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Greetings Duluth Section,

Over October 18th-21st I was able to attend the ASCE conference in Chicago and represent our Duluth Section. From the awarding of distinguished memberships, to the induction of our new board of leaders, to advanced movie screenings, enthralling lectures, and captivating tours, it was a special week. It was a great conference of networking and gathering ideas for the future. Having the opportunity to meet other professionals and students from around the globe and throughout our country was enlightening. We are all working on incredible projects every day and we should all be excited for the future of our discipline.

We are still looking to fill our Secretary position for this year. Without volunteers like you, our section will not have a full leadership team. This position gives you the opportunity to travel to the conferences hosted by ASCE like I did this past month. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in a great networking and leadership opportunity, please reach out to anyone on the board. We would be happy to have you join us and assist in directing our section into the future.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2024 be on the lookout for your renewal and re-up before the new year. This membership renewal will keep you on our distribution list into the new year for our monthly lunches and other upcoming events.

We are continuing our effort to showcase some of the offices we all work in. We would love to have your Company's host our lunch. This would allow you the opportunity to show off your space and provide a presentation on one of the projects your company has worked on. If your company would like to host a lunch meeting, please reach out and we will schedule our monthly meeting with you.

Thank you for your continued support and see you soon,

Andrew Lund

Duluth Section President.

Interested in submitting an article for the ASCE newsletter or becoming a Board Member?

Contact Ryan Swanson (newsletter editor) for information at 218.966.9822 or rswanson@ulland.com Thanks.

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Please join us for
a Unique Presentation at the Canal Park Barr Office
November 21, 2023 at 12:00 pm



"Twin Ports Interchange Project Update"
Presented by Pete Marthaler, P.E.

Construction Manager –Main Projects
MNDOT District 1

ASCE Duluth Section will issue a PDH certificate to members in good standing. It is the responsibility of the individual to determine whether or not the presentation is applicable to his/her career.

Membership and Board Meetings for 2023-2024

Membership Meetings

November 21, 2023
December 19, 2023
January 16, 2024
February 20, 2024
March 19, 2024
April 16, 2024
May 21, 2024

Board Meetings

November 28, 2023
December 20, 2023
January 23, 2024
February 27, 2024
March 26, 2024
April 23, 2024
May 28, 2024

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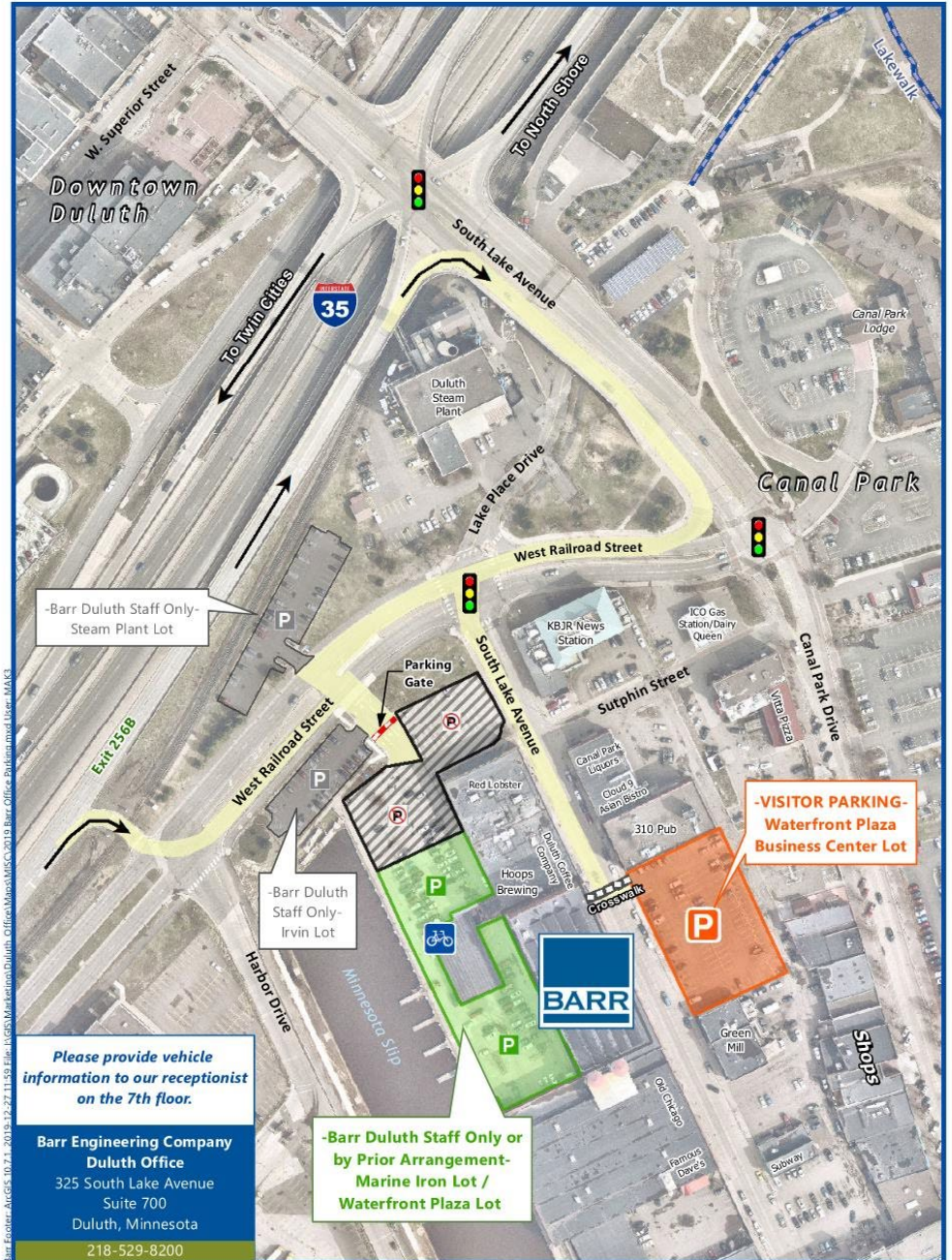
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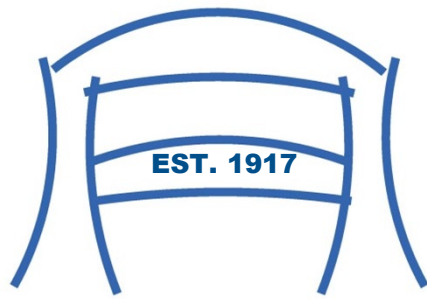
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Barr Office Parking map for September Lunch





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2023-2024 Duluth Section Board of Directors:

Past President: Jason Fisher

The following positions highlighted in red are vacant positions that we need filled. Please consider taking a position to help us out.

President: Andrew Lund

President Elect/Vice President: Ryan Swanson

Treasurer: Pete Demshar

Secretary: (Vacant) please reach out if you are interested in this position!

Chair Positions

Younger Member Chair: Andrea Piirainen

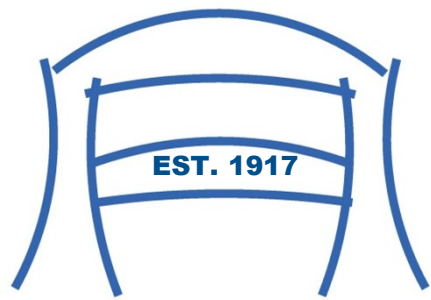
Membership Chair: Andria Piirainen

Government Relations Chair: Pete Demshar

Toothpick Bridge Chair: Chris Morris

Web Updates: (Vacant) please reach out if you are interested in this position!

Membership Outreach: (Vacant) please reach out if you are interested in this position!



ASCE DULUTH SECTION BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Oct 2, 2023, 5:00 PM

Blackwoods

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 5:00

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: ANDREA/RYAN

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: ANDREA/PETE – MOTION PASSES

- April
- May
- August-none

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS (PETE)

KICKING OFF FALL LEGISLATIVE SESSION

STUDENT SECTION UPDATE (ANDREW BANTZ)

Not present

Pete to reach out to the student section and express the importance of their attendance in the board meetings going forward.

YOUNGER MEMBER DISCUSSION (ANDREA)

- Recent Updates
 - Dalton is interested in the YMG Vice Chair position
 - There is a want from the YMG group to get together for more networking
- YMG Ideas – Thought is to have a reoccurring happy hour
- Tour Ideas –
 - Harbor Plaza
 - Twin ports interchange
- Other Ideas
 - Ethics PDH

TREASURER'S REPORT (RYAN/PETE)

RYAN AND PETE MADE THE SWITCH OF THE ACCOUNTS

Main Checking \$ 273.04

Younger Member Checking \$ 6,951.33

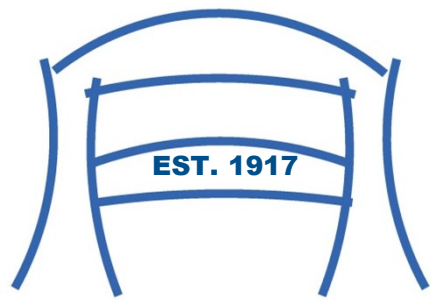
Savings \$ 9,301.08

Petty Cash \$ 100.00

Motion to approve Andrea/Andrea motion carries.

2023-2024 Speakers (Ryan)

- October 17th – hosted by Barr Engineering Speaker UMD Professor?
- November 21st
- December 19th
- January 16th – Tentatively Twin Ports Interchange
- February 20th – UMD in house
- March 19th
- April 16th
- May 21th- Presidents Meeting



2022-2023 BOARD MEETING / LUNCHEON SCHEDULE (ALL MEETING SCHEDULED AT 12:00 PM EACH DAY)

LUNCHEONS

Sept 19th, 2023

BOARD MEETINGS

SEPT 26, 2023

NEWSLETTER UPDATE (RYAN)

Oct Newsletter

- President's message, meeting minutes, Introduce Board, Vice YMG Chair Bio (Dalton) Update
- **Submissions Due: Oct 4th, Send Oct 6th**

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR (ANDREA)

- Andrea is interested in taking on the Membership Chair position
- Motion to appoint Andrea - Andrew/Ryan 2nd Motion Passed

OUTREACH CHAIR

- Vacant

ONGOING BUSINESS:

- ASCE Archival documents – Rose still has these documents and will hold them until we have a new place for them

MATRIX AND BYLAW REVIEW - COMPLETE

NEW BUSINESS

- Andrew Lund is planning to attend the ASCE National Conference
 - Pete/Andrea motion carriers
- MRLC Kansas City Ryan and Dalton are interested in attending
 - General board support, no formal motion required at this time
- Board seat email platform –
 - Pete recommended updating to 0365 account for 100\$ per year
 - Pete to reach out to Minnesota Chapter
- Board seat cut sheets for each position - Tabled
- Constant Contact for Meeting invites
- Pete will start a new payroll account
- Toothpick Bridge
 - Lund to reach out to Chris and Amy
 - Potentially being taken over by YMG

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Oct 24, 2023

ADJOURNMENT: 6:33,10/2/2023

By: Austin Konrath - UMD ASCE Treasurer
Prepared for: ASCE Duluth Section Board Meeting
Date: 10/30/2023

Highway Cleanup

On October 21st, we hosted our annual highway cleanup on our adopted section of Highway 53. John Devries, the ASCE vice president, Alicia Nelson, the ASCE Secretary, and I were all in attendance.



TPI Tour

UMD ASCE offered a tour of the Twin Ports Interchange to students on October 16th. We had 9 students attend as MNDOT took us all over the project site and explained the many nuances and intricacies of the project. Students appreciated being able to see the concepts they learn about in the classroom being put to practice in the real world.

Hosted AMI Consulting

On September 18th, Chase Dewhirst and Jenna Maki from AMI Engineering and Consulting came and presented to our club. We had 12 students present with many being interested in the underwater inspections that AMI conducts.

Upcoming Events:

November 6th - Abby Bosell from HGA is coming to present on the Minnesota Structural Engineering Young Members Group.

November 11th - 10 Students from the UMD Steel Bridge Team and UMD ASCE are volunteering at the DECC to raise money for travel to our regional ASCE Symposium held in Chicago in April.

Fundraising Efforts

UMD ASCE, the UMD Steel Bridge team, and the UMD Concrete Canoe team have all combined resources to begin a fundraising campaign. We have been reaching out to local companies asking for tax-deductible sponsorships to help fund material costs and travel to the ASCE symposium in April. I can send our sponsorship information packet if anyone is interested in contributing.

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ASCE Younger Member Happy Hour

Enjoy some free food and network with working professionals in the Twin Ports Area. **No RSVP** required, just show up!

Who: All working professionals, regardless of age!

What: Happy Hour sponsored by ASCE Younger Member Group

Where: Hoops Brewing (325 S Lake Ave, Duluth, MN 55802)

When: 4-7 pm on the following dates:

November 30th

December 21st

January 25th

February 15th

March 21st

April 18th



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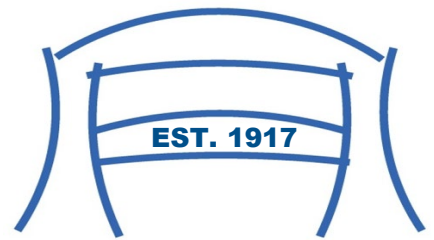
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National Bank of Commerce

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|-------------------------|-------------|
| Main Checking | \$ 3,998.59 |
| Younger Member Checking | \$ 6,951.33 |
| Savings | \$ 7,302.79 |

Other Assets

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|-------------------|-----------|
| PayPal | \$ 0.00 |
| Other cash/checks | \$ 0.00 |
| Petty Cash | \$ 100.00 |

October 2023' Total Assets: \$16,625.45

September 2023' Total Assets: \$18,252.71

Increase/ (Decrease) in Assets: \$1,627.26

*Increase is from 4 sponsorship checks and October luncheon fees and decrease from food for the October luncheon.

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2023-2024 Sponsorship Request

We want to thank you for supporting The Duluth Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers in the past. Your sponsorship helps fund several programs that are specific to the Duluth Section. The first being our toothpick bridge competition. This program helps promote civil engineering at a young age, which is vital to the future of our profession. The second program is our annual scholarships to civil engineering and civil engineering technology students. Your sponsorship helps our local ASCE section to promote these valuable activities. That is why it is time again for us to ask you to renew your sponsorship, or consider a new sponsorship for 2023-2024. Our membership is comprised of engineers from a diverse range of companies (engineering, construction and geotechnical, etc.). We are very proud to showcase your company logo on our sponsor page.

With a contribution of \$ 250, your company's logo will be displayed in each section newsletter from September 2023 through August 2024. Our newsletter is produced 9 months of the year and reaches all of our 250+ members. Your support also aids the Duluth ASCE Section's efforts to keep the civil engineering community actively involved through technical presentations and networking luncheons, social activities, and student outreach activities.

If you would like to renew your sponsorship or become a sponsor, please send a check payable to **ASCE - Duluth Section** to the section treasurer:

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Sincerely,

The Duluth Section Board of Directors

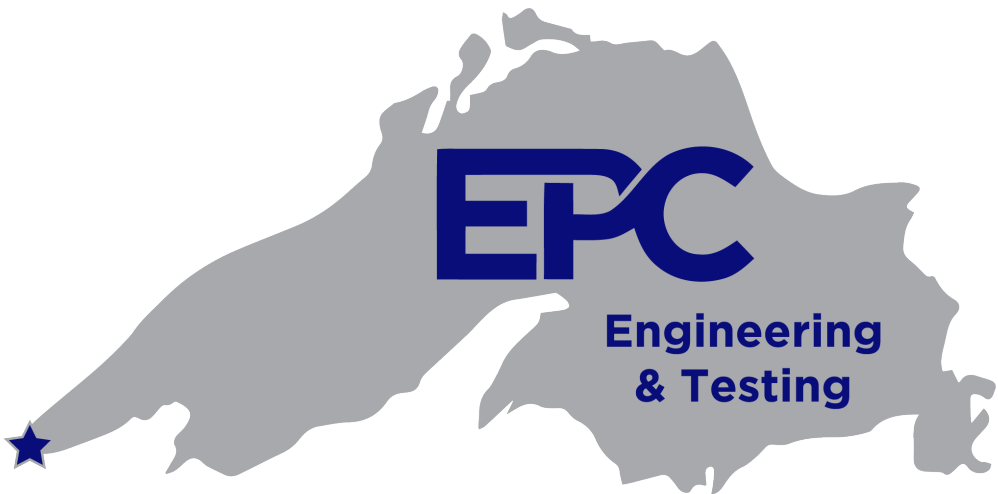
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