THE WIBA PUNCH LIST

WIBA is an association of individuals and firms who have joined forces, voluntarily, to promote all phases of building and remodeling.

BUILDERS ASSOCIATION

October 2015

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Board Members:

President: Wayne Allen

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Treasurer: Amy Schwartz

Past President: Greg Davis

Directors: Steve Hawkinson Tammy Lufkin Clinton Masters Neil Thomas

Life Directors: Terry Hartley Bill Johnson

Executive Officer: Kaylee Johnson

Upcoming Events

October 21st 6:30p.m. Membership Meeting The Kensington

November 4th 6:30 a.m. Board Meeting The Broadview

October 21st After the WIBA Membership Meeting

WIBA Christmas Party Committee The Kensington

* See back page for Important City Meetings

General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, October 21, 2015

Kensington 311 E. Simmons St. Ball Room

Meal Cost: \$10.00 person

Networking: 6:30—7:00p.m.- Dinner: 7:00p.m.

Presenter:



President of Knox County Area Partnership for Economic Development



WIBA Board President's Corner...



We are looking at ways we can improve the WIBA Home Show. Please feel welcome to share your ideas at our next WIBA Membership Meeting, call Terry Hartley (309-342-9141), or even email Kaylee at the office (wiba@grics.net). We would really like to know your ideas. **The WIBA Home Show is for you!** We host it to help support your business through advertising and helping to ensure that you will have contacts & customers on down the road and into the future!

Try to purchase or hire, from a WIBA Member. We are a stronger organization when we support one another.

Galesburg is growing. There are lots of commercial building permit applications.

Stay safe! Work Safe!



Sincerely, Wayne Allen Board President

Western Illinois Builders Association

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Happy
Columbus Day!





Board Meeting Highlights....

- 65 Members
- The **WIBA Playhouse** ticket sales are at \$1536. for the Boys & Girls Club on Knox County.
- We are looking for ways to make the WIBA Home Show even better & bigger. Let us know any suggestions you have.
- Little Mr. Homebuilders represented us in the Labor Day Parade. They enjoyed it so much that when we got to the end of the parade line, they asked if we could start all over and do it again.
- The WIBA Christmas Party is Wednesday, December 2nd. There will be dinner, drinks, games, gifts, & music.



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Congratulations!

Courtright Construction was drawn for the Cash Drawing which had rolled to \$100 for the September WIBA Membership Meeting but was not present so it rolls over to \$125. for the October WIBA Membership Meeting!

Robert Schwartz, husband of Amy Schwartz of Western Illinois Title was drawn for the 50/50 drawing. He won \$20 Congratulations, Robert! He then donated it back to the M. Brad Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund at Carl Sandburg College! Thank you so much Robert!

50 Years or more in WIBA Membership

Bill Johnson, Builder-Retired Hansen Lumber Company







30 Years or more in WIBA Membership

Breslin's Floor Covering Home Comfort Insulation Rheinschmidt's Carpet & Furniture Gallery

10 years or more in WIBA Membership

Birkey's Farm Store

Carpetland USA

Century 21

Cheezum Seamless Gutters

Chuck Hays Insurance

Connor Company

First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust

Galesburg Area Vocational Center

Galesburg Register Mail/ Gatehouse Media

J.B. & D. Siding & Window Co.

Johnson Painting

Mangieri Electric

Mel Foster Company

Midwest Flag

Munson Pool & Spa

Olson's Paint Spot

People Do-It Center

Remax Preferred Properties-Chris Pepmeyer

Remax Preferred Properties—Tom Knapp

S & H Electric

Sullivan Door Co.

Superior Asphalt

Tompkins State Bank

West Central FS, Inc.

Tri -States Water, Pools & Spa

Webber Rental & Supply





Coach House Garages

F & M Bank

First Midwest Bank

Howe Overhead Doors, Inc.

Pat Kennedy, Builder

Western Illinois Title Company





Membership Benefits:

. Local, Professional Organization

- Monthly Meetings with Keynote Speakers
- Opportunity to network with others
- Cash Drawing at Membership Meetings

. Annual Home Show at Sandburg Mall

\$100 booth credit for attending 5 meetings

. Charitable Giving to the Community

- Yearly Playhouse donated to local charity
- Annual Scholarships for area students to CSC
- Sponsor of National Railroad Museum
- Other cash donations to area charities

. Additional Advertising Opportunities

- Website (3 Members Highlighted each month)
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Pinterest
- Google Plus
- Brochures
- Business Cards in Welcome Center
- Newspaper & other Publication Advertisements
- Your Flyers in WIBA Newsletter (Free once a year.)
- WIBA Member Signs & Decals
- Monthly Newsletter

. Social Events

- Golf Outing
- Christmas Party



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Dues payments to WIBA are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. However, dues payments may be deductible as ordinary and necessary business expense.

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How to Generate Interest In Social Media

Create a blog for your business

You can answer questions from potential customers on your blog, It gives you the chance to take the time to make that con-





New Research

Find out who in your field is doing research & subscribe to their newsletters for tips.

Current Events

What's trending on Twitter, Facebook, etc.? Create a post around that topic and share!





Keyword Tools

Tools like Keyword Planner, Ubersuggest, etc. can help you by learning what your prospects are looking for. You can create content that gets you found on a search engine result.

Autosuggest

Another way to find out what prospective clients are looking from online is to use Google's Autosuggest feature. Open Google, start typing in a keyword or phrase and Google Autosuggest will final in the rest of the search with the most popular searches.



Forums & Communities

Check out online forums like LinkedIn, Quora, etc. to find out what questions are being asked about in your industry. PAGE 7 OCTOER 2015

When a Customer Asks, "Why Should I Hire You Instead of Doing It Myself?"

I have built projects like this before.

I have the skills for this project.

I have professional standards.

I have the time to complete this project.

I have the tools needed.

I do know the building codes and permit process.

I have the access to the materials I will need for this build.

I have employees who can assist me.

I understand the safety issues here.

I am familiar with the architecture and structural make of your home.

I know the hidden costs when you begin a project like this.

I know what I will need to compete this professionally.

A professional remodeler offers important services; years of experience, the right tools, a network of suppliers and subcontractors, in depth understanding of legal regulations, cost estimating, scheduling, and the latest construction techniques.







Save the Date

WIBA Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 2nd Cherry St. Restaurant

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Don't forget...

WIBA Membership Meeting

Wednesday, October 21, 2015
Kensington 6:30 p.m.

OUR WEB SITE -WIBAWEB.ORG:

Now Featured;

COURSON & ASSOCIATES LUFKIN -SCHWIETER READY MIX SHEA'S HOME IMPROVEMENTS

WEBSITE FEATURES WILL BE:

Connor Co. Menards O'Charlie's Repair

(Please make sure your information on the WIBA website is up-to-date. If you need assistance, please call or email Kaylee, wiba@grics.net, at the office.)





