricing Lester buildings online helps you start your project planning with confidence. Local Lester builder pricing is updated in real-time as you add accessories or change snow or wind load requirements.

Then you can submit your selected building for a more informed, detailed discussion of your needs with your Lester builder!



Lester eBuildings puts you in control of the building process and is just the beginning of the industry’s most professional buying experience.



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32' x 56' x 10'  
Hillman, MN



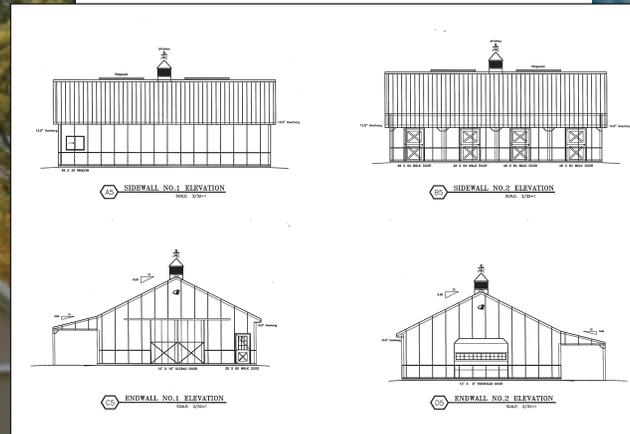
\* Available at participating Lester dealer websites.



117229  
30' x 40' x 11'  
St. Cloud, MN



115120  
36' x 48' x 10'  
10' x 48' porch  
Loretto, MN



Improv's fast and computer-accurate drawings help you visualize and modify your building before you commit to an order.



- Design, engineering, pricing and customer drawings
- Fast, often immediate, building quotes and ability to respond to design or budget changes
- Pre-order building visualization
- Building is assured of meeting Lester design standards

Secondly, **Improv**<sup>®</sup>, Lester's exclusive design and pricing software program, is the ultimate customer service tool in the building industry. Upon receiving your eBuilding information, your Lester dealer or rep can use Improv to literally bring your building to life "on screen" before your eyes with isometric, full-building, elevation and floor plan views. Don't like the location you've

chosen for doors and windows? No problem, relocate them and take another look! Unlike any other program, Improv does it all – from designing **and** engineering to pricing and drawing your Lester – using the most cost-efficient material configuration. No other company provides the interactive tools to inform your building buying decisions like Lester Buildings.



114358  
44' x 70' x 14'  
Necedah, WI

*“As first time building owners, we have been very pleased with our new Lester buildings. We are extremely happy with both buildings including the quality and layout. We have referred several people to Lester and the local installing dealer. They too are pleased with the service and quality of their buildings. Thank you again for your top-notch service.”*

STEVE AND MARTY YOUNG  
CHEYENNE, WY



215078  
30' x 45' x 10'  
Loveland, CO



Ten standard Lester colors are “cool-rated” and meet “Energy Star” reflectivity standards. When you choose these colors for your roof and sidewalls, less energy will be required to cool your building, reducing energy costs. See Lester color chart for details.

## Realize Your Building Dream With No Limits!

Your dream is our command. Indeed, unlike those who may impel you to conform to *their* standards, each Lester building is 100% custom-designed to *your* specific needs.

Knowing it's a vital consideration, Lester buildings feature boundless exterior finish options. In the end, a Lester is your ultimate custom building at a pre-engineered value.

From Lester Uni-Rib™ steel siding and roofing to wood, vinyl, brick, stucco, or other siding/roofing options, as well as

many add-on accessories, it's easy to put your personal stamp (or your community's) on your building.

### Complete Color Coordination

But it doesn't stop there. Now, there's no need to settle for just a handful of color choices for your doors and windows. With Lester's exclusive window and door color options, you can color coordinate nearly every element of your building with ease.

In fact, you have up to twenty color options for most of Lester's standard windows and doors to help you blend these major components more naturally into your building's overall color scheme! Custom colors are also available.

**See your Lester builder for a Color Chart or actual painted metal samples.**



117728  
42' x 90' x 14'  
Mt. Pleasant, IA



Reskin  
Newell, IA



213935  
36' x 50' x 14'  
Topeka, KS



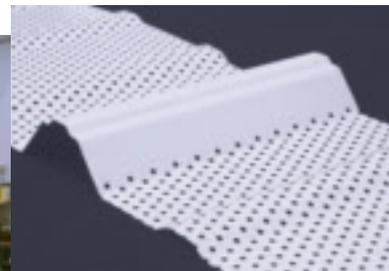
118024  
16' x 30' x 10'4"  
Fonda, IA



117657  
48' x 80' x 16'  
Kimball, MN

On the inside, it's no different. For year around comfort and functionality, it's hard to beat Lester's interior insulated liner system. And if your shop work generates a lot of noise, Lester's acoustic steel panel does a great job in tempering it!

A true comparison of standard Lester building designs versus others will reveal that inch for inch, you get a stronger, tighter building with all the options you might need. The result is a building that provides long-term true value and peace of mind.



Many Lester buildings are lined and insulated for comfortable, energy-efficient use year around. Lester's Uni-Rib acoustical steel panel is a popular method for muting the noises your hobbies and activities may generate!

For seamless integration, Lester's acoustical liner panel matches the rib configuration of standard Lester Uni-Rib steel panel. White vapor retarder backs the panel preventing insulation from showing.



*"From my initial inquiry to the sale, construction and now to actual usage, I couldn't be any happier with my new work shop. All the people involved did quality work as you would expect. Unfortunately, that's rarely what you get these days. It was a breath of fresh air to see such a hardworking, dedicated group of people that work for Lester Buildings. They all should be proud of themselves because I sure am of my new building! Keep up the great work!"*

JIM PENNINGTON  
LESTER PRAIRIE, MN

# Stable, Strong and Here for the Long Haul

“Why did I buy a Lester?  
The main reason is the  
superior structural strength  
for the comparable cost to  
other buildings.”

BRANDT FERRY  
KIRKMAN, IA

The structural integrity of Lester buildings has always stood apart. And our manufacturer's warranty is a rock-solid reflection of this fact. Point by point, the Lester warranty sets the standard. The warranty is a one page document given to you at the time of order, simple and hassle-free.

Lester warranty represents rock solid assurance that your building has been designed and manufactured per Lester's uncompromising standards for structural integrity.

Highlights include:

- Lester Uni-Rib® Steel Panel:
  - Paint Chalk & Fade: 30 years
  - Cracking, Checking, Peeling: 40 years
- Structural Design:
  - Snow Load and Wind Damage: *Lifetime* for loads not exceeding design requirements.
- Preservative Treated Wood:
  - 50 years on all preservative-treated wood components, including treated columns

See your independent, locally-owned Lester builder or factory rep for full warranty details.



# More of What Makes Lester Different

**Superior Buying Experience.** Besides the helpful design consultation your Lester builder or factory rep can provide, you'll also receive prompt professional drawings and pricing thanks to Improv, the industry's only design, pricing *and* engineering software.

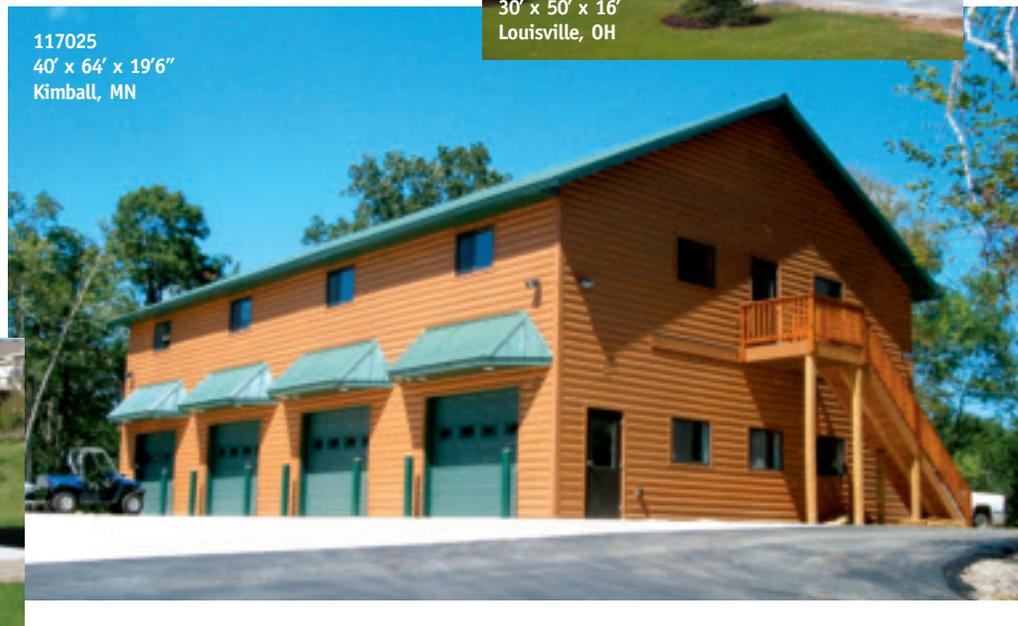
**Design Flexibility.** Have it your way with various lengths, widths, foundation systems, roof pitches and porch configurations. Your dream can be realized, unencumbered by rigid manufacturer design rules.

**Unequaled Structural Integrity Since 1947.** Lester buildings have an unmatched field performance and longevity.



Lester framing systems feature unique interlocking designs that set industry standards.

**Ground Breaking Design Options.** Make your building your own with the many accessories available that can add functionality and value to your structure! And no one offers more overall building component color coordination.



## Building Systems to Fit Your Needs.

For larger structures, Lester's classic Uni-Frame® system is a top choice while the Lester Town & Country system offers excellent small building quality in an economy package.



*"It was helpful to get on your website and put buildings together with door and color options, and know exactly what it was going to look like. We've had a lot of favorable comments since the building was put up."*

JAN ROWEDDER  
LAKE VIEW, IA

**Planning Tip:**

Visit [lesterbuildings.com](http://lesterbuildings.com) and click on **Colorizing Tool** to sample and apply your own color scheme on Lester building samples!

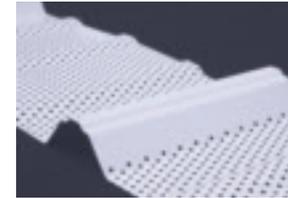
*"We are very proud of our Lester building. Things went as planned in a timely manner and workers on the job were excellent to work with. We have expressed to our friends and neighbors how pleased we are with a job well done. Truly a class company and class people to work with."*

ROBERT BAUER  
DEKALB, MO

# Put Your Personal Touch on Your Lester Building



**Cupolas:** Top your building off with a stylish, classically-designed and functional cupola. While some designs provide a measure of additional ventilation, all can be color-coordinated with the rest of your structure. Custom colors and designs available.



**Uni-Rib™ Acoustical Steel Panels:** When you have a concern about interior noise, consider this popular option. The 3/32" holes allow sound to pass through and be absorbed by the underlying vapor retarder and insulation.



**Vented Overhangs:** Many consider this feature to be essential since it works together with the continuous vented ridge to maximize a building's year-around air circulation. The natural airflow it provides means a drier, more pleasant building environment.



**Insulated Liner System:** Lester's liner system is a popular option that keeps your building more comfortable all year by blunting the effects of temperature and humidity swings.



**Continuous Ridge Ventilator:** A popular feature with year around utility. Reduces heat build-up during the warm season and reduces condensation in the colder months. Solar ridge cap with vented closures also available.



**Insulated Walkdoors:** Premium walk doors offered by Lester provide durable, functional operation. Now available in many Lester colors (door and framing) for fully-realized building color coordination. Custom colors also available.



**Shutters:** Complete the look of your building with tough, long-lasting shutters available in every standard Lester Uni-Rib steel panel color for full design coordination.



**Overhead Doors:** From simple garages to full-sized, high-walled shops, choose from a range of premium overhead doors to meet your design and functionality requirements.



**Steel or Brick Wainscot:** Steel or brick wainscot systems are not only stylish but also help protect the lower areas of your building which are most vulnerable to damage.



**Sliding Doors:** Lester's functional and brawny sliding doors come in a variety of sizes, up to 40' wide.

# With These Options



**Galvanized Screw Fasteners (Standard on Roof and Sidewalls):** Deep-threaded to provide superior pull-out resistance. Screws are case hardened C1018 carbon steel with Ultra Seal™ coating that provides excellent corrosion protection. Available in all Lester colors.



**Bird Mesh:** An oft-recommended feature on structures with overhangs, bird mesh helps to reduce or eliminate unwanted bird nesting.



**More Complete Building Color Coordination:** With Lester's exclusive window and door color options, you can color coordinate nearly every component of your building — naturally blending these major elements into your overall color scheme.



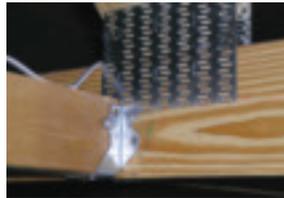
**Lester's Eavelite Panels:** Eavelites provide uniform natural lighting and are protected from UV yellowing.



**Multiple Roof Styles and Pitches:** Only your independent Lester dealer or rep can provide almost instantaneous visualization and computer-accurate pricing of your desired roof design. Pitches from 3:12 to 12:12 are available, depending on building width.



**Premium Value Stalls:** Distinguished for the way they balance all your needs, Lester's very own Signature Equine Line is aesthetic, simple, durable and safe. The Tack Rack® by Dry Creek is the first integrated tack organization system.



**Bottom Chord Bracing:** Lester buildings feature exact, interlocking bracing (in hangers), that meets Truss Plate Institute (TPI) specifications. Besides a stronger building with more truss uplift resistance, this approach also provides a cleaner, more convenient system for running your electrical wiring.



**Flexible Porch Configurations:** Lester buildings offer the highest level of flexibility when it comes to porch designs. Continuous, step-down, gambrel, wrap-around, various column spacing — it's your choice.



**Porch Column Design Options:** From Y-bracing, angled column block covers to crown moulding style covers, Lester provides a broad range of porch column styles. All feature seamless, snap-on design with no exposed fasteners — reducing the potential for oil-canning.



**Alternative Sidewall Material Options:** Lester structures are designed to accept a wide range of optional wall materials. Choices include mortarless brick systems, stucco-like steel panels, fiber cement boards, wood horizontal lap siding and more.

*\*Many more options are available. See your Lester builder for more information.*



*"We were aware of Lester's exceptional quality but did not know if a custom built building was affordable based on our current budget.*

*Our rep worked with us all along the way and was very responsive to our concerns. The end result was an exceptional product. We are very pleased and excited to begin using our new building for storage and horses.*

*On behalf of my entire family, we'd like to thank Lester Buildings for providing us the opportunity to own and afford an exceptional product. We would not hesitate to recommend a Lester to anyone interested in a quality product."*

MARK AND KRIS LEADENS  
CENTER CITY, MN

## Available from the Rockies to the Eastern Seaboard!

From garages to large shops and basically appointed to fully “decked out,” there’s a Lester building that can fit your lifestyle inside of it. Start by contacting your local, independent Lester dealer or factory-direct rep, or visit [lesterbuildings.com](http://lesterbuildings.com) and get a head start today!

*“We are very pleased with our new Lester building. People we don't even know, who are just passing by, stop and tell us what a great looking garage we have. Keep up the good work!”*

ART AND NORMA KLEPPER  
LEBANON, PA



116191  
24' x 48' x 10'  
Shellsburg, IA



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