

Calendar

Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 23- closed

Friday, November 24- closed

Holiday Potluck

Thursday, December 14

Holiday Hours

Friday, December 22- closed

Monday, December 25- closed

Friday, December 29- closed

Mon., January 1, 2018- closed

Annual Meeting

mbex.org/annualmeeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Document Reading Course

mbex.org/docsclass

February 5 - February 27, 2018

Spring Social

mbex.org/springsocial

Thursday, April 19, 2018

Memorial Day

Monday, May 28, 2018- closed

Member BBQ + 130th Gala

mbex.org/bbq

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

Golf Tournament

mbex.org/golf

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Fourth of July

Wed., July 4, 2018- closed

Sporting Clays Fundraiser

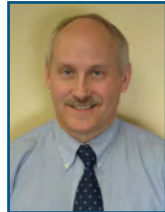
mbex.org/clays

Thursday, August 9, 2018

Labor Day

Monday, Sept. 3, 2018- closed

A letter from the Executive Director



As we prepare to launch a one-year celebration in 2018 to mark our 130th anniversary, let's take a moment to recognize the significant role of accurate and timely construction project reporting to our industry.

Each week, the Minnesota Builders Exchange publishes its *Weekly Bulletin* via email to multiple recipients at over 1,250 MBEX member companies. The publication is jammed with MBEX event information, construction news, minority participation notices, bid results, active projects and a host of informative ads. In short, the *Weekly Bulletin* sets a high standard for construction reporting.

A recent issue of the *Weekly Bulletin* reported bid results on 102 Midwest construction projects with a combined estimated value of over \$59 million, representing projects located in Minnesota and four adjoining states.

That same issue also reported 16 pages of active bidding construction projects - complete with vital information on project designer, owner, bid deadlines, divisions and addenda.

MBEX strives to accurately report on thousands of projects each year. In an age of digital communications, the *Weekly Bulletin* remains one of the most-valued member benefits provided by MBEX. Update MBEX with any changes or additions to your company email addresses so you too can continue to receive the *Weekly Bulletin*.

Finally, keep an eye on the *Weekly Bulletin* in 2018 for updates on the 130th anniversary of MBEX. We have much to celebrate!

Tom Getzke
MBEX Executive Director

Let's celebrate a milestone

The upcoming year marks a huge event in the life of our organization. Originally established in 1888, we continue to thrive as a cornerstone of the construction industry. Take a look at our 130th anniversary logo and make sure to visit mbex.org frequently throughout the next year to see what we have planned for 2018!

commemorative calendar

historical documents

130th celebration

cool give-aways

...and more!



MBEX Sporting Clays: a shoot well shot!



Our 200 shooter limit was quickly met this year as members rallied together to raise funds for our annual scholarship program on August 10, 2017. A few spotty showers and some humidity could not dampen the excitement of the crowd during a 100-clay shoot, followed by beer, food and prizes. Each year, this event proves a great success in generating financial support for our scholarships. The board, MBEX staff and clays committee worked hard to put together an awesome event and send out a special thanks to all attendees and supporters of this great outing!



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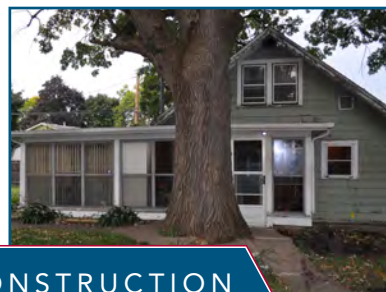
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2017 Hearts & Hammers

On September 23, 30 volunteers rallied together as "Team MBEX," performing repairs to a local home in need. Despite record-breaking heat, the team checked off everything on our detailed to-do list.

Thank you volunteers!



Before

After

MBEX Docs Class: now certified

Since 2009, the Document Reading Course has provided a great source of education to the industry. MBEX is excited to have added yet another benefit to this already informative course- individuals with licensing for Building Official and/or Residential, Remodeler, Roofing are now eligible for 16 continuing education credits!

While the format of the course remains generally the same, the class has been shortened from 10 to 8 sessions and is still open to anyone interested in learning more about reading and understanding bidding documents, regardless of current licensure or continuing education needs.

Spring 2018 session begins February 5, 2018 in the MBEX plan room | Register in January: mbex.org/docsclass

2017 Fall Social: a record-breaking event



On Thursday, October 12, over 315 attendees enjoyed great food, socializing, some magical entertainment from the Magic of Suzanne and of course, some awesome prizes.



During the program, MBEX called attention to event sponsors, past presidents in attendance and provided Minnesota State University- Mankato with a \$1,000 check in recognition for representing the institution with the most scholarship applications submitted during our scholarship efforts this year.



The MBEX 2017 Fall Social was made possible by donations from members representing banking, accounting, legal, insurance and bonding, professional services, architect/engineer, estimating/takeoff, testing/surveying/engineering, consultant services, car dealerships, affinity programs, unions, specialty contractors and related firms.

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Questions or comments about this publication:
Contact the Editor, Jill Gerwig at jills@mbex.org.

Have news to share? Send it to news@mbex.org.

Important annual membership info!

During the month of November, MBEX will communicate to members via mail and email. Make sure your company is aware of the important information, as it applies to membership, annual board elections and much more.

Member Mailing

In mid-November, MBEX staff will mail all member companies some time-sensitive documents. Don't miss out!

2018 MBEX Board Elections

- board nominees and short bios
- official election ballot

Cast your vote: return ballot in the envelope provided.

Annual Meeting registration

Register to attend the Annual Meeting for election results.

Events + calendar

Hold on to your copy of the MBEX 2018 Events Calendar.

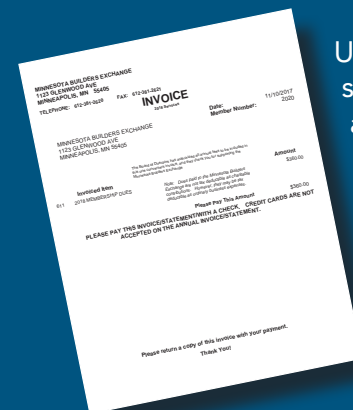
Reserve an MBEX 130th anniversary commemorative calendar.



Annual Invoices

In early-November, member companies will receive notice of renewal for dues, services and advertising.

Invoices will be emailed as a printable PDF document for members to remit with a check payment.



Unpaid dues and services will expire automatically on 12/31/17.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of our organization!

Questions? Don't hesitate to give us a call at 612-381-2620.