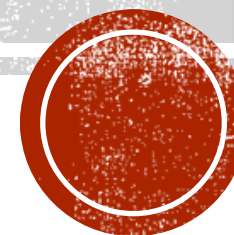


NDACE PAST PRESIDENTS

1951 - 2025



A.F. COUSINS 1903-1986

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- Term(s): 1951-1952 & 1952-1953
- Born: Elkader, Iowa
- Job History:
 - Various MN - County Engineer Jobs
 - Cass County – Engineer
 - Between 1950 to 1957



H.V. SCHWARTZ


- Term: 1953-1954

W.J. MURPHY

- Term: 1954-1955

NICK LUDOWESE

- Term: 1955-1956



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NELS SKAAR

- Term: 1956-1957
- Job History:
 - 1976 NDACE - Engineer of the Year



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ARLIE OMAN

- Term: 1957-1958

WAYNE CLARKE

- Term: 1958-1959



EMERY BRAASCH 1912-1996

- Term: 1959-1960

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LLOYD RICHMOND, SR.

- Term: 1960-1961



LLOYD RICHARD, SR.

- Term: 1961-1962



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CHARLES TRUAX

- Term: 1962-1963



L.J. MOORE

- Term: 1963-1964

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MAYNAD E. TATUM

- Term: 1964-1965

L.J. JOHNSON

- Term: 1965-1966





FRANK KARNIK 1908-2004

- Term: 1966-1967



LOUIS W. VEIGEL

- Term: 1967-1968

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STEVE ROBINSON

- Term: 1968-1969



PETE WOLD

- Term: 1969-1970

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VINCINT NICOLAI

- Term: 1970-1971



JOHN ALBERT 'JACK' COUSINS 1934-2019



- Term: 1971-1972
- Job History:
 - Assistant County Engineer in Red Wing County, MN 1969
 - Cass County Engineer 1969-1973
 - County Engineer in Waseca County, MN
 - County Engineer in Clay County, MN 1980-2005
 - County Engineer of the Year in 1987





VIRGIL WOLFGRAM 1930-2018

- Term: 1972-1973
- Job History:
 - Served in the Korean War
 - Worked at the Barnes County Highway Department from 1967 to 1975
 - Worked the State Highway Department
 - Worked at Interstate Engineering.



DUANE TORVIK

- Term: 1973-1974



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HENRY ENSRUD

- Term: 1974-1975





ROGER LEE 1932-2023

- Term: 1975-1976
- Job History:
 - Served in the Army and stationed in Germany
 - Indiana Tech and graduated with his bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering.
 - Started his career at the Highway Department in Devils Lake.
 - 1987 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - Original Partner of Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson



ROD RICHMOND

- Term: 1976-1977



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MARVIN KADRMAS 1936-1986

- Term: 1977-1978
- Job History:
 - Original Partner of Kadrmas, Lee & Jackson



KEN NELSON

- Term: 1978-1979
- Job History:
 - 1990 NDACE Engineer of the year



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DON INDVIK 1940-2024

- Term: 1979-1980
- Job History:
 - Began working for Wold Engineering in Bottineau in 1962
 - Acted as treasurer of the Bottineau Food Panty
 - 1984 NDACE Engineer of the year
- Other:
 - Don enjoyed traveling the world with Gertie, hunting, Thursday nights at the snowmobile shack, gardening, square dancing, singing in the choir, a good game of whist and enjoyed spending time with many friends and family.



RICHARD KJONAAS

- Term: 1980-1981
- Job History:
 - 1985 NDACE Engineer of the year



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RUSS WATTS

- Term: 1981-1982






TOM RICHEL 1947-2023

- Term: 1982-1983
- Job History
 - Richland County, ND - County Engineer
 - Wilkin County, MN - County Engineer



DAVE HEYER

- Term 1983-1984
- Born/Hometown:
 - Traill County, ND - County Engineer
- Other
 - Finished out Tom's Term



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ALAN ESTVOLD

- Term: 1984-1985
- Job History:
 - 1986 NDACE Engineer of the year





DENNIS MARKUSEN

- Term: 1985-1986
- Job History:
 - Walsh County Board Member
 - Registered Professional land surveyor
 - Walsh County Superintendent for 33 years
 - 1988 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - Since retiring in 2007, he has worked as a land surveyor in Grafton for KLJ?





T. FOREST JENNINGS 1919-2009

- Term: 1986-1987
- Born/Hometown:
 - Theodore grew up on a farm in northern Adams County. As a young boy he loved to "hitch" a ride on the county motor grader as it passed by the farm.
- Job History
 - Worked for the State AAA Farm Program surveying farms across ND. Surveying was something that he loved to do
 - 1983 NDACE - Superintendent of the Year
 - In 1993, he was appointed by Governor Shafer to the North Dakota State Health Task Force.
- Other:
 - For his 80th birthday, his children donated \$1000 in his name (T. Forest Jennings Scholarship) to start a scholarship fund for young engineers in the state.





JON R. MILL

- Term 1987-1988
- Born/Hometown:
 - Two Dot, MT
 - Two Dot, MT - Grade School & Harlowton, MT – HS
- Job History:
 - Summers 1966 to 1969 – Survey Crew – Montana SHD, US Forest Service
 - US Army National Guard- Jamestown & Valley City units – Specialist 5 – 1970 to 1976
 - NDDOT – VC District Project Engr 1970 to 1975, Construction Coordinator 1975 to 1981
 - Burleigh County Engineer – 1981 to 2008
 - Registered Professional Engineer & Land Surveyor
 - 1989 NDACE Engineer of the year
- Other:
 - Motorcycling, Fishing, Camping, Snowmobiling





GAILEN NARUM

- Term: 1988-1989
- Born/Hometown:
 - November 1936
 - From Douglas, ND
 - Currently living in Billings, MT
- Job History:
 - US Airforce, City of Fairmont, MN Ward County 1982-2002
 - Ward County, Engineer 1982 to 2002
 - 1993 NDACE Engineer of the year





DON RICHARDS 1934-1992

- Term: 1989-1990
- Job History:
 - BNSF Railroad Engineer
 - Barnes County Engineer 1962-1967
 - Clay County Engineer 1967-1980
 - Houston Engineering 1980-1985
 - Cass County Engineer 1985 to 1992
 - Past President of the MN & ND County Engineers Associations
 - 1991 NDACE Engineer of the year
- Other:
 - He was always so proud of his projects—bridges especially! He loved being an engineer and would be so proud of the 5 engineers there are in the family. One son and 4 grandsons.




MARK MARVEL

- Term: 1990-1991

LOREN DAEDE

- Term: 1991-1992
- Born/Hometown:
 - Jamestown, ND
 - Retired, living in Beulah, ND
- Job History:
 - Worked at Interstate Engineering between 1979 to 2018
 - 1998 NDACE Engineer of the year
- Other:
 - Enjoys following NASCAR racing, tinkering with his cars, spending time with family, loves to go snow skiing, and spending time in his garden.



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MONTE MEIERS

- Term: 1992-1993
- Job History:
 - 2000 NDACE Engineer of the year





JOHN WINDISH 1932-2001

- Term: 1993-1994
- Job History:
 - John started with the Barnes County Highway Department in 1948.
 - In 1951, he entered the United States Air Force and served until 1955. After being discharged he returned to Fingal and started again with the Barnes County Highway Department.
 - In 1970, John was appointed Barnes County Hwy. Superintendent, a position he held until his retirement in 1998.
 - After retirement, he then went to work for the engineering firm of Kadrmas, Lee and Jackson of Valley City and worked until November 2000.
 - 1982 NDACE - Superintendent of the Year





DAVE SETHRE

- Term: 1994-1995
- Born/Hometown:
 - Newfolden, MN
- Job History:
 - NDSU, graduate with a BS in Civil Engineering in 1974
 - Powers Willis & Associates in Iowa City, IA
 - KBM, Inc.
 - General Consulting Associates
 - Traill County, ND Engineer
 - Marketing Director at ND Concrete Council for 23 Yrs.
 - Retired in 2019, he now splits time between residences in Ottertail, MN and Sun City West, AZ





TIM KELLY

- Term: 1995-1996
- Born/Hometown:
 - Born 1958
 - Dickinson, ND
- Job History:
 - 34.5 years at KLJ in Dickinson
- Other:
 - Spending time with family, going to Twins and Vikings games, playing cards, & trips down south during the winter





ROGER KLUCK

- Term: 1996-1997
- Job History:
 - Ward County from 2002 to 2008
 - Senior Engineer for the City of Fargo – Retired July 2024





CHARLES MORMAN 1945-2024

- Term: 1997-1998
- Job History:
 - Worked at Toman Engineering in Mandan
 - 1965 began working at the Morton County Road Department, where he earned his North Dakota Licensed Land Surveyor certification in 1973.
 - Worked at Morton County for 45 years, ultimately retiring as Road Superintendent.
 - 2003 NDACE Engineer of the year

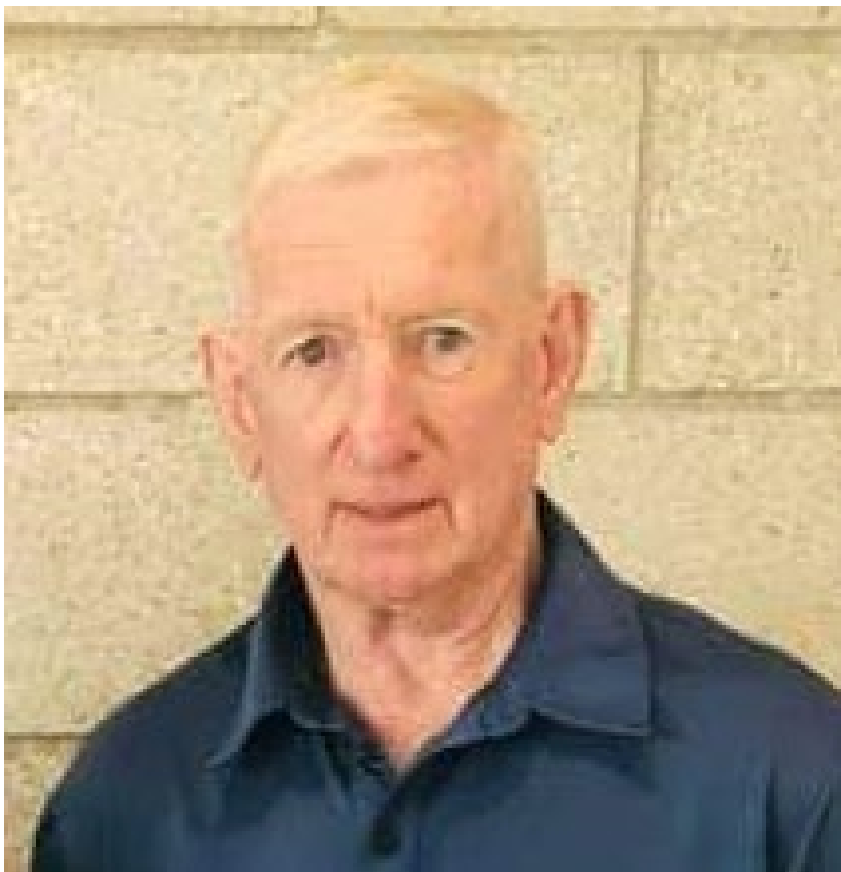




KEITH BERNDT

- Term: 1998-1999
- Born/Hometown:
 - Born 1960
 - Breckenridge MN
- Job History:
 - US Navy Active Duty 1983-1992
 - US Navy Reserve 1992-2007
 - 2002 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - Cass County, ND Engineer 1992-2011
 - Cass County, ND Administrator 2011 – 2016
 - Redwood County MN Engineer 2017-2019
 - Norman County MN Engineer 2019-Present
- Other:
 - Spending time at the lake, yardwork, house projects, fitness activities.





GENE HEBL

- Term: 1999-2000
- Job History:
 - LaMoure County, Hwy Superintendent 1975-2015
 - 2001 NDACE Superintendent of the year
- Other:
 - Enjoys Golfing





GEORGE MAY 1938-2021

- Term: 2000-2001
- Job History:
 - Worked at KLJ as Construction Manager / Lead Surveyor in Valley City, ND from 1976 to 2002
- Other:
 - Enjoyed Gardening, Watching Wildlife, Spending time at the lake, Making Choke Cherry Jelly and Baking Cookies.



STEVE THOMPSON



- Term: 2001-2002
- Born/Hometown:
 - Woodworth, ND
- Job History:
 - College – NDSSS & NDSU – Construction Technology
 - Worked at Interstate Engineering the summers of 1980 to 1982
 - Worked at Interstate Engineering between 1982 to 2018
 - 2005 NDACE Engineer of the year
- Other:
 - Bought a retirement house in Gilbert, Arizona. Spends winters in Mesa and summers in Jamestown, ND
 - Enjoys spending time with his family and grandchildren. Loves to go on hikes with his wife in the hills around Mesa. Enjoys spending time on the patio with his lovely wife (Deb) in Gilbert Arizona listening to the coyotes, watching the hummingbirds, and enjoying a glass of wine while watching the beautiful sunsets.





RON WAGNER

- Term: 2002-2003
- Born/Hometown:
 - Grew up on a farm/ranch in Washburn area
- Job History:
 - Started with McLean County in 1970 laborer/operator then road foreman
 - 1982 became Hwy Supt. until December 2014
 - 2004 NDACE Superintendent of the year
 - Ranched on the side after work and weekends
 - Works part time for Wold Engineering in the Bismarck office from 2015 to present as needed
- Other:
 - Time at lake cabin- fish a little- some woodwork - time with Grandkids and family- winter time in Texas for 5-6 weeks
 - Married - 2 boys - 4 grandkids - Life's Good!





RODNEY NESS

- Term: 2003-2004
- Job History:
 - L.G. Everist, Inc. 1978 to 1981
 - W. M. Clairmont May 1981 to Oct. 1981
 - Burleigh County Highway – Operator - Oct 1981 to Dec. 1988
 - Burleigh County Highway – Hwy Supe - Dec. 1988 to June 2012
 - 2006 NDACE Superintendent of the year
 - 2006 NDACo Appointed County Official of the year
 - 2008 NDACo Past President
 - Swanston Equipment Company - June 2013 to June 2024
 - Retired from Swanston Equipment - June 2024
- Other:
 - Married, 3 Kids and 3 Grandkids
 - Spending time at Lake Sakakawea in Pick City, Fishing/Boating, Hunting, Golfing, Snowmobiling and visiting with old friends.





JERRY KRIEG

- Term: 2004-2005
- Born/Hometown
 - From Dickinson, ND
- Job History:
 - Graduated from NDSCS in 1979
 - Graduated from NDSU in 1981
 - Worked at the NDDOT in Dickinson from 1979 to 1984
 - Worked at KLJ in Dickinson from 1984 to 2018
 - 2007 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - Retired from KLJ Engineering
- Other:
 - Hunting, fishing, golfing, chasing grandkids around to school and sporting events





TREVOR CHRISTIANSON

- Term: 2005-2006
- Job History:
 - BS in Civil Engineering, NDSU 1990
 - Worked at Wold Engineering, PC – 1993 to 2007
 - 2007-Present the President of Mayo Construction, Inc.
- Other:
 - Bison Fan, Hunting, Snowmobiling, Trail Riding
 - 5 grandchildren, Enjoy trips to Arizona and Bison Tailgating





DAMON DEVILLERS

- Term: 2006-2007
- Job History:
 - Worked at Interstate Engineering over 35 years ago, with a brief venture into the public sector.
 - Currently serving as Chairman of the Board.
 - 2008 NDACE Engineer of the year





TIM SCHULTE

- Term: 2007-2008
- Job History:
 - 2009 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - City of Grand Forks 1988-1994
 - Mahnomen County Engineer in 1994-1999
 - Richland County Engineer in 1999-2014
 - 2014-Present the Vice President of Mayo Construction, Inc.
- Other:
 - Golf, Hunting, Fishing, most outdoor activities. Bison Football Fanatic!
 - Married with two daughters





DANA LARSEN

- Term: 2008-2009
- Born/Hometown:
 - Born November 1973
 - Grenora, ND
- Job History:
 - Ward County Engineer
 - Worked at Ward County since 1999-Present
 - NDACo Board Member
 - 2010 NDACE Engineer of the year





CHUCK GLYNN

- Term: 2009-2010
- Job History:
 - Dickey County Highway Superintendent
 - 2011 NDACE Superintendent of the year





KERRY JOHNSON

- Term: 2010-2011
- Job History:
 - He served as the superintendent for 25 years, Johnson said one of his most notable accomplishments was working to build a new shop after the old one burned back in February of 2002.
 - Kerry retired from the Barnes County Highway Department after 46 years.
 - 2012 NDACE Superintendent of the year





MICHAEL RIVINIUS

- Term: 2011-2012
- Job History:
 - Vice President of Wold Engineering
 - 2013 NDACE Engineer of the year





KEVIN FIELDSEND

- Term: 2012-2013
- Born/Hometown:
 - Born 1960
- Job History:
 - Kevin acted as Assistant Highway Superintendent for Spink County, SD for 11 years. Worked there for 13 years.
 - Highway Superintendent for Ramsey County, ND for 29 years
 - NDACo Board Member
 - 2014 NDACE Superintendent of the year





STEVE MAMER 1970-2019

- Term 2013-2014
- His 24 year engineering and construction management career was entirely spent at Interstate Engineering from April of 1992, where he was the Project Manager and Office Manager until his retirement in April 2016.
- Steve was a proud Sergeant of the Army National Guard, enlisting in December 18, 1987 and serving until February 2, 1993 when he was Honorably Discharged.
- Steve was also a Volunteer Firefighter on the Beulah Fire Department
- 2015 NDACE Engineer of the year





SHARON LIPSH

- Term: 2014-2015
- Hometown:
 - Fordville, ND
- Job History:
 - BS Civil Engineering – UND
 - Walsh County
 - Administrative Officer 1998 to 2007
 - Superintendent 2008-2021
 - 2018 NDACE Superintendent of the year
 - Currently the Public Works Director for the City of Grand Forks
- Other:
 - As I reflect on my time with NDACE, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity to work alongside such dedicated and talented professionals. Together, we made meaningful progress—improving infrastructure, fostering innovation, and strengthening the counties and communities we serve.
 - What stands out most, though, are the relationships. The collaboration, support, and camaraderie I experienced were truly inspiring and unforgettable. I am proud to have been part of such an incredible organization. Now, as I watch from afar, I continue to feel immense pride in the work that carries on.
 - Thank you for allowing me to be part of this journey—it's an experience I will always treasure.





MIKE AUBOL

- Term: 2015-2016
- Born/Hometown:
 - From New Town, ND
- Job History:
 - Burleigh County Assistant Engineer
 - Ulteig – Project Engineer
 - Morton County Engineer
 - 2017 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - Currently the Division Manager, of Western Project Development at Subsurface





MARCUS HALL

- Term: 2016-2017
- Born/Hometown:
 - St. Clair, MN
- Job History:
 - Iowa Department of Transportation, LHB Engineers, St. Louis County Minnesota, Burleigh County, ND
 - 2019 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - Marcus Hall was recognized as the national rural county engineer of the year in 2020.
- Other:
 - Ranching, Church and spending time at the Cabin



JENNIE KRAUSE



- Term: 2017-2018
- Born/Hometown:
 - From Lemon, SD
- Job History:
 - Started working at KLJ in 2006
 - She has served in multiple roles across the company, specifically working with KLJ's surface transportation and oil and gas clients, acting as project manager.
 - Currently the Associate Vice President of Operations Planning and Performance at KLJ





JASON BENSON

- Term: 2018-2019
- Born/Hometown:
 - Born in Minot, Elementary School in Glenburn, ND, and graduated High School from Jamestown, ND
- Job History:
 - Cass County Engineer since 2011. Prior to becoming the County Engineer Jason served as a construction and design engineer for Cass County from 2000 to 2011.
 - 2021 NDACE Engineer of the year
 - Military service since 1989 with five deployments to Macedonia, Kosovo, Bosnia, Iraq, and Kuwait/Jordan
 - In January of 2024, he was promoted to brigadier general and was assigned as the Assistant Division Commander for Maneuver for the 34th Infantry Division "Red Bulls" headquartered out of Arden Hills, MN.
 - Currently the Executive Director of the Fargo Moorhead Diversion Authority
- Other: Married with three adult children





SHAWN MAYFIELD

- Term: 2019-2020
- Job History:
 - KLJ Senior Project Engineer





DAN SCHRIOCK

- Term: 2020-2021
- Born/Hometown:
 - Minot
- Job History:
 - Senior Assistant Burleigh County Engineer – Worked for Burleigh County since 2007
 - 2022 NDACE Engineer of the year
- Other:
 - Motorcycling, Hunting, PC Enthusiast, Being a dad





NICK WEST

- Term: 2021-2022
- Born/Hometown:
 - Thompson, ND
- Job History:
 - Graduated UND Civil Engineering 2002
 - Project Engineer for SEH 2003-2005
 - Project Engineer/Office Mgr. for KLJ, Inc. 2005-2014
 - Grand Forks, County Engineer 2014-Present
 - Various Boards: St Jude's Church, Thompson Men's Club, NDACE, advisory board for UND Civil Engineering, Allendale Township, and Thompson Public School.
- Other:
 - Farming, hunting, outdoors, working on hotrod, children's activities.
 - Married with four children





AL HEISER

- Term: 2022-2023
- Born/Hometown:
 - Dickinson, ND
- Job History:
 - Graduated from Trinity HS
 - Stark County, Road Superintendent since 2004
 - 2016 NDACE Superintendent of the year
 - Dunn County Commissioner – Dec. 2024 to Present





JANA HENNESSY

- Term: 2023-2024
- Born/Hometown:
 - Native Czech Republic
- Job History:
 - Her passion for engineering at the University of West Bohemia, specializing in mechanical engineering and metallurgy, ultimately earning a master's degree in these fields.
 - Appointed by Governor Doug Burgum to serve on the North Dakota High-Level Radioactive Waste Advisory Council.
 - Worked at Navteq from 2005-2010
 - Quality Engineer at Northrop Grumman from 2010 to 2013
 - Mountrail County Engineer 2013 to Present
- Other:
 - After completing her education, Jana moved to the United States to start a family with her husband in North Dakota.





MIKE MAY

- Current President: 2024-2025
- Born/Hometown:
 - Valley City, ND
- Job History:
 - College: NDSCS Architectural Drafting & Estimating & NDSU: Facility Management
 - Senior Project Manager at Interstate Engineering since 2002, worked at a different firm 11 years prior.
- Other:
 - When not working, I am hunting, fishing, and spending time with my children and grandchildren.



**IF ANYONE HAS ANY INFORMATION
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