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Huge Thank You to Carothers Executive Homes!!!



Jason Carothers and a great contingency of local subcontractors finished off our Parade of Homes with a bang by selling TABA Showcase Home #8.

TABA is extremely grateful to all of those involved in making this happen, as the sell has buffered continuing operations of the Association and will go a long way toward paying down the debt on our building.

Jason reported that during the Parade of Homes, as many as 50 people per day toured Showcase Home #8 in his Westridge subdivision, and that there was a contract on it prior to the end of the event. Now that the home has sold, Jason has very graciously offered to build Showcase Home #9.

TABA can't thank Carothers Executive Homes enough! We also thank **Tri-Supply who provided the doors and windows for the home**, in addition to the following suppliers and subcontractors for their hard work and dedication to making this project a great success!!!

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TABA Calendar has been updated. **Please take note:**

Friday, August 23rd

TABA Reverse Raffle and Membership Appreciation Event

Thursday, September 12th

TABA Golf Tournament at Wildflower

October 10th (Tentative)

TABA Home PAC Skeet Shoot at Webers

Friday, December 6th

Night at the Horse Races & TABA Awards Ceremony

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The next TABA event of 2013 is quickly approaching. The site of the event will be Temple’s KC Hall where TABA will hold a Reverse Raffle/Membership Appreciation dinner. All in attendance will enjoy a complimentary meal and be entertained at an event that is always fun for all in attendance. New TABA members will be recognized and have an opportunity to introduce themselves.

Top prize will provide yet another opportunity for you to win a John Deere Gator. Gators have been popular prizes for those in attendance at every Raffle we have held, and now might be your time to win, so make sure to reserve your opportunity.

Other prizes will include a vacation package, gun, spa package and a television. Door prizes will be awarded throughout the evening and they are sure to excite. Please make sure to join us the evening of Friday, August 23rd at KC Hall.

Tickets are going fast, so be sure to get yours soon. Call the TABA office at 254-773-0445 today and we will arrange to get yours to you. See sample ticket below for more details.

Fund Raiser and Reverse Raffle

August 23, 2013 at the KC Hall, Temple, TX

1. Check-in at 5:30pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm, Drawing begins at 7:00 pm.

2. TICKETS (150 total)

--Tickets 001 through 140 will be sold to the public at \$100.00 each in advance by TABA members.

--Tickets 141 through 149 will be auctioned during the event.

--Ticket 150 will be raffled during the evening. “Ticket 150” raffle tickets will be sold 1 for \$10.00 or three for \$25 and is a guaranteed to be one of the top 10 ticket holders.

--Mulligans can ONLY be purchased at the door for \$50. You may purchase one mulligan for every original ticket you hold.

3. Everyone can bid on auctioned tickets and buy raffle chances. After 90 tickets and/or mulligans have

been drawn, any ticket holder can auction their ticket before the next draw. TABA will retain 25% of all sales between ticket holders. All money due has to be paid that night. (cash, check and Visa/MC are accepted)

4. **Closing:** When we are down to the final 9 tickets, owners will be seated at the stage. Ticket 150 will be drawn for and added to make the final ten finalists. Before each drawing of the last ten tickets, the finalists have the choice of auctioning their ticket and the option will be determined by random drawing for seats. If a ticket holder sells, the buyer takes the seller's chair. TABA will retain 25% of these sales.
5. **Door prizes will be provided throughout the evening.**
6. **Ticket holder or a representative must be present to win and must register the ticket at the door. Ticket entitles owner to two (2) dinners.**
7. **IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL winners who receive prizes or money totaling \$600 or greater will be required to fill out a W-9 form prior to collection of prize or money. These winners will receive a W-2G for the full market value of the prize or cash received.**

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Troy Glasson
Executive Officer

As I now have more than a month back at TABA under my belt, I've had the opportunity catch up with many of my old friends. I'm happy to report that things seem to be going well. Our members are busy, houses are being built, there are substantial projects underway in Temple and Belton and people are encouraged.

All of that bodes well for our industry and for your association. I can tell you that TABA is ready for an economic turn-around. As the economy waned the past few years, so did our membership. In fact, it declined substantially.

The TABA leadership is set to begin addressing membership over the coming months. We have a goal to get back to 350 members as quickly as possible and that begins with you. TABA not only provides networking opportunities that help you to promote your business (re: Parade, Home & Garden Show, etc), we also navigate the political waters to help provide a pro-business environment for you to operate in.

Are you encouraging the people that you do business with to join TABA? There is strength in numbers in the political

world that we live in. Though few like to think about or even talk about politics, we are all affected by it. Those that govern, look to the masses to tell them to what they need to do and where resources need to be allocated.

If your industry doesn't have a strong voice, your business will be impacted one way or another. This could mean less infrastructure development or it could mean more regulation and higher impact fees. Either way, your ability to grow your business could be limited if you don't have an advocate in the halls of government.

No doubt, we are all busy. You only have so much time to devote to your business so as not to take away from your personal life. I encourage you to join TABA and to have your associates join TABA so that we can continue to move our industry forward and do the governmental and political work that you may not always have time for.

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Home-PAC trustees are set to meet for a membership drive at the end of this month. Chairman John Kiella believes it is time to begin rebuilding our membership now that the home building industry is picking up and the need for the TABA political action committee has never been greater. To date we have provided business minded, pro-growth candidates contributions totaling about \$200,000.

Home PAC supports candidates at the local and state levels. Our trustees work to assure that each candidate we support is pro-growth and understands our desire to have TABA be at the table when any code, fee or regulation is considered that will impact the home building industry.

In the past, membership drives have been very successful generating as much as a 70 percent increase in membership, and a 58 percent increase in dues revenue.

If you haven't joined Home-PAC yet, please consider a statement from Home-PAC Trustee Jason Carothers. "If you are a member of TABA and don't give to Home-PAC you are not fully supporting your industry. The money you give to TABA goes to support the administration of the association and the many opportunities that creates for your business. The money you give to Home-PAC goes directly to support the viability of your industry for years to come."

You can give as little as \$50 a year and help a great deal! Giving levels include:

President \$1,000

Senator \$500

Congressman \$250

Legislator \$100

Constituent \$50

To learn more about joining Home-PAC, please contact the TABA office at 254-773-0445. [Click here to see a list of](#)

current Home-PAC members.

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