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5th Annual TABA Reverse Raffle

The annual TABA Reverse Raffle is scheduled for Friday, July 22nd at the KC Hall and tickets have been printed and are on sale NOW!! 240 original tickets will be sold prior to the event. At check-in the holder of an original ticket will have the opportunity to purchase a second chance ticket for \$50. These are available **ONLY** at the door and **ONLY** to those holding an original ticket. Only 1 second chance ticket can be purchased per original ticket held.

Top prize this year is a John Deere Gator TS. Also being given away is an all inclusive vacation for 2 to one of 10 destinations, TV entertainment package, Benelli shotgun, a custom fit set of golf clubs and many more. Each ticket entitles bearer to two meals and a chance to one of the prizes.

Tickets are being sold by the TABA board of directors and Reverse Raffle committee members or you can come by the TABA office to purchase your tickets. Tickets must be paid for in advance. Tickets cannot be billed to TABA account. For more information or to purchase a ticket please call the office at 254-773-0445.

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Its that time of year again! Skeet shoot sign ups are here. The date of the Annual HOMEPAC Skeet Shoot is **Tuesday**, **August 23rd**, **2011** at Weber's Shooting Range in Troy. We would like to thank our title sponsor, **Lengefeld Lumber** for putting this event

on.

The shoot will be limited to the first 120 people that RSVP. Prices are \$110 per shooter, or \$500 for a four member team with your company's name on a field sign. Fee includes Skeet T-shirt, snacks during the shoot, and dinner after the completion of the event. The winning team will also each receive \$100 Gift Cards!

There will also be random drawings, and shooters will be given a raffle ticket for each "white clay" that they hit during the competition.

If you are interested in sponsoring this event, we are still looking for the following sponsorships: Food sponsorship (\$1000, includes 4-person team), Cart Sponsorship (\$500), Field Banner Sponsors (\$250/\$275 TABA provides banner), and Field Sign Sponsors (\$100).

Special Thanks to the team at Keene Roofing, who have agreed to sponsor the Skeet Shoot T-Shirts again this year.

TO RSVP for the event, please contact Blair Anderson at <u>blair@tahb.org</u> or 254-239-4309. You may also <u>fill out the attached form</u> and fax or send in with payment information.

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Director of
Government Affairs
Blair Anderson

Howdy everyone--

It's been a rather quiet month on the policy side of the house. We continue to work with the City of Temple on changes to their International Residential, Fire, and Building Codes, as well as updates to their Unified Development Code. As the city continues to process their proposed changes, we will keep you all apprised of the meetings that are being held, and any input that we may require from you. Of particular note are these items that are coming up:

City of TempleStormwater and Illicit Discharge Ordinances

This item is currently in front of the City Council for review and adoption. We have worked with the city on both ordinances and fully support their passage. We offered letters of support to the city and city council noting that the initial concerns we may have had with these ordinances have been adequately addressed. Special thanks to Michael Newman and the entire COT team for the work they have completed on these ordinances. The city just barely missed the noticing deadline for these ordinances in the month of June, so they will be ready for adoption first thing this month.

City of Temple Vested Rights Ordinance

Similar to the previous ordinances, this barely missed the noticing deadline in June, so it is ready for adoption first thing in July. We are very pleased to see this ordinance moving forward. Your entire GAC team, led by Jim Howe, worked this issue relentlessly over the last 2 years. The ordinance is a win-win for TABA and the City of Temple, and we fully support its passage. Special thanks to Jonathan Graham and the entire legal team at the City of Temple for their hard work and outreach on this very important issue.

City of Temple UDC Technical Subcommittee

The UDC technical subcommittee didn't hold any meetings this month, but there is at least one slated for July. TABA members on the subcommittee were able to submit their recommendations for which items they would like to see the city focus on in Phase 2 of their UDC update. The next meeting will cover these priorities,

HOMEPAC UPDATE

HomePAC continues to meet and prepare for our annual SKEET SHOOT competition. A summary of that event is in a separate part of the newsletter. **However, I wanted to note that the shoot is limited to the first 120 people that register.** We are still looking for a Golf Cart/Gator sponsor at the \$500 level, Field Banner Sponsors (\$250) and Field Sign (\$100) sponsors.

As this is my first event as Director of Government Affairs, I will certainly be reaching out to all of you for your help as we work to make this a huge success. Please remember what we accomplish with HomePAC. We work to elect candidates who are business friendly, understand our issues (or are willing to listen), and are willing to have an open dialogue with our membership. We also support issues vital to the success of this community, including large donations to school bond elections or other community issues. As Belton and Temple continue to move forward and make solid financial and policy decisions, things like this may seem difficult to place a value on. However, imagine waking up one day to find that pro-business mentality has disappeared overnight. I've seen it happen. Where does that leave you and your business? If you haven't already, please get involved with HomePAC, and come have some fun at the Skeet Shoot!

OSHA Workplace Safety Training

Thursday, August 18th, 10am-2pm at the TABA Offices. We would like to thank our event sponsor, Extraco Bank, for their willingness to help with this event. Cost to attend is \$25 and includes the official NAHB/OSHA Workplace Safety Manual, as well as lunch and refreshments. Get your questions answered, and learn about the 3-month phase in period for the new Fall Protection Guidelines. The class is filling up fast, with RSVP's already received for over half the slots. Please get me yours today! blair@tahb.org or 254-239-4309

In closing

As I wrap up my first 4 1/2 months on the job, I want to thank you all for your participation and continued support. I know you're busy, and summer is a great time for vacation as the kids get out of school, but rest assured we are here in the office working hard on your behalf as we work these and other issues. Cheryl has been an exceptional resource and has a breadth of knowledge about TABA that cannot be matched. She has helped make my transition into this position a smooth one.

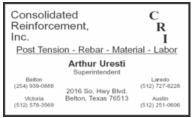
I hope to see everyone at our Reverse Raffle this month, and the Skeet Shoot next month.

Sincerely,

Blair Anderson

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CHECK OUT WHO WON AT THE ANNUAL TABA GOLF TOURNAMENT AT WILDFLOWER COUNTRY CLUB Sponsored By:









1st Place Ronny Schoepf, Jason Foegelle, Scott Atwood, Keelan Johnson



2nd Place Clifford Maples, Wade Lacy, Billy Helm, Bob Bradley



3rd Place Russell Schneider, Jeffrey Schneider, Dana Lange, Todd Voges



Closest to the Pin
Mark Gillmeister, Rodney Shine, Scot Tyson, Dana Lange



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Home & Garden Show, Parade of Homes 2012 Dates Set - Please Mark Your Calendar

Dates have been set for the two largest association events for 2012.

Home & Garden Show - February 25-26, 2012 at the Bell County Expo Center. Exhibitor information will be mailed to all exhibitors who participated in the 2011 Show next month. Please be

watching your mailbox for this important packet. Those who participated in the show this year will have until September 15th to book the same spot. If you wish to relocate or expand, changes will be made after the September 15th deadline. Prices will not change and no major changes to the floorplan have been planned. A deposit of \$100 must be received with your reservation or your location will not be considered reserved. Please call the TABA office with questions.

<u>Parade of Homes - April 13-15, 20-22, 2012.</u> BUILDERS please be aware of next year's parade date. Parade information including builder contract will be mailed in December. The deadline for entry will be the end of February. Please plan accordingly as completion rules are strictly adhered to.

Sponsorships - If any TABA member is interested in becoming a sponsor for either of these events, please call the TABA office for information.

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NEW HOME STARTS

	June '11	June '10	'11 YTD	'10 YTD
Temple	50	34	221	221
Belton	2	4	44	35
Morgan's Point	0	0	5	0
Totals	42	38	270	256

Note: this data represents a compilation of the statistics that are reported by the Temple Daily Telegram every Sunday.

ALL HOME CLOSINGS

June '11	75	'11 YTD	583
June '10	222	'10 YTD	948

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OSHA Workplace Safety Training, sponsored by EXTRACO Bank!

Please join us Thursday, August 18th, 2011 for a 1/2 day training of OSHA Workplace Safety. The class will be held from 10am-2pm. Representatives from OSHA will be here to educate our members on this very important topic. Be sure you or your workers come and ask any questions they may have, as well as learn about the new fall protection guidelines presently being phased in.

Participants will receive the official NAHB/OSHA Workplace Safety Manual, as well as lunch and refreshments. **Cost to attend the class is \$25**. The class is already over half full, so please be sure to get your RSVP's in.

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