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Tenth Annual MCA Scholarship Golf Tournament a Success



On Wednesday, June 6th, the MCA hosted its Tenth Annual Scholarship Golf Event at Deer Run in Victoria, MN. The organization filled the course with construction industry professionals. The popularity and success of this event continues to hold strong, selling out five years in a row! Contributing to the success were the golfers, sponsors and event sponsors. With their high spirits and good attitudes, everyone involved enjoyed the gorgeous weather, impeccable greens, and well-prepared dinner. Following dinner, prizes were awarded for skill on the course and pure luck in the raffle drawings. Additionally, prizes were given for contests on the course, including longest drive and closest to the pin. While not everyone who left the event at the end of the day may have had a prize in hand, they all went away winners. The true winners will be the scholarship recipients who benefit from the funds raised by this event. Thank you so much to everyone involved!

Give a big congratulations to our winning teams: 1st place team scoring 58; 6th place team scoring 61 and the 12th place team scoring 64.



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- Dan Ruehl (CBRE)
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- Nick Ruehl (Ruehl+Associates)



6th Place

- Andy Heading (Nottingham Construction)
- Casey Darkenwald (Darkenwald Construction)
- Jake Hendricks (Felhaber Larson)
- Greg Johnson (Nottingham Construction)



12th Place

- Jeff Morris (McGough Construction)
- David Grandstaff (McGough Construction)
- Tim Kempf (McGough Construction)
- Scot Moser (Gephart Electric)

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Mat Boie,
Wells Concrete

Hello and greetings from the Minnesota Construction Association. I hope everyone is enjoying the summer weather, benefitting from the solid construction economy, and spending time relaxing with family and friends. The MCA has been busy implementing our programs and events and I hope that you have had a chance to partake in those. If you haven't, you're in luck because we have a wonderful second-half of 2018 all planned out.

For starters, thank you to the volunteers who helped organize the Leadership Training Academy in April. The panels of guest speakers were amazing, the students who challenged themselves in the Pentathlon Competition were outstanding, and the keynote speaker, Joe Schmit, was very encouraging and influential. Without our generous sponsors we would not have been able to succeed – so thank you!

In May we had the chance to rent out the Craft Beer Corner at CHS Field for the St. Paul Saints home opener. The event was a ton of fun and there was probably more networking and socializing than there was watching baseball – nevertheless, the Saint's walked away with a 6-4 win so it was all good on a great night!

We also held two more educational programs – Construction Litigation (hosted by Ryan Companies) and Secrets to Winning Subcontracts (hosted by MN Builders Exchange). Both programs provided a wealth of knowledge to the attendees and it was awesome to partner with MBEX on the Winning Subcontracts event.

Speaking of partnering with other organizations, this has been an item I've been focusing on, and I am continuing the momentum of the MCA in connecting with many spectacular local construction-related organizations. Between MBEX, AIA, ACEC, AWC, MSA, and many others, there seems to be a sense and need to collaborate. The MCA is fully committed to welcoming partnerships with these groups and many others to build relationships, create learning opportunities, and recognize accomplishments. The MCA focuses on these aspects as part of our mission and vision and we're excited to see these relationships develop and flourish with some amazing organizations.

We are getting ready to set sail on August 7th for our annual Networking Boat Cruise on the St. Croix. It's always a fun and relaxing time to network with other MCA members and their friends so feel free to invite others. Our next upcoming program is August 29th where Kraus-Anderson's Tom Emison is going to motivate, inspire, and mentally prepare you for innovation through risk taking and culture at work – this will be a great educational event.

The MCA's committees are continuing to see an uptick in people wanting to help, which is great to hear. If you have been wondering how to get more involved, feel free to reach out to me (mathew.boie@wellsconcrete.com or 763.235.8412) and I can get you in contact with the right people. Also, regarding our committees, our Construct*ium committee has gone through extensive growth over the past few years, led by a handful of key individuals, one in particular being Mr. Chuck Rauenhorst. Without Mr. Rauenhorst's visionary approach, Construct*ium would not be where it is today – so thank you Chuck for your devotion over the years.

Well, time to get back to work everyone. With the economy still buzzing we all have clients that need their buildings built. Remember to work smart, focus on safety, and keep that collaborative approach to everything you do during the day.

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Monday, July 23, 2018

MCA Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Boat Cruise on Mississippi River

Monday, August 27, 2018

MCA Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

Your Company 2.0

Monday, September 24, 2018

MCA Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 17, 2018

Construction Industry Forecast:
The State of the Minnesota Economy

Monday, October 22, 2018

MCA Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 24, 2018

2018 MCA Sporting Clays Event

Thursday, November 1, 2018

MCA Fifth Annual Soiree: A Gathering
of Construction Professionals

Monday, November 26, 2018

MCA Board Meeting

Monday, December 17, 2018

MCA Board Meeting

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2018 MCA Networking Boat Cruise TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018

For this summer's MCA Networking Boat Cruise, we will be sailing on the beautiful St. Croix River! Don't miss this opportunity to join fellow construction industry professionals for a fun evening to network and relax!

This event is limited to 75 participants – tickets will be sold on a first come first-served basis! Appetizers and two drink tickets are included with your ticket.

Last day to register is Thursday, July 26, 2018.

REGISTRATION

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Your Company, 2.0

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

**Please note the new date for this program (it was originally scheduled for July 18)*

What they don't tell you in business school is that innovation is not about coming up with ideas. It's not even about coming up with creative, inventive ideas and new technologies. The business landscape is littered with good ideas. What we've learned at KA, and what we preach, is that innovation is about risk taking and culture. It's highly personal and even psychological. The trick to innovation is implementing the ideas within your current business without cannibalizing it. Prepare for an interesting twist on innovation that will not leave you feeling old, tired, and outmoded. Instead, feel motivated, inspired, and mentally prepared for Your Company, 2.0.

Construction Industry Forecast: The State of the Minnesota Economy

Wednesday, October 17, 2018

Presented by: Ron Wirtz (Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis)

During this program, Ron Wirtz from the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis will offer a short primer on the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, and its role in the economy. He will describe

the current health and direction of the Minnesota economy using a variety of metrics, including gross domestic product, job growth, unemployment, hiring demand and labor supply measures.

Ron Wirtz is a Regional Outreach Director for the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. Ron's primary responsibilities involve tracking current business conditions across the six-state Ninth Federal Reserve District, which includes Michigan's Upper Peninsula, northwest Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas and Montana. Ron tracks activity in employment and wages – which are central to the Federal Reserve's dual mandate of promoting stable prices and maximum employment – along with construction and real estate sectors. Part of Ron's work includes extensive outreach to business and community leaders, and he gives frequent speeches on Ninth District regional economies.

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**MCA or MSA members can attend this session at the member rate.*

Please visit www.mnconstruction.org/calendar for additional details and registration.

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2018 MCA Sporting Clays Event WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2018

Join fellow Minnesota Construction Association members in the First Annual Sporting Clays Event on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at the Minnesota Horse & Hunt Club.

Register as an individual shooter or a team of 4-5 shooters. Smaller teams may be paired together to make a team of 4-5.

Cost is \$125/person and includes 15 Station course (clays and shells provided), dinner, and networking. Note - lunch is not provided.

Registration deadline is Tuesday, September 30.

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- Shells Sponsor - \$200

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ASK Ms. Awards

Dear Ms. Awards,

I'm not sure how the early bird project nomination works. I only know that I can save money by not procrastinating. Could you explain it to me?

Sincerely,

Mr. Early Bird Gets the Worm

Dear Mr. Worm,

There is a cost savings for paying for the nomination before November 16th. The MCA has made it really simple to get the cost savings. All you have to do is pay for the nomination by that date and you can follow up with the rest of the submittal information up until December 10th. It's as easy as that in order to save \$100 per nomination. Instead of paying \$350 for the normal entry cost, you only have to pay \$250.

Please keep your eyes open for the nomination forms which will be available in September or

to find out more information about this winter's Awards of Excellence Gala which will be held on January 30, 2019 at the Marriott Minneapolis West/ St. Louis Park facility. Information will be posted online at www.mnconstruction.org/events/awards/.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact anyone on the awards committee or email info@mnconstruction.org.

Sincerely,
Ms. Awards

MEMBER TO MEMBER



AMERICAN ENGINEERING TESTING (AET)

is pleased to announce that **ROB FLICKINGER**, has been promoted to Manager of the

company's Construction Materials Department. In his new role, Mr. Flickinger will continue to serve as a senior engineer providing technical expertise on a variety of projects including vertical construction. In his new position, he will be responsible for project staffing, budgeting and departmental performance in both the vertical and horizontal construction markets.

Mr. Flickinger has over 30 years of experience in the construction engineering field, with a keen focus on vertical construction. As a senior engineer, he has served as a key resource for geotechnical and construction materials testing business development and supervising EIT's and Staff Engineers as they perform field services. "Transportation and vertical construction are strong markets for AET," said Dave Rettner, President. "Rob is a solid leader who will effectively manage the market growth we expect to see in the coming years."

Mr. Flickinger joined AET in 1989 as a staff engineer after serving as a project inspector and civil engineering technician post-college. Since he began, he has served as a key resource for our clients on many large construction projects including the Metrodome Expansion in 1991, Gillette Children's ACC in St. Paul, U of MN Nicholson Hall, Fairview/U of M ACC, Hyatt Regency Bloomington Station, Surlly Destination Brewery and 3M's Building 229 Parking Ramp. His most recent role at AET had him leading vertical construction

projects within the department and mentoring younger staff as they grow in their careers.

Mr. Flickinger graduated with a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of Minnesota and is an active member of many industry organizations including the Association of General Contractors - Minnesota Chapter (AGC-MN), DBIA Upper Midwest Region and the Minnesota Surveyors and Engineers Society (MSES). ♦



The Duluth office of **KRAUS-ANDERSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY** (KA) has completed construction on the new St. Luke's Chequamegon Clinic located at 2201 Lake Shore Drive East, Ashland, Wis. on the shores of Lake Superior.

The new healing environment and enhanced patient experience feature a variety of medical services, including family medicine, general surgery, neurosurgery, obstetrics and gynecology, orthopedics and sports medicine, cardiology, endocrinology, nephrology, neurology, pulmonary medicine, urology, vascular surgery, 3D mammography and physical therapy.

Designed by DSGW Architects, the 22,000-square-foot clinic also has lakefront views throughout the building, a covered drop-off location for patients visiting the clinic and ample parking. ♦

AMERICAN ENGINEERING TESTING (AET) is pleased to announce the

promotion of principal engineer Dick La Fond, P.E., to the manager and senior engineer Kim Deibel, P.E. to assistant manager of the company's Building Forensics division. In their new roles, Mr. La Fond and Ms. Deibel will be responsible for leading the company's building forensics services as well as mentoring staff, budgeting and continuing to cultivate state of the art equipment and develop new methods to serve our clients. "Restoration and new construction are strong markets for AET," said CEO Dan Larson, P.E. "Dick and Kim's extensive experience and complementary leadership in these areas will help us take full advantage of the market growth we expect to see in the coming years from our Building Forensics division."



DICK LA FOND, P.E. has over 40 years of experience in the construction industry, specializing in forensic investigations

and building envelope consultations. In his time with AET, Mr. La Fond has served as a key resource at the company, providing pre-construction review, assessing building envelopes and structural systems and providing investigations of building problems amongst project management duties. He also took the lead on building a new service line for the company, firestop inspection on new and remodeled construction. Mr. La Fond's experience in the field of construction and technical expertise helped build AET's firestop inspections into a sought-after service for construction projects.

Mr. La Fond is a licensed engineer in Minnesota, Alaska, Wisconsin and Nebraska. He is an active member of various organizations including Minnesota Concrete Council, the

American Concrete Institute and the Construction Specifications Institute.



KIM DEIBEL, P.E. has been with AET for six years and has over 15 years of experience as a structural engineer, specializing in

structural assessments, structural design and engineering, and forensic investigations on buildings. Her expertise in condition assessments of structural failures and damaged structures and providing recommendations for repair and/or replacement has expanded AET's services. Most notably, she has served as lead engineer providing assessment services for the Palace Theatre project in St. Paul. Ms. Deibel also has spent extensive time designing and engineering custom curtainwall facades for high-rise buildings.

Ms. Deibel is a licensed engineer in Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. She is an active member of industry organization including holding leadership positions in Minnesota Structural Engineers Association (MN-SEA) – past president, president, vice president and secretary, International Concrete Repair Institute, Minnesota Chapter (ICRI MN) – current president, and a leading member of the American Council of Engineering Companies of Minnesota's (ACEC/MN) workforce development committee.



JAMIE ENGELSMAN has been named vice president of **KRAUS-ANDERSON FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.**

(KAFS). Formerly known as Kraus-Anderson Mortgage Company, the newly branded KAFS will continue to work closely with Kraus-Anderson Development and will build on its

growing capabilities as a financial services resource for KA and its business partners. Engelsma has served on the mortgage company's board since 2016, and in his new position joins KAFS vice presidents Mary Jo Kelly and Greg Nilson.

Engelsma holds several senior leadership posts at Kraus-Anderson. He is an assistant vice president and board member of Kraus-Anderson Companies. He also serves on the board of Kraus-Anderson Construction Company.

Over the past several years, Kraus-Anderson has considerably grown its capabilities of securing financing through both traditional and creative sourcing for high-stakes, mixed-use developments, notably CityPlace in Woodbury and the new KA Block, home to Kraus-Anderson's new headquarters, HQ Apartments and Finnigans House in downtown Minneapolis.

"That growth in capacity, coupled with the steady growth of KA Development, positions our financial services operation to provide more options for clients and business partners," said Bruce Engelsma, CEO and chairman of Kraus-Anderson Companies. "We look forward to Jamie's leadership, which will contribute to the growth of KAFS as a financial services resource for future development."

Jamie Engelsma began his career with KA Construction in 1989 as a part-time laborer. He has served as a project manager since 1996 and has managed dozens of noteworthy projects in various industry sectors, including retail, financial, education, healthcare, recreation, gaming and hospitality. Some of his noteworthy Minnesota projects include the LEED Gold-registered Anderson Hall at Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter; Jewish Community Center, St. Paul; Valley Ridge Senior Living, Burnsville; Dakota County Senior Housing, West St. Paul; One Southdale Place, Edina; Silver Lake Village, St. Anthony; Ninth Street Lofts, St. Paul; Canterbury Park, Shakopee; Running Aces Harness Park, Columbus; and

multiple housing projects for the University of Minnesota.

A LEED accredited professional (AP), Engelsma received his B.A. in Real Estate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He also studied at Dunwoody College of Technology, Minneapolis and serves on its board.



KRAUS-ANDERSON (KA) has promoted **JASON FAITH** to controller and director of finance for KA Development and KA Realty. He

has served as controller of KA Realty since 2005.

In this key management team role, Faith will provide financial oversight and will define capital needs for KA Development and KA Realty, including forecasting and compliance functions. He will also work in conjunction with IT to analyze and form recommendations for enterprise technology and software solutions.

As a member of the senior leadership team, Faith will work closely with property management, leasing, development and technology to drive process improvement and strategic goals for the organization. He will also provide full accounting and financial reporting to Kraus-Anderson's board of directors.

"Jason's expertise further integrates our development and realty initiatives, while strengthening the KA enterprise," said Mike Hille, executive vice president of Kraus-Anderson Development and Realty. "Leveraging Jason's unique skill set will also help us create strategic solutions across the KA platform."

Backed by the overall resources of the Kraus-Anderson family of companies, KA Development and KA Realty's integrated approach aims to grow KA's portfolio and address the market's expanding and dynamic commercial real estate activity, including real estate strategy, site



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selection and acquisition, financing, management and leasing.

Prior to joining Kraus-Anderson, Faith was the controller at CBRE for 13 years.

Faith received his B.S. in Business Administration from University of Mary, Bismarck, N.D. and his MBA from Metropolitan State University, Minneapolis. ♦



AL GERHARDT, president and COO of **KRAUS-ANDERSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**, has been elected to the board of directors of

the Construction Industry Round Table (CIRT), the distinguished national association comprised exclusively of approximately 120 chief executives from the leading design and construction companies doing business in the United States and globally.

Working to be a leading force for positive change in the industry, CIRT is the only organization that serves as the single voice representing both the design and construction community. The CEO members who make up CIRT lead companies that are responsible for over \$200 billion dollars in private and public-sector design and construction work; and their companies directly employ nearly one million people across the country.

Gerhardt is a visionary force for stability and progress at Kraus-Anderson and provides overall leadership and strategic direction of the construction company. He joined KA in 1980 and rose to senior management positions. He was named chief operating officer in 2007, as company sales reached \$1 billion. He was named president in 2017.

Gerhardt has overseen major multimillion dollar projects in numerous industry sectors. Under his leadership, the company has experienced greater than 30 percent average annual growth in sales

since 2014 and is on track this year to exceed 2017 sales. The company is 12th in the U.S. as a general contractor for healthcare facilities, according to Modern Healthcare Magazine; and is named 9th in the nation in the construction of K-12 facilities by Building Design and Construction magazine.

Gerhardt holds a B.S. in Construction Management from Minnesota State University-Mankato, and holds General Contractor licenses in Florida, Mississippi and New Mexico. He serves on the board of AGC of America and the Twin Cities ACE Mentor Program. Gerhardt is a member of NAIOP and has served on the State of Minnesota Building Code Advisory Board, Construction Specifications Institute, Minneapolis City of Lakes Rotary Club, and is past chair of the Minnesota State University-Mankato Construction Management Advisory Board and CornerHouse, a nonprofit child advocacy organization. ♦



AMERICAN ENGINEERING TESTING INC. (AET) is pleased to announce the promotion of **MIKE HULTGREN, P.G.** to the position

of Environmental Engineering Manager in our St. Paul, Minnesota office. In his new role, Mr. Hultgren will be responsible for the management of the environmental engineering department in St. Paul, expanding environmental capabilities throughout our service region, and building key business relationships across the state. "Environmental engineering and brownfields redevelopment are strong markets for AET," said Vice President, Environmental Service Gail Cederberg, Ph.D. "Mike's extensive experience and leadership will help us continue to innovate and grow these markets in the coming years."

Mr. Hultgren brings his 30 years of expertise in environmental due diligence, site investigation

and cleanup, and brownfield redevelopment to the AET environmental team. His most recent projects have included multiple MnDOT highway corridor assessments across Minnesota, assisting Hennepin County with brownfield redevelopment in Minneapolis, and investigating agricultural chemical releases in southern Minnesota. As a project manager and leader within AET, Mr. Hultgren focuses on technical excellence, consistency, and effective communications with clients and staff. Early in his career, Mr. Hultgren conducted several hydrogeological investigations on remote islands in Lake Michigan and Lake Superior; overseeing drilling operations and collecting soil and groundwater samples. It was during these projects he learned the value of anticipating and being prepared to effectively manage issues as they arise, and he will bring this strong value of preparation to the management of AET's environmental team.

Alongside his management duties, Mr. Hultgren is an active member in many industry associations, including the Minnesota Groundwater Association, Minnesota Brownfields, the Economic Development Association of Minnesota (EDAM), the Minnesota Center for Mineral Resource Education where he serves as board chair, and the American Institute of Professional Geologist (AIPG) where he is a past president of the Minnesota chapter. He holds a Master of Science degree in Geology from the University of New Mexico and a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology from Stephen F. Austin State University. ♦



PETER DIESSNER has been hired as director of **KRAUS-ANDERSON FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, INC.**

(KAFS). He will oversee the financial analysis, due diligence and funding of KAFS's

existing and potential portfolio properties.

Prior to joining KAFS, Diessner was a real estate attorney with Speeter & Johnson, and previously with Fredrickson & Byron in Minneapolis. He focused his practice on complex transactions and litigation involving real estate.

Diessner received his J.D. from the William Mitchell College of Law and his B.A. in Financial Economics from Gustavus Adolphus College. He is a member of the Hennepin County Bar Association and holds a certification from the National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA). Diessner also was selected as a Rising Star by Super Lawyers in Minnesota in 2017 and 2018. ♦



The small town of Baudette, Minn. will soon realize its big dream. And in true Minnesota fashion, it's a safe bet hockey is at the center. Construction has begun on a \$6 million hockey arena for youth and hockey programs.

The Lake of the Woods International Arena will help Baudette, a city of only 1,200 hundred residents, build for its future. The City believes investing in the community by building the facility will bolster growth and create new opportunities for potential employees, visitors and families.

"Every small town needs growth and the new arena will help our progress moving forward," said Mike Schulz, member of the Lake of the Woods International Arena Board, a 501c3 organization that will own and manage the facility. "Having a year-round venue and state-of-the-art facility with great amenities will bring many new exciting opportunities,

including tournaments, to the area."

The Bemidji office of **KRAUS-ANDERSON** (KA) is the construction manager for the 40,221-square-foot facility that will seat approximately 650 for hockey. The arena will be home to area youth and high school hockey programs and other community activities.

Designed by Bemidji-based MJ Architectural Studios, the project is expected to be completed in February 2019.

Fundraising to build the arena is ongoing, however, thanks to an anonymous donor who has contributed \$5 million, the project is closer to its goal. Those interested in donating to the project should contact Schulz at 218-434-0400. ♦



KRAUS-ANDERSON CONSTRUCTION has promoted industry veteran **BRIAN HOOK** to director of field operations. He previously served

as senior project manager. In his new post, Hook will oversee field activities for all KA construction projects and will manage the company's general superintendents.

"Brian's strong project experience, personable leadership style, and understanding of best practices will provide important support to our vital field operations team, said Rich Jacobson, executive vice president of KA Construction. "We look forward to his strong contributions in his new role."

Hook, a 27-year industry veteran, began his career with KA in 1991 in the field as a laborer, moving into project management in 1996. As project manager, Hook has extensive experience in K-12 education construction and has overseen extensive projects for numerous Minnesota school districts, including Forest Lake Schools, South Washington County, Waconia, White Bear Lake, Elk River, South St. Paul, North Branch, Orono and Minot

Public Schools in North Dakota.

Hook earned his B.S. in Construction Management from North Dakota State University, Fargo. He is a member of North Dakota State University's Construction Industry Advisory Council.

In addition, KA has hired Steve Sontag, Conan Young and David Brust as superintendents. They work in the company's Minneapolis office. Steve Sontag is a 32-year veteran in the construction industry. Prior to joining KA, he was a superintendent for Burnsville, Minn.-based CM Construction, where he focused on K-12 education projects, including Prosperity Heights Elementary, St. Paul; Cedar Elementary, Burnsville; Burnsville High School and Maple Grove Senior High School.

Conan Young has more than 23 years of experience in the construction industry, including 16 years as a superintendent. Most recently, Young was a superintendent for Anderson Companies in St. Louis Park, Minn. Over his career, he has worked in numerous industry sectors including medical, commercial, housing and government. Some of his noteworthy Minneapolis projects include the Naval Facilities Engineer Command, Medtronic, University of Minnesota Amundson Hall, Allina and numerous projects for the VA Medical Center.

David Brust comes to KA having served as a superintendent for Ebert Construction in Loretto, Minn. Prior to that, he was a superintendent for 16 years for Flannery Construction of St. Paul and also owned David Brust Construction of East Bethel, Minn. Brust completed construction management training with Associated General Contractors. ♦



PAM JERGENSON, CCS, CCCA, from **INSPEC** has received The John C. Anderson Award of Excellence, the highest

honor given by the Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter of CSI. It is bestowed upon a Chapter member whose contributions to the Institute, Region, and Chapter set the standards of service and dedication for others to emulate. This Award recognizes contributions to CSI, particularly at the Chapter level, for an extended period of time, and has been given to only 13 individuals over the past 30+ years of its existence.

Pam, a senior building envelope consultant with Inspec for 27 years, has been very active in the local chapter of CSI for over 18 years, including serving on the Board of Directors for three years and as Chapter President from 2015-2016. She has received a number of awards in recognition of her contributions to CSI over the years. ♦



CHRIS PATRAW, project manager with **KRAUS-ANDERSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY (KA)**, has been re-elected president of the Wisconsin

Healthcare Engineering Association, Chapter VI. He holds the designation of Certified Healthcare Constructor (CHC) by the American Hospital Association (AHA). The CHC is a national credential that distinguishes an individual as being among the elite in the healthcare construction. Patraw also holds a Health Care Constructor certificate from the American Society for Healthcare Engineering.

Patraw's healthcare construction covers a diverse range of complex projects, having contributed to the success of preconstruction and construction services for multi-year expansion projects at four major regional medical centers in the past 15 years, including the 418,000-square-foot, critical care hospital addition at Gunderson Lutheran Hospital in La Crosse, Wis.; University of Minnesota Children's Hospital in Minneapolis, Minn.; Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa;

and St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center in Lincoln, Neb.

Patraw also is experienced in the coordination and interface with hospital staff for major multi-year phased expansion and renovation projects. In addition, his knowledge includes the management of infection prevention issues in healthcare settings.

Wisconsin Healthcare Engineering Association (WHEA) provides professional development, quality education and advocacy within Wisconsin's healthcare community. WHEA also is an essential partner in the codes and standards development and compliance process. ♦



The Duluth office of **KRAUS-ANDERSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY (KA)**, has promoted **DAN MARKHAM** to director of operations. He

was hired earlier this year as director of business development. In his new role, Markham will oversee the day-to-day operations of the Duluth office.

Markham succeeds 30-year KA executive, Jeff Lisakka, who will be retiring at the end of the summer after serving as vice president of the Duluth office.

Markham has more than 25 years of experience in finance, business development, real estate and construction. Most recently he was an executive consultant for Minnetonka-based The Platinum Group, a management consulting company. He also was the executive vice president and corporate secretary for Duluth-based Capstan Corporation.

His experience in corporate governance includes currently serving on the board of directors of Duluth-based GPM, Inc., an industrial products manufacturer. He also was a director of National Bank of



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Commerce of Duluth, where he also served as the interim CEO.

Markham received an MBA in Finance and Accounting from Regis University, Denver, Colo.; and a B.S. in Economics from St. John's University, Collegetown, Minn.

He is an active member of the Duluth community and has served on numerous area boards, including the Area Partnership for Economic Expansion (APEX), The Northspan Group, Duluth Legacy Endowment Fund, Downtown Duluth Waterfront District, Northland Country Club and Holy Rosary School Board. ♦

DORAN COMPANIES and CSM Corporation today announced that they have broken ground on The Expo, a more than \$100 million luxury apartment community in the St. Anthony Falls Historic District in downtown Minneapolis. The multi-family Doran Design-Build project is a joint venture between Twin Cities-based CSM Corporation and Doran Companies.

The Expo, named as an homage to the former Industrial Exhibition Hall that was once close to the existing site, will be constructed on one city block that is currently a surface parking lot along University Avenue between 2nd and 3rd Avenues SE. With full views of the Mississippi River and the downtown skyline, The Expo includes more than 60,000 square feet of amenity spaces and will offer 199 apartments within a 25 story post-tensioned, concrete-framed high-rise building, and an additional 157 apartments and 12 street level, direct-entry townhomes in a brick-clad lower-level building. The community will include 10 affordable units and more than 3,175 square feet of retail space.

"We are excited to get going and to further add to the vitality of this unique neighborhood along the Mississippi River," said Doran Companies founder Kelly Doran. "Our long-term commitment to this dynamic part of downtown – including our existing 338-unit Mill & Main luxury apartment community –

remains a key focus for us and we are excited to develop, build and manage additional property here for the long-term."

Consistent with other Doran residential properties, the amenity-rich residential community will include extensive indoor bike storage and a heated garage, a pub, clubrooms and entertainment suites with full dining and lounge areas and chef-grade kitchens, multiple terraces, including a central terrace overlooking the river with a heated pool, bar, dining areas, grilling stations, fire features, bocce ball and a contoured putting green. Additional amenities will include a business center, state-of-the-art fitness center, spa, sauna and game room with a golf and sports simulator.

"CSM Corporation and Doran Companies have worked very hard and we are proud to bring these beautiful, amenity-rich buildings to the market," said CSM CEO Gary Holmes.

Design firm DLR Group will lead the interior design of the project. "We are incredibly excited to be a part of this unique high-rise project," expressed Staci Patton, DLR Group interior design lead for the project. "Having worked with Doran Companies and CSM Corporation in the past, we know and admire their design commitment. Our team can't wait to begin bringing their vision for these luxury homes to life."

Doran Companies Chief Operating Officer Anne Behrendt, stressing the positive economic impact for the community, said, "Hundreds of local jobs will be created through the construction phase of this project. It is always exciting to see the cranes in the air and know that we are enhancing lives and helping to build the community we care so much about – both in terms of creating jobs and providing high-quality housing."

A grand opening is anticipated in late spring or early summer of 2020. ♦

KRAUS-ANDERSON has been named one of the Top 150 Workplaces in

Minnesota by the Star Tribune. Kraus-Anderson was ranked 18th on the midsize company list.

Produced by the same team that compiles the 27-year-old Star Tribune 100 report of the best-performing public companies in Minnesota, Top Workplaces recognizes the most progressive companies in Minnesota based on employee opinions measuring engagement, organizational health and satisfaction. The analysis included responses from over 71,000 employees at Minnesota public, private and nonprofit organizations.

"The companies in the Star Tribune Top 150 Workplaces deserve high praise for creating the very best work environments in the state of Minnesota," said Star Tribune Publisher Michael J. Klingensmith. "My congratulations to each of these exceptional companies."

KA's new metro headquarters building opened last fall in downtown Minneapolis, consolidating what was three KA office locations under one roof in a high-tech, collaborative work environment. Over 100 employees participated on committees to design and implement the building's numerous amenities, including fitness center, KA University training center, patio and Kafé. The company provides numerous opportunities for professional development, community involvement, wellbeing, and teambuilding activities.

The rankings in the Star Tribune Top 150 Workplaces are based on survey information collected by Energage, formerly Workplace Dynamics, an independent company specializing in employee engagement and retention. Over 2,400 companies were invited to participate.

"We are so grateful to our amazing employees for all their dedication to making Kraus-Anderson a Top Workplace," said Bruce Engelsma, Chairman of Kraus-Anderson Companies. "This recognition is truly a reflection of their hard work, values and priorities." ♦

SMITH SCHAFFER is proud to announce that they have been named a 2018 Top Workplace! Top Workplaces recognizes the most progressive companies based on employee opinions measuring

engagement, organizational health and satisfaction. Over 2,400 organizations were invited to participate in the survey, and over 71,000 employees shared their views.

Smith Schafer Managing Principal, Steve Erchul, is humbled and honored to be included in the list of Top Workplaces, especially since the judges were the employees! ♦

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