



***Working to Build a Better Iowa -
with Brick, Block & Stone***

Dear MII Member,

May marked my two-year work anniversary. It's hard to believe it has been 24 months already and in that time I've learned much about the masonry and construction industry. Everyone has been helpful as I've navigated my way through understanding cavity walls, mortar types, joint placements and more!

I still have a lot to learn but I am ready for the next chapter: ***promoting quality mason construction to the design community.***

MI has several Power Points available and this summer I will market those programs to the design community. See the article below on MII's Rise & Shine CE initiative.

MI is continually looking for ways to promote the masonry industry in the state and this is just another way to keep brick, block, stone & cast stone in front of the architects and engineers.

Welcome Summer!

From the MII President

Scott Ellingson, TCC Materials

As President of the Masonry Institute I would like to thank all the members that have contributed to the efforts of getting the craft of masonry into the high schools, junior colleges & state colleges. The MII has greatly increased the efforts to promote the industry and this would not be possible without support from our members. The promotion of the industry will better influence & help recruit the next generation of Masons needed to grow the masonry products share of future projects.

2018 got off to a slow start for all our members with the long Iowa winter, But the industry will be strong for the remainder of the year. With many good masonry projects across the state, our contractor's members will have a good work lined up for the rest of the year and finish the year strong.

Additionally, the remainder of 2018 is very busy for the MII. The list of upcoming events includes the Annual MII Foundation Golf Outing, AIA Design Awards, UNI & ISU Student Field Days along with other high school training opportunities.

Thank you for your support as the MII Builds a Better Iowa.

2018 MII Annual Meeting Recap

MII's annual meeting was held in Iowa City on Wednesday, February 21. Approximately 25 members were in attendance. Vice President Andy Ward emceed the evening which included a welcome reception, program, dinner and a social hour afterwards. Highlights from the meeting included:

- Committee Reports
- Election of Officers
- [A Year in Review](#) – An Overview of MII Accomplishments

- MII Appreciation Awards



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2018 Masonry Seminar

The 2018 Masonry Seminar was held Thursday, February 22 at the Terry Trueblood Lodge in Iowa City. Nearly 80 architects, engineers, and MII members were in attendance. The morning programs included *Avoiding or Diagnosing Cold Weather and Warm Weather Condensation Problems in Masonry Wall Systems* with Norbert Krogstad and the *Initial Cost of Construction* with Walter Schneider. During the afternoon, two tracts (architectural and engineering) were offered. The engineering tract included a two-hour presentation by Cathleen Jacinto on *Storm Shelter Design with Masonry*. The architecture tract included the one hour programs *Comparison of Masonry and Other Cladding Materials in terms of Embodied Energy and Carbon Dioxide 'Costs'* with Patrick Rand and *Movement Control Considerations for Masonry* with John Bachenski. Attendees earned up to five hours of continuing education.



**Thank you to our 2018 Annual Meeting &
Masonry Seminar Sponsors!**



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Thursday, August 30
11:00am Shotgun
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Polk City, IA

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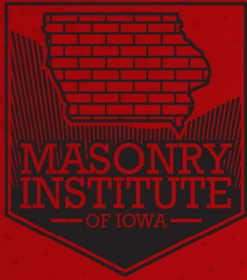
Registration is now available for the 2018 MII Charles Nicolay Educational Foundation Annual Charity Classic. Sign up your foursome today. Your registration includes 18-holes of golf, cart, pin game prizes, winning team prizes, refreshments, goodie bag, door prizes and a delicious lunch. Proceeds from the outing go towards student scholarship and initiatives.

To sponsor the 2018 MII Foundation Golf Classic, [click here!](#)

MIJ Appreciation Awards

Earlier this year, the MII Awards Committee met and revamped the MII Appreciation Awards criteria - [click here for details](#). MII Appreciation Awards will now be given yearly at the annual meeting. Nominations for these awards must be made by a MII member and materials or mason contractor must be an MII member. Five projects were recognized this past spring.

Central Bank, Waukee, IA - Simonson & Associates
Charter Bank, Ankeny, IA - CMBA Architects
Newbo Station, Cedar Rapids, IA - Fusion Architects
Petersen Residence Hall, University of Iowa - Rohrbach & Associates



2018 Masonry Institute of Iowa Appreciation Awards



Vintage Main, Ankeny
Imprint Architects
Mason Contractor:
Forrest & Associate



Charter Bank, Ankeny
CMBA Architects
Mason Contractor: Forrest & Associate



Peterson Residence Hall,
Iowa City
Rohrbach Associates PC
Mason Contractor:
Seedorff Masonry



Newbo Station, Cedar Rapids
Fusion Architects



Central Bank, Waukee
Simonson & Associates

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MASONRY INSTITUTE OF IOWA

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AWARDS

**Entries due
July 17**



**Submit your
best masonry
project today!**

2018 Call for ENTRIES

Visit MasonryInstituteofIowa.org (under Awards) for more information.

MII is pleased to announce the Call for Entries for the 2018 Architectural Design Awards in Masonry. If you know of a project that should be considered, please let Jenny Stephenson – jstephenson@masonryinstituteofiowa.org – know and she will contact the architect about submitting an entry. Entries are due July 17.

For more info the 2018 Architectural Design Awards in Masonry, [click here](#).

Foundation Awards Scholarships to Nine Students

The MII Foundation Scholarship Committee awarded nine scholarships this past spring, totaling \$7,250. MII was able to personally meet with the recipients to congratulate them on their achievements. MII received 57 applications this year.

First Name	Last Name	Hometown	Major	College	Amount
Hannah	Hogan	Manchester	Architecture	Iowa State University	\$1,000
Cole	Perkins	Madrid	Construction	DMACC	\$750
Tim	Kimball	Des Moines	Construction Engineering	Iowa State University	\$1,000
Patrick	Talley	Marion	Construction	UNI	\$500
Samuel	Skattebo	Graettinger	Construction	Iowa Lakes CC	\$500
Chad	Moklestad	Boone	Architecture	Iowa State University	\$1,000
Sam	Munsell	Des Moines	Construction Management	University of Northern Iowa	\$1,000
William	Poffenberger	Earlham	Construction Management	University of Northern Iowa	\$1,000
Keaton	Duwa	Riverside	Construction	Kirkwood Community College	\$500

2018 Scholarship Winners

Masonry Institute of Iowa



Cole Perkins, DMACC
Construction Engineering



Chad Molstad, ISU
Architecture



Tim Kimball, ISU
Construction Engineering



Hannah Hogan, ISU
Architecture



Sam Skattebo, Iowa Lakes CC
Construction



Patrick Talley, UNI
Construction Management

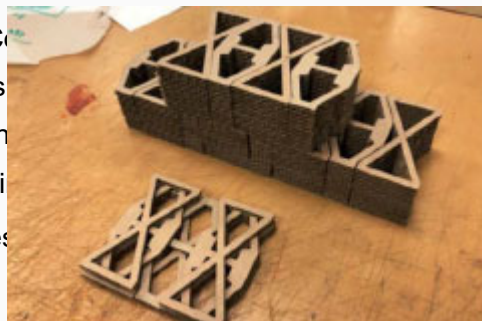


Will Poffenberger & Sam Munsell, UNI
Construction Management



Keaton Duwa, Kirkwood CC
Construction

MII Hosts Unit Design Competition at ISU



Unit design at Iowa State University. The entries were judged by the NCMA contest, with the top three entries advancing to the national competition.

Participants: Tyler Vincent, Nick Blazek

SkillsUSA State Masonry Contest Held

MII hosted the first state SkillsUSA contest in many years. The contest was held at the Dallas Co. Fairgrounds on April 27 and four high school students participated, which included a written exam and building of a masonry wall. The walls were then judged by a preset set of standards. The winner will have the opportunity to advance to the national contest this summer. Thank you to our judges: Scott Ellingson (TCC Materials), Chris Busch (BAC3) and Ray Lemke (BAC3).

Results from the State Competition:

1st Place: Jordan, Belmont-Klemme HS

2nd Place: Karter, Belmont-Klemme HS

3rd Place: TJ, Perry HS

4th Place: Tyson, Belmont-Klemme HS



Bringing Masonry into the HS Classroom

In an effort to expose as many students to bricklaying and the masonry industry, MII along with several of its members, have participated in bricklaying demos, career fairs and presentations around the state. MII presented to the following schools: Belmont-Klemme, Durant, West Branch, Davenport, Ft. Dodge, South East Polk, Perry and Johnston High Schools. MII also participated in the MBI Build Iowa career fairs this past winter.

MII looks forward to reach more high schoolers next year with more regional bricklaying demos as well as a HS Masonry Day planned for October 2 at the BAC3 Training Center in Marshalltown. Watch your inbox for more details as these events take shape!



MII Partners With Iowa's Community Colleges

This spring, MII presented to several community colleges including:

- [Kirkwood Community College](#): presentation, block plant tour, job site tour
- [Hawkeye Community College](#): presentation, bricklaying demo
- [Iowa Lakes Community College](#): presentation, brick and block plant tour, job site tour
- [Western Iowa Tech](#): presentation, brick and block plant tour, job site tour
- [Iowa Central Community College](#): presentation, bricklaying demo
- [NIACC](#): presentation, job site tour, bricklaying demo


MII looks forward to these continued partnerships to help educate students in the construction industry.



Summer Masonry Webinar Series

For the first time, MII is bringing masonry speakers to the design community through webinars. Each program qualifies for one hour of continuing education credit through AIA. Click [here](#) to read the speaker bios and program descriptions.

[To register click here.](#)



The graphic features the words "Masonry Summer" in a bold, black, sans-serif font at the top left. Below it, the word "WEBINAR" is rendered in large, 3D, red block letters. A single brown masonry brick is placed between the "B" and "I" of "WEBINAR". To the right of "WEBINAR", the word "Series" is written in a smaller, bold, black, sans-serif font. A black cable starts from the bottom of the brick, loops around, and ends at a computer mouse being held by a hand. The entire scene is set against a white background with a subtle reflection. At the bottom of the graphic, there is a horizontal strip of a light-colored masonry wall.

Tornado & High Wind Sheltering with Masonry, Mark McGinley - completed
July 10: Reinforced Hollow Clay Masonry, Jeff Elder
July 25: 3D Printing Ceramics – An Introduction, Leslie Forehand
August 14: 3D Models and the Deliverables They Provide to Mason Contractors, Fred Kinateder

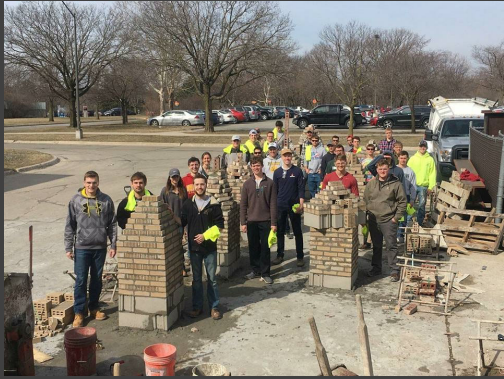
AIA Presentations & Tours

- Young Arena Building Tour, Waterloo: MII hosted a building tour of Young Arena this winter. Following the tour, area architects and MII members stayed for the Blackhawks hockey game. Attendees received one hour of learning units for attending the tour.
- University of Iowa Football Practice Facility: MII sponsored the building tour of the University of Iowa Practice Facility, followed by a social at a local restaurant. Attendees received one hour of learning units for attending the tour.
- Brick, Block & Brew: MII, along with members Scott Ellingson and Mark Guetzko, hosted Brick, Block and Brew at 7Hills Brewery in Dubuque on May 8. Area architects and MII members earned one hour of learning units for attending.

MII Presents to DBIA at ISU

On April 10 Mark Guetzko, Seedorff Masonry, presented to the ISU Design-Build student organization. Approximately 20 students listened to Mark present several masonry case studies. MII provided dinner and is excited to continue building these student organization relationships on campus.





ISU Spring Masonry Engineering Day

On April 12, MII coordinated a bricklaying demo with ISU Professor Brad Perkin's construction engineering students. Approximately 35 students participated in building campaniles with the top two groups receiving MII sweatshirts for their efforts.

MII Exhibits at the MBI Annual Conference

This past February, MII exhibited at the Master Builders of Iowa annual conference. MII's booth promoted MII members and quality masonry construction. The Laborers 177 joined MII at the booth to help staff and promote MII's mission.



MII Partners with Drake University Public Relations Students

This spring MII had the opportunity to partner with students in Drake University's public relations program to create a public education campaign focused on educating Iowans why the buildings they live, work and socialize in should be constructed of masonry. Drake took on MII as a non-profit 'client' and created a variety of marketing pieces (social media calendar, brochures, postcards, video scripts, etc) that MII will be able to use going forward in creating public awareness for masonry construction. In the coming months, MII will finalize a public relations plan and start rolling out these informative pieces.

Welcome New MII Members!

- Ash Grove Packaging: Associate Member
- Bowerston Shale Co: Associate Member
- Iowa Stone Supply: Associate Member
- Red Leaf Brick & Stone: Contributing Member

Initial Cost of Construction Study - Share the Results!

This results for the independent third party initial cost of construction survey is available on MII's website - [click here](#) to access the study results for Des Moines as well as the national survey. Other cities from around the US are partaking in the study - for a full list of results [click here](#).

Rise & Shine CE -- Brining Masonry Education to the Design Community

MIl recently created its own Initial Cost of Construction presentation from the study that was done in Des Moines. MII also revamped its Masonry 101 presentation and both of these programs qualify for one hour of HSW learning units through AIA. This summer MII will be promoting the program as 'Rise & Shine CE' and will be presenting these educational programs to architectural offices during the early morning hours. MII plans on creating additional education presentations to add to the offering.



Masonry Continuing Education

Thank You for Your Donations

The following MII members donated time, talent and materials this past year to helping promote masonry in Iowa! Thank you for your contributions. If you are interested in donating materials and/or time and talent for MII initiatives please email jstephenson@masonryinstituteofiowa.org.

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King's Material

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Architectural Products

United Brick & Tile

Sioux City Brick

**Glen Gery Masonry Products
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Forrest & Associate
Carl Schuler Masonry**

Social Media - Join MII Online

Join MII on social media to keep up to date on happenings! Click on the links below to follow or like.



New Member Spotlight Red Leaf Brick & Stone

Red Leaf Brick and Stone was founded in 2016 by Dwayne Weibold and John Rausch, and specializes in architectural brick, and natural stone for masonry or landscape applications. Notable projects include Pecks Landing (CR), Riverfront Crossings Park (IC), Catlett Hall (IC) largest dorm on campus holding 1049 students, 316 Madison Street (IC), Kirk Ferentz Pool House, Cypress Lofts (CR), Jim Buresh Custom Homes. Red Leaf Brick and Stone employees Dwayne Weibold and Jordan Rausch. Dwayne has been in the masonry and landscape supply industry since 1997 where he started with Burd Concrete. Jordan is a graduate of Iowa State University with a degree in Landscape Design and Horticulture Plant Science. Red Leaf joined to help further promote the MII by being part of committees that will help build the next generation of masons.

Welcome Red Leaf Brick and Stone!



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