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Builder Spotlight



Monarch Homes of Brevard is owned by Ed and Brian

Fleis, residents of Brevard County since 1982. Ed Fleis joined the HBCA back in the mid 1990s to build relationships with other contractors and promote his business.

Monarch Homes of Brevard builds with passion including quality materials, top craftsmanship and careful considerations for energy efficiency in every home. A new home from Monarch Homes will often lead to electric bills under \$80 per month or homeowner insurance premiums under \$1,000 a year. Saving you money

to enjoy a life well lived.

Monarch Homes invites you to their model home, located in the cozy coastal inspired community of Cashel Village in Capron Ridge, near Viera. These homes provide a beach loving person a home with the amenities of Viera. They range anywhere from 1700sf to 3000+sf.

If you are looking for a Tuscan Estate with over 3000sf living, Tralee Bay Estates in Capron Ridge may be your dream destination. These home sites range up to 1/3 acre, surrounded by woods and lakes.



MonarchHomesofbrevard.com

321-777-2701

Welcome New Members!

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Southeast Building Conference



Celebrating 39 years in 2017, The Southeast Building Conference (SEBC), hosted by the FHBA, is the largest building industry trade show in the southeast. As the premier trade event, the SEBC includes outstanding educational programs featuring three days of hard-hitting seminars, networking opportunities, round table discussions and industry briefings.

For more information visit <http://sebcshow.com/about-us/>

SAMTRAM

The famous Realtor Bus Tour is back! Visit Homes from the top builders of Brevard County while you enjoy a fun filled day with games, prizes, food, drinks and more!

May 2nd & 3rd

RSVP IT'S FREE!

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Associate Spotlight

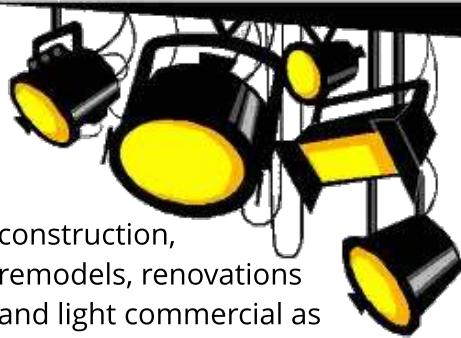
In business since 1989, One Stop Cooling and Heating has been an HBCA Member since June of 2016. Over the past 5 years One Stop has been growing throughout Florida with the newest location in Palm Bay, established in early 2016. Scott Friedberg and Christin Wittwer joined the HBCA to take advantage of the networking opportunities and events. Services offered by One Stop include installation for residential new

construction, remodels, renovations and light commercial as well as a full service retail and replacement department, maintenance and service warranty agreements.

For more information contact One Stop Cooling and Heating at

321-802-3000

www.onestopcooling.com



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Member Orientation

April 4, 2017
8:30AM HBCA of Brevard

Member Breakfast

April 19, 2017
8:00AM HBCA of Brevard
Guest Speaker: Dana Blickey
Brevard County Property Appraiser
Breakfast Sponsored By:



Board of Directors Meeting

April 10, 2017
10:00AM HBCA of Brevard

Government Affairs Luncheon

April 20, 2017
11:30AM HBCA of Brevard
Guest Speaker: Scott Ellis,
Brevard County Clerk of Courts
Lunch Sponsored By:



Parade of Homes

April 22- May 7
www.paradeofhomesbrevard.com

Membership Committee Meeting

April 25, 2017
10:00AM HBCA of Brevard

Sales & Marketing Committee

April 25, 2017
10:45AM HBCA of Brevard

Parade of Homes Awards Dinner

April 28, 2017
5:30PM Suntree Country Club

Member Discounts

Put Your NAHB Membership to Work Now.

Money-saving discounts that benefit you, your business, and your family
nahb.org/MA



First 2017 Member Mixer

Sea Turtle Real Estate hosted the first HBCA Member Mixer of 2017 on Wednesday, March 8th. Members met at Sea Turtle's new location in Downtown Melbourne to network, mingle and get to know each other a little better.

Sea Turtle Real Estate was very accommodating providing food, treats and drinks for members to enjoy.

Member Mixers give members the opportunity to enjoy each others company while catching up. It also gives the Host Member the opportunity to showcase their location all while interacting with members in a business setting.

If you are interested in hosting a Member Mixer call the office at 321-254-3700.



Left to right: Bobbie Holt, Shelby Oktar, Peggy Brown, Deneen Mahoney, and Denise Stanley

Education Corner

MAY 16 - Basics of Building

- One-day class with reference book, illustrations and exercises
- Great introduction to the new home sales, marketing and construction process

Receive 6 hours of CE for CAPS, CGR, CGB, MCSP, AIA, AIBD

Visit www.hbca-brevard.org or Call Steve Hoffacker at (561) 685-5555



MAY 25 - 6th Edition Florida Building Code

- 2014 Advanced FBC Update
- Significant Changes to the FBC, Residential Volume, 6th Edition
- Understanding the Energy Rating Index (ERI) Compliance Method
- Wing Mitigation Opening Protection Under the FBC, Residential Volume, 6th Edition

EARN 7 FREE CEUs!

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June 20 - Learn & Earn

- 2014 Air Leakage Field Test, FBC Energy Conservation
- 5th Edition (2014) for Residential Applications

Bring your lunch and earn ONE FREE CEU!

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PARADE OF HOMES

Get ready as the Parade of Homes is right around the corner! Let this be the time you find your new home, get inspired, or simply just enjoy a range of beautiful homes built by builders across the county.

April 22nd - May 07

For more information visit our website

ParadeofHomesBrevard.com



The Parade of Homes is back for its 40th year in the making. Twenty beautiful Homes brought to you by seventeen different builders throughout Brevard County, one amazing showroom, and two virtual entries.

The virtual entry category is a newly added category to focus on those homes that may not be ready for foot traffic as of yet. It gives you the buyer a chance to see the newest designs and layouts of new home construction.

The homes entered in the Parade offer the latest and greatest in energy efficiencies, technologies and product lines in the construction industry.



PARADE *of* HOMES

PRESENTED BY HBCA OF BREVARD

April 22nd-May 7th, 2017

There are homes on display for the first time home buyer, someone looking for a luxury upgrade and everything in between. This year's entries range from the low \$200,000 to over 1.2 million.

Our showcase home is the Seabreeze of Seville in Addison Village by Joyal Homes. Be sure

to visit this beautiful home that features the latest Florida lifestyle living trends and functions.

Everyone loves a parade! Visit us on the web at **ParadeofHomesBrevard.com** to plan your Parade routes.

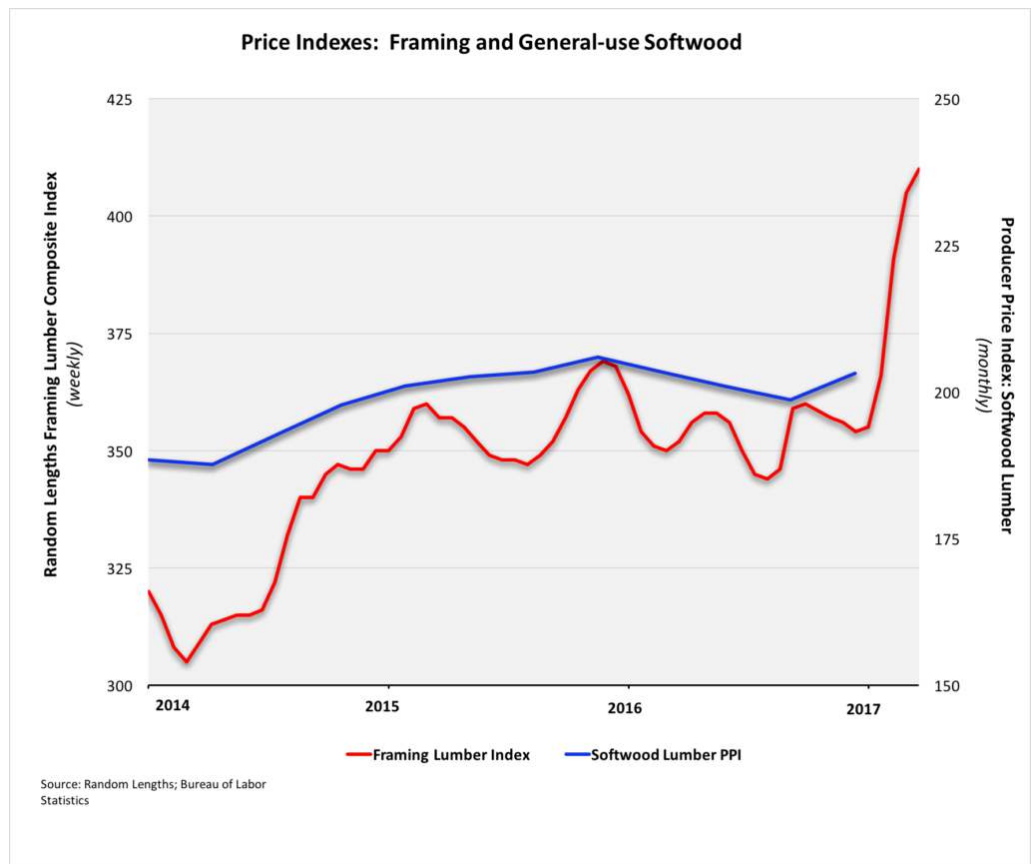
Questions? Call 321-254-3700

Lumber Prices Rising Fast in 2017

The price of lumber, from framing to structural panels, has increased in recent weeks, with some prices jumping more than 30%.

Since the start of 2017, the price of framing lumber is up 15%. Prices increased by 5% per week, on average, between Jan. 27 and Feb. 17. In comparison, the average weekly price change over the course of 2016 was 0.2%.

The volatility in lumber prices is due largely to uncertainty about whether there will be a new trade agreement between the U.S. and Canada and whether punitive tariffs or quotas will be slapped on Canadian lumber imports in the absence of a new pact. The trade agreement that has governed imports of softwood lumber from Canada since 2006 effectively expired at the end of 2016. Failure to reach a new agreement is the primary catalyst for market-wide



The outlook for a new pact between the U.S. and Canada – and by extension lumber prices – is highly uncertain at this point. NAHB economist David Logan provides a detailed analysis and outlook on lumber prices in an [Eye on Housing blog post](#).

NAHB Applauds Trump WOTUS Directive

President Donald Trump recently honored a campaign promise made to home builders when he signed an executive order directing the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to begin the process of rescinding or revising the controversial "waters of the United States" (WOTUS) rule. NAHB Chairman Granger MacDonald attended the signing ceremony at the White House.

When then-candidate Trump spoke at the NAHB Board of Directors meeting in Miami in August, he vowed to cut WOTUS and other burdensome regulations that drive up the cost of homes for hard-working Americans. Trump quoted a 2016 NAHB study when he noted that 25 percent of the cost of a new home is due to regulation.

President Trump has heard NAHB's serious concerns about the [flawed WOTUS rule](#) imposed by EPA in 2015. The rule goes so far as to regulate man-made ditches and isolated ponds on private property. The executive order is an important first step toward reworking the flawed regulation and moving toward a more sensible WOTUS rule.

Seeking Volunteers for Codes Development

Even as home builders await the publication this fall of the 2016 model building codes, the International Code Council (ICC) has announced its Call for Code Development [Committee members](#) for the 2018/2019 cycles.

If you want to represent NAHB on an ICC Code Development Committee, please email your completed application to [Neil Burning](#) by March 31.

To download the application and get more information, [visit ICC's website](#).

Employers Must Use New I-9 Form

In an effort to reduce errors and make it easier to complete the form on a computer, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services has published a revised version of [Form I-9](#), Employment Eligibility Verification.

All employers are now required to use it.

Employers must ensure that a Form I-9 is properly completed for every person they hire, both citizens and non-citizens.

And while the changes make it easier to fill out the I-9 form online, a printable version is also available.

Take Advantage Of Member Savings

NAHB members can enjoy discounts on vehicles, shipping, computers, car rentals, office supplies, insurance and more.

NAHB's purchasing power means big savings on brands you know and trust, like Lowe's, GM, Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, Dell, UPS and many more.

Maximize your NAHB membership with great savings through [NAHB's Member Advantage](#) program.

Register for Spring Exec Board Meeting

The Spring Executive Board Virtual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 29, beginning at 10 a.m. ET.

All NAHB members are welcome to view the virtual meeting, but those planning to do so must [register for the meeting](#).

HERS Scores in Home Appraisals

A new partnership between the Residential Energy Services Network (RESNET) and the Appraisal Institute plans to include [Home Energy Rating System](#) (HERS) scores in appraisals. The database will be available to the Appraisal Institute in states where the rating system is prevalent.