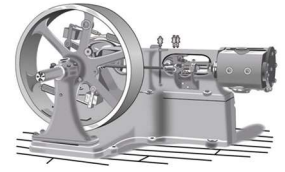


Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild **Update**

Established in 1943, the Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild (MNCEG) is an association for employees in Minnesota who are actively engaged in the planning, management, and maintenance of public facilities, grounds, equipment and systems.



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75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION LOOKING BACK AT A SPECIAL YEAR

State Capitol Restoration Tour – October 2017



University of MN Main Energy Plant Tour – January 2018



2018 Annual Conference – September 2018



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Greetings fellow Guild Members. What a great event celebrating the 75th MNCEG Conference at Breezy Point. Highlights such as Boiler training and testing, a wide variety of training classes, excellent key note speakers, silent auction for great lamps (Thank you Kerry Bacon!), ride on the Breezy Belle, fireworks, games for grads, a band playing during the banquet dinner, a very nice presentation during the banquet with timelines and all the events that have occurred since 1943 including interviews. It was so good. Thank you Nate Olson for putting that together. Then to top it off was having our retired members and past Presidents present. Breezy Point has been very good to us so we are scheduled to go back there for next year's Conference, September 4 – 6, 2019.

A special thank you goes out to past President Steven Lawrence. Steven was President for the past 2 years and did a great job. My only complaint is that Steven set the bar awfully high for this new President to follow...☺ Job well done Steven! For myself it's a real honor to be a member of the MNCEG and now the President. Very glad to be surrounded by so many that make it all happen and make the events look so easy. I also want to recognize Mike Houfer for stepping up as 1st Vice President, and Al Pfeilsticker as 2nd Vice President.

I also want to recognize and thank all of the vendors for everything you do and put into the MNCEG. We really have a win-win situation where agencies can get first hand training from our vendors, make contacts, and have resources in order to run our facilities. Great spot for our vendors to have contact with multiple agencies and facility operators in one location.

Looking forward to the upcoming year and hoping to see you at the next quarterly meeting.

A couple thoughts come to mind:

- In 1943 gas price on average was \$.15 per gallon.
- Quote of the day from Jason Kirk PME Hastings-VH: "A maintained boiler is a happy boiler".

Happy heating season, and have a great day!

Dave Rydeen

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KEYNOTE AND CAPSTONE TALKS INFORM AND ENTERTAIN

Two keynote speakers, Dick Stigman opening the conference Wednesday and Ross Bernstein anchoring our Thursday conference sessions, brought stories and insights from the world of sports to illustrate qualities in successful people and organizations. And our capstone speaker, Willow Sweeney from Top 20 Training, closed the conference with an engaging session about mistakes – how people view mistakes based on their experiences and how to create a culture where people learn and grow from their mistakes. Based on attendee’s feedback, these sessions were very well received.



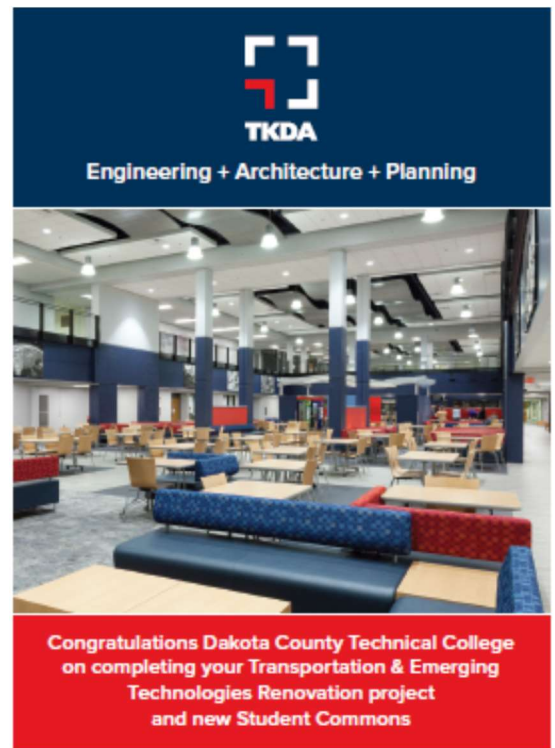
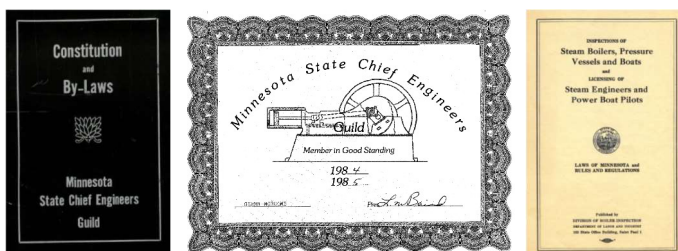
75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Our 75th Anniversary Committee pulled out all the stops to celebrate this special year in the MN Chief Engineers Guild history. All conference attendees went home with a leather padfolio, t-shirt, money clip, magnetic clip and tote bag with the 75th Anniversary MNCEG logo. The committee created special centerpieces for the banquet dinner and served a 75th Anniversary cake for dessert. The video program at the banquet included a timeline highlighting major events and cultural changes from 1943 to 2018, and interviews with a number of MNCEG members. Special thanks to Nathan Olson for putting this wonderful tribute together for the Guild.

And who could forget the fireworks Wednesday night?



And finally, we want to thank Andy Morcomb from Jaytech, who lent us some wonderful memorabilia from his grandfather, Glenn Morcomb, a Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild member in the 1980’s.



TRADE SHOW BRINGS TOGETHER MEMBERS & ASSOCIATE MEMBERS/FIRMS

Thank you to all the Associate Member Firms who exhibited at the Trade Show this year! We had many long-time member firms as well as a number of new member firms exhibiting at the show.



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WELCOMING RETIRED FRIENDS

Thank you to the many Retired Life Members (including a number of past presidents!) and their spouses/guests for coming to this year's conference and making our 75th Anniversary Celebration very memorable.

- * Don Appel and wife Sally
- * Ben Baloun and wife Karen, President 1991
- * Jay Corrier and wife Janie
- * Pat Ferrin, President 2006
- * Gerald Kriese and wife Marian
- * Dan Meyer, President 2005
- * Bill Olson and wife Chris, President 2009/2010 and current Treasurer

- * Kenny Pesta and son Bryan
- * Dick Schaefer
- * Barry Schaub, MNCEG Education Committee
- * Roger Spieker and wife Donna
- * Gordon Steffen, President 1986
- * David Will and wife June, President 2001
- * Steve Udell and wife Pat, President 1995 and long-time Treasurer



Retired Life Members



Past Presidents

Games4Grads Scholarship Event & Silent Auction – Fun Night for a Worthy Cause

Our Scholarship Event night was a great success with over \$3,000 raised for our Scholarship Fund! Thank you to everyone who participated in this fun night, by competing in the Texas Hold'em Tournament or Bean Bag Toss Tournament, by bidding on a Silent Auction item, or just coming to watch the competitions. Congratulations to the Texas Hold'em Tournament winner, Rob Brouhard, and the Bean Bag Toss champions, Nick Johnson and Dean Paulsrud!



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 AWARD WINNERS!

Engineer of the Year: Alan Van Buskirk,
Department of Human Services

Vendor of the Year: Nick Ruehl, Ruehl + Associates

Outstanding Service Award: Steven Lawrence,
City of St. Cloud



VARIETY OF EDUCATION SESSIONS OFFERED AT 2018 CONFERENCE

The Education Committee selected a larger number of education sessions for this year's conference which meant no sessions were repeated. This year's conference offered 14 sessions with topics including the B3 Program, building automation systems, electric vehicle charging, electrical licensing, energy/building codes, fire protection/life safety, HVAC design and maintenance, and selecting the best construction delivery method for a project. Thank you to all our presenters for providing valuable information and resources for our conference attendees.


EDUCATION SESSION PRESENTATIONS AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE

Most of the education session presentations are available on the Members Only section of our website. Go to www.mnceg.org, select Member Login, then once you are logged in select Knowledge Base on the left side of the page. You can download presentations from the 2018 Conference, as well as a number of presentations from prior conferences and the October 2017 State Capitol Restoration Tour.









BOILER TRAINING YIELDS HIGH SUCCESS RATE, NEW LICENSEES

We had a record number of people participate in the Boiler Operator (Special Engineers) Training, including several members who attended the review class as a refresher for taking a higher level exam in the future. Attendees had a very high success rate with 95% passing their Special Engineers Exam. Congratulations to the newly licensed members!

Thank you to Howard Berny and David Gonsosky, both from the Department of Labor & Industry, for teaching the review class and proctoring the exam. And a special thanks to Steve Udell, whose ongoing support of educational programs for our members enabled the MN Chief Engineers Guild to provide the Safe Operator Boiler Fundamentals training book free of charge to MNCEG members taking the Special Engineers exam.



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Brainerd Public Schools: Jeff Flaten, James Yaunick

Central Lakes College: Matt Krueger, Jeffrey Roxberg

DHS Central Office: Julie Monson

DHS-Brainerd Campus: Gregory Gangestad, Christine Samuelson, Carl Schmalenberg, Debra Stout, Larry Wood

DHS-Community Based Services: Ron Sluka

Lake Superior College: Mark Cardinal

MCF - Oak Park Heights: Sarah Costello

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MN Department of Corrections: David Wisniewski

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MN Dept of Veterans Affairs - Central Office: Mike Jandro, Amy Siems

MSOP Moose Lake: John Carlson, Todd Center, Lee Curtiss, Nichole Dehn, Scott Doran, Nicole Ericson, Gary Farrell, Jay Gerdes, Corey Hibke, Christine Kneisel, Andrew Leal, Christopher McPherson, Jason Montgomery, Thomas Noordhoek, Nick Nummela, Dan Ring, Douglas Ritchie, Jesse Swenson

MSOP St. Peter: Alan Aspelund, Matthew Rorvig

Normandale Community College: Patrick Buhl, Thomas McCluney

Rochester Community & Technical College: John Merchlewitz

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MNCEG ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

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Thanks to all who supported and were in attendance for the Fall Conference. The 75th Anniversary was a great celebration for the organization. Also like to thank the 75th Anniversary Committee that was chaired by Past President Kerry Bacon and all the folks who made it such a memorable event: Lori Bauer, Howard Berny, Jody Landsberger, Jim Oelhafen, Bill Olson, Taylor Robertson, Amy Satterfield, Ken Schmitz, Vicki Snowden, and Steve Udell.

The conference evaluations from our regular members provided the feedback we need as we move forward and would like to thank them as well as our business members as we strive to deliver the “Best Conference” and meet member needs. The Boiler Training was also greatly appreciated. If you would like to become more involved, please contact our Executive Administrator, Doreen Remington, at dremington@mnceg.org. Thanks for all the hard work!!



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Congratulations to our 2018 Scholarship Recipients!

Brianna Aldrich, junior at South Central College – Faribault, majoring in Nursing
Nicholas Aldrich, senior at Winona State University, majoring in Accounting/Business Management
Jaeden Danko, sophomore at Illinois Wesleyan University, majoring in Spanish and Biology
Allison Ewig, sophomore at University of Wisconsin – Madison, majoring in Real Estate and Economics
Anna Hobbs, junior at University of Mary, majoring in Early Childhood and Elementary Education
Mary Hobbs, freshman at University of Mary, majoring in History Education
Liam Hoppe, sophomore at University of Minnesota, majoring in Recreation Administration
Lea Jennson, sophomore at Rochester Technical & Community College, majoring in Elementary Education
Henry Koch, freshman at Villanova, majoring in Math/Pre-Medicine
Thomas Koch, junior at Providence College, majoring in Biochemistry
Andrew Munkelwitz, senior at Minnesota State University-Mankato, majoring in Exercise Science
Matthew Munkelwitz, junior at Iowa State University, majoring in Chemical Engineering
Dylan Pfeilsticker, freshman at Alexandria Technical & Community College, majoring in Law Enforcement
Logan Remington, junior at University of Minnesota, majoring in Biomedical Engineering
Glenn Seela, sophomore at Concordia College, majoring in Chemistry/Pre-Medicine
Whitney Shea, freshman at University of St Thomas, majoring in Business Management
Jefferson Spieker, freshman at University of North Dakota, majoring in Engineering

Thanks To Our Scholarship Contributors!

We are very grateful to all the individuals and organizations who contributed to our Scholarship Program in 2018:

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As a lasting tribute to the MN Chief Engineers Guild 75th Anniversary, the Executive Board submitted a request to the Office of Governor Mark Dayton to issue a Proclamation to honor the members of the Guild and to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Guild.

The proclamation was unveiled at the Conference Banquet Thursday night, with some help from a group of teachers from Brainerd Schools who serenaded banquet attendees with marching band music!

Below is the text of the proclamation:

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild, established in 1943, is an association of employees in the State of Minnesota actively engaged in the planning, management, and maintenance of public facilities, grounds, equipment and systems; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild's mission is to inspire stewardship of public facilities through education, collaboration, and promotion of best management practices; and

WHEREAS: The members of the Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild are dedicated facilities management professionals, entrusted with effectively maintaining the large inventory of existing public facilities, bringing new buildings online, and providing responsible stewardship of Minnesota's public assets; and

WHEREAS: Through continuous learning and development of expertise in the field of facilities management, members of the Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild help improve the efficiency of our buildings operations, ensure higher performance of public buildings through energy efficiency, life-cycle costing, and other best practices for facilities management; and

WHEREAS: The personnel who quietly manage the fixed assets of our communities are among the unsung heroes of the State of Minnesota and deserve a day of recognition and acknowledgement for the countless hours spent ensuring the effective operation of our State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, September 7, 2018, as:

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Please mark your calendar for upcoming MNCEG Events:

Winter Quarterly Meeting/Tour: Finalizing venue and date, tentatively scheduled for early to mid-January, 2019.

CPMM Certification Training: February 20 - 22, 2019 at IEA, Inc. Brooklyn Park, MN.

March Quarterly Meeting: Inspec Seminar, Earle Brown Heritage Center, Brooklyn Center, MN, tentatively scheduled for mid-March, 2019.

June Quarterly Meeting / Scholarship Golf Tournament: June 3, 2019 Oak Glen Golf Club, Stillwater, MN.

2019 Annual Conference: September 4 – 6, 2019, Breezy Point Conference Center, Breezy Point, MN



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