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Adelaine Construction, Inc.

Adelaine Construction has been building quality custom homes in northern Michigan for years, thanks largely to President Steve Adelaine's lifelong association with the custom home building industry—his father worked in construction before him—as well as his experience around an array of construction types and exacting attention to detail. He is involved with every project personally and visits each jobsite daily. In recent years, Steve's daughter, Melissa, and son, Noah, have joined the family business, and are helping to grow Adelaine Construction and expand its range of services, always striving to satisfy customers beyond belief.

A family business built on the traditions of old-fashioned craftsmanship with a vision to the future, Adelaine Construction undertakes custom additions/remodels, log, new construction and light commercial projects. Melissa first joined the family business working on jobsites as a laborer for five years, before moving into the office to handle the sales, marketing and business planning affairs—where



ABOVE:
The carefully crafted basket weave ceiling and stained concrete floor define this guest suite within a two-story, eight-car garage. Architecture by FAH, Inc. Harbor Springs, Michigan.
Photograph by Dave Speckman

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This home, known as the Leap of Faith, features a 30-foot-long arch running along the roof that is completely free-form. Architecture by FAH, Inc. Harbor Springs, Michigan.
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her accounting, business management and marketing degrees allow her to excel. She coordinates each project from concept to completion, and more recently began running the company's computer-aided design program. Maintaining a full-time office presence, she affords clients the luxury of knowing they can always reach a team member.

Recently graduated with a construction management degree with honors, Noah has stepped into his father's position as foreman, controlling quality and production on site. He has brought a wealth of experience and innovative ideas to the family business. Spending his summers and winter breaks on jobsites since he was 12, Noah learned old-fashioned artisanship from his father, which he combines with modern-day techniques, giving the Adelaine team an invaluable wide range of experience.

A favorite Adelaine team project was the "Leap of Faith" home on the shores of Lake Michigan. The client, who doubled as the project architect, designed the residence, which includes a main house, an eight-car garage with guest suite and an exterior living area with fieldstone fireplace and log pergola. The project evolved during construction and was one of the most exciting and exemplary projects the Adelaine team has engaged in.



More recently the firm has started Adelaine Development and builds Wausau Homes, which are system-built and utilize panelized construction, allowing more efficient construction with less lumber, less waste and quicker completion. More than 250 pre-designed home plans exist, which are then customized to the homeowner's specifications. Clients also have the option of having an architect's custom prints panelized to attain their dream home.

With a new generation taking its place in the family business, the Little Traverse Association of Home Builders' 2007 Builder of the Year continues to expand its range of services, incorporate modern technology and remains committed to building only the highest-quality custom homes. Indeed, the future is bright for this third-generation northern Michigan builder.



ABOVE LEFT:
This 80-year-old summer cottage was extensively remodeled, more than doubling its square footage. The stones from the fireplace were preserved and it was impeccably rebuilt in this Wequetonsing, Michigan, residence.
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ABOVE RIGHT:
Natural stone and timbers were creatively assembled to form this engaging outdoor space, which was recognized for its exceptional exterior design in the 2007 Little Traverse Association of Home Builders Parade of Homes.
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FACING PAGE:
Natural light illuminates the dining room, exhibiting the extraordinary arched ceiling detail fashioned from clear tongue-and-groove cedar. Architecture by FAH, Inc. Harbor Springs, Michigan.
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