

MBEX Quarterly Exchange

Briefings from the Minnesota Builders Exchange

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Calendar

- Document Reading Course
February 6 - March 7, 2017
- Spring Social
Thursday, April 13, 2017
- Member Appreciation BBQ
Wednesday, June 7, 2017
- Golf Tournament
Wednesday, June 21, 2017
- Fourth of July
Monday, July 3, 2017- closed
Tuesday, July 4, 2017- closed
- Sporting Clays Fundraiser
Thursday, August 10, 2017
- Fall Social
Thursday, October 12, 2017

Bookmark me!

Check out our shortened urls and bookmark them today to stay on top of important MBEX information.



- mbex.org/springsocial
- mbex.org/bbq
- mbex.org/golf
- mbex.org/clays
- mbex.org/fallsocial
- mbex.org/docsclass
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A letter from the board President



First, I would like to say how thrilled I am to serve as the 2017 President of the Minnesota Builders Exchange.

During my tenure, I plan to sustain the traditions that have made MBEX such a highly-respected organization within the construction industry. I look forward to working with the employees at MBEX, the board of directors and the many volunteers that serve on various committees.

Continuing on with the near 130-year legacy of our founding organizations, the Minneapolis and St. Paul exchanges, MBEX celebrated its 4th Annual Meeting in January at the Golden Valley Country Club. With over 175 attendees and Alan Page joining us as our featured speaker, the event proved a great kickoff to our year.

In an attempt to solidify the ongoing success of MBEX, a main focus this year will be the development of a long-range plan for the organization. With looming competition, the varieties of technologies available and a constantly changing industry, it is essential that we develop a plan that clearly reflects where we see MBEX in the future.

Finally, please mark your calendars for the upcoming 2017 Spring Social at the Golden Valley Country Club on April 13th. I look forward to seeing everyone there. If you have any desire to help out with events this year, please feel free to contact myself or Tom Getzke to learn about how you can become a volunteer.

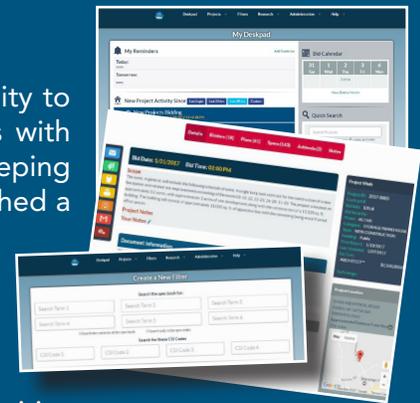
Jake Bauer
MBEX Board President

IPIN 10.0 officially launched

The MBEX staff has always been proud of its ability to remain progressive, striving to provide members with the most cutting-edge tools and information. In keeping with this mind-set, our organization recently launched a new online plan room-- a much-needed update to the original interface launched in 2004.

Prior to the official switch over, members were provided with a beta-testing period this past fall and multiple training sessions to help with the transition.

With the launch of this new and exciting online plan room, we have greatly appreciated the patience and support of our members who have taken the time to learn the new system and provide us with some great feedback. The new online plan room represents over a year's worth of diligent behind-the-scenes work and reveals the ongoing success of our organization...thanks again for all of your continued support!



Election results + 2017 board

Balloting of members resulted in new three-year terms for Lauren Colbeth, Beth Nde (incumbent) and Wally Peterson (incumbent). Congratulations!

Election results were announced at the MBEX 2017 Annual Meeting on January 11.

Contact MBEX Board Secretary, Tom Getzke at 612-381-2625 to learn how you can serve MBEX.



Jake Bauer
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Ben Newlin
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Erik Molin
Molin Concrete Products



Lauren Colbeth
Mortenson Construction

MBEX/TBG Scholarships

MBEX and The Builders Group (TBG) are excited to begin the 2017-2018 Scholarship Program. Keep up with the planning and award process:



March: committee meets

April: applications available

May 31: application deadline

Recipients notified by July 1.

Volunteer of the Year



Earl Madison, along with MBEX Board President Jake Bauer, presented Danielle Dziedzic of Dziedzic Caulking Inc with the Earl Madison Volunteer of the Year Award at the 2017 Annual Meeting on January 11. Danielle currently serves as an officer on the MBEX board of directors and served as treasurer of the Builders Exchange of St Paul. She has chaired and sponsored numerous committees and has used her "Leadership by Example" to encourage others to volunteer. Congratulations, Danielle!

Distinguished Member



Thomas McNamara of TMS Johnson Inc was honored as the recipient of the 2016 Distinguished Member of the Year at the MBEX Annual Meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2017. Tom was honored for his many years of service to the Builders Exchange, the building industry and the community. He has been a part of the construction industry for over 40 years, utilizing his strong business acumen and leadership to move up within his company, joining the Board of Directors of the Builders Exchange of St Paul in the early 1990s and contributing to numerous committee activities. May his leadership and volunteer spirit serve as an inspiration to all of us. Congratulations and thanks, Tom, for your leadership and dedication.

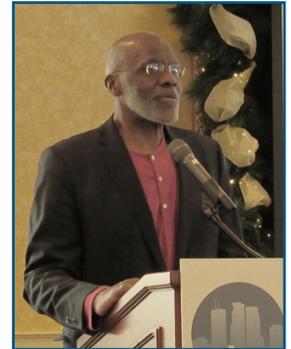
Alan Page: accomplished and engaging

From "Purple People Eater" to Minnesota Supreme Court Justice, Alan Page has lead a widely-varied career and has the stories to prove it! As the featured speaker at the MBEX 2017 Annual Meeting, Page provided over 175 members with an amazing overview of his lifetime achievements as an athlete, scholar and philanthropist.

Despite a local mind-set in Canton, Ohio that "football wasn't the most important thing, it was the only thing," Page's parents instilled in him the importance of education-- a useful tool necessary to make life better. As a child, he took to his studies, originally wanting to become a lawyer. Putting his educational goals aside, he gladly accepted an athletic scholarship to Notre Dame, where he was named an All-American player. Shortly after graduation, he began his professional football career, drafted as a first-round pick by the Minnesota Vikings in 1967.

After nine years of professional football, Page went back to college, earned his law degree and began practicing law in Chicago while playing for the Bears. It wasn't until after his highly-acclaimed football career that Page felt the most humbled and honored.

In 1988, seeking to utilize his recent induction into the NFL Football Hall of Fame as a vehicle to help spread the word, Alan and his wife Diane began the Page Education Foundation. In addition to financial funding for 500+ Page Scholars annually, the foundation requires all scholars to work with K-8 children as tutors, mentors and role models. In his goals of motivating young men and women of color to out-perform, the foundation has provided over 6,500 young scholars with financial assistance in excess of \$14 million in grants.



Page shares great stories and recap of his career.

Join us in April

2017 Spring Social
Golden Valley Country Club
April 13, 2017 • 5:30 p.m.

Register in March
mbex.org/springsocial

The MBEX 2017 Spring Social will be sponsored by MBEX members representing concrete, stone, masonry and related firms.



30 year members

MBEX honored our 2017 30-year members at the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, January 11. Jake Bauer, 2017 Board President, presented these companies with a special award in recognition of their continued support of the Minnesota Builders Exchange (Ferguson Enterprises Inc not pictured).



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Learn how to navigate IPIN 10.0

Yes, we know change can be difficult. However, with the launch of our new online plan room, our goal has been to make the transition to a new system of navigating projects easy for our member companies. Members are encouraged to watch the video using a variety of convenient methods and/or access a printable tutorial packet.



Please take a moment to find out how to access these helpful tools.
Learn how to make use of your latest new member benefit today!

Visit youtube.com/MinnesotaBuildersExchange

Watch the complete video and follow along to learn all of the benefits in one sitting or navigate to highlighted sections for quick access to specific portions of the tutorial.

Access the tutorial videos from mbex.org

Once logged on to mbex.org, members may utilize the "Help" dropdown menu from any page to get help on the current page or view all help topics, divided into four user-friendly sections.

Access a printable tutorial at mbex.org/tutorial

For added convenience, members may access a printable tutorial packet. All steps from the tutorial video are included within the packet, along with a convenient and easy-to-follow table of contents.

