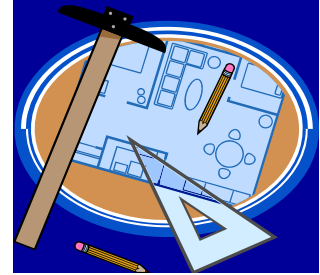


THE BLUEPRINT



UPDATE.....

Summer is in full swing and so are many building projects! With that said I took a little time to research the number one reason injuries happen on the job site. Here is the that reason:

Injuries due to “slips, trips and falls to same level” are among the most common on construction sites. They show up as broken wrists, dislocated shoulders, sprained ankles, and torn knee cartilage—among other injuries.

The condition of the site sets the tone for how people will conduct themselves. A site where it appears people pay attention to details will be a safer and more productive one. So.... *“A Clean Site is a Safe Site!”*

Have a great month!

HBAWMD #2150

Our Association seeks:

- To remain a pro-active, positive influence in the legislative, regulatory and civic arenas.
- To maintain a positive public awareness of the contribution of the home building industry to our communities.
- To encourage ethical conduct, good business practices and professionalism.
- To be recognized as an organization that promotes responsible use and

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Make sure you stay connected with your local association. We will have all the pertinent information needed to keep you informed where the building industry is concerned!

YOUR LEADERSHIP

President: Steve MacGray, Foxcraft Home Builders, Inc.

Vice President: Steve Langan, Anchor Homes

Treasurer: Peggy Baker, PNC Bank

Secretary: Stacy Humbertson, 1st People’s Credit Union

Past President - Eric Paugh, Eric Paugh Contracting, Inc.

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State Director - Robert Beachy, Foxcraft Home Builders, Inc.

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Board Members 2011

Second Year Members:

Randy George, DreamMaker Bath and Kitchen
Pam McCusker, Warner’s Hearth & Patio
Rick Gornall, Gornall Construction
Dave Bennett, Allegany Aggregates

First Year Members:

Bette Means, Chessie Federal Credit Union
Michael Hershberger, 84 Lumber
Mary Silber-Wheeler, Nature’s Granite, LLC

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fellow Member,

With the summer months upon us, I hope you are enjoying family and friends.

As we look ahead, there are some great things going on at Home Builder's with a Cookout at Deep Creek Lake, First Annual Hammer Bash, and Golf Tournament. We look forward to seeing you at these events.

As we plan for our fall meetings, we call on you to let us know what topics and presentations you would like to see. Give us a call or let us know of your interests as we continue to meet your needs. We have an outstanding group of builders and associate members in our area. Let's join together and make our association the very best it can be.

"Even the woodpecker owes his success to the fact that he uses his head and keeps pecking away until he finishes the job he starts" (Coleman Cox). I trust you will keep after it too.

Have a good month, a happy, safe 4th of July and enjoy your summer!

Steve MacGray, 2011 President



Reminder!

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Reminder!

RENEWALS AND NEW MEMBERS

McCusker Contracting

DNA Landscaping & Design

PNC Bank

Langan G C Corp

J & J Seamless Gutter

Wayne's Water 'N' Wells

Bobcat Landscaping Service



WORDS OF WISDOM

"Fellow-citizens: I am very glad to see you here to-night. But yet I will not say I thank you for this call. But I do most sincerely thank Almighty God for the occasion on which you have called. How long ago is it? Eighty odd years since, upon the Fourth day of July, for the first time in the world, a union body of representatives was assembled to declare as a self-evident truth that all men were created equal." Abraham Lincoln's July 4th (7th), 1863 address



HBAWM SPIKE CLUB MEMBERS—BECOME A SPIKE!



Beachy, Robert	113.50—Life Spike	Bond, Arthur	1.0—Candidate
Brosnihan, Peter	68.50—Life Spike	Langan, Debra	2.0—Candidate
Kuykendall, Jeff	63.00—Life Spike	Paugh, Eric	1.0—Candidate
McCusker, Wayne	61.00—Life Spike	Swift, Bruce	0.50—Candidate
MacGray, Steve	54.50—Life Spike		
Mallow, Gary	37.00—Life Spike		
George, Randy	34.50—Life Spike		
Gornall, Richard	17.00—Member		
Shaffer, Kenneth	5.00—Candidate		

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE HBAWMD

YOUR NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL ARE WORKING FOR YOU!

The Maryland State Builders.....

Association is committed to Interacting with the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches of state government, as well as the regulatory agencies serving the State of Maryland. Serving as the unified voice of the Maryland building industry Coordinating local association government affairs, staff and member resources to advocate for the interests of the industry.

Legislative Advocacy and Political.....

Education....

HBAWMD offers effective legislative representation and lobbying at the national, state and local levels, representing housing industry interests and advocating strong positions on issues which impact you. On your behalf, HBAWMD fights overly restrictive legislation and resolutions which are detrimental to the housing industry and your county and works proactively with government to achieve mutually beneficial outcomes.

Local.....

Your legislative concerns are represented at the local level by HBAWMD, which keeps members updated on issues and local ordinances. Chapter leadership meets regularly with local officials to advocate housing laws affecting the housing industry. The association offers several volunteer committees throughout its seven chapters for the specific purpose of representing the local building industry.

State.....

Each year during the Maryland General Assembly session, HBAWMD reviews each of the over 3,000 proposals, monitoring every bill which impacts housing. The association greatly utilizes its legislative arm in Annapolis, the Maryland State Builders Association, which employs a lobbyist, Katie Maloney, to monitor the activities of various state legislative committees and to meet with members of the House of Delegates and the State Senate.

National.....

Your membership in the Home Builders Association of Maryland also includes membership in the National Association of Home Builders, the national advocate for the housing industry. The NAHB legislative staff ranks among the most highly respected lobbying forces in Washington, D.C.

In other words....you are being looked out for...on all levels!



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE NAHB

AMERICAN DREAM OF HOMEOWNERSHIP STILL INSPIRES, SURVEY FINDS

Likely voters across the country still believe in the American Dream of homeownership and strongly favor continued federal support for housing, according to a national survey conducted by two of the nation's most respected polling firms.

"These are powerful findings that confirm just how out of touch some policymakers in Washington have become with the American public in their pursuit of measures that would make it much more difficult for the average consumer to purchase a home," said NAHB Chairman Bob Nielsen, a builder from Reno, Nev. "These findings are exactly what we need to counter these measures in the halls of Congress, in the Administration and in the media."

The survey, conducted jointly by the Republican polling firm Public Opinion Strategies and the Democrat polling firm Lake Research Partners, also found that voters believe that policymakers should preserve the mortgage interest deduction and other housing incentives in the tax code.

The survey results make clear the unique position that homeownership holds in Americans' minds, noted political analyst Charlie Cook wrote in a column in National Journal

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"The clear message is that owning a home is among the values that Americans most cherish - an important part of the American Dream," Cook wrote.

Among the survey's key findings: 95% of home owners say they are happy with their decision to own a home and believe that owning their own home is important. 73% of voters who do not now own a home say it is a goal of theirs to eventually buy a home. 83% of voters agree that a strong housing industry means more jobs and more money in our communities.

"NAHB will use the survey results to make sure policymakers are fully aware of voters' widely held opinions in these matters," Nielsen said. "Elected officials need to understand the consequences of being on the wrong side of this issue."



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MSBA

HBAWMD offers effective legislative lobbying at the local, state and national levels, representing housing industry interests and advocating strong positions on issues which impact you. On your behalf, HBAWMD fights overly restrictive legislation and regulations which are detrimental to the housing industry. Staff, local and national, are only a phone call away when verification is needed on information about new regulations, laws or industry concerns.

At the state level, each year during the Maryland General Assembly session, the HBAWMD reviews and monitors bill that impacts housing. The Association greatly utilizes its legislative arm in Annapolis, the Maryland State Builders Association. MSBA employs a lobbyist and a full-time staff member to monitor the activities of various state legislative committees and to meet with members of the House of Delegates and the State Senate. That would be me! I do my best to watch out for issues that would effect the homebuilders in the state of Maryland! Remember, I am always available to speak to you and your membership!

Thanks.

Katie

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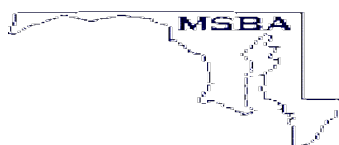
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A WORD FROM YOUR HBAWMD OFFICE



Well here we are in the middle of summer already! How does that happen?! I hope everyone is enjoying the summer months and that you are trying to get some vacation time in there somewhere. We all need a break from the day in and day out of work and life issues.

As I previously stated in the June Newsletter, June was the push for new membership. After talking it over briefly with your President, Steve MacGray, the decision was made to extend the contest for one more month. Remember, there are a lot of gifts on the line for the lucky man and woman who bring in the most members!!!

We have the picnic date and place scheduled and you do not want to miss it! Please be looking for the flyer in the mail by early next week. Also remember to RSVP the number of people attending with you so we have enough food. The deadline to reserve is August 27th.

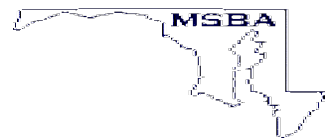
The Home Show Committee for 2012 met and a packet is on its way out the door. Please be watching for it because as you well know, it's the best bang for your buck! You are out there, up front and personal, with people talking about your business and services offered. You won't get very much advertisement for what you pay for at the Home Show for 2 1/2 days. Reserve your booth early so you have the best spot that works for you! We look forward to seeing you there!!!

I hope everyone has a happy and safe 4th of July! Do something with your family and don't forget that freedom isn't really free!

God bless and Let Freedom Continue to Ring in America!!!

Interim Executive Officer

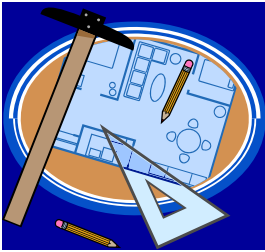
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SAVE THE DATE!



August 2nd, 5:30 p.m.—HBAWM Board Meeting, Greene Street office



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...and check out the HBAWMD's Web site for information about your association!

www.hbawmd.org

Help recruit new HBAWMD members and earn
 SPIKE rewards!

For more information about our parent associations, contact:

Maryland State Builders Association
www.mdstatebuilders.org

National Association of Home Builders
www.nahb.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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