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The Watertown Area Builder

*The newsletter of the Watertown Area Home Builders' Association
Serving Clark, Codington, Deuel, Grant & Hamlin Counties*

MISSION STATEMENT

"The Watertown Area Home Builders' Association is a non-profit organization of professionals in the building industry dedicated to improving our neighborhoods. Our mission is to promote the building industry through education, advocacy and community involvement."



Greetings from the President:

Here we are in the middle of December already. Less than 3 weeks and 2011 will be gone. Where did the year go? All in all it's been a year to remember. We went from flooding to drought and to weather that has been in everybody's favor.

New building and remodels have been very strong this year. Home sales have also been good, given the way the economy is. We have been very blessed in this area to have what we have. This is the time of year to put all troubles aside and remember the real reason for the season. To be with friends and family, as I consider the WABHA as my extended family.

Our Christmas party this year was December 13 at the WABHA office starting at 6:00, for all members and their families. Thank you to those who came to join the fun and fellowship, and who brought goodies to share. We wrapped gifts for the less fortunate, thanks to all for your generous donations to help buy gifts for 41 children who otherwise would have nothing. Thank you again. This Christmas party was in lieu of our monthly membership meeting, so no meeting on December 20th.

Mark your calendar for Jan 10, 2012, for our annual awards and officer installation banquet. It will be at the Elks again, and as always, will be a very enjoyable time with good food and games and door prizes.

Home Show activities are progressing with sponsors and booth spaces reserved already, so get your reservations in early to get a spot. Before we know it the time will be here. March 2,3,4, 2012.

I'll close for now. From my family to yours, may all of you have a very blessed and heartfelt holiday season.

God Bless - Be Safe,

Frank



The next monthly meeting will be at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, January 17th

Membership renewals received in November :

Rod Martin - Associate - Fargo Glass & Paint Co.

Eric Beutler - Associate - Innovative Fabricators, Inc.

Steve Rieffenberger - Builder - Larry's Lumber, Inc.

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For those of you who were not able to attend the SDHBA annual banquet held at the Ramkota Event Center in Watertown last month, below is a reduced copy of the very colorful placemats that were used, thanking the sponsors for their contribution to make this event a success!

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2011 Awards Banquet & 2012 Officer Installation

This annual event is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at the Watertown Elks Lodge. Watch your mail for full details and your tickets for this banquet.

The proposed slate of officers & directors will be presented, as well as the acceptance of nominations from the floor, followed by the vote of the members, and the installation ceremony.

Please plan to attend this important function of your association!!





It's coming.....

The WAHBA 2012 Home Show !

Saturday & Sunday, March 3rd & 4th, 2012

Plans are underway for our annual Home Show, and already 20 booths have been reserved. All exhibitors from last year's show have been sent registration forms, along with a deadline of January 10th to send payment to guarantee a space for this year's show. After that date, we will open up registration for any new exhibitors on a first-come, first-served basis. WAHBA members will have preference, so if you wish to have a booth for the 2012 show, let us know right away so that we can get the information and registration forms to you.

Sponsorships for this year's show will be available as in the past, and sign-up forms for these will be coming out in the next couple of weeks. Or if you know you want to be a sponsor, let Vern know right away and he will get you signed up. The one available "Gold" sponsorship has been spoken for already, but there are still "Silver" and "Bronze" sponsorships available. Don't wait too long or you'll miss out on this great opportunity to promote your business along with this popular event. Thank you to this year's "Gold" Home Show sponsor, **Duane's Floor Covering** of Watertown! (Just the first of many promo mentions to come!!)

