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First year brick 1st place and overall winner Keanan Carlson, John Foley Masonry



First year brick 2nd place and 3rd overall Riley Strait, J&K Masonry.

## Four Members Advance to Regionals this Summer

The apprenticeship contest marked the completion of the 2021-22 BAC Local 1 MN/ND/SD apprenticeship training year.

This year four top apprentices will represent BAC Local 1 in the regional contests. Greyson Cunningham and Joel Aaser will represent the PCC's held on June 11th in Ohio. Keanan Carlson and Riley Strate will represent the Bricklayers in Illinois on June 18th. The alternate is Brandon Tompkins.

The contest saw a great turnout of members and their families who came to support the competitors. We received more than \$4,000 in donations from suppliers and signatory contractors. Because of their generosity we were able to award prizes in value from \$100 to more than \$600.

To see the complete list for each year of the brick apprenticeship, their placement and signatory contractor along with their photos are on pages 4-5.



Third year PCC (l-to-r) Joel Aaser and Greyson Cunningham

First place winners received gift cards totaling \$300, Milwaukee M18 cordless drill set, Milwaukee 2-pack headlamp, Bon tool bag, trowel and jointer, several swag items.

Second place winners received gift cards totaling \$150 Milwaukee M12 cordless air compressor, Bon trowel, several swag items.

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# RECREATION

*Attention Golfers – Don't Miss the  
Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers*

# Golf Tournament

*Saturday, July 30, 2022, at Pheasant Acres Golf Club, Rogers, MN*  
Sponsored by the Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local Union 1 MN/ND/SD

*Tee Off Time: 7 a.m.; Shotgun Start – Be There to Sign In by 6:30 a.m.*

**COURSE REQUIREMENT: ALL GOLFERS MUST WEAR SOFT SPIKES!**



**SCRAMBLE TOURNAMENT** – A “Scramble” is a competition among foursomes, not individuals. Everyone in the foursome tees off. The best drive is selected, and everyone hits his/her second shot from this location. This procedure is repeated on every shot, including putting, until you putt out. The foursome will have only one score on each hole.

**COST IS \$80 PER MEMBER / RETIRED MEMBERS IS \$65 PER PERSON** – **Deadline is July 22, 2022.** This includes green fees, golf cart, dinner, drink tickets and prizes. Entrants will be limited to the first 128 golfers. You may make up your own foursome, or we will place you in one.

Any questions concerning the tournament can be directed to Doug Schroeder at 612-845-3136.

Because each person must be on a cart, the deadline for golf reservations is July 22, 2022. No exceptions! The golf tournament is open to all members of BAC Local 1 MN/ND/SD. Due to the uncertainty of COVID and social distancing the tournament may be adjusted to accommodate state and course mandates. We will post these potential changes on our website and FB pages.

**PAYMENT MUST BE MADE WITH RESERVATION** – Payment by card or check accepted. Please note there is a 3% processing fee for all card payments. Make your check payable to BAC Golf Day. Send to BAC Local 1 MN/ND/SD, 312 Central Avenue SE, Room 328, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

## 2022 RESERVATION BAC GOLF TOURNAMENT



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# FROM THE PRESIDENT

## Negotiations Wrap Up and Picnic Planning Begins



Doug Schroeder,  
President/  
Secretary-Treasurer

We have had a lot going in March and April. Negotiations have been held throughout the area with the vast majority being settled by April 30, 2022. We held our Local Wide Allocation meeting on April 30, 2022, with a \$.10 contribution going to the Local Pension Fund. Metro allocations followed this meeting.

During the first week of May, allocations that were not completed were discussed and brought back to the office for addendums to be created. Our hope is that there will

be little to no delay in the pay increases.

We still had a few areas not finished with negotiations. Once settled we will work to get the addendums out as quickly as possible to have a minimal delay in increases.

Applications for the representative's position have come in and we have started the first round of interview questions that were sent to all applicants. Later in the month of May we will hold in-person interviews and then do a round of final interviews with the hopes of having the new representative start in June. We wish to thank the members for their patience during this process.

The apprenticeship center hosted a local apprenticeship competition on April 30, 2022, with a good showing of students. Some of which will move on to regionals later this year. This will lead up to the national competition that will be held in Boston, MA, in late September.

## Announcements



Please join us for the Inaugural Local wide picnic that will be held June 25 at Lake Rebecca, MN. Check the BAC website and social media for more information on this event.



The metro golf tournament is coming up and will be held again at Pheasant Acres Golf Club in Corcoran, MN, on Sat. July 30, 2022. See page 2 for registration.

Gold card events and retiree coffees and breakfasts have resumed. Please check your calendars for these dates.

The 2022 Minnesota AFL-CIO scholarships and Martin Duffy Adult Learner scholarships are accepting applications. Deadline for both is June 17. See BAC website for more information.



*Women Building Success*  
*2022 Awards Ceremony*

Join us for a night of celebration as we recognize and honor female tradeswomen and all those who support them. Complimentary appetizers and cash bar. Tickets available through your respective unions.

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June 1, 2022 | 5 - 8 p.m.  
Kellerman's Event Center  
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# Apprenticeship *Continued from page 1*

**SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS FOR VOLUNTEERING TO JUDGE:** Darrell Koffler, Josh Gorman, Andre McHenry, Matthew Hopkins Jr., Kyle Reins, Chue Yang, Shane Rockenberg, Emilio Garcia and Rebecca Nohava.

**SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR PRE APPRENTICES:** Darrin Alexson, Jaxxon Johnson, Kenneth Thomas, Leonard Walton and Peter Yackley. They were the tenders for the contest.

## Brick

### 3rd year brick:

- Nick Musech, B&D Masonry
- Brandon Tompkins, TR Concrete
- Jason Dobie, Axel Ohman
- Andre Rovder, RSI

### 2nd year brick:

- Colton Weckwerth, DF Franz
- Dylon Collings, NCM

### 1st year brick:

- Keanan Carlson, John Foley
- Riley Strate, J&K Masonry
- Jennifer Ibarra, Western Specialties

## PCC

### 3rd year PCC:

- Greyson Cunningham, AMR
- Joel Aaser, ACME
- Nick Giebel, Western Specialties

### 1st and 2nd year PCC:

- Dylon Moll, TR Concrete
- Mike Davidson, ACME
- Ky Jacobs, Fabcon



### Brick, 3rd Year Winners

(L-to-r) First place and overall runner up Nick Musech, B&D Masonry; 2nd place Brandon Tompkins, TR Concrete; and 3rd place Jason Dobie, Axel Ohman. 4th place Andre Rovder, RSI (not shown)

### Brick, 2nd Year Winners



1st place 2nd yr brick Colton Weckwerth, DR Franz



2nd place 2nd yr brick Dylon Collings, Northland Concrete and Masonry

### PCC, 3rd Year Winner



3rd yr and 3rd place Nick Giebel, Western Specialties

# BAC Training Center News

## UPGRADES

There will be upgrade trainings offered this fall including:

- Flashing Certification
- Grout Certification
- OSHA 10 and 30 in-person
- Foreman SCP
- Basic Blueprint
- Arial Lift Certification
- Swing Certification
- Intro to Plan Grid
- Mentorship
- Foundations to Safety Leadership
- CPR/First Aid
- Marble Masonry
- Intro to Precast

Check out our website calendar this fall to register BAC Apprentice Training Center Local #1 MN/ND/SD ([bactraining.org](http://bactraining.org))



## Brick, 1st Year Winners

(L-to-r) Second place and 3rd overall Riley Strait, J&K Masonry; first place and overall winner Keanan Carlson, John Foley Masonry; and Jennifer Ibarra, Western Specialties.

## RECRUITMENT AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We continue to attend events through career events and workshops with Building trades, high schools, and community job fairs throughout the state. If you are interested in volunteering please contact metro coordinator **John Slama, 651-272-9910** or email [jslama@bactraining.org](mailto:jslama@bactraining.org).

Full list of events can be found here: [upcoming events](#) | [Construct Tomorrow](#)



## PCC, 1st and 2nd Year Winners

(L-to-r) First place Dylon Moll, TR Concrete; 2nd place Mike Davidson, ACME; and 3rd place Ky Jacob, Fabcon.

# MEMBER RECOGNITION



**Minot, ND: 25-Year Member**  
**Gold Card Dinner at Badlands on Feb. 8**

Left to right: Business Representative Randy Carlson and 25-year member Robert Holm



**Minot, ND: 50-Year Member**  
**Gold Card Dinner at Badlands on Feb. 8**

Left to right: 50-year member John Lynnes and Business Representative Randy Carlson



**Minot, ND: 50-Year Member**  
**Gold Card Dinner at Badlands on Feb. 8**

Left to right: President Doug Schroeder and 25-year member Randy Carlson



**Bismarck, ND: 50-Year Member**  
**Gold Card Dinner at AmVets on Feb. 19**

Left to right: 50-year member Steve Schneider and Business Representative Randy Carlson

# MEMBER RECOGNITION



## St. Cloud, MN: 25-Year Members

Gold Card Dinner at St. Cloud Eagles Club on April 9

Left to right: Vice President/Business Representative Mike Ganz, 25-year members Jamie Meyer, Kurt Reiter, Scott Althaus, Robert Weiss, Joseph Tschida and President Doug Schroeder. Members not pictured: Brian Bogart, Jason Kramer, Henry Maybury, Benjamin Nordmeyer, Dale Reiter, Scott Vanderbeek and Robert Weiss



## St. Cloud, MN: 40-Year Members

Gold Card Dinner at St. Cloud Eagles Club on April 9

Left to right: Vice President/Business Representative Mike Ganz, 40-year members Dennis Ebensteiner, Steven Posch, Phillip Forcier and President Doug Schroeder.



## St. Cloud, MN: 50-Year Member

Gold Card Dinner at St. Cloud Eagles Club on April 9

Left to right: Vice President/Business Representative Mike Ganz, 50-year member Keith Burfeind and President Doug Schroeder. Member not pictured: Gene Eggen



### IMI Masonry Minute

#### Key IMI Activity Highlights

IMI Director Mark Swanson works on your behalf to create more job opportunities for members of BAC Local 1 MN/ND/SD by providing masonry education and consulting expertise to the design and construction community and promoting masonry and skilled union craftworkers.



**IMI MN/ND/SD Masonry Wednesday Webinar Series –** Held on the third Wednesday of the month, Swanson invites industry professionals and manufacturers to educate the MN/ND/SD architecture, engineering, and construction community. On March 16, Peter Babian of Simpson Gumpertz & Heger presented Exterior Masonry Wall Assessment and Repair. More than 100 architects,

engineers, general contractors, and signatory contractors registered for the program, which is a local record. April 20 - IMI and the BAC Training Center hosted Ed Dunham of Terrazzo & Marble Supply who delivered a hybrid seminar (both in-person and virtual) on resinous flooring.

#### IMI EDUCATION & PROGRAMS

**IMI National Structural Coalition Webinar Series –** The structural series occurs on the second Wednesday of the month at 11 am central time. March 9, Sam Rubenzer, PE of Forse Consulting delivered Lintels for Masonry Walls – Structural Edition to more than 360 architects, engineers, contractors, and owners. April 13, Swanson hosted Mike Manor, PE of Forse Consulting, to deliver a webinar on Connections to Masonry Walls. Manor guided almost 400 architects, engineers, and contractors through various connection strategies, bearing plate design implications and more.



**IMI/BEC-MN/CSI Flashing Event –** March 14 - IMI and the BAC Training Center hosted Peter Golter of 3M and Chris Anderson of Kline Johnson to present Flashing Systems (Presentation/Hands-on) to the AEC community. John Slama, masonry coordinator, of the training center was instrumental in building hands-on flashing mockups and coordinating the York flashing training to BAC craftworkers. The final BEC/CSI event was both virtual and in-person, which added value to those who attended in-person and those whose schedule only allowed a virtual attendance.



**IMI National Webinar Series –** April 19, Swanson delivered “What Size is Your Carbon Footprint? Sustainable Strategies for Your Next Masonry Project” to a national audience of architects, engineers, contractors and owners. Swanson demonstrated that a simple strategy of using a higher f’m will lower the embodied carbon in a building by optimizing the use of the masonry material.

#### STRUCTURAL MASONRY COALITION

**Structural Coalition support– Johnson-Nelson Masonry –** IMI and Forse consulting engineers provided design assistance to Johnson-Nelson Masonry and Palanisami structural engineers to convert steel lintels to masonry lintels on a project in Montevideo.

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# IMI Masonry Minute *Continued from page 8*

**Structural Coalition support– Midwestern Masonr –**  
Rubenzer provided design assistance to Midwestern Masonry to convert back-up wall materials to cmu and precast to masonry for a school addition project.

## PROJECT ASSISTANCE & SUPPORT

- **Ryan Companies** – Swanson provided guidance on a multi-family project on the former Ford Plant site in St. Paul. Masonry veneer best practices for flashing and support were discussed.
- **LSE Architects** – Swanson provided guidance on the North St. Paul High School remodel project. Punching new openings in masonry walls and detailing around those openings along with back-up wall options and flashings were considered.
- **University of Minnesota** – Swanson providing guidance to Tim Guyette, AIA, project manager for Capital Project Management, University of Minnesota regarding brick cracking on a 1969 university building, Elliot Hall.

- **St. Thomas University** – Swanson providing continued guidance to RAMSA and BWBR architects on tile specs and selection for new STEAM building.
- **DSGW Architects**– Swanson provided guidance to lead architect on project regarding weep vents and cavity air space requirements.

IMI and IMTEF certificate and upgrade training language lands in specifications and drawings. If a project in your area requires or would benefit from this type of training, please get in touch with Doug Schroeder, John Slama, or Mark Swanson so we can strategize how to meet these needs.

Mark Swanson can be reached at [mswanson@imiweb.org](mailto:mswanson@imiweb.org), cell 612-840-8695. To learn more about the International Masonry Institute, visit [www.imiweb.org](http://www.imiweb.org) and [www.imtef.org](http://www.imtef.org) for training opportunities. Members are welcome to register for IMI webinars at [IMIWEB.org](http://IMIWEB.org).

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## Retired Members

BAC LOCAL 1 members who have retired in 2021.  
We are grateful for your dedication to work  
and we wish you a great future!

### #1 MN - St. Paul

Kevin Ahlm  
Wayne Ciesynski  
David Helmen

Greg Schreder  
John Wahl

### #3 MN - Duluth

Dale Kes

### #1 SD - Sioux Falls

Mark Mitchell

### #8 MN - Rochester

Michael Haley

### #2 MN - Minneapolis

James Crego  
Gregory Foster  
Timothy Gustafson  
Douglas Harrington  
JB Holmes  
Kevin Kepple

### #107T MN - Terrazzo

Russell Magaard

### #18 MN - Tile

Gregory Loya  
Teresa Vogel



## New Members

Steven Boyer  
Miranda Martinez Javier  
Marcel Luckett  
Sviatoslav Yurchenko



## Deceased Members

### #1 MN - St. Paul

Cleitus Bracht  
Lance Letourneau  
Gerald E. Von Ruden

Byron Nolan  
James Shillock  
Gaylan Wedner

### #2 MN - Mpls

Bryan C. Anderson  
Gerald E. Hines  
Frank Hoag

### #4 MN - St. Cloud

Kenneth Strack

### #15 MN - Brainerd

Gordon Shelquist



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# 2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Chapter 1-Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN

312 Central Avenue SE, Mpls - Room #217: 4:30 p.m. June 13, Aug. 8, Sept. 12, Nov. 14

Holiday Party, Delta Hotels-Mpls. NE, 1330 Industrial Blvd NE, Minneapolis: All Metro members 7 p.m. Dec. 12

**Chapter 1-Fargo, ND** Dilworth Hi Ho Tavern: 5:30 p.m. June 28, Sept. 27, Dec. 6

## Chapter 1-Sioux Falls, SD

101 S. Fairfax Ave., Sioux Falls Labor Temple: 6 p.m. June 14, July 12, Aug. 9, Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

## Chapter 2-Minot, ND

Minot VFW: 7 p.m. Aug. 10, Nov. 9

## Chapter 2-Yankton, SD

Yanktown VFW: 7 p.m. July 8, Sept. 9, Nov. 11

Alexandria RJ's Sports Bar: 7 p.m. June 10, Aug. 12, Oct. 14, Dec. 9

## Chapter 3-Duluth-Hibbing-Iron Range, MN

Duluth Labor Center: 5 p.m. June 8, Sept. 14, Dec. 14

Chisholm Valentini's: 6 p.m. Aug. 10, Nov. 9

## Chapter 3-Grand Forks, ND

E. Grand Forks American Legion: 7 p.m. June 27, Sept. 26, Dec. 5

## Chapter 3-Aberdeen, SD

Aberdeen Central Labor Union: 7 p.m. July 18, Sept. 19, Nov. 21

## Chapter 4-Bismarck, ND

Bismarck, AmVets: 7 p.m. Nov. 8

## Chapter 4-Rapid City, SD

Rapid City Labor Temple: 6 p.m. June 2, Aug. 5, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2

## Chapter 4-St. Cloud-Brainerd, MN

St. Cloud Labor Home : 7 p.m. Aug. 3

Brainerd American Legion: 7 p.m.

Sept. 1, Dec. 1

Perkins, Miller Hill Mall: 7 p.m. Nov. 2

## Chapter 5-Watertown, SD

808 S. Broadway, Watertown VFW: 6 p.m. Nov 17

## Chapter 8-Rochester-Faribault, MN

Rochester, Eagles Club: 7 p.m. June 3, Sept. 12, Dec. 5

Faribault Eagles: 7 p.m. Nov. 7

## Chapter 11-Mankato, MN

Mankato, Mankato Eagles Club: 7 p.m. Sept. 1, Dec. 1

## Chapter 15-Bemidji and ND

Bemidji, Elks Club: 5 p.m. Aug. 11, Sept. 15, Nov. 3, Dec. 8

## GOLD CARD DINNERS

Letters will be mailed.

## Chapter 1-Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN

Delta Hotels-Mpls. NE, 1330 Industrial Blvd NE, Minneapolis: 11 a.m. July 7

## Chapter 3-Duluth-Hibbing-Iron Range, MN

Duluth area: Holiday Inn, 6 p.m. Oct. 7  
Iron Range: Valentini's, 6 p.m. Oct. 8

## OTHER EVENTS

### Retirees' Club Breakfast meetings

Jax Cafe: June 22, Sept. 22, Dec. 1

### Duluth area Retirees' coffee

**meetings** Miller Hill Mall Perkins: Duluth 9:30 a.m., First Wednesday of each month

### Iron Range Retirees' coffee

**meetings** Sportsman's Cafe: 9 a.m., Hibbing Third Monday of each month

### St. Cloud Retirees' coffee meetings

Brigitte's Café: 9:30 a.m., Third Tuesday of each month

### Executive Committee meeting

312 Central Ave., Minneapolis: 9 a.m. Sept. 30

### Semiannual Meeting-All of MN/ND/SD

312 Central Ave., Minneapolis: 9 a.m. Oct. 1

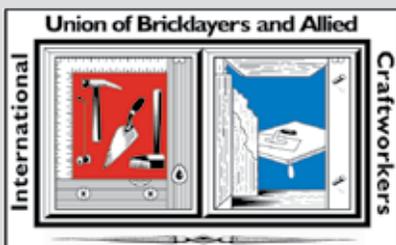


### BAC Golf Tournament

Pheasant Acres: 7 a.m. July 30

### Chapter 3 Golf Tournament

Grandview Golf Links: Duluth 8 a.m. Sept. 10



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## Women Lead the Way

### Zelko Excels as Female Mentor

Cement Mason, hockey coach, fitness competitor, single mom – Kate Zelko fills each of these roles - and sometimes all in the same day. When you consider she often commutes from her home in Sauk Rapids, MN, to jobs nearly 75 miles away in the metro area, one wonders how she does it all in a 24-hour day.

After earning a kinesiology degree from Augsburg University, Zelko decided she wanted to work outside and do something physical. She actually started in the trade by answering an ad on Craig's List for a non-union company. "I had a son and needed to make money," she said. While working non-union on a Ryan Companies job, she was approached about joining the union. She thought the pay and benefits were hard to beat.

Being a woman in a male dominated industry didn't intimidate her. Rather it challenged her. "I challenged myself to hang with the boys," she explained. "In the union the men have treated me absolutely great. They are just like my brothers. When I worked non-union, it wasn't so hot."

Brian Farmer, apprenticeship coordinator at Cement Masons Local 633, recognized her commitment to the trade and hired her as a teacher at the Cement Masons training center. He appreciates someone who can be a guide to the ever-increasing role of women in the industry. "It's been exciting working with apprentices, particularly in the role of a female mentor," added Zelko. "For single moms like me or just women going it alone, through me I hope they realize it's not just a man's job. They can do it too."

Scan the QR code to see a short video about Zelko.



Credit: FCF-Vince Muzik

