

HBAM CONVENTION

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Home builders are heading back to Perdido Beach for the Annual Convention: *June 2nd - 5th, 2011*

You don't want to miss a minute of the fun that's being planned for the 2011 annual state convention. Get ready to leave all your cares behind and head to the spectacular scenes of the Perdido Beach Resort in Orange Beach, Alabama. Indulge in the resort's many amenities, including tennis courts, indoor/outdoor pool, health club, Jacuzzis, four restaurants (including pizzeria) and a spectacular beach view!

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Long-time favorite events like the Welcome Party, Lloyd "Bulldog" Burton Volleyball Tournament, Kids Night Out, Dinner Dance, Hall of Fame Banquet, annual Golf Tournament and our 50th Anniversary Celebration!

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Saturday, April 2nd
10am to 6pm
Coast Coliseum Convention Center

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Parade of Homes

2011 Parade of Homes
Saturday, April 9th
10am to 6pm
Sunday, April 10th
11am to 5pm

Get your parade map in the Friday, April 8th edition of the Sun Herald, or go online to www.SunHerald.com or www.WLOX.com and see the route. You don't want to miss this beautiful showcase of new construction!!! For more information, contact the HBA office.

We want to extend a thank you to all of the builders who are participating and to our sponsors:

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CRAWFISH BOIL

Grab your gang and head on out to the Home Builders Annual Crawfish Boil!
Friday, May 20th
5:30pm to 8pm
Bayou Bluff Tennis Club (Gulfport)
Kids can enjoy the playground and swim if they want! We'll grill hamburgers and dogs, and of course, chow down on some great mudbugs!!!
And, don't miss your chance to win CASH; we're raising money for the Home Builders Scholarship Fund with a split-the-pot drawdown. Tickets are \$20 a piece and go on sale at VIP Night for the Home and Garden Show.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/VIP NIGHT

The April General Membership Meeting is VIP Night for the 24th Annual Home and Garden Show.
Join us for hors d'oeuvres, drinks, music and fun from
6pm to 8pm Friday,
April 1st!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DON ALFONSO



Thank you to all of the sponsors and participants in our Home and Garden Show and in the Parade of Homes. I hope you have a good experience and that you get a good return on your investment.

for you. It is hard to get people to work that hard for free, but we do.

My hat is off to all the committees and their members. I'm sure they would not mind having some company, so if you have an interest in fishing, golfing, extending our benefits to others, scholarships, codes, and you name it- just let us know.

Qualifications to be a committee member is that you are able to make a short meeting at Noon and that you like pizza or Newks!

Don Alfonso, President

I know that we hit you up pretty hard and pretty often and that is why we have to be good stewards of your hard earned money you have entrusted with us.

I have sat in on most of the committee meetings for all the upcoming projects for this year and I can guarantee you every expenditure of your money is well thought out to maximize a return

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Do you have a graduating senior who could use a little financial aid for their next educational venture? HBAMC Scholarship Applications have been sent out. If you missed it, or would like more information, contact our office! Application deadline is

Friday, April 27th!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS


APRIL

- 1 6pm to 8pm Members-Only VIP reception for 24th Annual Home and Garden Show
- 2 10am to 6pm Home and Garden Show - Coast Coliseum Convention Center
- 3 Noon to 5pm Home and Garden Show - Coast Coliseum Convention Center
- 5 Noon HBAMC Board of Directors Meeting
- 9-10 2011 Parade of Homes - Various Locations Across the Coast

- 27 Scholarship Applications Due

MAY

- 10 Noon HBAMC Board of Directors Meeting
- 12 2011 Membership Drive
- 17-20 NAHB Spring Board of Directors Meeting
- 20 5:30pm to 8pm Crawfish Boil and Scholarship Drawdown



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A MESSAGE FROM THE BIG EVENTS

Spring is in the air and that can only mean one thing: it's time for the 24th Annual Home and Garden Show!!! And, we're excited to partner this year's Show with the 2011 Parade of Homes.

Whether you are looking for a new home, the latest in building trends, decorating and landscaping, both the Home and Garden Show and the Parade of Homes are just where you need to be!!!

The Home and Garden Show is April 2-3 at the Coast Coliseum. You can get face-to-face with industry experts in whatever facet of home building and improvement you are looking for.

The Parade of Homes is the following weekend, April 9-10 at various locations across the Coast. You can pick up your map at the show, various sponsor locations, and look for it in the Sun Herald.

These are two BIG EVENTS and we wish to thank everyone who is involved: sponsors, vendors, builders, committee members and Home Builders' staff. None of this would be possible without the hard work and dedication of all of these entities.

We hope to see you at the 24th Annual Home and Garden Show and the 2011 Parade of Homes



Deborah Miguez
Home and Garden Show Chair



Frank Magee
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HBAM LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Senate Takes Vote on Fire Sprinkler Bill from HBAM

Three conferees from the House and Senate agreed on language for HB 1385, which is supported by HBAM. The legislation is needed to fix a problem with mandatory fire sprinklers in the 2009 International Residential Code. The Senate passed the legislation which would make it illegal for the state building code board to mandate fire sprinklers in single family homes. The House will now take the bill up for a vote. The bill would still allow cities and counties to make fire sprinklers mandatory if they so choose.

The Mississippi State Fire Marshal, or his designee, to serve ex officio, nonvoting.

The legislation also leaves the option for a consumer to have fire sprinklers in their home, but does not make it mandatory. Thousands of Mississippians would be denied the opportunity to pursue home ownership if fire sprinklers become mandatory in single family homes.

The bill also makes changes to the Mississippi building code council. The Council is reduced from 24 to 11 members. HBAM would have two representatives on the Council. The Council makeup would be as follows:
 One (1) representative of the American Institute of Architects of Mississippi;
 One (1) representative of the Associated General Contractors of Mississippi;
 One (1) representative of the Mississippi Manufactured Housing Association;
 One (1) representative of the Building Officials Association of Mississippi;
 Two (2) representatives of the Mississippi Home Builders Association;
 One (1) representative of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Mississippi;
 One (1) representative of the American Council of Engineering Companies of Mississippi;
 One (1) representative of the Mississippi Municipal League;
 One (1) representative of the Mississippi Association of Supervisors; and

At the 2008 International Code meeting, firemen were paid to attend the code meeting by fire sprinkler manufactures. As a result, over 1,000 fire officials outvoted building officials making fire sprinklers mandatory in residential homes in the 2009 code. The firemen that attended went to vote on this issue and turned in their voting machines after the fire sprinkler vote. If you want to save lives and not sell sprinklers, smoke alarms are by far more affective. A 2008 study by the National Fire Protection Association found "The chances of surviving a reported home fire when working smoke alarms are present is 99.45%."

Revised Wastewater Law Voted on in Senate from HBAM

HBAM has been working with a coalition and the Mississippi State Department of Health to craft some changes to the wastewater law. There are some substantial improvements to the bill. Chief among those is having the advisory council placed in statute. The advisory committee will have a HBAM member on the committee appointed by the Association. If adopted, engineers will be allowed to design systems without going through the certification process required under current law. There is a provision in the law to speed up the construction process. If the Department of Health does not conduct the final inspection within 24 hours, an installer can complete the project as long as they submit an affidavit certifying proper installation. Any lot that is two acres or larger is exempt from the act.

The Senate has adopted the above language, and if the House follows suit, the bill goes to Governor Barbour for his signature.

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