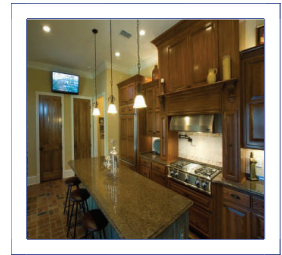
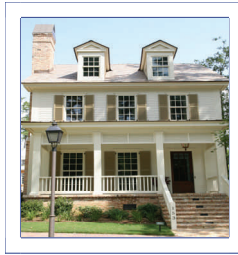


# Leadership Connection

November



Connecting the Mississippi Home Builder Leadership Team

## Best in Mississippi and Presidents Recognition to be held on Wednesday Evening, November 18th

Bonded Builders Warranty Group is the title sponsor for this evening, recognizing 2009 HBAM President Scott Shoemaker and President-elect Craig Flanagan, along with the annual Best in Mississippi awards. The banquet will be held on Wednesday evening, November 18, 2009, at the Hilton Hotel in Jackson. Thursday evening has been the traditional night for the Installation and awards ceremony, but the change will reduce the need for additional overnight accommodations or late travel for members. The evening will highlight the HBAM year, showcase Builder and Associate Members of the Year, Best in Mississippi and Craig Flanagan will be recognized as the President-elect. **The Installation of Officers will take place at the Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, November 19th.** The "Best in Mississippi" housing awards will be presented to our 2009 Winners. The annual awards program recognizes the winners in categories of home building, development, and remodeling. Reservations for the dinner are required by the Hilton. To make your reservation, call 601-969-3446. Tickets are \$50 per person to attend for non Board of Directors members.



## Push Needed on Tax Credit Extension

With the expiration of the \$8,000 first-time home buyer tax credit just weeks away, a push for Congress to extend and expand the home buyer tax credit is needed.

Members are encouraged to log on to [www.capitolconnect.com/builderlink](http://www.capitolconnect.com/builderlink) to send a letter to their individual lawmakers or call 866-924-6242 (NAHB) and urge their senators and representatives to extend and expand the home buyer tax credit to create jobs, reduce foreclosures and excess housing inventories, and to push housing and the economy on the path to recovery.

In the first year, NAHB estimates that an extended and expanded home buyer tax credit would:

- Create nearly 350,000 jobs • Spur an additional 383,000 home sales • Increase housing starts by 82,000
- Generate \$16.1 billion in wages and salaries and \$12.1 billion in business income
- Yield tax revenues of \$8.4 billion for the federal government and \$3.2 billion for state and local governments

## Upcoming Events

### November

- 6 RSVP Deadline for Best in Mississippi and Presidents Dinner
- 11 Stone County Golf Tournament
- 18 Executive Committee Presidents Dinner and Best in Mississippi
- 19 Committee meetings and HBAM Board of Directors
- 19 Installation of Officers
- 26 -27 Thanksgiving Holidays HBAM Offices Closed

### December

- 8 HBAM Executive Committee Leadership Summit

For Information on all HBAM Programs go to:

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