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E-NEWSLETTER OF THE HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF DOTHAN & THE WIREGRASS AREA

No General Membership Meeting in July!!

Please enjoy your summer!

COMING IN AUGUST

Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, August 12, 2015

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Clarion Inn & Suites

Building Energy Efficient Homes with Steve Easley

(More details in newsletter)



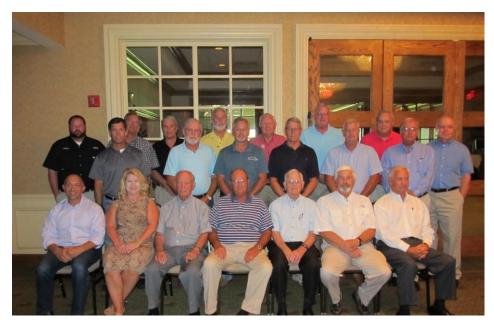
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Past President's Luncheon



Seated from left to right: Mark Saliba1993&1994, Gina Grant McNeal 2013, James Grant 1984, James Tyson 1983, Tom West 1980, Darrell Gilmer 1971, David Dulaney 1988. Standing from left to right: Matt Anderson 2014, David Brewer 2010, Allen Loyed 2005, Sam Hathcock 2004, James Lewis 1999, Bill DeLoney 1988, Scott Jones 2009, Carl Hobbs 1985, Roger Speigner 2000, Don DeLoney 1981, Mike Blissett 2002, Joe Dease 1976, Dan Morris 1998 and Bart Liddon 2012&2015.



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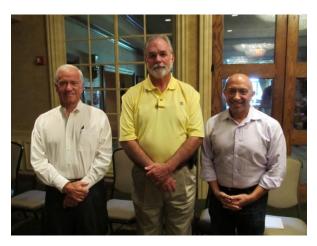
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE.....



The weather outside tells us like nothing else does that summer has arrived in Southeast Alabama. Your association has a wide variety of activities spread over the summer months that I hope you will plan to take advantage of. But first I'd like to make mention of our really great June meeting.

On June 18th at the general membership luncheon we paid homage to all of the past presidents who have served our association since its founding in 1956. It was quite a memorable meeting. While many of our leaders are still working hard and contributing to our industry daily, most of those who served in the '70's and '80's have retired.

Many of those present had not seen each other for quite some time. It was quite entertaining to listen to what the housing industry was like in the good old days and how it has changed over the years. The event was, you might say, our own version of a family reunion.

Russell Davis, the Executive Officer of the Home Builders Association of Alabama, attended the luncheon and gave quite an interesting and entertaining talk. Russell joined our organization in 1984 so he's known and worked with a number of those present. His talk was a message of substance as well. The Alabama Legislature had just ended its session without passing a budget for the state government and it was fascinating to get Russell's take on it.

Russell and his staff represented our industry well during the session. They were deeply involved in the passing of legislation regarding home owners associations, plumbing contractors and heating, air conditioning and refrigeration contractors, among their numerous accomplishments this legislative term. There is so much going on behind the scenes in Montgomery that we are not aware of. We can all take comfort that Russell and his staff watches our backs extremely well.

That was not the only important talk given at the meeting as our Chief Building Inspector, Craig Scurlock, reported to us that the Alabama Energy and Residential Codes Board has decided to pursue compliance with the 2015 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) rather than the 2012 IECC. According to Craig the good news is that the new code, with amendments, will not be that much different from the 2009 IECC that we are currently under. I think everyone breathed a sigh of relief on that news as the rumors were that it was going to be much more restrictive. All in all it was quite an impressive meeting. I hope we'll have more like it.

Here's a quick rundown of some of the major events in the weeks and months ahead:

- We will not meet for a General Membership meeting in July. However, the HBAA will be hosting the Summer Board meeting in Sandestin, July 16, 17 and 18.
- We are having a Lunch and Learn entitled "Building Energy Efficient Homes" with nationally known speaker Steve
 Easley, sponsored by Parksite, Inc. It will be held on August 12 from 10 am 12 noon at the Clarion Inn & Suites.
- And please plan to participate in our annual ABPAC Golf Tournament, Thursday, Sept 3 at the Highland Oaks Golf Course.

Enjoy your summer, and we'll see you at one or more of the varied activities ahead.

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Office Closed

Date: Friday/ July 3

Board Meeting

Date: Thursday / July 9
Time/Location: 12:00 noon / HBA Office

HBAA Summer Board

Date: Thursday-Saturday / July 16-18

Time/Location: Destin

Associate Council Meeting
Date: Tuesday / July 21
Time/Location: 12:00 noon / HBA Office

No Eufaula Meeting in July

August

Lunch & Learn / GMM

Date: Wednesday / Aug. 12

Time/Location: 10:00am - 12:00pm / Clarion Inn & Suites

Board Meeting

Date: Thursday / Aug. 13
Time/Location: 12:00 noon / HBA Office

GMM Eufaula

Date: Thursday / Aug. 27

Time/Location: 12:00 noon / Eufaula Country Club

<u>September</u>

ABPAC Golf Tournament

Date: Thursday / Sept. 3
Time/Location: 11:00 am /

Board Meeting

Date: Thursday / Sept. 10
Time/Location: 12:00 noon / HBA Office

Skeet Shoot

Date: Thursday / Sept. 24

Time/Location: TBA





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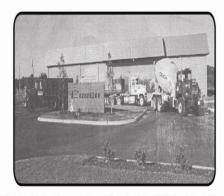
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Greg Anderson,



FROM THE OFFICE...

I hope you are enjoying your summer. This year is flying by and it's been a great year so far! Hold on to your hats though because we have many fun ways to become involved. First, it's time to dust off those golf clubs and get your team together for the annual ABPAC golf tournament on September 3rd. Right after the golf tournament you can get ready for hunting season at our skeet shoot September 24th. And don't forget the annual BBQ/Raffle. Buy your ticket early and take a chance on winning \$7 GRAND. Wouldn't that come in handy for Christmas?!

Hope to see you soon!

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- 7. Education- The potential drawback of skimping outweighs any savings.
- **6.** The professional distinction of membership makes a strong case in today's market. There's really no excuse for home builders working today NOT to budget for membership.
- 5. News, product roundups, policy analysis, consumer preference information and business trends 24-7.
- **4.** Public awareness, representation in the media and government affairs all benefit from the power of our numbers. As a member, you're a part of the solution.
- 3. Cut costs by leveraging the buying power of our 175,000+ members. It's called the Member Advantage program for a reason.
- 2. A reliable business network. You've heard the saying "penny-wise, pound foolish"?

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- 1. The best is yet to come. As the industry changes, so too does our association. Do yourself a favor: renew today and stay engaged.

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The Home Builders Association of Dothan and the Wiregrass Area, a non-profit trade association, is a network of builders and associates whose mission is to educate, promote and instill the professional principles of the home building industry in our members and community. We strive to promote growth through quality housing for our community to fulfill the American dream of home ownership.

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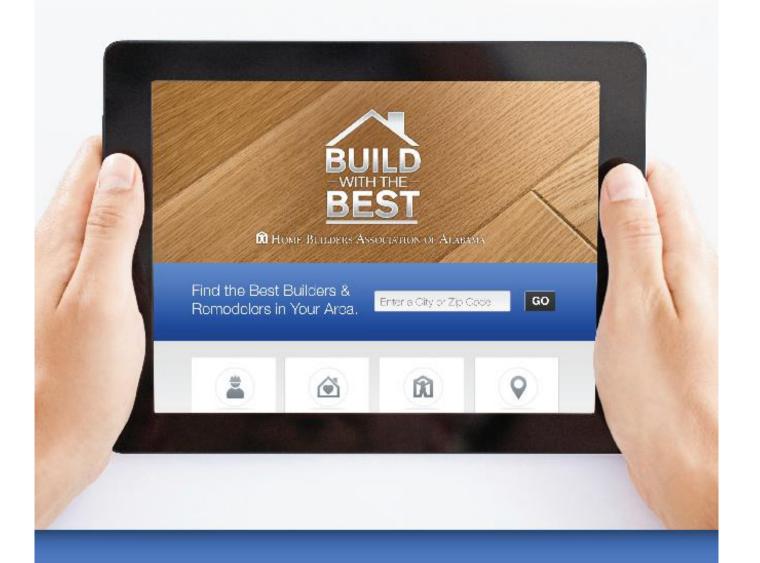
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JUST THE FACTS ABOUT



The Home Builders Association of Alabama (HBAA) has been working hard to promote housing and pass legislation that will help you save money and improve the way you do business. Here are a few facts about how the HBAA's governmental affairs efforts are working for you:

- The HBAA is stimulating Alabama's economy through its work to pass the Alabama Home Buyer Initiative. This program will create \$300 million in economic activity.
- The HBAA's legislative efforts reduced property tax on developed lots by 50% for 2012 & 2013. That same legislation reduces the property tax on inventoried houses by 50% from now on!
- The HBAA convinced the Alabama
 Department of Public Health to create a state lead paint program in order to keep EPA out of Alabama and to lower costs for Alabama remodelers.
- The HBAA is a founding member of the Business Association Tax Coalition and the Civil Justice Reform Committee, groups that have brought about meaningful tort reform to Alabama's courts and fairness to Alabama's tax laws.
- HBAA-backed legislation eliminated the prohibition on pre-sale agreements for lot sales. This victory means commercial lenders will be more likely to provide development financing in the future.
- HBAA provisions in the new landlord tenant law increases the amount of time to return a deposit from 35 days to 60 days, reducing the administrative burden on investment property owners.



- The HBAA eliminated local government's ability to charge a business license on each unit in a multifamily development. This ensures that owners will not have to pay a fee on units that are not generating revenue.
- The HBAA took the lead in crafting Alabama's first statewide energy and building code that reflects the wishes of Alabama's builders, NOT the Federal DOE.
- HBAA legislative efforts ensure that tax appeals are heard before a tribunal instead of members of the Department of Revenue staff.
- The HBAA has partnered with Alabama Power to create the Duct and Envelope Tightness testing program, allowing HVAC contractors to conduct their own inspections and saving builders hundreds of dollars per house.
- The HBAA seeks to **promote skilled trades** through the use of unused HVAC and Plumbing licensure funds that currently revert to the State's general fund.
- The HBAA is working to expand incentives for wind resistant construction and retrofits statewide through potential tax credits and insurance reductions. These incentives will encourage new remodeling opportunities and consumer driven upgrades on new construction.

Your support of ABPAC, the HBAA's political action arm, enables us to fight oppressive regulatory burdens, elect pro-business and pro-building candidates, and to pass legislation that benefits Alabama's housing industry while opposing legislation that could negatively impact the way you do business.

It PAYS to be a member-ask us how you can give back to ABPAC today!



Save The Dates!!!!!

July 16, 17, 18

HBAA Summer Board Meeting

September 3rd

ABPAC Golf Tournament

August 12

Lunch & Learn
Building Energy Efficient Homes
with Steve Easley

September 24

Skeet Shoot

NAHB Designations

What types of Designations are available?

- Certified Aging-In-Place Specialist (CAPS)
- Certified Graduate Associate (CGA)
- Certified Graduate Builder (CGB)
- Certified Graduate Remodeler (CGR)
- Certified Green Professional (CGP)
- Certified New Home Marketing Professional (CMP)
- Certified New Home Sales Professional (CSP)
- Graduate Master Builder (GMB)
- Graduate Master Remodeler (GMR)
- Housing Credit Certified Professional (HCCP)
- Master Certified Green Professional
- Master Certified New Home Sales Professional (Master CSP)
- Master in Residential Marketing (MIRM)

Why should I obtain a professional designation?

By obtaining a designation, you will distinguish yourself from thousands of other builders, remodelers or associates. A designation can help you gain recognition as an industry leader and call attention to yourself in a crowded marketplace.

Can I earn more than on designation?

Yes, you many earn as many designations as you would like. Once you have obtained your CGB and CGR you are eligible to start the Graduate Master Builder (GMB) or Graduate Master Remodeler (GMR) programs.

How do I get started?

To start the process of earning a designation, please contact your local Home Builders Association for detailed information on requirements, registration, curriculum and continuing education.



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LEAD PAINT TRAINING

According to the new lead paint rule from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) which took effect in April 2010, any contractors disturbing more than six (6) square feet on a home built before 1978 must be a certified lead paint renovator. To become a certified lead paint renovator, contractors must complete lead paint training conducted by an EPA-approved instructor.

The Home Builders Association of Alabama (HBAA) has provided lead paint certification training since early 2010, and continues to provide it on an as-needed basis. The one-day training is taught by EPA-approved instructors and consists of a mixture of classroom and hands-on training.

The HBAA also provides continuing education for those who have earned the lead paint certification. Under Alabama Health Department regulations, all Lead Paint Certified Renovators must complete a refresher course every three years. These half-day courses are offered periodically at locations throughout the state.

All trainings are open to both HBAA members and nonmembers. HBAA members do receive a significant discount on their training.

For more information about the lead paint trainings, including upcoming training dates, contact Kory Boling, HBAA Education Director, at 1-800-745-4222 or email koryboling@hbaa.org.



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