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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Fellow Members:

It was good to see so many of you at the annual conference in September. It was a great conference, and we thank all of you that attended, presented, volunteered, sponsored and exhibited. This fall we also held our first certification course—my first year as President is beginning with some outstanding professional development opportunities.

Next on that list is our Quarterly meeting, to be held December 2. Up until a week ago, December seemed so far away, but with our recent change of weather, it looks like we are moving head-first into winter. But first, I wish you all a good Thanksgiving holiday with friends and family, and look forward to seeing you in December.

Best Regards,

Kerry Bacon  
President

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

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### December Quarterly Meeting

December 2, 2014 Mulcahy Co., Eagan

### March Quarterly Meeting

March 17, 2015 Golden Valley Country Club, Golden Valley

### June Quarterly Meeting

June 10, 2015 Majestic Oaks Golf Club, Ham Lake


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## Quarterly Meeting To Be Held December 2



The next Quarterly meeting will be held on December 2, 2014, at B.J. Mulcahy Company, 2700 Blue Water Road in Eagan. The meeting will feature sessions on condensing boiler operations, hydronics and pumps, in addition to a warehouse tour. The day starts at 9:00am with a short business meeting, and concludes after a noon lunch. Our thanks to Mulcahy for sponsoring this quarterly meeting! Quarterly meetings are at no charge for MnCEG members, but you must pre-register. Go to [www.mnceg.org](http://www.mnceg.org) for

more information, and click on the "events" tab to register, or email your registration to us at [office@mnceg.org](mailto:office@mnceg.org).



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## Annual Conference Brings Big Attendance

The 2014 Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild Annual Conference and Trade Show was held on September 3-5, with an extended agenda, and continued strong attendance. The conference kicked off with keynote speaker Matt Jones, who shared his "against-all-odds" story, and winning strategies for personal and professional success. Over the next three days, attendees experienced top-level breakouts, department sessions, and group discussions, all geared toward providing information, resources and networking to help in their jobs. There was also the annual trade show, where members saw the latest and greatest, and connected with our business members. This year the popularity of our Dollars for Scholars fundraising event increased, making it a huge success.

Thanks to all who attended, exhibited and presented—and we hope to see you all in 2015!

## MnCEG Scholarship Program

This year \$10,000 was awarded in scholarships as part of the Minnesota Chief Engineers Guild Scholarship Program. This program provides scholarships for individuals enrolled in post-secondary educational institutions. Scholarship applications are accepted during the summer, and awards are made each fall, with the official announcement made at the MnCEG Fall Conference.

The Scholarship Program is funded through events and contributions. The primary fundraiser is the annual Dollars for Scholars Golf Tournament, held in June each year. Money is also raised at an event at the fall conference. All proceeds from both of these events go directly to scholarships. Contributions are also an important source of funding for the program. Every year the MnCEG Board contributes an amount from the general fund, based on fund balance. Individual contributions are greatly appreciated, and this year, contributions were received from:

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Contributions are accepted throughout the year, and can be sent to the MnCEG office. Providing these scholarships is a primary goal for MnCEG, and a way for all members to “pay it forward.”

This year, five associate members sponsored the Games For Grads scholarship fundraiser at the annual conference:

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## Congratulations!

At the 2014 annual conference, recognition was given to the following members:

### Dave Rydeen, Engineer of the Year

Dave is the Physical Plant Director of MCF – Lino Lakes. He has been a longstanding member of the Guild, and has been involved in the education committee, helping to shape professional development for members in Corrections and throughout other departments and facilities throughout the state.

### Amy Satterfield of IEA, Vendor of the Year

Although a relatively new member, Amy has been a valuable partner of the Guild, energetic committee member, and continued supporter of education and the scholarship program. Her “can-do” and “will-do” attitude have made her a valuable asset in delivering valuable professional development and events for our members.

Congratulations to them both, and we thank them for their continued support of the Guild!

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## Join the Speakers Bureau!

The Chief Engineers Guild and our members rely on our Associate members to help to provide professional development opportunities. This can be done as a speaker at a Quarterly Meeting or the Annual Conference, or even as a sponsor of a Quarterly Meeting.

The MnCEG Education Program Committee meets periodically throughout the year, and we are currently in the process of establishing our professional development for 2015. If you are interested in providing a session or other opportunity for Guild members, please email us at [office@mnceg.org](mailto:office@mnceg.org).

We also appreciate hearing from members on the topics that they wish to learn more about, so please email us, as well, if you have a suggestion for a session.