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

Home Builders Association of Dothan & the Wiregrass Area Invite you to attend the

Past Presidents Luncheon

Thursday, June 18th @ 12:00 noon The Dothan Country Club

Quest Speaker: Russell Davis-Executive Office of Home Builders Association of Alabama

* Buffet Lunch *

Please join us as we honor those who have served as President for the Home Builders Association of Dothan & the Wiregrass Area.

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by Friday, June 12th



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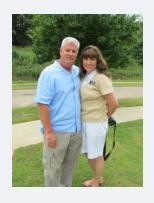












PRESIDENTS MESSAGE.....



Memorial Day, especially for school kids and their parents, marks the unofficial end of spring and the beginning of summer. In a similar way the Parade of Homes marks the end of spring and the beginning of summer for our local homebuilders association. This year there was an unexpected twist. The annual fish fry that we host on the Thursday evening before the parade was cancelled due the weatherman's prediction on Wednesday of a late afternoon storm for Thursday, which, much to Marella's relief proved to be correct.

The Parade of Homes 2015 got off to a great start at the grand opening and ribbon cutting on Friday in Highlands South. Many of our area's political leaders, including our mayor, Mike Schmidt, and county commission chairman, Mark Culver, joined us. The Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce pitched in with the ribbon cutting for which our State Home Builders Association President, Lynn Corder, traveled from Tuscaloosa to perform.

The media covered the event and followed up their presence with much favorable news coverage. Mike and Angela Blissett's Showcase Home was a well-thought-out courtyard plan featuring many unique touches. The crowd ooded and aahed at the spectacular interior design by The Touch of Wood. Thanks and congratulations go out to the other builders and their associates who entered their own beautiful homes. The public attended in great numbers. From what I hear several sales may be in the offing.

We couldn't put on a parade without the support of our sponsors. I know that I speak on behalf of the entire association in saying thank you very much to ADK Building Supply, Cook's Pest Control, Nationwide Insurance, Townsend Building Supply and our meal sponsor Wiregrass Electric. With their help the Parade of Homes for 2015 proved to be a great success.

Mark your calendars for several events coming up this summer. Our general membership meeting in June will be a trip down memory lane with a "Past Presidents" luncheon. The association has come a long way over the many decades that it has been in existence. I've not been a member for very long myself and have always enjoyed reminisces by those MUCH OLDER than me, such as Bill Deloney, talk about the good old days. It will be an event that many of you, when looking back, will fondly recall decades in the future. Be on the lookout for details to follow. Be sure to attend and create some memories of your own. By the way, as is our longstanding custom there will be no general membership meeting in July.

The annual Home Builders Association of Alabama Summer Meeting will be held July 16 -18 at the Hilton Sandestin Resort in Destin. All HBAA members and their families are invited to attend and enjoy a weekend of great education, networking, plenty of food and fun.

You can pick up many ideas to improve your business at the educational events. This year's programs include a panel discussion with members sharing insights and advice for marketing to and working with the next generation of homebuyers, the millennials. Back by popular demand, experts from HGTV will give us the first looks at their annual design trends report.

In addition to great education opportunities, there are plenty of activities planned for all ages, including the Thursday evening Welcome Reception and Friday night dinner/dance featuring The Downtown Band, voted one of the Top 10 Best Live Bands in the United States! For more details and registration procedures visit www.hbaa.org/wp/calendar/summer.

I'll be representing our association at the NAHB Spring Board of Directors meeting in early June in Washington, D. C. There's always plenty of news and information that are meaningful to our industry. I look forward to sharing what I learn with you next month. In the meantime have a great start to a great summer.

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Date: Thursday / June 11
Time/Location: 12:00 noon / HBA Office

Past President's Luncheon

Date: Thursday / June 18

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

GMM Eufaula

Date: Thursday / June 25

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

July

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

August

Lunch & Learn / GMM

Date: Thursday / Aug. 12

Time/Location: 12:00 noon / Clarion Inn & Suites

Board Meeting

Date: Thursday / Aug. 13
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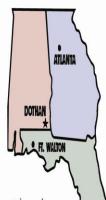


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Home Design Trends for 2015 and Beyond

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Award recipients are lauded as the most creative and inventive builders, remodelers, architects, developers, land planners and interior designers in the nation.

Take a look at the newest trends in design that home buyers will see over the next several years based on submissions from this year's winners. Then get inspired to incorporate your favorite trend in your own home.

White-on-White Kitchens: This trend can be seen in both traditional and modern-style homes. Think white cabinets topped with white countertops and finished off with white back splashes and white trim.

Double-Island Kitchens: Back-to-back and side-by-side islands are showing up in all styles of homes. Often on island is used for cooking and preparing food and the other for serving food and dining. The second island may also take the place of a more formal dining room table.

Centered Bathtubs: As part of the continuing "bathroom as spa" trend, large, well-designed tubs are becoming the center of attention: pulled away from the wall and treated like sculptures.

Natural Elements Mixed with Contemporary Materials: A softer side of modern design is evolving. Wood, steel and glass are a popular combination, allowing the best from both worlds. Modern textures are being combined with old-world or classical elements.

Get-Away Rooms: Whether it is a room with a view or a game room, creating "escapes" is increasingly popular. These are designed to encourage relaxation, family time or provide room for hobbies.

Wine Rooms and Bars: Wine displays under the stairs stylishly fill spaces that may otherwise go to waste. Full rooms dedicated to wine or liquors are no longer just for the avid collector. We-bar nooks are adding to the overall encouragement of relaxing and enjoying time at home.

Indoor-Outdoor Living: No matter their location, home buyers are attracted to designs that offer space on the roof to give them a great view while soaking in the surroundings. Indoor-outdoor transitional spaces are also showing up where weather permits by using screens and removable or foldable walls.

Smaller Entries: Entries are still very well designed, but the amount of space allocated to the entrance is shrinking. Large pivoting doors are making grand statements, but open immediately into the main living space of the home.

Non-Car Centric Design: While cars, driveways and garages are a part of American life, design features that seem to e taking their place are sidewalks, bike paths and community gathering spaces.

To find an industry professional who is ready to bring these exciting new trends to your new home or remodeling project, check out our membership directory in this newsletter.

Mission Statement



FROM THE OFFICE...

I am so happy to report we had a successful and well attended Parade of Homes again this year! Thank you to all the sponsors, the builders, and associates who made the event possible! We really appreciate each and every one of you!

I am excited about our Past Presidents Luncheon. I hope you will come out to honor those who have served as President. I have confirmed many will attend!

Looking forward to seeing you!

Marella



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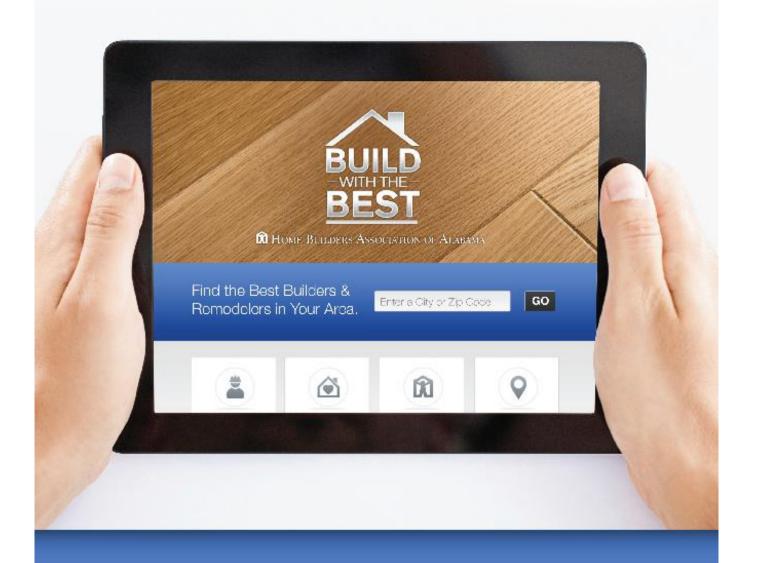
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JUST THE FACTS ABOUT



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!!!!!

<u>June 18</u> Past Presidents Luncheon

July 16, 17, 18
HBAA Summer Board Meeting

August 12
Lunch & Learn
Building Energy Efficient
Homes with Steve Early

September 3rd Golf Tournament

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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