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*Minneapolis light rail station wins award for Local 1 members*

BAC Local 1 MN/ND members won a coveted national award for their work on this Minneapolis light rail station.

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**JIM LUNDQUIST  
PRESIDENT/SECRETARY-TREASURER**

## Attend special-call meeting on Jan. 6

**Please join us for our annual meeting at the Prom Center on Dec. 11.**

*RSVP by Dec. 4. Give us a call or respond at our website [BAC1MNNND.org](http://BAC1MNNND.org)*

**T**HERE WILL BE a special-call meeting for all chapters at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, at the United Labor Center, 312 Central Avenue, Minneapolis, in sec-

ond-floor meeting rooms 217 and 218.

In years past, we did not have wage allocation meetings in the same year as negotiations. This year we would like to try something different by scheduling a meeting when we can also discuss upcoming negotiations.

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# LUNDQUIST/Please attend this important meeting

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**On the agenda Jan. 6:**

1. Discuss negotiations – for areas with expiring contracts.
2. Discuss mandated benefit increases (Health Fund and dues check-off).
3. Discuss and vote on an increase to the MN & ND Defined Benefit Pension Fund – how much, if any. Or discuss a percentage of the first-year wage increase to go to the pension.
4. Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) – Discuss and vote on using HRA tax-free dollars to pay your out-of-pocket health expenses.

## Chapters to be merged



“This decision was made with input from the members who attend the chapter meetings held in Brainerd. We hope to eventually standardize a contract from the St. Cloud area to Duluth.”  
– Jim Lundquist

AS OF JAN. 1, 2007, an area of North Central Minnesota that was previously part of Chapter #15-Brainerd will be merged into Chapter #4-St. Cloud. Counties to be merged are Crow Wing, Morrison, Mille Lacs, and the western half of Aitkin.

The members who live in these counties will become Chapter #4 members. They will be voting and negotiating in the Chapter #4 area. These members will also be invited to the St. Cloud area Gold Card Dinner (see the calendar for date and time). The wage and benefit package will remain as Chapter #15 until the expiration of that contract April 30, 2008. At that time, we will negotiate for these three-plus counties with the contractors who perform work in that area.

This decision was made with input from the members who attend the chapter meetings held in Brainerd. We hope to eventually standardize a contract from the St. Cloud area to Duluth.

The chapter meetings will continue monthly in St. Cloud (except for April, July and October). There will be three meetings in Brainerd during the months of May, September and December. The current elected officers in Chapter #4 will continue as officers at both area meetings until the next elections in 2008. – Jim Lundquist

## Election results encouraging – except for Pawlenty victory

VOTERS ON NOV. 7 GAVE MINNESOTA a better future. For the sake of worker rights, I could have wished for a new governor, but on the whole I am encouraged with the results of the election.

Endorsed candidates who were elected have vowed to protect workers’ rights, labor and the middle class, and we know we can count on better treatment from a DFL-controlled Minnesota House and Senate.

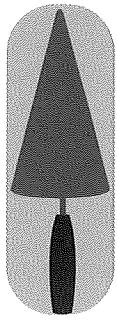
“Elections are like Christmas: you don’t get everything you wish for. But we did get a lot, and we got it by going to the polls and voting for the right candidates I would like to thank all of you who supported the endorsed candidates. Remember, the future of the labor movement depends on your support.”

– Jim Lundquist

The re-election of Republican Gov. Tim Pawlenty means that we will still need to defend our apprenticeship programs, prevailing wage laws, project labor agreements and OSHA worker-safety enforcement statewide. Our re-elected governor was unfriendly to the labor movement before, and we must assume that he will continue to attack these programs.

Voter approval of the Transportation Amendment should eventually give us all a little more breathing space on the freeways. It also is likely to give us work. Of the \$300 million per year expected to result from this new Constitutional amendment, 40 percent is to be spent on mass transit. We’ll probably be seeing construction of more light rail stations, and we expect to be involved in that work. Also, new construction tends to follow the route of light rail, and that is likely to mean more jobs for our members.

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## Minneapolis Light Rail Transit Station Plaza Wins Award

**B**AC LOCAL 1 MN/ND members have won a coveted national award for their work on a Minneapolis light rail station.

To learn more about the International Masonry Institute, visit us at [www.imiweb.org](http://www.imiweb.org) on the Internet.

ent of this particular team. Because of the unique design, highly-skilled bricklayers were needed. The complex designs required precise placement of

The 2005 International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers Craft Award for Best Brick Project was awarded in October to members employed by Weise Masonry, Inc., of Prior Lake, MN, for their work on the Downtown East Light Rail Transit (LRT) Station Plaza, the hub of Minneapolis's 17-station light rail system.

Local 1 MN/ND President James Lundquist described the Plaza as "one of the most rewarding projects our members have worked in some years." Present for acceptance of the award with Lundquist was Paul Weise, president and owner of Weise Masonry.

BAC President John J. Flynn praised the 2005 winners who collectively, he said, "illustrate the sheer magnificence of the BAC crafts, members' skills, and the spirit of service and collaboration that members and signatory contractors bring to their work and to their communities."

A key factor in the project's first-place finish was the tal-

each color of brick according to the pattern designed by the artist. Due to the radius of the arches along with their monumental scale, leads and line could not be used. Each course of brick was laid, leveled and set to a radius template.

The project involved the use of 12,000 square feet of modular brick, colored mortars and architectural precast caps. The installation of the brick on the project took approximately 2,600 bricklayer hours, beginning in April and ending in November 2003.

The Best Brick Project award was one of 22 national awards for 2005 given at a ceremony held in conjunction with the IUBAC fall Executive Council meeting in Las Vegas. Now in its 22nd year, the BAC Craft Awards program recognizes talented professionals who continue to drive North America's masonry industry forward.

BAC Local 1 MN/ND members who worked on the award-winning project were foreman Gerald Lassahn and Craftworkers Andrew Cook, Craigen Harris, Noe Koehler, Kent Lindblad, Richard Rolland, Mike Wolff and Rick Wolff. — **Olene Bigelow, Minnesota IMI Area Director**

## GOOD DESIGN, WORKMANSHIP WERE CRITICAL

**T**HE AWARD-WINNING Downtown East Light Rail Station is the destination for the majority of riders. The Plaza serves as a gateway to downtown Minneapolis and marks a pedestrian-friendly area linking several major downtown facilities, including major employers and the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome, home of the Minnesota Twins Baseball team and the Minnesota Vikings football team. The spot is favorite for pre- and post-game festivities. For all these reasons, it was important to create a structure that strongly communicated a Minneapolis identity.

The focal point of the plaza is the monumental series of seven compound arches, spanning 300 feet in length and 34 feet in height, and using approximately 76,000 brick. The arches, designed by architects Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, echo the arches of Minneapolis's famous Stone Arch Bridge, which spans the Mississippi River nearby. One side of the structure is clad with a single light-colored brick. The side

facing the plaza is clad with five different designs in five different colors of modular brick designed by Minneapolis artist, Andrew Leicester. Each design is an ornately patterned brick mosaic. Collectively, the designs represent the diverse ethnic heritage of residents of the area, past and present.

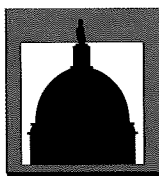
A 60-foot-high red brick tower rises from the south end of the block, recalling the rounded ends of nearby brownstone rowhouses and the historic grain elevators along the river's edge.

Ever since the streetcars were removed from Minneapolis more than 50 years ago, the public transit system has consisted of street-level buses. And while many other major cities managed to keep and/or revitalize their light rail systems, the Minneapolis/St. Paul region was slow to respond. Once the commitment to implementing light rail travel was made more than 10 years ago, however, community leaders insisted it had to be done right, and made the visual

appearance, convenience, and efficiency of the stations along the route as important as the economic viability and efficiency of the system's operation. Part of that commitment is manifested in the large percentage of the budget dedicated to art for each of the 17 stations along the 12-mile route. Each station has a separate identity, relating to the neighborhood in which it is located. A different team of architects and artists designed each station, and different general contractors and subcontractors built them under the umbrella of the joint-venture development team.

The looped route for the system runs from Downtown Minneapolis south to the Veteran's Administration hospital near the airport, then to nearby Fort Snelling and both of the airport terminals, and the Mall of America, in Bloomington. To date, patronage has far exceeded expectations and plans are moving quickly to expand the system, particularly to the proposed new site for the Twins baseball stadium, planned for the Minneapolis warehouse district.

The AFL-CIO set out last year to change the course of the country by mobilizing more than 13 million union voters in 32 states. In Minnesota, thousands of union volunteers across the state carried out the AFL-CIO program of worksite contacts, phone calls and door-to-door visits with union families.



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voters bring  
change**

largest such turnout in memory. They added 14 new members to the Minnesota Legislature, the lion's share of an overall DFL increase of 19. After all the votes had been counted, DFL representation in the Minnesota House stood at 85, compared to Republicans' 50. In the Senate, Republican representation was reduced from 29 to 23 seats.

Vote margins for winning union members in contested races went as high as 85 percent, with many pluralities higher than 60 percent. Even union candidates who lost posted

respectable numbers. First-time candidate Wes Urevig drew 42%, Jason Gonnion 48%, Glenn Resman 42%, Eileen Weber 42%. We hope they'll take their hard-won experience and name-recognition to the next election, and try again.

That work paid off statewide as labor-endorsed DFL candidates won a majority of seats in the Minnesota House of Representatives and took most of Minnesota's Constitutional offices as well.

Minnesota AFL-CIO President Ray Waldron congratulated union workers who made November's big win happen. "They placed more than one million phone calls, distributed over a half-million worksite flyers and knocked on thousands of doors to help take back the Minnesota House — and the U.S. House of Representatives."

Waldron praised defeated DFL gubernatorial candidate Mike Hatch for "putting working families first in everything he does."

"The election is over now," Waldron said. "It was a hard-fought race, and now we need to put it behind us and move forward. Minnesota's unions will work with Gov. Pawlenty as we strive to build a better Minnesota for working families."

At least 35 union members ran for election this fall, the

**Union members win big in 2006**

The Minnesota AFL-CIO counted three union members elected to the Minnesota Senate and 32 to the Minnesota House. New legislators are shown by district number and union membership, with winning margin in parentheses.

**MINNESOTA SENATE**

6	Sen. Tom Bakk (71%)	Carpenters
23	Kathy Sheran (57%)	Inter-Faculty Org.
28	Sen. Steve Murphy (54%)	IBEW

**HOUSE**

A	Tom Anzelc (60%)	Laborers
3B	Rep. Loren Solberg (97%)	Education
4A	Rep. Frank Moe (65%)	Inter-Faculty Org.
6B	Rep. Mary Murphy (72%)	Education
9B	Rep. Paul Marquart (77%)	Education
11B	Rep. Mary Ellen Otremba (61%)	Education
12A	John Ward (55%)	Education
12B	Al Doty (52%)	Education
14B	Rep. Larry Hosch (57%)	Roofers
25B	David Bly (50.1%)	Education
26B	Rep. Patti Fritz (52%)	SEIU
27A	Robin Brown (51%)	Education
27B	Rep. Jeanne Poppe (56%)	Education
31A	Rep. Gene Pelowski (70%)	Education

*Congratulations*

37B	Rep. Dennis Ozment (97%)	Firefighter (IAFF)
39A	Rep. Rick Hansen (65%)	Middle Manage Assn
40A	Will Morgan (53%)	Education
43B	John Benson (54%)	Education
45A	Rep. Sandra Peterson (57%)	Education
45B	Rep. Lyndon Carlson (65%)	Education
46A	Rep. Mike Nelson (64%)	Carpenters
50A	Carolyn Laine (62%)	Education
51A	Scott Krantz (53%)	Education
51B	Tom Tillberry (60%)	Education
55A	Rep. Leon Lillie (67%)	IAMAW
56B	Marsha Swails (51%)	Education
62A	Rep. Jim Davnie (84%)	Education
63B	Linda Slocum (58%)	Education
64A	Erin Murphy (66%)	Minn. Nurses Assn.
66A	Rep. John Lesch (77%)	AFSCME
67A	Rep. Tim Mahoney (78%)	UA
67B	Rep. Sheldon Johnson (72%)	Teamsters

# OSHA-10, Journeyman Classes to be Offered

OSHA-10 safety training and a variety of journeyman upgrade classes will be offered this winter and spring at the BAC Apprenticeship Training Center, 415 Minnehaha Ave., St. Paul. OSHA-10 classes also will be taught in locations around the state.

OSHA-10 classes last two days, pay a stipend of \$100 per day and provide required federal certification. Topics include electrical systems, scaffolding, hazardous materials, tools, stairways, ladders and personal protective equipment. Schedules are:

**Training Center, St. Paul**

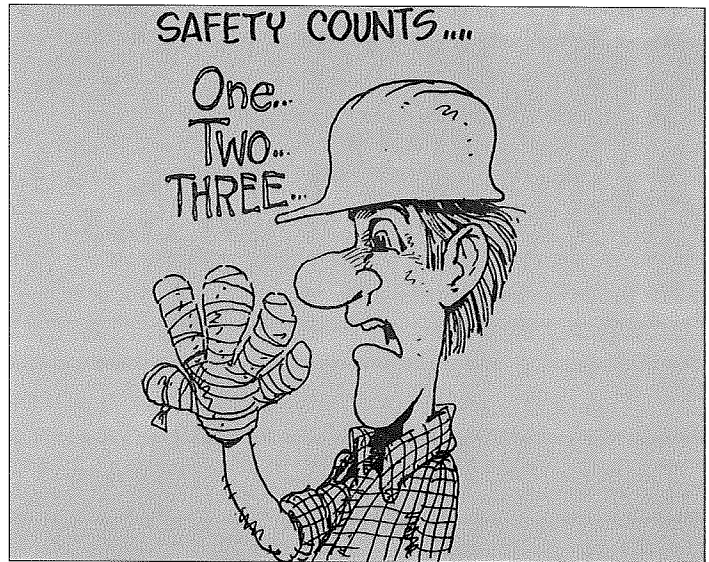
- Jan. 12 & 15: Group CC
- Jan 20 & 27: Group DD
- Feb. 9 & 12: Group EE
- Feb. 17 & 24: Group FF
- March 9 & 12: Group GG

**Other locations**

- Fergus Falls (call for location), Jan. 25 & 26
- St. Cloud, Palmer Town Center, March 22 & 23

Journeyman upgrade classes to be offered this winter and spring at the Apprenticeship Training Center are scheduled:

- Jan. 5: Arches Familiarization & Layout
- Jan. 19: Basic Brick Trowel Skills



- Jan. 26: Basic Brick Trowel Skills & Level Work
- Feb. 2: Stone Patch
- Feb. 16: Grout Certification
- March 2: Swing Stage Certification
- March 16: Cavity Wall & Flashing
- April 6 & 20 (two-day class): Blueprint Reading and Foreman Training

# SCHOLARSHIP SEASON IS BEGINNING



Parents who want to help their children find scholarships for college should note opportunities that are available only to union families. Scholarship season begins in the spring, with one of the best awards having an early deadline.

A scholarship that would award \$2,000 per year for up to four years to two sons or daughters of BAC members will be due March 1, 2007. Eligible to apply for Harry C. Bates Scholarships are students who are currently high school juniors, who have completed the PSAT test, and who plan to graduate in Spring 2008 and start college in the following fall.

Information how to apply is available at the International Union website – [BACWEB.org](http://BACWEB.org) – or by phone at 1-888-880-8BAC ext. 3111, or by e-mail from [askbac@bacweb.org](mailto:askbac@bacweb.org).

The Minnesota AFL-CIO also offers scholarships with deadlines from April 1 to May 1. Watch Web site [mnafl-cio.org](http://mnafl-cio.org) for posting of information on these awards; follow the link marked “Scholarships 2007.”

The March *Quarterly Update* will provide more information.

# GOLD CARD DINNER

## Bemidji



### **Seated**

50-year members, Conrad Beaulieu, Alfred Bragstad  
and George Rhen

### **Standing**

President James Lundquist, Chapter Chairman Rodney Sletten,  
40-year member Harlan Chisholm  
and Vice President Michael Ganz



# GOLD CARD DINNERS

## Grand Forks



### Left to right

Field Representative Randy Carlson, Apprentice Bricklayer Mike Olson  
Tom Anderson, 50-year Gold Card member Floyd Anderson and Robert Anderson

## Duluth



### Left to right

Field Representative and Chapter #3 Chairman James Stebe, completing apprentice Dustin George, 50-year Gold Card member Roger Carlson and President James Lundquist

## UNION MEMBERS BUILD VETERANS MEMORIAL



The Shieldsville, Minn., Veterans Memorial was finished in October.

Union members in Shieldsville, Minn., have given their town a memorial to honor all veterans, including the one for whom the town was named.

Retired Bricklayer Gordon A. Petersen and his wife, Carol, both officers of the Shieldsville Sportsman's Club, played a leading role in planning the 24-foot-long wall that now stands at the entrance to Hirdler Park.

At first, Petersen said, the idea was to honor Gen. John Shields, the U.S. Civil War general who served in the Union Army, then later founded and laid out the town of Shieldsville, near Faribault.

After his organization began working on the project, Petersen said, they agreed, "Let's just make it a veterans memorial for all veterans, and that's what we did."

The group started collecting money and donations in June, broke ground Sept. 14 and finished major construction in late October. Next year, Petersen said, they plan to add three flags – POW-MIA, U.S. and Minnesota – and a sand-blast-design of a soldier holding a rifle. Dedication is planned for the week before Memorial Day 2007.

While Petersen wasn't certain which of the vol-

unteers were veterans (he is one), he knew for certain that all were members of unions. Bricklayers, carpenters, laborers, finishers: "We needed all the unions to get together in order to get these things accomplished," he said.

Bricklayers alone, all but one retired, represented combined experience of around 250 years, Petersen said. They included Dave May, of Hutchinson; Brian Hedman, of Annandale; George Townley, of West Concord; Art Aube, Dennis Johnson and Gary Zick, of Faribault, and BAC Local 1 MN/ND Field Representative Mark Caron.

"We should thank the wives, too," Petersen said. "They're putting up with their husbands being gone a lot of the time."

Donations for the project came from many area businesses and clubs. Construction materials were contributed by contractors, many of them longtime employers of the retirees. Borson Construction Co., Bloomington, contributed stone. Faribault Ready Mix gave concrete. Concrete Materials, Inc., of Medford, gave most of the block.



Dennis Aaron  
 Kirk Aeilts  
 Hugo Arriaga  
 Nicholas Avila  
 Matthew Ball  
 Thomas Berg  
 Michael Beyer  
 Darwin Bode  
 Alan Boehm  
 Jeremy Boeson  
 Rocky Bommer  
 Glenn Bredeson  
 Phillip Bushweiler  
 William Butler-Severson  
 Bradley Buzzell  
 Kimberly Cable  
 Michael Carr  
 Halid Causevic  
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 Jacob Dolney  
 Colin Drake  
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 Daniel Eliasson  
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 Roy Entze II  
 Demetrius Evans  
 Matthew Evans  
 Christopher Ferris  
 Joseph Fiebiger  
 David Fjeld  
 Andrew Fossum  
 James Franck



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 Kevin Gibbs  
 Ryan Gilson  
 Peter Gladre  
 Donald Good  
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 Sean Hallas  
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 Jeffrey Hayes  
 Jeremy Hempel  
 Joshua Hetherington  
 Dean Hobbs  
 Justin Holliman  
 Brian Hove  
 Wade Hunter  
 Gary Huth  
 Scott Isaacson  
 Matthew Jasper  
 Jeff Jax  
 Dean Johnson  
 Steven Johnson  
 Danny Johnson  
 Nathaniel Johnson  
 Nathan Jones  
 Lucas Judy  
 Edward Kania  
 Chad Katzenberger  
 Kevin Keller  
 Joshua Kick  
 Charles Kirby  
 Yuri Kroll  
 Jonathan Langerud  
 Curtis Larson

**NEW MEMBERS**  
 We welcome these new members.

Troy Latzig  
 Gary Lawver  
 Chad Lea  
 Paul Lesch  
 Benjamin Leuthner  
 Austin Long  
 Thomas Lorey  
 Ted Loucks  
 Zachary Lovold  
 Eldon Lundgren  
 Peter Mansfield  
 William Marholtz IV  
 Illya Martin  
 Pedro Medina  
 Jose Medina  
 Christopher Miller  
 Thomas Monson  
 Peter Mucciacciaro  
 Alen Muhic  
 Timothy Mulligan  
 Derick Nelson  
 Mark Nemerov  
 Cory Nielsen  
 Michael Ollie  
 Matthew Olsen  
 Andrew Olson  
 Norma Ortega  
 Hugo Ortega  
 Shawn Overby  
 Randy Parlow  
 Robert Parlow  
 Joe Pearson  
 Levi Pender  
 Shane Perttula  
 Richard Peterson  
 Jason Popp  
 Michael Post  
 Evan Presler

Rory Raebel  
 Steven Register  
 Benjamin Reno  
 Kelly Reuter  
 Shane Rockneberg  
 Dallas Root  
 Brent Root  
 Travis Rosendahl  
 David Rosenlund  
 Roy Rosenlund  
 Gerald Rouillard  
 Amir Sahbegovic  
 Oleg Sandulyak  
 Nathanael Schaap  
 Derek Schultz  
 Jonathan Slama  
 James Smith  
 David Smith-Cunnien  
 Peter Sotelo  
 Justin Spooner  
 Joseph Staples  
 Jeremiah Starkey  
 Kendall Steele  
 Darren Streyle  
 Jerry Stroschein  
 Elliot Strunic  
 Billy Swaltz  
 Michael Taszarek  
 Jeremy Taurinskas  
 Scott Tovey  
 Joshua Trester  
 Alan Vance  
 Jose Vega  
 Joachjim Viljoen  
 Joshua Williamson  
 Matthew Wuorenma  
 Thomas Zehoski



**DECEASED MEMBERS**

We are sorry to report the deaths of these members, who are listed under their pre-merger locals...

**#1MN – St. Paul**

Kenneth H. Lee  
 Allan R. Wedig

**#2MN – Minneapolis**

John C. Danielson  
 Allen G. Lund  
 Warren V. Lundin  
 Mike W. Ondarko  
 John E. Peters

**#3MN – Duluth**

Arthur Carlson

**#8MN – Rochester**

Joe Hanson

**#11MN – Mankato**

Stanley J. Swensen Jr.  
 Lawrence Wentzlaff

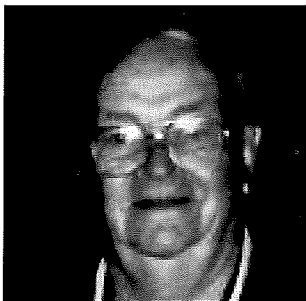
**#17MN – Red Wing**

Harlan A. Nelson

**#18MN – Metro Tile Layers**

Robert Krieger

**RETIRED BUSINESS MANAGER  
 AL WEDIG DIES AT 76**



Allan Wedig, (left) a longtime BAC Local #1 business manager, died Sept. 14 at Woodwinds Hospital, Woodbury. He was 76.

Al Wedig represented St. Paul-area union members for more than 20 years, beginning in 1968 as assistant to former business manager Gordy Christianson. After Christianson retired in 1978, Wedig was elected to succeed him as business manager for then-Local #1 St. Paul, and he held the job until his retirement in 1987. After retiring, he moved with his wife to a home on Lake Mille Lacs.

A U.S. Army veteran, Wedig had served in combat in Korea for two years, 1951-52. He later joked that his time in the military had sped by. "When somebody's shooting at you, time goes fast," he said. He had started working as a bricklayer while attending the University of Minnesota in the late 1940s. After his military service, he trained as an apprentice in St. Paul.

In addition to his wife of 52 years, Beverly, his survivors include six children, nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was a member of Aitkin American Legion Post #86 and of the Bethesda Lutheran Church, Malmo.

## R.S.V.P. by Dec. 4 for Chapter #1 holiday meeting

All members, who live and work in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, are invited to the annual holiday meeting, 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11, at the Prom Center in Oakdale. If you're coming, we need to hear from you by Dec. 4. Call 612-379-2966 or e-mail local1mn@aol.com. See you there.

## Return representation card

Make sure you send us an updated representation card, as required by the U.S. Dept. of Labor, before negotiations open in the spring. Cards are available in the office and from field representatives.

## Credit union to close Minneapolis office

Minnesota Building Trades Federal Credit Union has announced it will close its branch here in our building (312 Central Ave., Minneapolis) on Dec. 31. Branch offices in Inver Grove Heights, Maple Grove and Shoreview will remain open. Difficult parking and a decline in member usage were blamed for the decision.

## 'Verification of employment' should go to employer

Each week, we receive several verification-of-employment requests from members seeking home mortgages or other types of loans. Please remember that while we're happy to provide verification of membership, we can't verify employment. Please have your financial institution verify employment with your employer.

**PAID ADVERTISEMENTS** – Quarterly Update has begun this new feature that both will help our members and help us pay publication costs. We have opened a limited space to paid advertising, choosing individuals and firms we have worked with and trust. Occasionally, many of us as individuals need professional services like those seen here, and these ads can serve as a guide to resources that we have found reliable. Let us know what you think.

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**2007 – CHECK YOUR CALENDAR FOR IMPORTANT DATES**

Please clip the calendar and post it in a convenient spot so it's handy when you want to check meetings and events.

**Chapters #1 – Minneapolis-St. Paul**

312 Central Ave., Minneapolis: 4:30 p.m. Jan. 8, Feb. 12, March 12, May 14, June 11, Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Nov. 12  
Prom Center, 484 Inwood Ave., Oakdale: All Metro members, 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10

**Chapter #3 – Duluth-Hibbing**

Duluth, Duluth Labor Center: 7 p.m. Jan. 10, March 14, June 13, Sept. 12, Dec. 12  
Hibbing, Electricians Hall: 7 p.m. Feb. 14, May 9, Aug. 8, Nov. 14

**Chapter #4 – St. Cloud-Brainerd**

St. Cloud Labor Home, 1903 4th St. N.: 7 p.m. Jan. 3, Feb. 7, March 7, May 2, June 6, Aug. 1, Sept. 5, Nov. 7, Dec. 5  
Brainerd, American Legion: 7 p.m. May 3, Sept. 6, Dec. 6

**Chapter #11– Mankato-New Ulm**

Mankato, Mankato Eagles Club: 7 p.m. Jan. 4, March 1, June 7, Sept. 6, Dec. 6  
New Ulm, American Legion: 7 p.m. Feb. 1, May 3, Aug. 2, Nov. 1

**Chapter #8 – Rochester-Faribault**

Rochester, Rochester Labor Hall: 7 p.m. Jan. 8, March 5, Sept. 11, Dec. 3  
Faribault, VFW: 7 p.m. Feb. 5, May 7, Aug. 6, Nov. 5 (Faribault Bean Feed)

**Chapter #15 – Bemidji & North Dakota**

Bemidji, Elks Club: 7 p.m. Jan. 4, March 1 (Wage Allocation meeting), June 7, Aug. 2, Nov. 8  
Bismarck, AmVets: 8 p.m. March 16, Sept. 13  
Dickinson, St. Anthony Club, 8 p.m.: Jan. 11, June 14, Dec. 13  
 Fargo, Moorhead Travel Lodge: 7 p.m. Jan. 10 (Wage Allocation meeting), March 15, May 9, Aug. 9, Nov. 14  
Fergus Falls, Eagles Club: 7 p.m. Feb. 8  
Grand Forks, N.D., E. Grand Forks American Legion, 7 p.m. Feb. 14

**BRICKLAYERS AND ALLIED CRAFTWORKERS LOCAL 1 MINNESOTA/NORTH DAKOTA**

**NOTES**

√ *There will be no chapter meetings in April, July or October.*

(Wage Allocation meeting), June 13, Sept. 12, Dec. 12  
Minot, VFW: 7 p.m. Feb. 15 (meeting and Gold Card Dinner), May 10, Aug. 10, Nov. 15

**GOLD CARD DINNERS**

Cards will be mailed

**Metro Area Gold Card Luncheon**

Prom Center, 484 Inwood Ave., Oakdale  
11 a.m. Thursday, July 12

**Chapter #3 – Duluth-Iron Range**

Duluth area: Downtown Radisson, 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12  
Iron Range area: Hibbing Knights of Columbus, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13

**Chapter #4 – St. Cloud-Brainerd**

Eagles Club, 6 p.m. Saturday, April 7

**Chapter #11 – Mankato-New Ulm**

Best Western Hotel, Mankato  
6 p.m. Friday, April 27

**Chapter #8 – Rochester**

Rochester Marriott Hotel  
6 p.m. Friday, June 1

**Wage Meeting**

All chapters are invited to vote.

Minneapolis: 312 Central Ave.  
10 a.m. Saturday,  
Jan. 6

**Chapter #15 – Bemidji & North Dakota**

Bemidji: Northern Inn, 6 p.m. Saturday, June 23  
 Fargo: Moorhead Travel Lodge, 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9  
Minot: VFW, 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 15

**OTHER EVENTS**

**Retirees Club Breakfast Meetings**

Jax Café, Minneapolis  
9 a.m. Thursday, March 22, Sept. 20, Dec. 6

**Duluth-area Retirees meetings**

9:30 a.m., Miller Hill Mall food court, Duluth  
First Wednesday of each month

**Wage Allocation Meetings**

Bemidji: Elks Club, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 1  
 Fargo: Moorhead Travel Lodge, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10  
Grand Forks, N.D.: E. Grand Forks American Legion, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14  
Western North Dakota area: Beulah, 10 a.m. Saturday, March 17

**Executive Committee meeting**

312 Central Ave., Minneapolis  
9 a.m. Saturday, April 13, Oct. 5

**Semiannual Meeting – All of Minnesota & North Dakota**

312 Central Ave., Minneapolis  
10 a.m. Saturday, April 14, Oct. 6

**Chapter #1 Apprenticeship Banquet**

Jax Café, Minneapolis  
6 p.m. Thursday, April 26

**Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Golf Tournaments**

All members are welcome at both tournaments.  
Twin Cities Metro area: Pheasant Acres Golf Club, Rogers  
7 a.m. Saturday, July 28  
**Chapter #3 area:** Grandview Golf Links, Duluth  
8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8

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### KEEPING UP



#### 2006 - CHECK YOUR CALENDAR FOR IMPORTANT DATES

Please clip the calendar and post it in a convenient spot so it's handy when you want to check meetings and events. **Please see the 2007 calendar on Page 11.**

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

Prom Center, 484 Inwood Ave., Oakdale: All metro chapters, Dec. 11, 7 p.m.

#### Chapter #3 - Duluth-Hibbing

All meetings 7 p.m.  
Duluth, Duluth Labor Center:  
Dec. 13

Chapter #4 - St. Cloud  
All meetings 7 p.m.  
St. Cloud Labor Home, 1903 4th St. N.: Dec. 6

#### Chapter #11- Mankato-New Ulm

All meetings 7 p.m.  
Mankato, Teamsters Hall:  
Dec. 7

#### Chapter #8 - Rochester-Faribault

All meetings 7 p.m.  
Rochester, Rochester Labor Hall: Dec. 4

**Chapter #15 - Brainerd-Bemidji & North Dakota**  
All meetings at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted Brainerd, American Legion: Dec. 7

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*Happy holidays  
from your Local 1  
officers and staff.*

Grand Forks, N.D., E. Grand Forks American Legion: Dec. 13

Minot, VFW: 8 p.m. Dec. 14

#### OTHER EVENTS

Retirees Club Breakfast Meetings  
9 a.m. Dec. 7, Jax Café, Minneapolis



Duluth-area Retirees meetings  
9:30 a.m., Miller Hill Mall food court, Duluth  
First Wednesday of each month