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#### **2015 Events**

February 20 - 22 Home & Garden Show (@ Bell County Expo Center)

Rally Day (@ Texas State Capitol) March 4

March 27 Crawfish Boil Event (@ Lamar Advertising Facility) Parade of Homes Kickoff Party (@ Dead Fish Grill) April 16

April 17 - 19 Parade of Homes (Weekend 1) Parade of Homes (Weekend 2) April 24 - 26

May 8 TABA Golf Tournament (@ Wildflower Country Club)

Golf Tournament Entry Form

June 5 HomePAC Washer Tournament & TABA Member Event

(@ Overlook Pavilion, Belton Lake)

September 24 HomePAC Skeet Shoot (@ Weber's Outdoors, Troy)

August 27 Member Appreciation Event

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#### TABA Annual Golf Tournament WILDFLOWER COUNTRY CLUB · TEMPLE · FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2015 Sponsored By:











**LUNCH SPONSORED BY:** 

Come enjoy a Friday afternoon of golf and TABA camaraderie!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: 11:30 GOLFER CHECK-IN AND LUNCH, 1:00 SHOTGUN START, AWARDS AND DINNER

- FOLLOWING PLAY, WFCC DRESS CODE APPLIES, NO DENIM.

4-MAN SCRAMBLE, YOU MAY FORM YOUR OWN FOUR MAN TEAM, INDIVIDUAL FORMAT:

GOLFERS WILL BE PLACED ON A TEAM.

**GOLF AWARDS:** 

1ST PLACE EACH FLIGHT, LONGEST DRIVE, AND CLOSEST TO THE PIN

**ENTRY FEE:** \$125.00 PER PLAYER INCLUDES GREEN FEE, CART, PRACTICE BALLS, LUNCH,

> DINNER, 6 BEER TICKETS PER ENTRY AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PROVIDED ON THE COURSE. ENTRY FEE MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION. WE ACCEPT CASH,

CHECK OR CREDIT CARD

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2015

**AVAILABLE SPONSORSHIPS:** TEE BOX SPONSOR (\$300); SUPPORTER SPONSOR (\$100)

#### Golf Team Registration Form Available Here

Questions? Just reply to this email or contact us at info@tahb.org or 254-773-0445

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## **Presented By:**



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## 2015 Parade Builders were:

<u>Arnold Builders</u> - <u>Carothers Executive Homes</u> - <u>DR Horton</u> - <u>Eagle Ridge Builders</u> - <u>Kiella Homebuilders</u> - <u>MF Construction</u> - <u>Omega Builders</u> - <u>Randy Taylor Custom Builders</u> - <u>Riley Scott Custom Homes</u> - <u>Stellar Homes</u> - <u>Stillwater Custom Homes</u> - <u>TVJ Builders</u>

TABA announced the winning homes for the 2015 Parade of Homes at an awards ceremony at the Dead Fish Grill, those builders and homes receiving superiority awards included the following:

## Award recipients for the 2015 People's Choice are:

• \$299,000 and Below Speculative Home Category

Eagle Ridge Builders — 7233 Valley Mist, Temple

• \$300,000 to \$499,000 Speculative Home Category

TVJ Builders—106 Connor, Temple

• \$300,000 to \$499,000 Custom Home Category

Riley Scott Custom Homes-417 Green Park, Belton

• \$499,000 and Above Speculative Home Category

Carothers Executive Homes—16 Lago Verde, Belton

• \$499,000 and Above Custom Home Category

MF Construction—119 Sereno Vista, Belton

#### Award recipients for the Builder's Choice Awards are:

• \$299,000 and Below Speculative Home Category

Eagle Ridge Builders — 7233 Valley Mist, Temple

• \$300,000 to \$499,000 Custom Home Category

Riley Scott Custom Homes-417 Green Park, Belton

• \$300,000 to \$499,000 Speculative Home Category

TVJ Builders—106 Connor, Temple

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The judges also provided notes and comments on the most impressive features in the homes that they toured, most often mentioned were the following.

## **Most Impressive Features:**

- TVJ Builders—106 Connor, Temple
- "Sliding Glass Wall to Patio"
- Riley Scott Custom Homes-417 Green Park, Belton
- "Master Bath Sauna"
- Eagle Ridge Builders 7233 Valley Mist, Temple
- "Grocery Door in Garage"
- MF Construction—119 Sereno Vista, Belton
- "Wine Bar"
- Kiella Homebuilders 10409 Windy Pointe, Temple
- "Interior lighting and wine nook"
- Carothers Executive Homes—16 Lago Verde, Belton
- "Outdoor living space and Pool" and "Interior Brick Accents"

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## 2015 Crawfish Boil

Thanks again to Lamar Advertising, Bud Light - Jack Hilliard, and Sparta Crane & Construction!





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Thanks again to our 2015 Home & Garden Show Sponsors, committee members, and participating vendors and exhibitors. The 2015 Show was sold out - we look forward to another great show in 2016!

Interested in Exhibiting in 2016? Contact us at info@tahb.org or 254-773-0445 for more information

## - 2015 Marketing Partners -















## 2015 Banner Advertising Partners

Kiella Homebuilders -- Moore Air -- Carothers Executive Homes -- First Community Title -- Monteith Abstract & Title -- Keene Roofing -- BMI Pest Management -- CentraLand Title -- All County Surveying -- R.T. Schneider Construction -- R.K. Bass Electric -- Union State Bank -- Wilsonart International -- Bell Air Conditioning -- First State Bank Central Texas -- Armadillo Box/Mobile Modular -- Texas Nightscapes Outdoor Lighting -- Tri-Supply -- Lengefeld Lumber -- Indeco Sales -- Drews Hunt Builders

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## **TABA Advocacy for the Industry**

April has been a busy month for issues that affect our industry at the State Legislature. TABA worked with the Texas Association of Builders to weigh in on some key legislation that impacts our industry to ensure our members voices are heard and the interests of our industry are protected.

For example, TABA voiced its strong opposition to HB 3984 which would have mandated statewide impact fees. The bill would negatively affect the homebuilding industry by forcing a city to collect an impact fee for new development. If passed, cities would be required to impose an impact fee of at least 20% of the maximum fee allowable by law, on top of any impact fees that are already being collected. The money would then be siphoned off as a statewide tax to cover funding deficiencies in the state's budget for highways.

HB 3984 would essentially impose a tax on new housing and development. Such a law would diminish an already record-low supply of affordable homes in many Texas cities. Rejecting HB 3984 will allow cities - and our locally elected officials - to continue to enact the most appropriate fees in their community without inadvertently adding thousands of dollars to the price of a home.

Not all of the legislation TABA has engaged on is negative - there are some much needed legislative initiatives in process. TABA voiced its support of HB 1736 which would give Texas a reasonable energy code with the flexibility to make use of an optional performance path that is actually attainable. The legislation, which balances energy efficiency with housing affordability, will allow builders to build more energy efficient homes at more effective prices.

TABA will continue to work with our affiliated Texas Association of Builders (TAB) and other local associations throughout the state to address key legislation that impacts our industry.

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The TABA HomePAC Trustees have voted to endorse and support the May 9th City of Temple Parks Bond Election. The Parks Bond will provide enhancements and improvements to existing parks and sports facilities, land for future parks, and additional necessary sports facilities in growing areas. Early Voting has started. Please support our community parks by voting YES today. Parks are a critical component of a healthy and growing community and provide quality of living for all to enjoy!

Early Voting April 27th through May 5th

Vote Yes for Our Marks May 9th

"Quality Parks. Quality Living"



By supporting our parks, we are doing much more than adding additional hike and bike trails, swimming pools, playgrounds and athletic fields; we are supporting those who use them. We are supporting a 10 year old's Olympic soccer dream. We are supporting

the elderly man who sits on the same park bench where he proposed to his wife. We are supporting families by providing trails and parks for them to gather and have fun. Our parks promote active and a healthy life style. We are building memories, relationships, and lives. We are building a better standard of living, and improving Temple for us all.



#### **TOP 5 REASONS TO VOTE FOR TEMPLE PARKS**

## 1. KEEP UP WITH GROWTH!

- Temple has grown 45% since last community park was built
- Temple is projected to grow 30% in the next 15 years
- New parks and park enhancements needed to support growth and quality of living

## 2. TAKE CARE OF AGING FACILITIES!

- Replace failing structures enhances safety and enjoyment of parks
- New picnic areas, benches and walking trails for all ages
- Adding play structures and protective sun sails

# 3. UPGRADE AND EXPAND SPORTS FACILITIES TO MEET GROWING DEMAND

- New and upgraded football, soccer, baseball and softball fields
- Covered basketball court
- Upgrade many of the restroom and concession facilities for safety and compliance

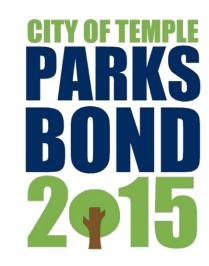
## 4. NEW SAFE, ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUNDS AND WATER PLAY AREAS!

- Water features were identified as one of the most desired park feature
- New splash parks, water play areas and an outdoor swimming pool for the kid in all of us
- Added playground structures and fitness stations

## 5. EXPAND AND LINK HIKE-AND-BIKE TRAIL SYSTEM

- Added walking trails within parks
- Walking, jogging, biking is healthy living
- Connecting parks to trails provides easier and safer access to parks

**6 MAJOR CATEGORIES** 





Neighborhood Parks Athletics Water Recreation

New Community Parks Facility Upgrades Linkage Trails

**HOW DO YOU USE OUR PARKS?** 



## WHERE TO VOTE YES

## **EARLY VOTING**

APRIL 27-MAY 1 MAY 4-May 5

8am-5pm 7am-7pm

**Municipal Building, 2 North Main Temple, TX** 

# **ELECTION DAY - MAY 9**

7am - 7pm

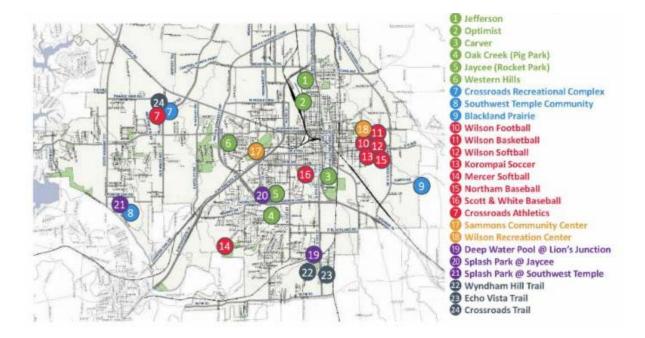
**District 1 - Mayborn Center** 

**District 2 - Wilson Recreation Center** 

**District 3 - Thornton Elementary School** 

## **District 4 - Holy Trinity Catholic High School**

## 2015 PROPOSED BOND PROJECTS



# \$27,675,000 Bond Proposal

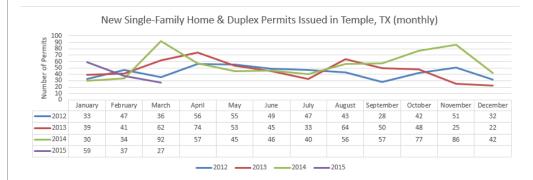
# **Estimated Monthly Tax Impact:**

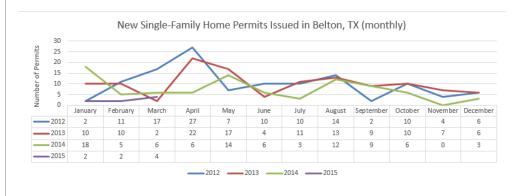
\$4.17 per month per \$100,000 of home value

## **65 & OLDER**

Taxpayers 65 and over who have applied and received the Over 65 homestead exemption will see no tax rate increase as a result of these bonds.

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## Please take a moment and check out our new members!

### **NEW Members**

-- <u>Crawford Custom Homes</u> -- <u>Bird Creek Roofing</u> -- <u>Joaquin Carrasquillo - State Farm Insurance</u> -- <u>Lowe's of Temple</u> -- <u>Custom Integrators</u> -- <u>Climate Control</u> -- <u>Costa Pool & Spa</u> -- <u>Heights Lumber & Supply</u> -- <u>Stylecraft Builders</u> -- <u>The Nitsche Group</u>

#### Do Business with a member!

The TABA Board of Directors has set a goal to get back to 350 members by 2016 and that begins with our most valuable recruitment tools - our current members! TABA not only provides networking and marketing opportunities that help you promote your business, we also navigate the political waters to help provide a pro-business environment.

Are you encouraging the people that you do business with to join TABA? There is strength in numbers! 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 fees. Either way, your ability to grow your business could be limited if you don't have an advocate in the halls of government.

I encourage you to engage your business associates, and have them join TABA so we can continue to move our industry forward! Contact us at <a href="mailto:info@tahb.org">info@tahb.org</a> or 254.773.0445 for more information on how to refer your business associates, or to pass on leads regarding prospective members!

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# Membership News and Announcements

MLAW Engineers - DeWayne Krawl named Vice President of Business Development - info@mlaw-eng.com

Interested in learning more about some upcoming changes in Consumer Financial Protection Bureau regulations? Follow this link to

learn how to register for a panel of Title, Lender and Real Estate Professionals who will discuss upcoming changes to the

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau regulations

Do you have an announcement about your member company that you would like to share with the broader TABA membership? Contact us at <a href="mailto:info@tahb.org">info@tahb.org</a> or 254-773-0445 to share

## Membership Initiative

As part of a new membership initiative, we are asking our TABA Builder members to provide a list of the vendors and subcontractors that they do more than \$5,000 in annual business with. Upon receipt, TABA will determine who on your list is already an Associate member and who TABA and you should contact to become a member. You may think you are already doing business with a member - but they may not be! Let's increase the strength of our industry's voice by bringing in those vendors and subcontractors who aren't members yet.

Participants will earn credit, prizes, and recognition for recruiting new members that they do business with as well as increasing the percentage of TABA members they work with.

Submit your list of vendors and subcontractors today! This will provide TABA some solid leads for recruitment - and some builder members who can follow up with these vendors and subcontractors!

Associate members can participate too - just send us a list of folks you do business with who you think are members or who you think should be!

All information provided will be kept confidential - TABA will not share your information.

"Do Business With a Member"!

**Entry Form** 

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Mark your calendars now for the 1st annual TABA HomePAC Washer Tournament

Friday - June 5 - Overlook Pavilion @ Lake Belton

Winning team receives entry to the Statewide Washer Tournament on July 28 and a free night stay at <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/journament-10.

Stay tuned for more information!

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