

## Calendar

### Thanksgiving

Thurs., November 26- closed  
Friday, November 27- closed

### Holiday Potluck

Thursday, December 10, 2020

### Holiday Hours

Thurs., December 24- closed  
Friday, December 25- closed  
Thurs, December 31- closed  
Friday, January 1- closed

### Annual Meeting

[mbex.org/annualmeeting](http://mbex.org/annualmeeting)  
Wednesday, January 13, 2021

### Document Reading Course

[mbex.org/docsclass](http://mbex.org/docsclass)  
March 1 - March 23, 2021

### Spring Social

[mbex.org/springsocial](http://mbex.org/springsocial)  
Thursday, April 8, 2021

### Golf Tournament North

[mbex.org/golf-north](http://mbex.org/golf-north)  
Wednesday, May 26, 2021

### Memorial Day

Monday, May 31, 2021- closed

### Member Appreciation BBQ

[mbex.org/bbq](http://mbex.org/bbq)  
Wednesday, June 9, 2021

### Golf Tournament

[mbex.org/golf](http://mbex.org/golf)  
Wednesday, June 23, 2021

### Fourth of July

Friday, July 2, 2021- closed  
Monday, July 5, 2021- closed

### Sporting Clays Fundraiser

[mbex.org/sportingclays](http://mbex.org/sportingclays)  
Thursday, August 12, 2021

## A letter from the Executive Director



In 2020, MBEX worked hard to consistently provide programs and services to our members and stakeholders. Our many years of experience and service have proved our organization a valuable resource within the construction industry and design community.

We remain grateful to the architects and engineers that continue to rely on the proven ability of MBEX to deliver construction documents via our secure online plan room forum. In 2020, our project reporters remain on track to post bidding information on over 4,500 projects in the five-state area.

During the fall and winter months, MBEX will continue to create and implement a 2021 plan to include more virtual meetings, increased digital marketing, social media outreach and

enhancements to our website. While we weather these uncertain times, we promise to do everything possible to provide quality member-based events and activities that comply with safety and health regulations.

We will all remember 2020 as a significant year of change, challenge and adjustment. Our staff greatly appreciates the ongoing support of the member companies that continue to support our organization. Finally, a special word of thanks to all officers, volunteers and committee members who helped MBEX run smoothly in 2020. We hope to see you in all 2021!

Tom Getzke  
MBEX Executive Director

## Electronic board elections

Starting this year, MBEX will present our board candidates via a new electronic voting system for the 2021 board elections. Replacing the previous mailed voting system, this new mode of collecting votes will allow members to vote quickly and efficiently!

In late-November...

- ballots EMAILED to main contact at member company
- click on link within email to view candidates, up for 3-year terms
- vote for three candidates
- submit ballot by December 31



# Raising funds for construction students

MBEX and our event co-host, The Builders Group (TBG), hosted over 145 shooters for the annual MBEX Sporting Clays Scholarship Fundraiser on August 13 at Game Unlimited in Hudson, WI. Attendees enjoyed a day of shooting, networking, a steak dinner and plenty of beer.

MBEX contributes all profits from this event to the MBEX/The Builders Group (TBG) scholarship fund. With the help of our generous sponsors and attendees, we raised over \$10,000 for students pursuing a career in the construction industry!



## Beer sponsors

Carl Bolander & Sons Co  
Grazzini Brothers & Company

## Lunch sponsor

Parkos Construction Co Inc

## Dinner sponsor

Alliance Bank

## Door prize + station sponsors

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Dem-Con Companies LLC  
Sunbelt Rentals  
Carciofini Company  
American Engineering Testing Inc  
John A Knutson and Co PLLP  
R M S Rentals  
Nohre & Co SC  
Shaw/Stewart Lumber Company  
The Builders Group (TBG)

## Recap: Clays North

Our inaugural 2020 Clays North took place on September 9, 2020 at the Old Vermilion Trail in Duluth, MN. Over 90 shooters gathered together for an afternoon of clays shooting, food and socially-distanced networking.

Thank you to all sponsors...  
you made this event possible!

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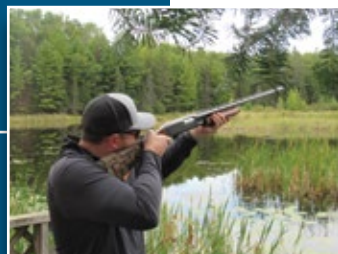
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## Dinner Sponsor

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## Event sponsors

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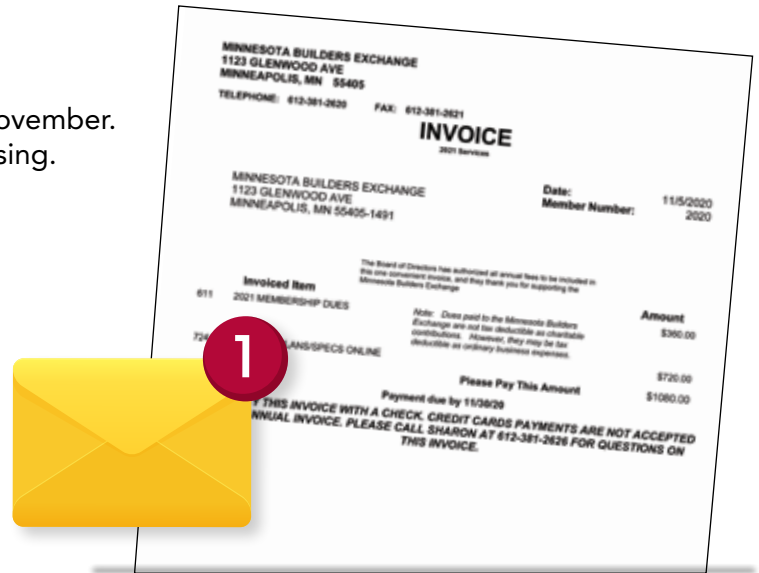
## Invoices coming soon...

Members: check your email!  
MBEX will send out annual invoices in early November.  
Invoices will include 2021 dues, services and advertising.

### Stay in the loop:

- invoices paid via check payment
- all invoices emailed to the invoice email listed on file at MBEX
- upaid dues and services will expire automatically on December 31— return invoices early to avoid lapses in membership

Questions? Contact us at 612-381-2620.



## MBEX turns 132!

September 1, 2020 marked the Minnesota Builders Exchange's 132<sup>nd</sup> birthday!

We continue to be grateful for you— our members. Thank you for ongoing support of MBEX.

## 2021 Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting signifies a new year and provides us with the opportunity to announce new MBEX board members.

Stay tuned for details!

Bookmark the event url today...

[mbex.org/annualmeeting](https://mbex.org/annualmeeting)

We look forward to connecting with our members as we review our annual programs and success during the year.

## Home page stats

Check out the new data on our home page!

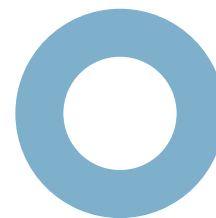
The up-to-date statistics include our project count, both current and annual, as well as a report on the total number of member companies we serve.

This new addition showcases the strengths of the project lead services we to our member companies and the general public.

Visit our home page for updated stats:



**315**  
current projects  
online



**1,308**  
total members



**3,859**  
current 2020  
project count



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Have news to share? Send it to [news@mbex.org](mailto:news@mbex.org).

## NEW at MBEX...

Members now have additional avenues to interact digitally with both projects and advertisements! As always, our organization takes great pride in gifting our members with features that make the most of their time and money.

## ADDENDA ALERTS

Real-time addenda notifications now available.

Log on to our online plan room utilize this new feature!



Select "track WITH email" on a project to start receiving notifications.

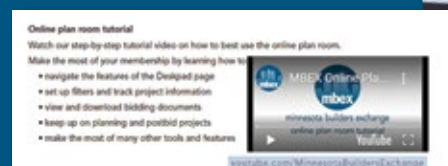


Main user email to receive alert when we add an addendum to a tracked project.

## DIGITAL ADVERTISING

With new interactive features, our enhanced online *Buyers Guide + Membership Directory* offers our members the best means of advertising to thousands of companies in the industry.

- clickable table of contents and interactive introduction
- highlighted urls to paid links within listings
- added features to all size display ads



[mbex.org/buyersguide](http://mbex.org/buyersguide)