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Presented By:



April 13-15, 20-22, 2012

Homes Open Fridays, 6-8pm and Saturdays and Sundays, 12-5pm

**Admission is \$5 per adult and \$2 for children 12 and under,
babies in arms free**

Tickets good for all 6 days of parade, unlimited viewing

This Annual Scattered Site Parade boasts 13 beautiful homes in the Temple/Belton and Salado areas. Homes range in size from 1800 square feet to over 5000 square feet showcasing TABA builder's talents and the latest in technology and building techniques.

TABA would like to thank Central National Bank for again partnering with us to bring this annual event to the residents of central Texas.

We would also like to thank our other show partners, **Tri-Supply, Texas Bright Ideas, Keene Roofing, Foxworth-Galbraith, the Temple Daily Telegram and Ratliff Ready Mix** for their generous support and commitment to TABA, the Parade of Homes and the building industry.

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PARADE OF HOMES KICK-OFF PARTY

DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2012

TIME: 6PM, AWARDS PRESENTATION AT 7PM

LOCATION: DEAD FISH GRILL, BELTON

COST: \$10 Per person and you MUST have a ticket to enter, tickets are limited to the first 250 people and reservations will be taken till Wednesday, April 5th

Please call the office at 254-773-0445 or email to cheryl@tahb.org to order your tickets. Tickets will be mailed and you **MUST have a ticket to enter the party**

Buffet with sliders and chips, beer and margaritas provided from 6-8pm or until guaranteed quantity runs out. Cash bar available

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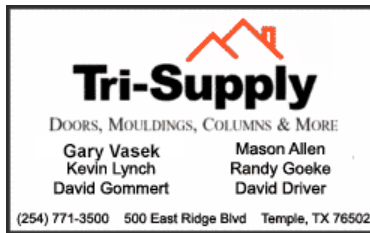
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**Director of
Government Affairs**

Blair Anderson

As we move into April, I want to remind everyone that the Primary Election date has been set for May 29th. It took quite some time for both sides to reach an agreement, but we finally have an election date. The following candidates have been endorsed by HOME PAC, and we encourage you to support them as well.

Elections 2012

Ralph Sheffield for State Representative

Marty Janczak for Bell County Commissioner

Jack Jones for District Court Judge

Paul LePak for District Court Judge

Jim Nichols for Bell County Attorney

Henry Garza for Bell County District Attorney

Bob Pemberton for State Appeals Court

Troy Fraser for State Senate

HOME PAC has also financially supported the following candidates for Bell County Sheriff: **Bob Patterson and Eddy Lange**

Additionally, the Belton School District is running a bond election in May. Home PAC strongly supports its passage. Good schools are good for the community, and our industry. If you have specific questions on what the bond will cover, please contact me directly.

City of Temple

We continue to work with the City of Temple on a number of development related issues, from Perimeter Street fees to UDC corrections to Commercial permitting and a host of other items. The Government Affairs Committee has a strong technical subcommittee which has been advancing these issues over the last few months. The City is also looking at adopting their post-construction ordinance sometime in May, an ordinance that is mandated by the State of Texas, and something that TABA has worked with them on a continual basis for the last 2 years. Make no mistake about it: this ordinance has been handed to cities, including Temple, is an unfunded mandate, and we are working to insure that the city has the necessary funding to implement the ordinance.

Would you like to serve on a board or commission?

I am currently looking for industry related volunteers to help insure that the cities have a strong candidate pool to draw from as they appoint members to a variety of boards and commissions. No experience is necessary, but we certainly appreciate having members with some form of industry expertise on these boards and commissions. There are a number of boards, including things

such as Electrical Board, Tree Board, Building and Standards Commission, Planning and Zoning, among other things. We currently have a number of industry related professionals on these, but we are always looking for more. The time commitment for many of them is less than 1 meeting per month (many meet on as as-needed basis), but the value to our industry is priceless. Please email me at blair@tahb.org if you are interested in helping out.

City of Belton

We would like to welcome Erin Newcomer as the new Planning Director for the City of Belton. Ms. Newcomer holds a Bachelors degree in Wildlife and Fisheries Science, and a Masters in Urban Regional Planning. Prior to accepting the position, she also worked for a large home builder in the Bryan-College Station area. We are happy to welcome her to the City of Belton!

Elected Officials Night and Skeet Shoot

Please reserve these important dates on your calendar for 2012. Both of these events in support of the goals of HOME PAC and the Government Affairs Team promise to be a great time!

Tuesday, September 25th, starting at 730am: HomePAC Skeet Shoot

Tuesday, October 16th. 5pm: Elected Officials Night at Cathedral Oaks.

Hope you all have a great month

Blair

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ANNUAL TABA GOLF TOURNAMENT

DATE CHANGE

The Annual TABA Golf Tournament that was originally scheduled for May 10th and was supposed to be combined with the Reverse Raffle has now been moved to Thursday, May 24th at Widflower Country Club and will no longer be combined with the Reverse

Raffle.

The Golf committee is in the process of meeting and organizing the tournament deciding on sponsor levels and other logistics. More information will be published via membership email. It is our third fundraiser for the year and we hope everyone marks their calendar to participate in some way whether as a sponsor or player or both.

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NEW HOME STARTS

	Mar '12	Mar '11	'12 YTD	'11 YTD
Temple	41	46	41	89
Belton	13	9	13	22
Morgan's Point	0	1	0	3
Totals	54	56	54	113

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

Please note this data DOES NOT reflect January andn February numbers. We apologize for the missing information. Closings will be reported next month

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EO's Comments

Cheryl Hunka
Executive Officer

Here we are in April and the Parade of Homes is almost here. Builders have been working hard to get their homes ready for the show. This year the parade committee has decided to do their version of a People's Choice award. Each committee member has selected a member of the community to judge the entries of this year's parade. One winner will be selected in each size category. This award and the Builder's Choice award will be given out at the Parade Kick Off Party at the Dead Fish Grill on Thursday, April 12th. Tickets for this party are \$10 per person. Their will be a buffet with sliders and chips and beer and margaritas will be provided from 6-8pm or until our guaranteed quantity runs out. We hope to see many of our members attend this great TABA event.

Update: On a personal note, my health is improving day by day with help from cardiac rehab that I attend

3 days a week. My energy level continues to come back slowly and I want to thank the TABA Board and Blair for being so patient and working with me during this time. I am back in the office albeit on a part time basis however, if you need to reach me please feel free to call my cell at 254-760-4647. I also want to thank the many members who have called or stop by to check on how I am doing. It is so heart warming to feel so much love - words cannot express how I feel.

I hope to see many of you at the Parade Party on April 12th!!

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