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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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HOLIDAY CULINARY EVENT Location TBD

NEWS

SPEED MENTORING

The annual North Central Speed Mentoring event on September 17th was once again a success! The event, hosted by Fluid Interiors, gave students a chance to spend 10 minutes each with professionals from various sectors of the hospitality industry to pick their brains.



NEWH North Central president Brittany Johnson shares her experiences in the industry with several students. Photo credit to Dana Leis



Studio Hive Principal Shawn Gaither sits down to answer questions from a group of eager students. Photo credit to Dana Leis

BRIT'S PUB FUNDRAISING EVENT

A great turnout helped to make this year's annual fundraiser one of the best yet! Hospitality professionals and students enjoyed an evening of networking, beer flights, lawn bowling, and a silent auction!





From Left: Natalie Miller, Joy Bahmer, Justine Currine, Greg Hennes, Jim Zwers, Jimmy Gonzales. Photos Credited to Dana Leis

BLANK CANVAS COMPETITION

Congratulations to Heather Novak Peterson of Cuningham Group for her winning design in this year's Blank Canvas Competition! This year's student honorable mention went to Elizabeth Williams, Art Institutes International of Minnesota, for her design titled Crystallize.





Heather's winning upholstery design was titled MN *Modern.* The pattern was inspired by Heather's love for the abstraction of geometric patterns, Scandinavian simplicity, and the decorative concepts expressed in 20th Century Eastern European paintings. Heather's prize included the chair (seen above) upholstered in her design. Photos courtesy of Tim Heitman



WHAT'S NEW

Heyday

Located on Lyndale in Minneapolis, Heyday is a sophisticated, yet relaxed place to enjoy New American food in an elegant, rustic-chic environment.





Photos courtesy of Heyday

SilverCreek on Main

The new Silvercrest Senior Living Community located in Maple Grove was designed by Kaas Wilson Architects and Encompass Interiors. Features include an extensive wellness area with swimming pool and hydroworx aquatic therapy pool, a theater, bistro, and club room.



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HIGHLIGHTS

Top ID 2015

Top ID 2015 awards for the North Central chapter went to Cuningham Group Architects, Shea Architects, and ESG Architects. For this quarter's newsletter, we asked Cuningham Group Associate Principal Michele Espeland to share some of the secrets to Cuningham Group's success:

What new trends in the hospitality industry are you most excited about?

Interior Design has become more interesting. Texture, layers, detail and color bring complexity to a project that through varied balance always create a new and unique design solution. Clients and guests expect more from us and that continues to successfully push our creativity.

Vendors and manufacturers appear to be, once again, investing in more research and development which will contribute to better products and materials. A higher level of innovation, sustainability and aesthetics is long overdue!

What do you think is Cuningham Group's key to success in this industry? Our people. Our employees, our clients, our consultants, together,

create a unified design team that only delivers successful projects!

Here is a peek at some exciting new projects from Cuningham Group!

Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel Murphy, North Carolina New Construction - opened September 28th



Cypress Bayou Casino Hotel Charendon, Louisiana Renovation - opening December 2015



Rhythm City Casino

Davenport, Iowa New Construction - opening mid-2016



Nugget Casino Resort Sparks, Nevada Renovation - phased openings through 2016

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