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Maureen Mullen MASMS 2018 Facilities Professional of the Year

Maureen Mullen, Prior Lake-Savage Schools, is the 2018 MASMS Educational Professional of the Year. To receive the title the individual needs to be an innovator, natural leader and one who consistently exhibits professionalism, service and integrity. Maureen definitely fills each requirement !

Each year a \$1,000 scholarship is given to the home school in the name of the Educational Facility Management Professional of the Year. Thank you to Hillyard and Johnson Controls, who provide the funds for this award.

MASMS Members Recognized at the 2018 Conference



Lifetime Achievement Award
Scott Haag, Hillyard



Outstanding Business Contributors
Margaret Bishop, Nexus Solutions Inc.
Dennis Hale, BLB Consulting, Inc.
Brian Skoog, Brian Thompson &
Troy Thompson, The Garland Company
(Not Pictured)



Outstanding Educational Contributors
Scott Hogen, Mankato Schools
Not Pictured:
Jason Hruby,
Thief River Falls Schools
John Stenzel,
Waseca Schools (Retired)

Professional Partnership Award
Randy Morris, MASMS Lobbyist (Not Pictured)

The Gavel passed from 2017-2018 President Heather Nosan to 2018-2019 President Don Hanson



**Congratulations to
Kain Smith,
Waseca Schools
The new
MASMS
President
Elect!**

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WELCOME EDUCATIONAL MEMBERS


Benjamin Schuller, Austin Schools
 Benjamin Harri, St. Paul Schools
 Ross Jungers, Prior-Lake Savage Schools
 Bob Olson, Owatonna Schools
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 Jim Tschida, Minneapolis Schools
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Conference Networking!

10/17/18	Southern Chapter Meeting
10/24/18	Northwest Chapter Meeting
11/13/18	Metro Chapter Meeting
11/14/18	West Chapter Meeting
11/15/18	Northern Chapter Meeting
12/11/18	Metro Chapter Meeting
12/19/18	Southern Chapter Meeting
12/19/18	Northwest Chapter Meeting
12/20/18	Northern Chapter Meeting
1/8/19	State Meeting
1/16/19	West Chapter Meeting
1/17/19	Northern Chapter Meeting
2/12/19	Metro Chapter Meeting
2/20/19	Southern Chapter Meeting
2/21/19	Northern Chapter Meeting
2/27/19	Northwest Chapter Meeting
3/12/19	Metro Chapter Meeting
3/20/19	West Chapter Meeting
3/21/19	Northern Chapter Meeting
4/9/19	Metro Chapter Meeting
4/17/19	Southern Chapter Meeting
4/18/19	Northern Chapter Meeting
4/24/19	Northwest Chapter Meeting
5/1/19	West Chapter Meeting
5/14/19	State Meeting
6/12/19	Metro Custodial Days
6/13/19	Metro Custodial Days
6/18/19	Northern/NW/West Custodial Day
6/20/19	Southern Custodial Day

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HEALTH & Safety Section



The MASMS Health & Safety Committee supplies information for this section each month. If you have a specific topic you would like to see covered, just let the MASMS office know.

Can you hear me now? Hopefully you can, because October is National Protect Your Hearing Month.

But if you're one of the 22 million workers exposed annually to hazardous noise levels at work, it might be a struggle. According to the Centers for Disease Control, occupational hearing loss is the most common workplace injury in the U.S.

On top of the human toll of injured workers, occupational hearing loss also costs employers millions of dollars every year. According to OSHA, U.S. businesses pay out about \$1.5 million in penalties for not protecting workers from noise. Another estimated \$242 million is spent annually on workers' compensation for hearing loss injuries.



How loud is too loud?

If noise levels reach 85 decibels, it can damage your hearing after repeated exposure of longer than eight hours. What is 85 decibels? It's loud enough that you must raise your voice to be heard by someone an arm's length away. Many sounds reach this level, including lawn mowers, vacuums, or using earbuds with the volume level at about 70 percent.

Noise at 95 decibels (when you have to shout to be heard at arm's length) can be a risk to your hearing in less than an hour. Bulldozers, sirens, chain saws, and large sporting events are louder than 95 decibels.

Damaged hearing can make it difficult or impossible to hear high-pitch frequencies, and also make it hard to communicate with others. Researchers are also exploring if loud noise at work can have additional health effects, including high cholesterol and high blood pressure.

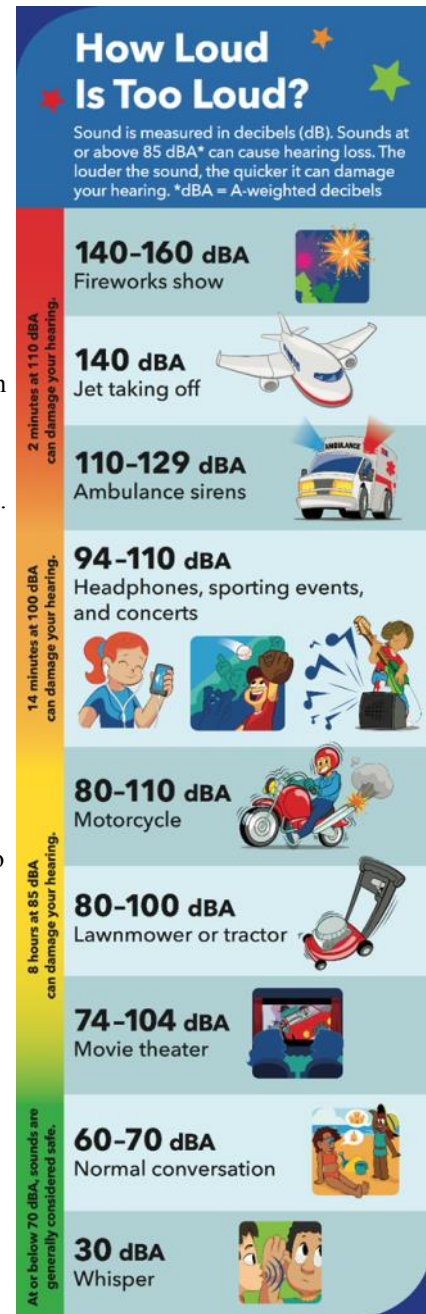
How to Protect Workers

Most people have seen or used ear plugs and ear muffs, but those are not the only – or most effective – ways to protect the hearing of workers. Engineering controls involve modifying or replacing equipment. Examples include:

- ~ using low-noise tools and machinery
- ~ maintaining and lubricating machinery and equipment
- ~ placing a barrier like a curtain or a sound wall between the noise source and the employee
- ~ enclosing or isolating the noise source

Administrative controls, which are changes in the workplace or schedule that reduce worker exposure to noise, can also be highly effective. These include:

- ~ operating noisy machines when fewer workers are present
- ~ limiting the amount of time a worker is exposed to the hazard
- ~ providing a quiet rest area for workers to remove themselves from the noise
- ~ move employees farther from the noise source; every doubling of distance decreases the exposure by six decibels



Eleven \$500 Building & Grounds Grants Awarded at the MASMS Conference

During the trade show on Thursday, MASMS held drawings for eleven \$500 Building & Grounds grants to be used for a building and grounds project of the school's choosing! **The following names were drawn this year, and their school will be presented with a \$500 grant!**

John Martinson, Dassel Cokato Schools
David Lake, Burnsville-Eagan Savage Schools
Paul Bell, Big Lake Schools
Kevin Eliason, Osseo Schools
Terrence Zerwas, Becker Schools
Corey Karren, Duluth Schools
David Spooner, Duluth Schools
Maureen Mullen, Prior Lake-Savage Schools
Chad Barthel, Big Lake Schools
Shawn Pocklington, Big Lake Schools
Jim Pasch, Northfield Schools
Tyler Visser, Ada-Borup Schools

Casino Night Winners

After the banquet many took part in a fun night of visiting and some casino night action! At the end of the night members were able to "purchase" tickets with their winnings! Here are the winners:

Ken Kraemer, ROCORI Schools ~ \$1000 Grant
Jason Barsness, Duluth Schools ~ \$500 Grant
Cole Nelson, Rochester Schools ~ \$500 Grant
Keith Nohava, Northfield Schools ~ \$500 Grant
Julee Quarve Peterson, Inc. ~ 2018 Expo Booth
Chad Rettke, Kraus Anderson ~ Newsletter Ad
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Twelve MASMS Members Completed the Required Curriculum for the MASMS Facility Manager Certification!

Maureen Mullen and Fred King (Educational Committee Members)
presented their certificates at the 2018 MASMS Conference!



Joe Wagner (Lake Crystal Wellcome Memorial) ~ Kevin Packer (Robbinsdale) ~ Cole Nelson (Rochester)
Darin Cherne (Grand Rapids) ~ Jerry Mundell (White Bear Lake) ~ Terrell Bellfield (Eden Prairie)
Thomas Bravo (St. Louis Park) ~ Kelly Klein (Warroad) ~ Scott Larson (White Bear Lake)
Terry Woodworth (Osseo)

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All the participants efforts helped make the day a huge success.
All funds raised go to the MASMS Scholarship Fund.

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Mr. Scott Clemente, ServPro Minnetonka Scholarship Committee Chair.



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2018 MASMS Scholarship Golf Event ~ Great Day of Damp Golf!



And the winning team...

Joe Arthurs, Greg Belde, Michael Radke, Kenrad Abramo, Will Brittain and Craig Petter



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“School Forest”

Last fall at Pine River-Backus, we completed a week-long community service project that involved removing invasive buckthorn from our school forest. Our school forest was pretty much decimated in this process, with the vast majority of the understory vanishing. We have, basically, only the large trees left. We are currently in the process of getting rid of regrowth and seedlings, burning or chipping the cut-down buckthorn, and cleaning up the remainder.

We need to replant native bushes/shrubs to begin to regenerate our school forest. We would use the grant money to purchase bushes/shrubs/small trees to help create homes for native birds and pollinators like butterflies and insects. Without a grant, our school forest will have to regenerate naturally, taking many years. Our outdoor classroom sustained a bit of damage over the winter, and we would also use a portion of the grant to fix the broken section in our classroom.

We would do this project in the fall and spring of this coming school year. The planting would take place in the spring, getting the area ready for planting and selecting the appropriate plants/shrubs to purchase would take place in the fall. This project would take place with the help of our local DNR forester. We would work with the DNR to get the seedlings cheaply from state, allowing us to get more for our money.

Karl Flier, MASMS Member



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