

Montana Professional Engineers Hall of Fame

Tom Beaudette, P.E.

Montana Professional License Number 5566 (1983)

- * University of Montana, B.A., Business Management, 1975
University of Washington, B.S., Civil Engineering, 1979
- * Key member of Atwood-Hinzman in Missoula, MT prior to founding Beaudette Consulting Engineers (BCE) in 1991. Was a primary shareholder and company leader until 2017 when BCE merged with DCI, continuing to contribute to the success of the business as a Principal Emeritus.
- * From Big Sandy, MT, used a modest and common-sense approach leading to established and trusted partnerships with clients across Montana, including universities and surrounding national parks. These private and public institutions directly benefitted from his expertise in preserving historic structures and designing new and innovative buildings. Over the past 30 years, rose to prominence in the state's structural engineering market and is best known for historic renovation work throughout Montana, surrounding states, and National Parks in the Mountain Region.
- * Restoration of the Old Faithful Inn within Yellowstone National Park was a most prominent achievement. Constructed in 1904, the building withstood the harsh elements and large 7.3 magnitude earthquake in 1956. At the end of the 20th century, the building was in dire need of repair. Over a decade of construction, his creativity and expertise were essential in upgrading the building to withstand modern snow, seismic and wind loads while preserving the historic fabric of this national treasure in time for its centennial anniversary in 2004.
- * Participating member of Preserve Montana; American Society of Civil Engineers; Timber Framers Guild of North America; International Log Builders Association; Precast/Prestress Concrete Institute; State of Montana Tramway Inspector; International Conference of Building Officials; Missoula County Hospital Board of Directors; Habitat for Humanity; Montana State University College of Engineering Scholarship Fund; and Hands Together Board of Directors.
- * Donated countless hours with Hands Together, a non-profit organization dedicated to rebuilding communities in Haiti following the devastating 2010 earthquake in Port-au-Prince. Took several trips each year from 2010-2015, providing assessments and seismic retrofits for existing schools and aiding in the construction of new schools for over 8,000 students. Also provided vital training to local contractors and seminars to students to educate the public and provide a level of comfort in occupying these school buildings.
- * Overall contribution to the engineering profession is defined by an expansive network of clients, excellent reputation, unique expertise, and ability to mentor and train outstanding structural engineers to provide essential services to the building industry of Montana. A distinctive approach has built a legacy of excellence, integrity and professionalism that is second to none.

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