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FEBRUARY 2010

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 5, 2010
Board of Directors Meeting
Ken & Mary's 7AM

February 9, 2010
Home Builders Meeting
Cleveland Country Club 6:00 PM

April 24, 2010
Reverse Raffle
GoForth Hall

PROGRAM PRESENTER:
Reg Alexander
Regal Ventures

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GENTLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

There is at least one point in the history of any company when you have to change dramatically to rise to the Next Level of performance. Miss that moment —and you start to decline.



North Carolina Home Builders

Educational & Charitable Foundation, Inc.

Scholarship Award

The North Carolina Home Builders Educational & charitable Foundation, Inc. awards scholarship's based on a combination of need and merit to four year college students entering their junior or senior year and technical school students entering their second year who have declared their major in a construction related field.

To be eligible a student must meet the following criteria:

1. Applicants must be nominated by a NCHBA member firm.
2. Nominees shall be immediate family members—related by blood, (i.e. children, step-children or grandchildren).
3. Students related by marriage, (i.e. son-in-law, daughter-in-law, etc.) shall not be eligible.
4. Immediate family members of any current trustee of the NCHB Educational & Charitable Foundation, Inc. shall not be eligible.
5. Awards are for one year, but scholarship winners may submit a renewal application and be considered for renewal if they make satisfactory progress in their studies.
6. Only full-time students will be considered. NCHBA defines a full-time student as one taking a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester.

Deadline for entries is April 30, 2010

For a nomination form or application packet go to www.nchba.com or call the NCHBA at (800) 662-7129

BUILDER PRESENTS GREEN SEMINAR AT QUARTERLY MEETING.

You know what "green" is, but what's so great about it? How does it affect you or your business? What's in it for you?

On February 17 as part of the 1st Quarter Meeting at the Grandover Resort in Greensboro, builder Chad Ray will present the seminar "High Performance Green Homes of the Future Are Here Today--Be the Windshield, Not the Bug". This seminar is for builders and associates alike. You will learn:

- Why this "green" thing is not going away;
- Ready or not, change is coming;
- Why "greener" really just means "better;"
- Low cost or no cost items that are easy to do;
- How to sell the cost difference and the appraisal war;
- Your customer wants to know exactly how you are--tell them;
- What's in it for me? Hint: everything.

The seminar will be held during the Associate Members Committee meeting at 1:00 p.m. and is open to everyone. There is no charge to attend.

2010 REGIONAL MEETING

NCHBA will hold its annual regional meetings the week of February 1-5, 2010. Regional meetings are a time for leadership from each local HBA to meet with other HBAs in their region to discuss local issues and learn about what will be happening on the state level in 2010. All members are invited to attend, but we especially want to encourage local HBA executive officers, local presidents and board of directors, and members interested in learning how to get more involved on the state HBA level. We hope to have representation from every local association this year, so mark your calendars now.

Tuesday, February 2, 2010

Region IX:

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Location: Silver Creek Plantation

Silver Creek Plantation is located just off Interstate 40 at 4241 Plantation Drive., Morganton, NC 28655. (828) 584-6979 Lunch will be served.

Paul Ezell 704 484-4997
Cleveland County
Administrator

KNOW THE CODE



CLEVELAND COUNTY CODE NEWS

When I'm writing for the Chalklike, I try to include something that we have seen recently or something that we have gotten some questions on. Here's a good example. "Section R311.4.1 Exit door required. Not less than one exit door conforming to this section shall be provided for each dwelling unit.

The required exit door shall provide for direct access from the habitable portions of the dwelling to the exterior without requiring travel through a garage. Access to habitable levels not having an exit in accordance with this section shall be by a ramp in accordance with Section R311.6 or a stairway in accordance with Section R311.5."

A perfect place to encounter this would be pertaining to a "Bonus Room" over a garage. The stairs can open into the house or directly outside but cannot open into the garage necessitating travel through the garage to the outside. If this cannot be accomplished, the only other alternative is to build a ramp or exterior stairway from the "Bonus Room" in accordance with Sections

R311.6 or 311.5.

As always, should you have any questions, please contact me at 704-484-4997.

Sincerely,

Paul Ezell

Cleveland County

**********REMINDER**********

- If you are going to pay for **Annual Guest Meals**, the $125 will be due at our next monthly meeting which is February 12th.
- Our February Meeting is our special "**Ladies Valentine Day Dinner".** Our guest will be Reggie Alexander, the humorist and variety entertainer. As some of you may remember, Reg performed a short introductory presentation for us two years ago. This is for the ladies so please bring your wife so she can have a fun filled evening and a Valentine Day surprise.

Membership Information

In December 2009, the Cleveland Country Club had a per meal increase of $1.26. We are sorry to announce, but effective February 9th, guest meal prices will increase from $12 to $13 and the members who pay annual guest meals will also have an increase from $100 to $125 which is due in February.

Our annual membership dues is $355 of which we pay National $150, State $60 and our local HBA receives the balance of $145. This $145 will not cover the membership meals but we have no plans on increasing the annual dues.

Again, we are sorry about this increase.

Board of Directors

SAFETY STUFF by: Builders Mutual Insurance Company

POWER TOOL SAFETY

Power Tools can be hazardous when improperly used. There are several types of power tools, based on the power source they use: electric, pneumatic, liquid fuel, hydraulic, and powder-actuated. Employees should be trained in the use of all tools. They should understand the potential hazards as well as the safety precautions to prevent those hazards from occurring. The following general precautions should be observed by power tool users:

- Never carry a tool by the cord or hose.
- Never yank the cord or the hose to disconnect it from the receptacle.
- Keep cords and hoses away from heat, oil and sharp edges.
- Disconnect tools when not in use, before servicing and when changing accessories such as blades, bits and cutters.
- Keep observers at a safe distance from the work area.
- Secure work with clamps or a vise, freeing both hands to operate the tool.
- Avoid accidental starting. The worker should not hold a finger on the switch button while carrying a plugged-in tool.
- Tools should be maintained with care. They should be kept sharp and clean for the best performance. Follow instruction in the user's manual for lubricating and changing accessories.
- Be sure to keep good footing and maintain good balance.
- Wear proper apparel, loose clothing, ties, or jewelry can become caught in moving parts.
- All portable electric tools that are damaged should be removed from use and tagged "Do Not Use."

Building Permits December 2009

Kings Mountain

Location	Contractor	Type Constr.	Valuation
202 Victoria Circle	Homeowner	Addition/Remodel	$13,000
216 Catherine St.	Michael Brown	Addition/Remodel	$4,000
202 Victoria Circle	Sharon Barney	Addition/Remodel	$16,000
112 Liberty Circle	Hall Builders	New Construction	$111,444
119 Landrum	Johnson & Associates	New Construction	$130,500
708 Groves St.	Homeowner	Addition/Remodel	$10,000
1423 Phifer Rd.	Homeowner	Accessory Structure	$15,000
607 W. Gold St.	Homeowner	Accessory Structure	$800
104 Wright Rd.	Homeowner	Accessory Structure	$6,500

All Permits not listed. TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL PERMITS **$307,244**

Shelby

806 Pleasant Dr.	Jeffery Terry	Howard Builders	Termite Damage	$22,500
201 Grover St.	CRMC	Rogers Builders	Renovate Lobby	104,474
415 Stroud Rd.	Karen Hubbard	Richard Moore	Int. Renovations	$16,000
511 Piedmont Ave.	Doris Wilson	Howard Dawkins	New Dwelling	$13,000
520 W. Warren St.	Historic Preservation	WW Contractors	Renovations	$25,000
822 Hill St.	Onzie Hensley	JLB Construction	Fire Damage	$70,000
512 Webber St.	Josh Edwards	Owner	Renovation	$39,000

All Permits not listed TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL PERMITS **$289,974**

Cleveland County

1235 Bob Falls Rd.	Brian Jenkins	J.J. Gragg	SFD	$225,000
115 Agusta Lane	Ricky Mullinax	Wray Development	SFD	$230,000
4019 Hamilton Rd.	Clifford Hamrick	Johnson & Assoc.	SFD	$105,000
105 Haven Land	STV & Bubba	STV & Bubba	SFD	$70,000
2722 Bailey Rd.	Josh Hamrick	J.J. Gragg	SFD	$210,000
419A Cleveland Ave.	CMH Homes	Owner	Ext. Addition	$2,500
112 Elam St	Cecil Buff	Owner	Ext. Addition	$5,900
123 Canterbury Dr.	Jason Drum	Owner	Finish Basement	$25,000
121 College Manor Dr.	Greggory Sailors	Owner	Int. Addition	$10,000
904 W. Double Shoals Rd.	Mark Spurling	Owner	Int. Addition	$23,000

All Permits not listed TOTAL VALUATION OF ALL PERMITS **$906,400**

Total Valuation of Kings Mountain, Shelby and Cleveland County **$1,503,618**

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE or COMING DUE

Martin Electric & Networking
Doug Burch
BNT Building & Const.
Clyde Willis & Son Masonry
WW Contractors
K. Humphries Plumbing
Green Mountain Enterprises
Concrete Specialty
Maxwell Hamrick Insurance
Wylie Lee Builders
Beam, Edwards & Brooks
Greene Building Corp.
Carolina Farm Credit
Reid Lindsay Insurance

REVERSE RAFFLE

Reverse Raffle Tickets are on sale again and we hope that every member of our organization will help sell them; the raffle will take place on April 24th, 2010. We will again have eight $500 prizes, one $1,000 prize and the grand prize is $5,000. Your need not be present to win any of the prizes. This is our major fund-raiser for the year and we need your support to make this a successful year. For ticket information, please call 704 300-9465 or contact any of our board members.

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