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Temple Area Builders Association

Holiday Luncheon

Thursday, December 1st
Cathedral Oaks Conference Center
1312 Waco Rd., Belton

11am—1pm \$12 per person
RSVP required—254-773-0445 or Cheryl@tahb.org

Menu: Your choice of juicy roast beef with Maderia mushroom demi glaze or pork loin with Jack Daniels peppercorn demi glaze plus roasted new potatoes and mix of seasoned green beans and sliced carrots, pecan turtle cheesecake, white chocolate snowflake cake or homemade chocolate layer cake w/ ganache

Come join us for a Holiday feast catered by TABA member, Classic Catering. We will be recognizing some very important people and members as well as taking care of TABA business by electing our 2012 board of directors. Please take your lunch break with us and help us to congratulate those who are deserving and elect our next board.

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**Director of
Government Affairs**

Blair Anderson

Happy November everyone!

As we march towards the end of 2011, I wanted to take a minute to update everyone on the status of the Government Affairs Committee. Our committee met last month to discuss our priorities for 2012, and we received some very good feedback from our members. While we continue to focus on outstanding items from 2011, we also added some items to our list that we hope will make the lives on jurisdictions, as well as our members, much easier.

Some of the first items we hope to address include simplifying the design review process at the City of Temple, as well as working on ways in which we might help streamline the inspections process to keep applicants better informed on the status of their projects/inspections. There are also a few clean up items that we are going to be working on with respect to the first phase of the Unified Development Code at the city. As mentioned, we received some good feedback and while there were no major issues of concern, it is our hope that we can partner with Temple area jurisdictions to make everyone's lives easier on these and other items.

City of Temple Charter Amendment Vote

Tuesday, November 8th: Voters will head to the polls to vote on 10 constitutional amendments, as well as changes to the City Charter for those of you that live in the City of Temple. While you are certainly free to vote how you wish, the **TABA HOMEPAC has endorsed an "AGAINST" vote on amending the City Charter.** They have also contributed \$5,000 in an effort to retain the existing charter. Please get out and exercise your right to vote!

City of Temple IRC/IBC

The City of Temple is currently finalizing changes to their IRC/IBC for 2011. They are expected to be adopted towards the end of the month, and we are supporting the changes. The City has involved us in their deliberations from the start, and we have provided our feedback to them. The updates to the code are currently in front of the City Council, and we expect them to be adopted with the TABA-supported amendments, which are minor.

SAVE the DATE: Tuesday, September 25th, 2012

The 2012 HOMEPAC Skeet Shoot will occur on Tuesday, September 25th, 2012. Yes, its a long way out. But PLEASE get this on your calendars early. We moved the Skeet Shoot back a month in order to avoid some of the sweltering heat we've had for the last few years. Be prepared for a great time out at Weber's. A very big thank you goes out to Bruce Walker of Lengefeld Lumber, who has graciously offered to continue his Title Sponsorship of this very fun event for 2012.

That's all I have for now everyone. Please get out and vote tomorrow, the choices we make today will affect our industry for a very long time.

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Per the TABA By-Laws, the Nominating Committee Report must be presented to the entire membership before elections. Our election will occur on December 1st at Cathedral Oaks Convention Center at our TABA Holiday Luncheon and the following will be voted on to be our 2012 Board of Directors. As always, nominations will be taken from the floor if any should be presented.


2012 Board of Directors Nominations

- President - Mike Pilkington
- Vice President - Will Sears
- Secretary - Derrick Hunt
- Treasurer - Jerry Tyroch, Jr.
- Past President - Robbie Johnson

Directors:

Jared Bryan, Tony Gallagher, John Howe, Todd Scott, Jamey Secrest and Bruce Walker

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Booking continues for the 2012 Home & Garden Show scheduled for February 25 and 26, 2012 at the Bell County Expo Center. If you are interested in participating in the largest Home & Garden Show in Central Texas then please call now to reserve your spot. You can download the show layout and booth price guide by [clicking here](#). To get started, please call the office at 254-773-0445 with the layout in hand so we can go over what booths are open. A deposit of 2/3 of your total booth cost is required at time of booking and booths booked before December 1st must be paid in full by December 31st. Call early for best booth locations.

This show takes up over 75,000 square feet of exhibit space boasting over 125 exhibitors showing anything from homebuilding to flooring to plants to pots and pans to mops and brooms. There is something for everybody and every exhibitor is welcome. The show typically brings in around 4,500 people throughout the three days it is open which includes the private showing at the Friday night Preview Party. It is a cost effective way to market your product or service to thousands of people in a short period of time and we encourage you to take a good, hard look at participating.

If you cannot afford the time to actually be in the show, you may consider being a show sponsor. There are two levels of sponsorship. 1st level is our Show Partner level costing \$2000. At this level, your company logo is shown on all of our advertising which includes TV and print as well as spoken in the TV commercial. Your banner will also appear in the Expo domed floor area and recognized numerous times throughout the entire show. If \$2000 is too pricey, you might go for the \$250 banner sponsor level which gets your banner in the domed room floor and recognized several times throughout the entire show.

We hope that you will give serious consideration to participating at some level whether it be in the show itself, as a sponsor or both, most people tell us that it was well worth it. For questions regarding the show, booth booking or sponsorship, please call the TABA office.

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NEW HOME STARTS

	Oct '11	Oct '10	'11 YTD	'10 YTD
Temple	17	22	309	330
Belton	6	5	65	66
Morgan's Point	0	0	6	3
Totals	23	27	380	399

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

ALL HOME CLOSINGS

Oct '11	50	'11 YTD	861
Oct '10	116	'10 YTD	1,524

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EO's Comments

Cheryl Hunka
Executive Officer

The Holidays are quickly approaching and we are making plans to honor a few people who have gone above and beyond for their Association this year. We hope many of you will join us at our TABA Holiday Luncheon on December 1st at Cathedral Oaks in Belton. There President Robbie Johnson will hand out his presidential awards along with our Real Estate Agent awards and Sponsor of the Year Awards. We will also be formally electing our 2012 Board of Directors. The cost is \$12 per person and it is a lunch time event so we hope you will make your lunch plans with us for that day!

Just to update everyone on the TABA Directory - the deadline has come and gone now and I am working on putting all of the information together to take to the printer. If you committed to advertise in the Directory but have not gotten your advertisement into me, please do so ASAP. Your cooperation and support is very much appreciated.

November Holiday Hours - The TABA office will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holidays, November 24th and 25th

That's it from my desk! I hope to see everyone at the TABA Holiday Luncheon!

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