

State of the Museum 2023-2024



2023 Administration and Library

- A single landlord for CHSL
- Long-term investment account created
- All Minnegazettes posted online
- Twin City Lines back issues posted online
- First history intern
- Russ Olson papers $\frac{3}{4}$ scanned
- Large collection of transfers received from MTM, transfers and small artifacts organized
- 147 new photos and artifacts catalogued into the database. Total now is 14,375

2023 Como-Harriet

- CHSL car barn hard-wired for wifi
- Wood depot platform removed
- Plans created for depot canopy
- Old tower car to National Capital Trolley Museum
- TCRT No Trespassing sign restored
- Groundskeeping power tools electrified
- First Doors Open-Minneapolis event
- First American Sign Language event

2023 Excelsior

- Carbarn furnaces replaced
- Rear carbarn wall repaired
- Carbarn passenger platform rebuilt
- New concrete apron in front of the carbarn
- Winona 10's motor repaired and installed
- Emergency lights and exit door lights installed
- Floor and safety features added to tower car
- Widened vehicle entrance to rail yard
- 265 rebuild underway

Personnel changes

Jerry Olson retired as Foreman and operator

John Prestholdt retired as CHSL Shop Foreman

Excelsior Superintendent: Todd Bender to Karen Kertzman

Treasurer/Board Member: Chris Heck to David Downs

Special Events Coordinator: Rod Eaton to Pat Cosgrove

Jerry Betz to CHSL Grounds Foreman and streetcar
Foreman

Jerry Draeger to ESL Grounds Foreman

Katie Barron to CHSL Foreman

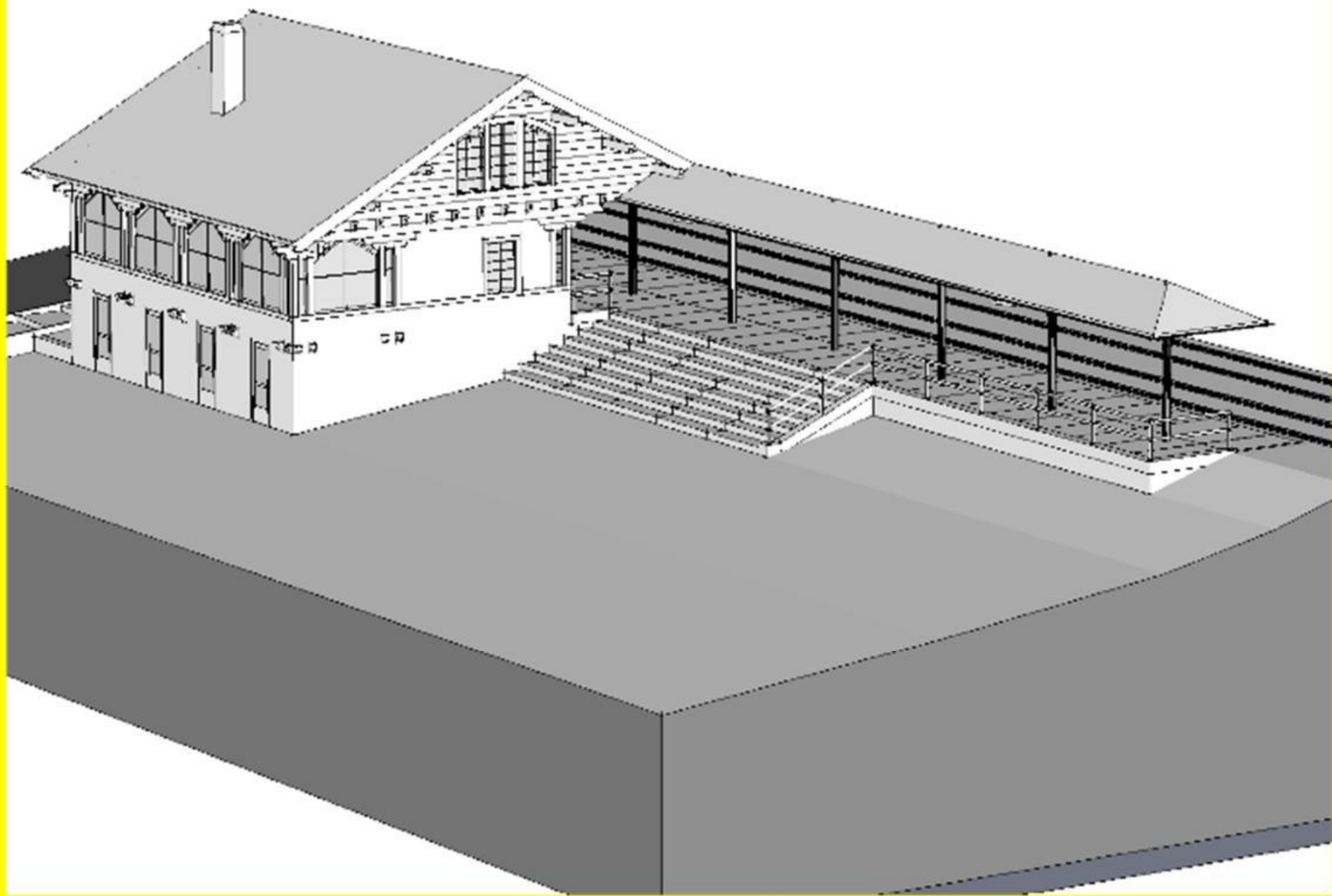
17 new operators and station agents trained

2024 coming attractions ESL

- 265 return to service, exterior refreshed
- Winona 10 in service. Window shades installed
- ESL car barn lighting replaced with LEDs
- Water Street ticket booth repaired and painted
- ESL storage shed constructed
- Upstairs railings rebuilt to OSHA standards
- New radios purchased

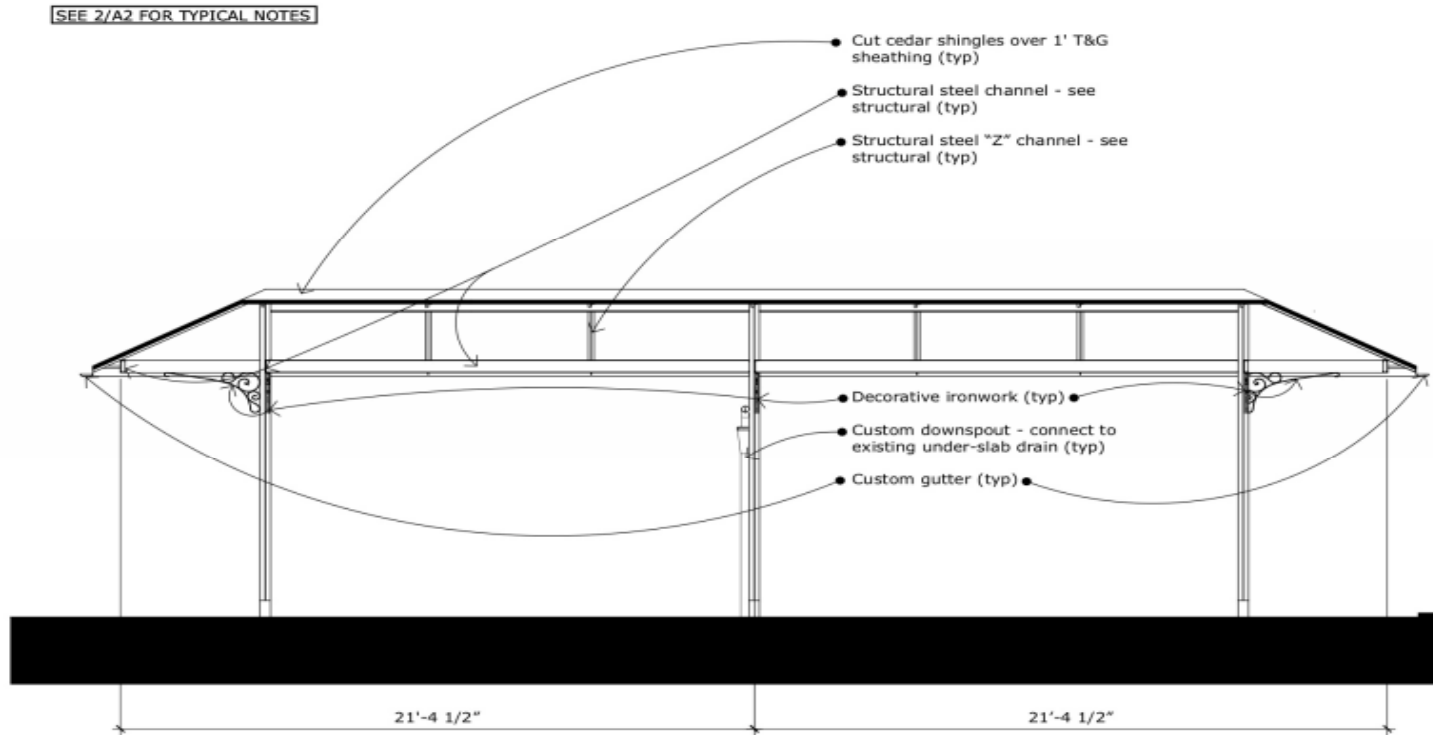
2024 coming attractions CHSL

- Revised Sequence of Operations
- PCC 322 return to service
- Depot platform and canopy completed
- 1239 trucks completed
- 200 CHSL ties replaced, end runoff ramp built
- Russ Olson research paper scans completed
- New radios purchased





Depot canopy



1/A4 North/South Section | 1/4" = 1'-0"

NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S JOB

The past few years have seen too many unsafe incidents. We need to do better. 2024 is the year for us to start creating a culture of safety.

John Dillery has chaired a committee that has drafted a new Safety Policy, now being finalized. It will be implemented as soon as possible.