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# CONSTRUCTION VIEWS

— JANUARY 2021 —

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**Mission:** The Minnesota Construction Association fosters education, recognition and networking for all industry professionals who collaborate, plan, create and sustain best construction practices.

**Vision:** The collaborative place for the building industry.

## AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE



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JANUARY 27, 2021 | 3:00 - 4:00 PM | VIRTUAL

**The Awards of Excellence Gala is going virtual! With our members' health and safety top of mind and the restrictions due to COVID-19, we have decided to turn our annual awards gala into an exciting virtual event.**

Each year the Minnesota Construction Association (MCA) honors companies and construction professionals who make substantial contributions to the community and the Association. The annual MCA Awards of Excellence is the industry's premier event dedicated to recognizing accomplishments

on construction projects. Join MCA to catch up with industry friends, network, and celebrate our award winners!

>> **Click here** for more details on the 2021 Awards of Excellence Gala.



**REGISTER NOW**

The registration deadline is Wednesday, January 27 at 12:00pm CT.



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### EVENT

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# PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

**Dave Lyste, P.E.**  
**Rachel Contracting**

Happy New Year! I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy. I'm excited to serve as President of the association this year alongside a great group of people who are serving on the board of directors.

MCA is an important association in the construction industry that brings people together for networking, education and recognition. Unfortunately parts of our mission were deterred in 2020 by the pandemic. Despite these challenges, I'm hopeful that 2021 will be a successful year and that we can all get back to some semblance of normalcy.

We have several events already scheduled this year including our 13th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament, Fall Soiree and Sporting Clays Event. We're starting off the year with a couple of virtual events:

- **Awards of Excellence** on January 27 from 3:00-4:00 PM
- **Education Session: How to Attract and Retain the "A" Players** on February 10 from 7:30-9:00 AM

You can find more details on the [MCA website](#). We're also active on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#), so be sure to follow for updates on MCA and the construction industry.

MCA's success is driven by our members' involvement. We hope those who are already involved stay involved and those who aren't yet become active with committees and events. We're always looking for more help on any of our committees:

- Awards
- Communications
- Construct\*ium (Student Outreach)
- Golf
- Leadership Training Academy
- Membership
- Programs
- Sporting Clays

Please email us at [info@mnconstruction.org](mailto:info@mnconstruction.org) if you're interested in volunteering on a committee.

I look forward to working with you even if it's over a computer screen. Feel free to reach out to me at [dlyste@rachelcontracting.com](mailto:dlyste@rachelcontracting.com) or (763) 274-4379 if you have any questions or ideas on how to serve our members better. Stay safe!

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### Please help MCA welcome our newest MEMBERS:

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Stone Systems of Minnesota is a stone fabrication company that handles countertop sales, fabrication and installation. They do Big Box home centers, Kitchen and Bath dealers, Home Builders, and commercial (multi-family, retail, ...). They are part of a national company with 12 Stone Systems around the country. Also, they have the backing of their parent company Cosentino (a multi-billion dollar company). They fabricate any quartz product, granite and ultra-compact products, such as Dekton.

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#### CENTRAL ROOFING

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### Please help MCA welcome our newest STUDENT MEMBERS:

#### ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY

- Nicholas Rudnitski

#### MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MANKATO

- Lucas Tetric

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27**

Awards of Excellence Gala

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

Education: How to Attract and Retain the "A" Players

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3**

MCA Virtual Trivia

3:00–4:30p.m.

*Please note: watch for more information soon*

**TUESDAY, APRIL 27**

Leadership Training Academy



Find more information  
on MCA events at

[mnconstruction.org/events/  
calendar-of-events](https://mnconstruction.org/events/calendar-of-events)

## SUBMIT YOUR COMPANY BLOGS & ARTICLES



Submit your company blogs and articles to be featured on the MCA website and social media!

One of the ways we want to keep the new MCA website fresh is to offer our members the opportunity to showcase news, relevant stories, or interesting articles on our blog page. This will provide valuable exposure for your company and give you the opportunity to engage new customers. We're excited to provide fun and interesting content for our members written by our members!

[CLICK HERE](#)

TO SUBMIT YOUR COMPANY BLOGS & ARTICLES FOR WINTER/SPRING 2021

### – WINTER 2021 BLOG –



**A Learning Curve: How Covid-19 has Affected Construction in Education >>**

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# CONSTRUCTION VIEWS IS NEW & IMPROVED!

MCA's quarterly newsletter has revamped to ensure you get the most value and relevant content on the MCA and construction community.

› **Share your content!** Leverage your membership by sharing your company's story. We make it easy for you to celebrate accomplishments with your fellow members. Click the buttons below to submit newsletter content:



FEATURED PROJECTS



IN THE COMMUNITY



NEW HIRES & PROMOTIONS



Visit the MCA website for guidelines and more information.

## CONSTRUCT\* IUM™ *Student Outreach*

As we kick off 2021, we thought it might be a good time to re-visit the four C's of Construct\*ium (Collaboration, Competition, Career, & Course Work) and our mission. As it states on the MCA website the vision of Construct\*ium is to provide a collaborative effort between industry professionals, schools, and students. In 2016 the mentorship program was developed to give students the opportunity to learn and develop skills firsthand from professionals within the industry. Through these relationships the Pentathlon was born, giving students from a number of regional schools the opportunity to put their skills to the test.

Although 2020 offered its share of challenges to our approach, we look forward to continuing to grow and strengthen our relationships with schools and students in 2021!

### WHAT'S NEW?

- The 2021 Pentathlon will be held virtually and is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27.
- MCA is offering a free membership to a professor/faculty member of participating schools and the opportunity to sit on a committee.
- Check out the new [scholarship page](#) where you can find information on the most current scholarships being offered.

# — RJM CONSTRUCTION —

## WINS 2021 CHOICE AWARD

The Minnesota Construction Association is thrilled to announce the recipient of the 2021 Choice Award is RJM for the Hero Center project in Woodbury, MN!

The Hero Center (Health & Emergency Response Occupations) training center in Cottage Grove is a 47,000-square-foot facility that will be a magnet for federal, state and local law enforcement officers. The center has training areas for all types of personnel including first responders, fire fighters and police. The center also includes a 2-acre training area for police dogs. The Center has areas that can be easily changed (walls, doors, or windows) for officers to see different situations.

This was a B3 Sustainable Project that had requirements for the project to have a minimum of 75% waste divergent which was achieved.

The project was unique in the way it brought two different cities (Woodbury & Cottage Grove) and the state of Minnesota for its funding needs. The project had multiple city representatives heavily involved in the project that displayed great teamwork.

With the building having two different shooting ranges, there will be a lot of ballistic material present which requires a specialty HVAC system. The award, along with many others, will be presented at the 2021 MCA Awards of Excellence Gala on Wednesday, January 27th at 3:00 PM. More details about the project can be discovered at the virtual gala.



# NEW HIRES – AND – PROMOTIONS



## CHRISTOPHER BOAL

*Director of Virtual Construction,  
Adolfson & Peterson Construction*

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## BRIAN HOOK

*Vice President of Field Operations,  
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## DAVID GRANDSTAFF

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## ADAM EGGERT

*Architectural Technician,  
KOMA*

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# COVID-19 RESOURCES

The past year has not been “business as usual”; the COVID-19 pandemic has forced us to reconstruct the way we conduct business and think out of the box in order to remain successful. To support our members, we have created a [COVID-19 Resources](#) page on the MCA website. If you are in need of support, please check out those resources or email [info@mnconstruction.org](mailto:info@mnconstruction.org).



[COVID-19 Resources Page](#)



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We have great **sponsorship opportunities** to provide your company with valuable brand visibility and a cost-effective opportunity to position your organization as an industry leader and advocate.

### PLATINUM SPONSOR – \$1,000:

- Recognition at each MCA event
- Free attendance for two (2) at four (4) seminars
- \$400 towards advertising in *Construction Views*
- Logo listed in sponsorship column in *Construction Views*
- Logo recognition on MCA website with link to company website
- Company featured in one issue of *Construction Views* newsletter (sponsor to provide copy)

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- Free attendance for two (2) at two (2) seminars
- \$200 towards advertising in *Construction Views*
- Name listed in sponsorship column in *Construction Views*
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### SILVER SPONSOR – \$250:

- Recognition at each MCA event
- Free attendance for two (2) at one (1) seminar
- \$100 towards advertising in *Construction Views*
- Name listed in sponsorship column in *Construction Views*
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# FEATURED PROJECTS

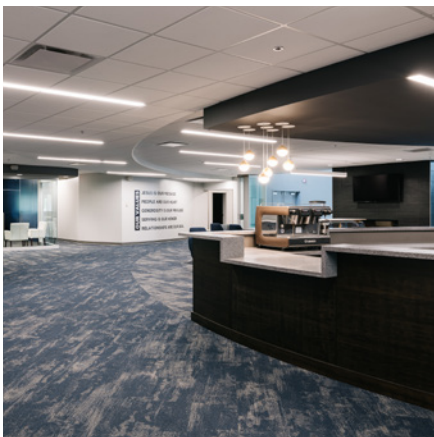
## **Kraus-Anderson (KA)** Expansion at Irondale High School - New Brighton, MN



**Kraus-Anderson** has completed a \$24.7 million expansion at Irondale High School in New Brighton. The extensive 77,700-square-foot additions feature six new flexible classrooms, break-out spaces, science lab and a contemporary 25,700-square-foot, 650-seat auditorium with dressing rooms and scene shops for use by students and community groups. Construction included the removal of the pool to accommodate a new fitness center and multipurpose area. Additions also included four open common spaces for students to collaborate, a large gathering space for community events, as well as a new 5,600-square-foot administration office. ■

*Kraus-Anderson*  
*Wold Architects and Engineers*

## **KOMA** Riverdale Church Interior Remodel - Andover, MN



Our team is proud to have provided Riverdale Church with a newly designed and functional facility to accommodate their growing congregation and support their worship. Openings within the existing structural block wall were created to accommodate large glass movable partitions. **KOMA's** structural engineers and architects worked closely with Kinghorn Construction and the door supplier to create a solution to support the weight of the heavy panels and the roof load above. Riverdale now has the desirable ability to close off their gym from their café or allow activities to flow between the spaces. ■

*KOMA*  
*Riverdale Church*  
*Kinghorn Construction Co.*

# — FEATURED PROJECTS —

## **Adolfson & Peterson Construction**

**Minnesota Masonic Homes OES Chapel –  
Bloomington, MN**



This project used the structure of an existing chapel, and updated it to meet 21st century standards. The existing building showed years of damage from water infiltration. Complete tuckpointing and structural repairs addressed this. There was only one access from the lower level to the main floor. A wheelchair lift and ramps were added so that the space can now be accessed by all patrons. Finally, the aesthetic of the old chapel was dated. **Adolfson & Peterson Construction** touched every square inch: re-staining wood, adding new lighting, and building new finish walls. ■

*Adolfson & Peterson Construction  
Minnesota Masonic Homes  
Cunningham Group*

## **Doran Companies**

**EXPO – Minneapolis, MN**



Last fall **Doran Companies** proudly completed EXPO, the largest and tallest project Doran's Architecture and Construction teams have built to date. EXPO, a 787,125 sq. ft. development, consists of 369 residential units in a 25-story post tensioned tower and a 5-story wood framed building located in the St. Anthony Falls district. The project was delivered in phases while parts were occupied by new tenants. EXPO was successfully delivered despite being built during one of Minnesota's harshest winters and amid the pandemic thanks to the creative problem solving and dedication of the project team. ■

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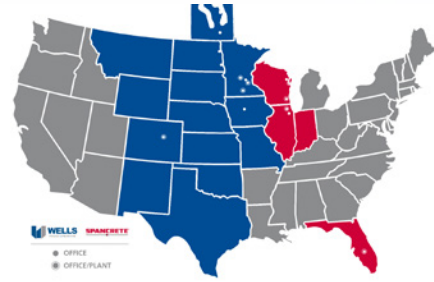
# MCA IN THE COMMUNITY



## Gary Patrick Receives the John C. Anderson Award of Excellence

**Inspec's** Gary Patrick, AIA, CSI, RRC, has received The John C. Anderson Award of Excellence, the highest honor given by the Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter of Construction Specifications Institute (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.

Gary, an Executive Vice President with Inspec for 43 years, has been very active in the local chapter of CSI for over 23 years, including Membership Committee member and Chair along with serving on the Board of Directors for three years and as Chapter President from 2012-2013. ■



## Wells Acquires Spancrete to Become Largest Precaster in Midwest

**Wells Concrete**, the fifth largest precaster in the U.S., has acquired Waukesha, Wis., based precaster, and machinery manufacturer, Spancrete. With more than 125 years of combined experience in the industry, the partnership aligns two companies dedicated to precast innovation.

Wells will continue the success Spancrete has achieved in both precast solutions and machinery equipment production, focusing efforts on growing the business for greater market penetration. ■

# MCA IN THE COMMUNITY



## AP is Making Spirits Bright

This year Adolfsen & Peterson Construction chose to partner with Parents In Community Action (PICA) and support their Wish Tree Project. For more than 50 years, PICA has provided services to low-income families, pregnant women, infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

We initially pledged to support 15 children; however, thanks to AP employees' extreme generosity, we were able to support an additional ten kids! With nearly \$1,000 donated, we were able to purchase 80+ special requested gifts and essential needs for 25 children. AP came together (albeit virtually) in full force to lighten the burden and make many wishes come true this holiday season! ■



## Kraus-Anderson's Andrea Blair recognized by BuiltWorlds as a top tech adoption leader

BuiltWorlds, the premier, global, digital platform for building trends and technology, has listed Andrea Blair, senior BIM/VDC specialist for **Kraus-Anderson (KA)**, as a top tech adoption leader. BuiltWorlds recognizes industry leaders who help their companies find, select and implement new technologies. ■

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHOWCASE YOUR COMPANY IN THE NEXT CONSTRUCTION VIEWS?

Upload all company press releases, announcements, and updates to the [MCA website](http://www.mnconstruction.org).

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