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**Official Newsletter of the Forx Builders Association**

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***26th Annual Forx Builders  
Association Golf Outing  
presented by MARVIN***

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**March 28-29, 2020**

*Alerus Center, Grand Forks*

**Home Design  
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 12:**

26th Annual Golf Outing  
Grand Forks Country Club

**October 14:**

General Membership Meeting  
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**November 21:**

NDAB 2019 Annual Awards Banquet  
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## Builders After Hours at



# FORX BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

## 26th Annual Golf Outing



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**Thursday September 12th, 2019**

**Grand Forks Country Club**

**Shotgun start at NOON**

**Registration and lunch begin at 11am**

**Join us for a meal and prizes after golfing**



A portion of the event proceeds go to NDAB-PAC, a non-partisan political action committee supporting the building industry

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Through July 2019

Current Month	Grand Forks	East Grand Forks
<b>Residential-</b>	6	
New Construction Single Family	\$1,797,036	0
<b>Residential-</b>	2	
New Construction Townhouse	\$524,500	0
<b>Residential-</b>		
New Construction Multiple Family	0	0
<b>Commercial-</b>	3	
New Construction	\$8,210,000	0
<b>Residential-</b>	126	22
Repair	\$1,241,560	\$217,825
<b>Commercial-</b>	31	3
Repair	\$5,339,927	\$52,413
<b>Public-</b>	1	
Repair	\$4,840,800	0
Year To Date	Grand Forks	East Grand Forks
<b>Residential-</b>	51	3
New Construction Single Family	\$15,737,874	\$770,061
<b>Residential-</b>	15	
New Construction Townhouse	\$3,287,584	0
<b>Residential-</b>	2	
New Construction Multiple Family	\$4,877,545	0
<b>Commercial-</b>	17	
New Construction	\$49,721,733	0
<b>Residential-</b>	703	114
Repair	\$22,007,826	\$986,092
<b>Commercial-</b>	112	19
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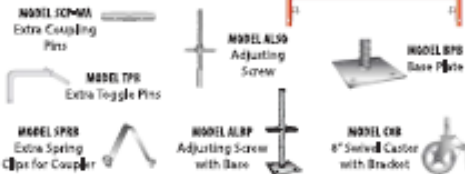
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# NDAB NEWS

Kim Schneider  
NDAB Chief Executive Officer

## Mid-Summer Home Maintenance Checklist

After the dust settles on your Independence Day celebration, you may notice that your home has begun to show the signs of an active summer – both inside and out. Take the time now to do a few maintenance tasks to keep your home humming through the rest of the summer.

Keep hot air out. Hopefully you've already had your air conditioner serviced this year to ensure it can hold up during a heat wave. Now it's time to re-check your windows and doors for drafts and air leaks that may have developed with kids more frequently coming in and out of the house. Caulk any seams and re-glaze windows if needed, and replace any worn weather-stripping around doors to help keep cool air from escaping. Also, replace or repair any screens that have tears.

Swap your HVAC filter. If your air conditioner has been working overtime this summer, check to see if the filter needs to be replaced. While some manufacturers recommend replacing your filter about once a month, the actual time will depend on your household: how often air conditioner runs, the number of furry pets in your home, the age of your unit, etc.

Secure loose fittings. It's a good idea to check the railings and posts on your deck to ensure that they are not becoming loose. If you have playset in your backyard, check to see if any connections need to be tightened. This is especially important during the summer months when playsets get the most use.

Drain the rain. Summer rains bring extra water that can take a toll on gutters and downspouts. Visually inspect your downspouts to be sure they are draining away from the foundation. Clear your gutters from the debris that gathers during summer storms. Also be sure there is no standing water around your yard, which attracts mosquitoes and other pests. Water pools around your house also attract termites, so be sure to drain all the excess water.

For more home maintenance tips,  
contact your local HBA:

Bismarck-Mandan HBA: 701-222-2400  
Dickinson Area Builders Association: 701-483-0660  
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Minot Association of Builders: 701-852-0496  
Williston Area Builders Association: 701-572-5744

Take care,

Kim Schneider

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# NDAB NEWS

Bob Horab  
NDAB President

## IBS Registration is open!

It is that time of year again. NAHB has announced the dates and opened early registration for the 2020 International Builders Show. IBS is an excellent opportunity to explore the newest trends in our industry, meet other professionals in our field and receive training to help each of us stay at the top of your game. NAHB is also working on a mobile app this year to keep you informed and on track and will be released closer to the event date. While at IBS you are not only encouraged to attend events and training but this the perfect time to check out any committees you maybe interested in and find out how you can become more involved on a national level.

The 2020 International Builders Show will be held in Las Vegas, NV January 21st - 23rd. Right now until August 31st NAHB is running special prices and discounts for early bird registration.

[Early Bird Registration Here](#)

[2020 IBS Schedule](#)

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As always North Dakota Association of Builders will be planning our group social with surrounding states and encourage all of you to attend if possible as it is a great opportunity to meet staff and Members from our neighboring states. Building these relationships with other local and state agencies can be invaluable when working near or across state lines or when we have national issues that we need to rally support for.

Until next time,

Bob Horab

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# EVENT SPONSORS NEEDED

**TO THE NORTH DAKOTA  
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2019 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET**

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**THURSDAY NOVEMBER 21ST  
6 PM TO 10 PM  
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Get the recognition you deserve as an Event Sponsor at our 2019 Annual Awards Banquet this November in Grand Forks, ND. Members from around the state will be in attendance to honor or 2019 Board Members and Senior Officers as well as celebrate the New Board, Senior Officers and 2020 ND Association of Builders President Nate Applegren.



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# AROUND THE STATE

## **BISMARCK MANDAN HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION**

**DOT FRANK, EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**701-222-2400 ~ [BMHBA.COM](http://BMHBA.COM)**

- Builders and Realtors wielded clubs, golf clubs, at the annual BMHBA/BMBOR PAC Golf Scramble on July 11. The event raises awareness of the associations' political action committee and advocacy funds.
- Home Builders & Hops, which was launched in June at Dialectic Brewing Company was hosted again in July. The most recent builder-exclusive event was held at The Drink in Mandan.
- Members will grab their guns for the association's annual Sporting Clay Shoot. Slated for Aug. 1, NDAB members from around the state are welcome to join the BMHBA.
- Simone Marchus has joined the staff of the BMHBA. Simone is the association's member benefits and events coordinator. She replace Tracy DeForest who left the BMHBA to begin a career with the City of Bismarck.

## **DICKINSON AREA BUILDERS ASSOCIATION**

**LINDSAY LANGE, EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**701-483-0044 ~ [DICKINSONAREABUILDERS.COM](http://DICKINSONAREABUILDERS.COM)**

- The DABA Annual Golf Scramble is looking to be another great day filled with fun, food and friends on August 8th. Shotgun start at 1:00 PM. Registration is available at [dickinsonareabuilders.com](http://dickinsonareabuilders.com)
- Mark your calendar for the 4th Annual Parade of Homes, September 14th & 15th.

## **HOME BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF FARGO-MOORHEAD**

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- The HBA of F-M Fall Parade of Homes is Sept. 28-29 and Oct. 5-6. The Remodeled Home Tour will be the second weekend only.
- The HBA partnered with a member company, Cass County Electric Cooperative, to combine two popular free summer picnics into one! This allowed for more members to attend and enjoy a free lunch.
- The HBA Happy Hour hosted with Floor To Ceiling Carpet One is Oct. 8. This free event is a networking social for Builder and Associate members to enjoy as a wrap up to the Fall Parade of Homes and Remodeled Home Tour.

## **MINOT ASSOCIATION OF BUILDERS**

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# TOP AREAS FOR NGBS CERTIFICATIONS



More than 183,000 homes have been certified to the National Green Building Standard (NGBS) certification program and another 122,000 units are currently in the pipeline. As the only residential green building standard approved by the American National Standards Institute, the program requires incorporating sustainable strategies in multiple areas of design and construction.

The leading areas of the country for certified projects are (in no particular order): Reno, Nev.; West Texas; Central Florida (Tampa, Sarasota and Orlando); Dallas/Ft. Worth; North Carolina; Delaware; Northern Virginia; and Albany, N.Y.

## LANDOWNERS WIN DUSKY GOPHER FROG CASE

In a victory for property rights, a Louisiana family earlier this month reached a settlement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in which the federal government agreed to drop its efforts to designate "critical habitat" for the dusky gopher frog on their land. Now that the Fish and Wildlife Service has settled the case in favor of the Louisiana landowners, the agency is working on a proposed rulemaking to define the Endangered Species Act term "habitat."

## FEMA WORKING ON NEW RISK RATING SYSTEM

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has initiated a long-term effort to transform the National Flood Insurance Program to better reflect the actual risks properties face. Through the initiative, known as Risk Rating 2.0, FEMA intends to create a more accurate and fair calculation of structure-specific risks and improve the policy application process. FEMA hopes the revised risk rating system will compel more home owners to purchase flood insurance.

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## GRANTS BRING SHOP CLASS BACK TO HIGH SCHOOLS

The Skilled Labor Fund, designed to address the lack of skilled labor entering the residential construction industry, has awarded more than \$200,000 in grants to 42 local HBAs across the country to provide skills training to high school students. The Building Careers grant offers support for training programs provided largely by the Home Builders Institute and Career Connections funds career fairs and events. The programs will take place over the next two years and will engage roughly 24,000 students across the country. The Skilled Labor Fund, managed by the National Housing Endowment, is a partnership of NAHB, the National Association of the Remodeling Industry, the National Kitchen & Bath Association, SGC Horizon and Hydrogen Advertising. The Fund focuses solely on skilled labor for the residential market.

## LAW ABOLISHES VA LOAN LIMITS

President Trump has signed a veterans health bill into law that also abolishes the conforming loan limits on VA loans beginning Jan. 1, 2020 for veterans who do not have an outstanding loan guaranteed by the Department of Veterans Affairs. The primary focus of the legislation extends disability compensation to Vietnam War-era veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange.

## NAHB OPPOSES SENATE ENERGY BILL

NAHB opposes an energy bill introduced by Sens. Rob Portman (R-Ohio) and Jeanne Shaheen (D-N.H.) because it would mandate excessive energy efficiency requirements in model building energy codes, which harms housing affordability. The Senate bill also might encourage the Department of Energy to move beyond its current role as a “technical advisor” and push overly prescriptive energy targets. NAHB instead supports bipartisan legislation introduced in the House by Reps. Kurt Schrader (D-Ore.) and Bill Flores (R-Texas) that offers a more cost-effective way to encourage energy efficiency.

## RURAL HOUSING SERVICE REVISES RULES

A final rule by the Rural Housing Service will provide increased flexibility for the agency to facilitate and encourage single-close construction loans, which will stimulate new construction, rehabilitation and homeownership in rural areas. Single-close construction loans allow the borrower to get a construction loan and a permanent loan at the same time. When construction is completed, the loan becomes a traditional mortgage. Additionally, the final rule will allow for the reserve of regularly scheduled principal, interest, taxes and insurance (PITI) payments during the construction period. The Rural Housing Service will also allow single-close loans to be used for the rehabilitation of existing dwellings upon their purchase and eliminate maximum interest rate cap requirements for all single-family home loans. The final rule was published July 22 in the Federal Register.





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## PROPERTY TAXES VARY CONSIDERABLY

A new study released by NAHB based on the latest data available (2017) reveals a nearly \$11,000 difference in average property tax bills among the most and least expensive congressional districts. The highest average property tax bill was \$11,389 in 2017, paid by home owners residing in New York's 17th congressional district (Rockland County and portions of Westchester County). By contrast, the lowest average annual real estate tax bill was \$425, paid by home owners in Alabama's 4th district (Franklin, Colbert, Marion, Lamar, Fayette, Walker, Winston, Cullman, Lawrence, Marshall, Etowah and DeKalb counties). Changes in the tax code from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which went into effect in 2018, capped the amount in state and local property and income taxes that a tax payer can deduct from their taxable income. Tax payers can now only deduct \$10,000 in state and local taxes paid.

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