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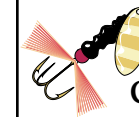
July 2011

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Congratulations to the
Home Builders Association of Mississippi for
50 Years of service to our industry!



2011 FISHING TOURNAMENT



17th Annual
Carl Legett Memorial
Fishing Tournament
August 5-7, 2011
Biloxi

Find your registration form inside
this newsletter. And, make plans
to join us Thursday, August 4th
for the Captain's Party from 5pm
to 9pm at the Isle Casino Lava Bar.
We'll be giving away prizes; you
don't want to miss this night!!!



EDUCATION

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in Waveland
Class Cost: \$25

For more information,
or to register call
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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us for the July General
Membership Meeting:
Tuesday, July 12th
6pm to 8pm
Biloxi Yacht Club

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DON ALFONSO



HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!!

Independence is a place I like to go to. It is the 51st state—the state all builders are from.

A lot of people who started this country printed the map, not with ink but with something a little more precious. You get to go there and all the rides are free- they're all prepaid.

The capital of Independence is Tweenyourears. The weather is nice, sometimes a little foggy, sometimes clear as a bell. It is the only state you can't give directions to- everybody has their own way of getting there.

Builders are model citizens of the state. Yes- we're stubborn, Yes- we're hard-headed, Yes- we're driven- but the 56 guys with the fancy Paper Mates that signed the Declaration would expect no less.

So let's celebrate our day by realizing that as independent as we are- we're not independent of each other.

Happy Pursuit of Happiness,

Don Alfonso
President

SNAPSHOTS

Congratulations to all of the 2011 HBAMC Scholarship Recipients!



(from left) **Don Alfonso, HBAMC President;** **Lauren Whitney**, daughter of Shane and Katherine Whitney; **Kyle Roth**, son of Steve and Tracey Roth; **Clark Pietrangelo**, son of Greg and Alison Pietrangelo; **Rachel and David Ladner**, daughter and son of Tommy and Debbie Ladner; **Caleb Kergosien**, son of Geoff and Moli Kergosien; **Jonathan Holder**, son of Herbie and Sindy Holder; **Erica Barnes**, daughter of John and Christina Barnes; **Rusty David**, HBAMC Scholarship Chairman

Not pictured: **Winston Chapman**, son of Wink and Dee Chapman; **Lauren Atchison**, daughter of Jim and Rebecca Atchison



Woody Bailey following his induction into the MS Housing Hall of Fame at State Convention in June.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

- 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY - HBAMC
Office closed
- 5 Noon HBAMC Board of Directors Meeting
- 12 6pm to 8pm General Membership Meeting

AUGUST

- 2 Noon HBAMC Board of Directors Meeting
- 4 Captain's Party: Carl Legett Memorial Fishing Tournament*
- 5-7 17th Annual Carl Legett Memorial Fishing Tournament
- 29 Deadline to submit Best in Mississippi entries

*The Captain's Party serves as the August General Membership Meeting

NAHB SPIKE CLUB

The NAHB Spike Club recognizes and awards members for recruiting and retaining memberships.

Life Spikes- 100+

- 857.0 Jim Lewis
- 685.0 Mark Mohler
- 403.0 Charlie Gant
- 376.0 Clay Easterling
- 348.0 Ricky Wilkinson
- 329.5 Millard F. Carter III
- 303.0 John Ruble
- 269.5 Kevin Taylor
- 212.0 Mike Fearn
- 204.0 Woody Bailey
- 203.5 Betsy Ashman
- 203.0 Dan Blanchard
- 199.0 Don Halle
- 187.0 Carl Hamilton
- 181.5 Steve Covington
- 157.5 Joan Cravens
- 140.0 Duncan Noble
- 119.5 Butch Williamson
- 112.75 Vonnie L. Ladner
- 111.0 Jeff Riopelle

- 110.0 Art Young
- 100.0 Wayne O'Neal

Life Spikes- 75+

- 98.5 Roy Mattina, Jr.
- 95.0 Marshall Holyfield
- 91.5 Fred R. Schwan

Life Spikes- 50+

- 76.5 Chris Loveless
- 74.0 David Treutel, Jr.
- 70.0 Dalton McGuire, Jr.
- 68.5 Ron Barnes
- 66.5 Greg Smith
- 63.5 Ronald Myrick

Life Spikes- 25+

- 41.0 Larry Mitrenga
- 35.0 Jeremy Pierpont
- 34.5 Gwyn Diaz
- 33.0 Paul Wyrosdick

- 31.5 Randy Brownlee
- 31.5 Stephen Shivers
- 30.5 Bill Briscoe
- 27.5 Steve Braun
- 25.0 J.P. Jones

Spike Members

- 24.0 John Barnes
- 22.0 Ruby Pope
- 20.5 Don Alfonso
- 19.0 Terry Cutrer
- 14.0 Mike Cooper
- 8.5 Amber McCue
- 8.0 Tim Callahan
- 6.0 Deborah Migues
- 6.0 Trae Pitalo

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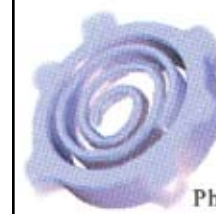
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BEST IN MISSISSIPPI AWARDS

Time to get ready for the 2011 Best in Mississippi Awards!


Submissions are now being accepted for Best In Mississippi Building and Remodeling Awards for 2011. **Applications must be submitted before August 29, 2011.** Projects must have been completed between June 1, 2010 and August 29, 2011. If submitting more than one entry, you must complete a separate application for each entry. An application must be enclosed with each entry and placed in a sealed envelope inside a 9" x 12" binder. All photographs must be digital, on a CD and labeled. Visit www.hbam.com to download your entry forms, or contact the HBAMC office at (228) 896-7646.

We're proud to have multiple 2010 Best in Mississippi award winners in our local association!


Best Single Family New Construction Custom Home
(2501 sq ft-4999 sq ft)
Mike and Kim Fritz (Fritz Development)
The Matisse in Ocean Springs




Best Single Family New Construction Custom Home
(Less Than 1800 sq ft)
Kevin Taylor (Plum Homes Inc)
Nautical Cottage in Bay St. Louis




Best Single Family Kitchen New Construction
Kevin Taylor (Plum Homes Inc)
Kitchen Bliss in Biloxi



Best Single Family Bath New Construction
Kevin Taylor (Plum Homes Inc)
Bathroom Bliss in Biloxi



Best Multifamily New Construction (More Than 50 Units)
Charles Brewer (Realtex Construction, LLC)
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NATION'S BUILDING NEWS

Americans Still See Homeownership as a Top Priority

Adapted from NAHB

Americans still consider owning a home essential to the American Dream.

Proof of this statement is evident in a May 2011 poll conducted on behalf of the National Association of Home Builders by Public Opinion Strategies of Alexandria, Va., and Lake Research Partners of Washington, D.C.

The national poll reached two thousand likely voters and asked them about their attitudes regarding homeownership and housing policy. The results could not be clearer.

Despite the ups and downs of the housing market—and whether or not they currently own a home—voters overwhelmingly indicated that they place a high value on homeownership as a core achievement in their lives.

Of the poll respondents who are current home owners, nearly all of them—95 percent—said they are happy with their decision to own a home and believe that owning their own home is important. Almost three-quarters of respondents who do not now own a home

said it is a goal of theirs to eventually buy one.

Equally telling, voters rated the importance of homeownership just as highly as the importance of being successful at their job or being able to pay for a family member's education.

Americans also feel strongly about the financial benefits—and challenges—of homeownership.

Poll respondents said they considered owning a home their best investment, more than their retirement savings program or stock market investments. And 75 percent said that owning a home is worth facing the potential ups and downs of the housing market.

Meanwhile, non-owners identified saving enough money for a down payment and closing costs as the number one barrier keeping them from homeownership, more than job uncertainty or concerns that the value of their home may drop below the purchase price.

To find out more about the homeownership poll, visit www.nahb.org/news.

ARE YOU READY FOR THE LEAD RULE?

If your work disturbs painted surfaces in pre-1978 homes, its important to understand and follow the requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Lead: Renovation, Repair, and Painting rule or risk fines and litigation for violations.

NAHB has learned that the EPA regional offices are stepping up investigations and enforcement against contractors who have allegedly failed to distribute the Renovate Right pamphlet to home owners (or tenants) and collect signed notifications from these customers. The EPA is also reviewing firm records for two certifications - Certified Renovator and Certified Firms - for jobs completed in pre-1978 homes for the appropriate checklists and forms.

As a service to its members, NAHB has created checklists, forms, contract language, and more resources to help with compliance for the lead paint rule at: www.nahb.org/leadcompliance. Members can download and use these documents to prepare their businesses.

RENEWALS

5/31/2011

- A.J. McMurphy/A.J. McMurphy Jr Construction Co Inc.
- David Delk/ABC Rental
- Brent Ishee/Bailey Lumber
- Russell Griffin/BancorpSouth
- Patrick Benvenuti/Bay Motor Winding
- Billy Hewes/Billy Hewes Insurance Agency
- Jamie Thrift/Blossman Gas
- Kim Frulla/Boyles Moak Insurance Services
- Charles Broach/Broach Marble & Granite
- Dawn Ross/Gulf Coast Builders
- Jeremy Pierpont/Gulf Coast Builders
- Hank Rogers/City of D'Iberville Building Department
- Jay Poolson/Classic Design
- Billy Douglas/Classic Home Builder
- Kelli Swilley/Coast Concrete LLC
- Janell Nolan/Coast Electric Power Association
- Morgan Dowdy/Coast Radio Group
- Mike Compton/Compton's Appliance, Inc.
- Matt Compton/Compton's Appliance, Inc.
- Bobby Culumber/Culumber, Fletcher, Harvey & Associates
- Laura Dicharo/Dicharo Custom Homes Inc.
- Polly Pace/Dunaway Glass
- Diane Moore/Fox-Everett, Inc.
- Gerald Warren/Gerald Warren, Attorney at Law
- Wink Chapman/Great Kitchens of Alabama, LLC
- James Necaise/Gulf Coast Hydro-Vac LLC
- Bob Taylor/Gulf Coast Restaurant Group
- Ricky Wilkinson/Ricky Wilkinson
- Vernon Middleton/Gulf Granite
- Kevin Haas/Haas Trucking
- Karen Funderburk/Hancock Bank Mortgage
- Tony Holston/Holston Wood & Ironworks, LLC
- Paul Boudreaux/Home Town Lumber
- James Mihalik/Landon Homes LLC
- Goose Lindsay/Lindsay Plumbing
- Mike Longo/Mike Longo Air Systems

Thank you for your continued support of the Home Builders Association MS Coast as we strive to be the local voice of housing on the Gulf Coast!

- Lawrence Milner/Milner Rental Center
- Marty Dennis/Mobile Appliance Co, Inc.
- John Stermer/Ocean Springs Lumber
- Perry Cuevas/Perry Cuevas Brick Mason
- Phillip Moran/Phillip's Pest Control
- Bill Hough/Phillips Building Supply
- Sabrina Harris/Prudential Gardner REALTORS
- Randy Brownlee/Randy Brownlee Construction Company
- Charles Brewer/Realtex Construction, LLC
- Durell Husley/Redd Pest Solutions Company
- Lauly Peterson/Statewide Insurance Services
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