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Weekly Bulletin

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Five Quick Things To Know/Do This Week:

1.) Ashlee is out of the office this week, so this issue of the *Bulletin* will be shorter than usual, but still filled with the needed information our members expect to find.

2.) If you're reading this Tuesday evening (June 25), come join us the morning of Wednesday, June 26 at The Coven in St. Paul for [MBEX POWER's next workshop, Women, Money & Happiness](#). A light breakfast and coffee will also be available for attendees to enjoy.

3.) Brin Glass Company is [pleased to share](#) that Dan Paulson has been appointed as the new leader at St. Germain's Glass. Dan brings many years of experience in the glass industry, and they are excited to have this expertise and talent within the Brin family of companies.

4.) Open to all alumni and friends of Dunwoody College of Technology, the 2024 Dunwoody Golf Tournament directly benefits scholarships for students pursuing degrees in careers in the technical and high-skill trade fields. Sign up to tee off on [August 12](#) at Edinburgh Golf Course in Brooklyn Park.

5.) Ikea has announced [a new Building Materials product line](#) to help with continued supply chain issues.

Please make note that MBEX will be closed on Thursday, July 4 and Friday, July 5 in honor of the holiday, returning to regular business hours on Monday, July 8.

MEMBER NEWS + EVENTS

WOMEN, MONEY & HAPPINESS ON JUNE 26

JUNE 26: Women, Money & Happiness with MBEX POWER

If you're a woman in construction or an ally of women in construction, this is for *YOU*.

Imagine a morning filled with inspiration, practical insights, and the opportunity to connect with fellow powerful women from throughout the construction industry. On June 26, the MBEX POWER series presented its next workshop, *Women, Money & Happiness*, and it's the event you've been waiting for.

Why This Workshop?

□ A Transformative Speaker

Be inspired by Nicole Middendorf, CEO and founder of Prosperwell Financial (*right*); she knows where you are and where you want to go in your financial journey.

□ Practical Financial Advice

Gain tools to manage your money confidently and make decisions that pave the way for success.

□ Build Your Network

Meet other ambitious women, share experiences, and build lasting relationships that support your growth.

□ Exclusive Takeaways

Walk away with resources and strategies to help in achieving your financial happiness and career satisfaction.



We know you're passionate about your career and your future, and this workshop is meant to equip you with everything needed to take that next big step.

- **DATE:** Wednesday, June 26
- **TIME:** 7:30am - Check In & Breakfast, 8:00am - Presentation with Nicole, 8:45am - Audience Q & A, 9:00am - Workshop ends & continued networking
- **LOCATION:** [The Coven](#) - A vibrant woman-owned co-working workspace

You're just one click away from transforming your future. Don't miss out on this

opportunity to invest in yourself and connect with a community of like-minded women.

See you there!

[Sign Up Now](#)



A valuable benefit of an MBEX membership is invitations to our social and educational events; by being an employee of a member company, you too can take advantage and attend any and all MBEX-sponsored events.

*** indicates a newly added event*

June 26 - MBEX POWER: Women, Money & Happiness

Led by Nicole Middendorf, this fun and empowering workshop will leave attendees with actionable steps to kickstart one's journey towards financial happiness, all while uncovering the intriguing secrets of how men and women approach money. [Register Here](#)

July 4 & 5 - Independence Day

MBEX will be closed on Thursday, July 4, and Friday, July 5, in observance of the holiday.

July 17 - Duluth Harbor Cruise on the Sundew

Join MBEX for an evening of fun and comradery aboard the Sundew, a retired Coast Guard Cutter. Space is limited to the first 150 people who register. Members, spouses, co-workers and families are welcome to attend (children must be ages 12 and up). [Register Here](#)

**** July 18 - Online Plan Room Demo**

From navigating the Deskpad, setting up filters, understanding project information, and adding your company to a project's bidders lists, this free one-hour session is a great introduction to our Online Plan Room. Time is saved at the end of the demonstration for questions and answers. [Register Here](#)

August 7 - St Paul Saints Game with AGC

Join MBEX and the Association of General Contractors Leadership Blueprint Alumni for an afternoon of Minnesota Twins AAA baseball when the St Paul Saints take on the Columbus Clippers at CHS Field. [Register Here](#)

August 8 - Sporting Clays Scholarship Fundraiser

Aim, pull, and shoot to raise fund for the MBEX Scholarship Fund at this year's annual outdoor event with MBEX at Game Unlimited. Shooter packages include the clay shoot, a post-shoot social, dinner, awards, and door prizes. Teams may have a maximum of six shooters. [Register Here](#)

August 21 - Golf North

Come and socialize with fellow MBEX members and industry professionals out on the greens of Ridgeview County Club in Duluth. [Register Here](#)

September 11 - Sporting Clays North

Get your shotguns locked and loaded. MBEX is proud to present its annual Sporting Clays North at Old Vermillion Train in Duluth. Join us for an epic afternoon of clay-breaking, industry networking, and a delicious meal. [Register Here](#)

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CONSTRUCTION HEADLINES



JOBSITE SAFETY

△ [EEOC Releases Anti-Harassment Guide for Contractors](#)

The Equal Opportunity Commission (EEOC) released a guide to help construction leaders prevent and address harassment on the job. Promising Practices for Preventing Harassment in the Construction Industry is part of the EEOC's ongoing focus to address bias within the building sector. (*Construction Dive*)

ACROSS MINNESOTA

□ [Minnesota to Become Latest State Enact Fluorescent Ban](#)

Minnesota has enacted stringent regulations to phase out general-purpose mercury-containing lamps, targeting a broad range of fluorescent lights, including compact and linear types. The legislation details the specifics of the types of lamps affected, manufacturing details, and exemptions. (*Inside Lighting*)

CONSTRUCTION + DEVELOPMENT

🔗 [Tapping Aquifers for Heating and Cooling](#)

Hundreds of Developed at the University of Minnesota, the Twin-Cities-based startup Darcy Solutions debuted a creative approach to an aquifer thermal energy system in 2018. After doing a handful of small pilots, the firm has grown significantly as building owners seek to decarbonize heating and cooling and employ more efficient systems than traditional natural gas-based ones. (*Finance & Commerce*)

SUSTAINABILITY

🌱 [Federal Government Releases National Definition of a Zero Emissions Building](#)

The definition helps provide market certainty and clarity to scale up zero emissions construction. (*Building Design + Construction*)

LABOR & WORKFORCE

□ [Hidden Costs of Worksite Parking](#)

Reevaluating crew transportation logistics through the lens of shuttle services is not just an operational decision, it's a strategic investment in the future of construction project management. (*For Construction Pros*)

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- Total Projects Received at MBEX from 6/17/2024 - 6/21/2024: **97**
- Total Projects Leads Reported on at MBEX from 6/17/2024 - 6/21/2024: **9**
- Total Active Projects Received/Reported on at MBEX as of 6/25/2024: **358**
- Total Projects in the Online Plan Room as of 6/25/2024: **2,473**

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UPCOMING MBEX EVENTS

- **July 4** - MBEX Closed (4th of July)
- **July 5** - MBEX Closed (4th of July)
- **July 17** - Duluth Harbor *Sundew* Cruise
- **July 18** - MBEX Online Plan Room Demo
- **August 7** - St Paul Saints Game with AGC
- **August 8** - Sporting Clays Scholarship Fundraiser
- **August 19** - MBEX POWER: Balance vs Blend - How to Have Blend in Your Life
- **August 21** - Golf North
- **September 11** - Sporting Clays North

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