



Tool Box

Ames Homebuilders Association

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President's Message

School's out, summer is here! Hopefully, you all have your vacations planned so you get to enjoy the summer. This summer, let's all be safe at both work and play. Think safety on the jobsite and don't take risks that can ruin your plans to play.

Speaking of play, our Ames HBA playhouses are done and ready to be displayed. Ben Strotman (Wille Carpentry) has done a lot of work to get these houses finished up and ready to display. They look great as they are cedar sided, with completely finished interior. One even has a working garage door. Please check out the play houses and sell the raffle tickets. Tickets can be picked up from Stacy. Everyone should be able to sell at least 5 tickets. This will help our association, which will in turn help our industry. We have spent a lot of time and labor to build the playhouses. Associates have also donated all the materials to make them special. Thanks in advance to those who sell and buy the tickets. The houses will be displayed around town throughout the summer.

As I write this we are displaying the real homes to our community. I want to thank Mark Hanson (Hanson Homes) for his work on the 2005 Parade of Homes. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate and be as nice as we had for our Home and Garden Show (in March). We have a fine mix of homes and Builders showing this year. I hope it brings a lot of business for those who put the work in to display a show home.

Look for upcoming information on the Fall Golf outing and Family picnic. I believe both will take place in September, to give us a break after a long summer of work. Please contact me, Stacy, or any board member as any issues or questions come along during the summer months.

Have a great summer!

Mike Schmit
Ames Home Builders Assoc. President
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THE AMES HBA THANKS THE 2005 SPRING GOLF OUTING SPONSORS

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 Dublin Bay - \$20 gift certificate
 Wallaby's - \$20 gift certificate
 Bill Woodward, Friedrich Iowa Realty - \$25 The Café gift certificate

If you are interested in being a sponsor for the Fall Golf Outing please contact Stacy at 515/460-5550

2005 Ames Home Builders Parade of Homes

The 2005 Ames Home Builders Parade of Homes is scheduled for June 10 - 12 and June 17 - 19. The following Ames HBA member builders and thier homes will be featured in the show.

Friedrich Construction - 1300 Kinyon Circle, Ames

HCS Builders - 3725 Bridgeport, Ames; 3112 Burnham, Ames

Rich Lepper Construction - 3203 Harrison, Ames

Milliken Construction - 5030 River Ridge, Ames

Rathert Construction - 3317 Harrison, Ames

Regency Builders - 4002 Frances Davis Court, Ames; 2402 West Wind Drive, Ames;
3905 Welbeck Drive, Ames

Admission is FREE to the show and the hours are as follows: Fridays, 5:30 - 8:30 PM
Saturdays & Sundays, 1:00 - 6:00 pm. Thanks to the Parade of Homes Committee for the work they put into planning and executing the event.

Many thanks go out to the Ames HBA Women's Council for the work that they put into the advertising sales for the Parade of Homes official show book. Thanks to all of the members who have supported the Parade of Homes by purchasing ad space in the book as well. The official show book will be available at each show home throughout the parade. Please be sure to pick up a book, take a look and do business with your fellow Ames HBA members.

The City of Ames Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

At the May 24, 2005 meeting Tracy Phares, City of Ames Engineer, presented The City of Ames Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit that was issued by the State of Iowa Department of Natural Resources in 2004. As part of the permit, the City is required to implement the six Best Management Practices (BMPs), measurable goals, implementation dates and frequencies as stated. Also included as part of our MS4 permit is the responsibility to enforce the NPDES General Permit No. 2.

The six BMPs are:

1. Public Education and Outreach on Storm Water Impacts
2. Public Involvement and Participation
3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
4. Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control
5. Post-construction Storm Water Management
6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

For more information, please contact the City of Ames at 515/239-5160.

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Welcome New Members

The following businesses have joined the Ames HBA since May 1

Heuss Printing, Don Heuss, 515/232-6710

Valley Bank, John Hofer, 515/232-1245

Please help us recruit new members! A membership application was inserted in the last issue of the HBA Tool Box. Please pass this along to someone who would benefit from membership in the Ames HBA. If you need additional copies or more information, please contact Stacy at ameshomebuilders@msn.com.

Upcoming Events

- June 10-12 & 17-19 - 2005 Parade of Homes
- July 27 - 28 - HBAI Summer Conference, *Stoney Creek Inn, Johnston*
- September 12 - Fall Golf Outing—*Veenker Memorial Golf Course*
- September TBA - Family Picnic

For more information contact Stacy at ameshomebuilders@msn.com