

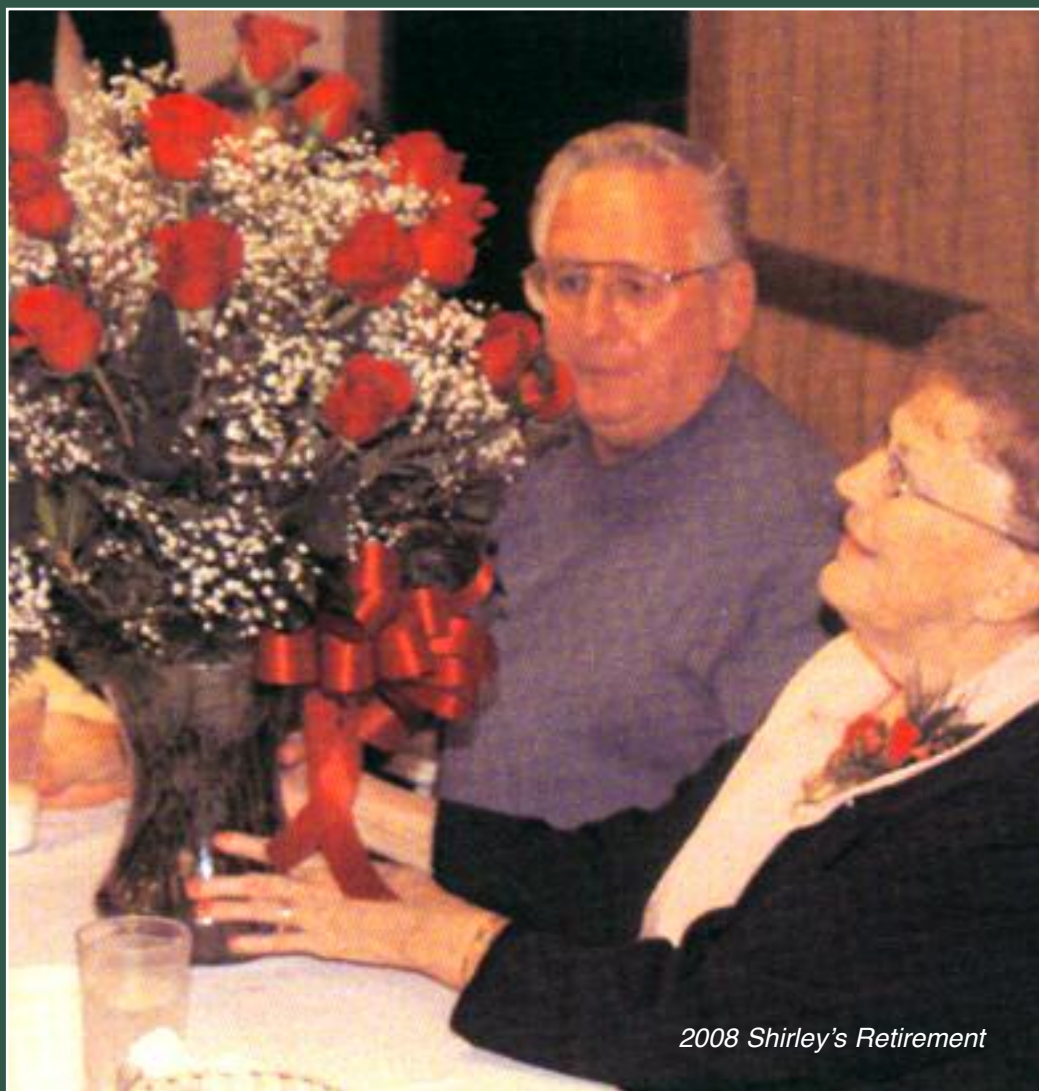
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The Wausau Area Builders Association, chartered in 1967 and affiliated with the Wisconsin Builders Association and National Association of Home Builders, is a professional non-profit trade association. Serving the community we represent the interests and concerns of the consumer, building trades, industry suppliers and all facets of the building industry.

The primary goal of our association is to provide quality, affordable housing through community and government involvement, while promoting high standards of professionalism.



**Please be
safe
while
enjoying the
4th!**

Joke of the month

Mike and Audrey were flying a plane and when it came time to land, Audrey took control like she normally did.

As she was approaching the runway she all of the sudden pulled back and they went back into the air. Then Mike asked, "What are you doing?" Audrey turned to him and said, "Look how short the runway is!"

Mike decided he could handle it and sat down and went in for the landing. When he was almost there he pulled back up. Audrey looked at him and said, "What did I tell you. It was too short." Mike said, "Okay so you were right, but we still have to land."

For one final try Audrey sat down and with all her might somehow landed the plane smoothly without even gliding across the runway. After they landed they looked at each other and Audrey goes "Good gosh that was a short runway." Then Mike looks to one side then the other and says "But man look how wide it is."

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President's Message



Summer is now here and the temperature is high. Hope everyone is doing okay with the heat and enjoying the summer. Hard to believe July 4th is almost here. And with that, summer will be about half gone. I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe 4th of July.



The Parade of Homes was a huge success. I would like to thank everyone who helped on the committee and all the sponsors and advertisers; you really help your association. I did not hear one bad thing about

the parade and there were no fines handed out this year. All the builders did a great job to get there homes completed on time and ready for the show.

The Golf committee also did a great job; they had just under 80 golfers. The weather was great! Maybe a little warm, but no rain. There was a very tasteful pig roast and all the fixings for supper. I don't think anyone went home hungry. All the prizes that were given away, the bucket raffle, hole-in-one car give-a-way on hole 3 and a total prize give-a-way of \$400.00 for spot placement. Thanks again to all for helping your association when it's needed most.

Don't forget about the picnic on July 19th at Marathon Park; bring the family ... \$20.00 feeds them all. There will be lots of food, beer and soda, gift bags for the kids. Please sign up, meet other members and have a good time. Call or email your registration in as soon as you can.

WABA is updating all of our membership info. Please call, fax or email your information to us so your info is correct. We need the updated info for our new web page and we are also looking at getting a membership list printed up for all the members to have.

Coming soon WABA new web page. Thanks to Warren Pope and his crew at Virtual Vision. They are working on a new web page that will have more up to date technology and will be easier to make changes on it so we can keep it updated. Warren is doing this for our association at no cost because they believe in WABA so when you see him thank him for everything he is doing for us. We have a lot of very good members who do care about the Wausau Area Builders Association so PLEASE do business with a member!

There is a WBA State Members Meeting July 19th in Wisconsin Dells.

Have A Great Summer.

— Bob Marcell

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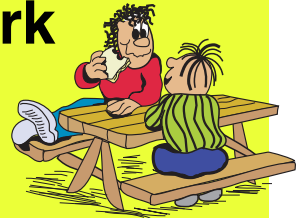
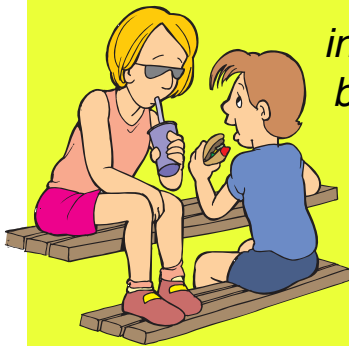
Information was not available as the newsletter was ready to be sent.

SUMMER PICNIC

THURSDAY, JULY 19

starting at 5:00 pm ~ Dinner at 6:00 pm
the Big Kitchen in Marathon Park

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JULY

2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Agenda Info is due				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		BOARD MEETING - 4 pm		Summer Picnic WBA State Meeting	July Membership Renewals Due	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER DUE				
29	30	31				

AUGUST

2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	Agenda Info is due POH Meeting - Discuss 2013 Budget Home Show - 3 pm Signage Review	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		BOARD MEETING - 4 pm				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	August Membership Renewals Due	ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER DUE			Sporting Clay Shoot	
26	27	28	29	30	31	

SEPTEMBER

2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 POH KICK-OFF MEETING	4 POH Meeting - 12:00 pm - Contract Review Home Show - 3 pm	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Agenda Info is due	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 BOARD MEETING - 4 pm	19	20 Sept. Dinner Meeting Sept. Membership Renewals Due	21 ITEMS FOR NEWSLETTER DUE	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Walker/Kleefisch Win

On Tuesday, June 5, Wisconsin voters rejected the recall of Governor Scott Walker and Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch, allowing both to finish their four year term.

Western Wisconsin, an area of the state that had been trending against the GOP in recent years, came back to the GOP this time except for La Crosse County where Barrett bested Walker 52-48. [Click here for the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel's interactive statewide map of the gubernatorial recall election results.](#)

Lt. Governor Kleefisch generally mirrored the vote total of Governor Walker. Kleefisch came in with just over 34,000 fewer votes than Governor Walker once all the votes were totaled.

State Senate likely flips D

Most pundits said the majority in the state senate would ultimately be decided in the 21st Senate District which featured a "do over" from 2010 where current State Senator Van Wanggaard was facing former State Senator John Lehman. Those pundits were right on. The other three state senate seats stayed Republican while it appears that Wanggaard was defeated by Lehman by just over 800 votes.

Municipal clerks in the 21 Senate District have begun the process of recounting the votes in this district, a process that is likely to last a week or possibly longer.

If the Lehman victory holds, and with an 800 vote plus lead that is very likely, the senate majority will flip to the Democrats 17-16 for the time being. The legislature is adjourned for the time being so it is unlikely the body will meet until January 2013 after the fall general election.

All of the focus is now on two key races this fall that will likely again determine the majority in the state senate. District 12 in northeastern Wisconsin, which has been a GOP target for the past 20 years, is the most likely target that the GOP has to take back the senate.

Senate District 18, represented by former Senator Randy Hopper before his recall defeat in 2011 and currently held by Senator Jessica King, will be another hotly contested race this fall. Before King's win, the 18th Senate District had been represented by Senator Carol Roessler (R-Oshkosh) since the 1980's and has traditionally been a GOP seat.

On to the primary in August

While the dust is still settling on the recall elections, we now look toward the August 14 primary in Wisconsin. This will be the first primary election to be held in August since the law was changed to move the primary from its traditional date in September.

Will this affect turnout? At this point nobody knows for sure but most seem to think that moving the primary to before Labor Day will likely drive turnout down in Wisconsin, especially after the never ending election cycle we have been in since 2010.

The biggest race in August will be the statewide GOP primary for U.S. Senate which will feature a number of GOP heavyweights and a well funded newcomer. Former Congressman Mark Neumann, former Governor Tommy Thompson, current Assembly Speaker Jeff Fitzgerald and newcomer Eric Hovde will face off for the right to take on current Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin for the open U.S. Senate Seat in Wisconsin.

In addition to the high profile GOP primary for U.S. Senate, a number of primaries will also take place for the state assembly and state senate after the passage of new maps taking into account the U.S. census number from 2010.

Input needed on Shoreland Zoning law change, 2011 WI Act 170

By WBA EVP Jerry Deschane

We're looking for quick feedback on our members' recent experience with permits for remodeling or reconstruction work in shoreland zones. The Wisconsin Legislature, via Act 170, gave counties more flexibility to allow the repair, remodeling or relocation of nonconforming structures in the shoreland zone. However, we are hearing mixed messages on how counties are implementing that new law. Some are using the law as a tool to allow more repair or remodeling while others are doing nothing.

We need the input of builders, remodelers, developers or others involved in shoreland development and are asking for them to reply to this email with feedback.

Sign up to attend the 2012 Gloria Kirking Memorial Golf Outing/BUILD-PAC Fundraiser

We will again be holding the Gloria Kirking Memorial Golf Outing/BUILD-PAC Fundraiser on Thursday, September 20, 2012 at the Wild Rock Golf Course in Wisconsin Dells.



Brad Boycks
WBA Director of Government and Political Affairs
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(This is a monthly report from the Wisconsin Builders Association, our "political arm" at the state Capitol in Madison. Each month, the Monday Morning Review will highlight the going's on under the Capitol Dome with an eye toward what matters to the housing industry.)

parade OF HOMES

The Parade of Homes is complete for 2012. Thank you to Jeremy Voigt, Tony Sorensen and the Parade of Homes committee for volunteering all the extra time it takes. Also to the builders who had homes. Without them we would have no parade. It is nice to see the dedication we have from members and their employees. It takes many hours to make this event work. The support from everyone involved; from selling tickets, touring the homes, having an ad in the parade book and all other sponsorships is greatly appreciated!

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My future plans include pursuing a career in Business. I will begin to continue my education at Madison College where I will work towards obtaining general education credits for two years, while also playing baseball. After those two years, I will look to continue at a prestigious business school such as Carlson at the University of Minnesota.

Once again, I offer my sincerest thanks for your continued generosity to the Wausau Area Builders Association Scholarship.

Sincerely,


Dylan Detert

To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for the scholarship you graciously awarded to me. It is greatly appreciated and will go to good use in my up-coming college years. I am proud to say I have a scholarship from the Wausau Area Builders Association. Thank you again for awarding me the scholarship and everything else you have done in the community.

Sincerely,


Ashley Zick

Dear Mr. Jorasz

I would like to thank you for the wonderful scholarship. This will help me achieve my goal in becoming a nurse. I am very excited. I cannot tell you how much I appreciate this scholarship! Thank you so very much again.

Megan Zuleger

Dear Shirley Knaack,

I am writing this letter to thank you for choosing me to receive the Wausau Area Builders Association scholarship. Academics have been an extremely important part of my life these past twelve years and will continue to be as I begin my college career. The money will be helpful and greatly appreciated as I do my best to put the gift to good use. I am both honored and grateful for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Anderson

Scholarship Thank You

I would like to sincerely thank you for your generous scholarship. I feel honored to have been chosen as a recipient of the Wausau Area Builders Association Fund Scholarship. By taking various business classes throughout high school and working in an office, I have developed a strong interest in the business world. Thank you for being part of making my goal of attending UW-Eau Claire and earning my CPA possible. It is truly appreciated.

Sincerely, Mallory Lamer

Wausau Area Builders Association

Thank you for granting me one of your scholarships. I assure you that the money will go to good use, and that I will not forget the role that this organization had in my ability to attend college.

Thank you,
Dylan Bogen

To the Wausau Area Builders Association,
Scholarship Committee,

Thank you for awarding me the Wausau Area Builders Association Scholarship. I appreciate the contribution to my Pharmacy major at Drake University.

Thanks!
-Ryan

Dear, Wausau Area Builder Association
ATTN: Mrs. Sue Nelson

Many thanks to you
for your kindness.

I am very honored to receive the Academic Excellence Scholarship Award from you. This scholarship money will be put towards furthering my education which will be in the medical field. I hope to achieve my dream of becoming a nurse anesthetist. Again, thank you for your kindness.

Sincerely,
Hayley Selver
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SHOW SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2013

11:00 am-5:00 pm Senior Officers
7:00 pm-10:00 pm Senior Officers'
Leadership Dinner

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2013

8:00 am-12:00 pm 2012 State Reps
8:00 am-12:00 pm 2012 National Area /
Associate Chairmen
9:00 am-5:00 pm Pre-Show Courses
1:00 pm-5:00 pm Executive Board

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2013

7:30 am-9:00 am Chairman of the
Board Advisors
8:00 am-5:00 pm Pre-Show Courses
6:30 pm-10:00 pm Past Chairmen/
Presidents' Reception
& Dinner

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2013

7:30 am-10:00 am Presidents Council
8:00 am-5:00 pm Pre-Show Courses
12:30 pm-3:30 pm Senior Officers Meeting &
Pre-Resolutions
Luncheon
1:30 pm-4:00 pm BUILD-PAC Trustees

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2013

8:00 am-9:30 am Area Caucuses 1-7
8:00 am-5:00 pm Pre-Show Courses
10:00 am-11:30 am Area Caucuses 8-15
1:00 pm-3:30 pm 2012 Joint Executive Board,
Budget & Resolutions Committee

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2013

8:30 am Opening Ceremony
8:30 am-4:00 pm Education Sessions
9:00 am-5:00 pm Exhibits Open
1:00 pm-2:30 pm 2013 Executive Board Orientation
6:00 pm-8:00 pm IBS House Party

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2013

8:30 am-4:00 pm Education Sessions
9:00 am-11:30 am Sales Rally
9:00 am-5:00 pm Exhibits Open
6:30 pm HBI Student Chapter Awards

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2013

8:00 am-2:00 pm NAHB Board of Directors Meeting
8:30 am-4:00 pm Education Sessions
9:00 am-5:00 pm Exhibits Open
6:00 pm Spike Party &
Directors' Reception