



# Canadian Home Builders' Association

**N A N A I M O**

MARCH 2006

# NEWSLETTER

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**DATE:** **March 9, 2006**  
**MEET & MIX:** 5:30 P.M.  
**DINNER:** 6:30 P.M. (Prime Rib Buffet Dinner)  
**PLACE:** NANAIMO GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB  
**SPEAKERS:** David Kelly, Built Green BC  
Stephen Torrence, Construction Safety Network

Name(s) of Attendee \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill in your name(s) and return no later than **MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2006**

**Any cancellations after March 6<sup>th</sup> can not be refunded**

## **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

### **PROJECT MANAGEMENT SEMINAR MARCH 31 AND APRIL 1 2006**

**COST: \$400.00+GST(MEMBERS) \$600.00+GST (NON-MEMBERS)**

This course covers methods to get employees and sub-trades to work together to get the job done on time and on budget while meeting standards for quality and using new and innovative methods and materials. Techniques that will help in planning and scheduling of complex projects, get people working as a team and keeping projects on the path to successful completion are discussed. WHMIS and Residential Construction Waste are also discussed as well as the use of written contracts.

#### **Course Content:**

- proven traits to successful Project Managers;
- how to ensure tasks get done on time without looking over people's shoulders;
- surefire methods of cost control;
- on the job safety measures;
- the all-important administrative tasks of Project Managers; and
- how site planning can save time and money.

#### **Duration:**

Approximately 10 hours of home study plus 2 days of in-class discussion and instruction.

### **Seminar on technical changes in the 2005 National Construction**

#### **Codes:**

**Date:** March 27, 28

**Place:** Victoria, Ambrosia Catering and Event Centre  
638 Fisgard Street

- For more information on the seminars, please visit the web site [www.nationalcodes.ca](http://www.nationalcodes.ca) or contact client services by phone at **(613)993-0435**

## **CHBA DIRECTORY**

The directory is now available to all members and non-members. Please make sure you have several copies available at your office or in your vehicle to pass around to clients. The directory is a great source of information as well as a handy tool to pack around for contact information on all of our members. If you need any dropped off please contact me and I will be happy to deliver them to you.

## **Supplier's Night & Auction**

This year's event will take place on Thursday, April 13th at the Nanaimo Golf Club. This is a great opportunity to showcase any new products or services that you are offering or simply a way to remind people of what you do. Showcase tables are only \$150.00 plus GST. If you or anyone that you know is interested in showcasing their latest and greatest product, please call the office. Members will be given the first chance for exclusivity of product or service.

This is our biggest fundraiser for the year and your support is necessary to make this a successful event. I would like to ask all members to complete the donation sheet and/or the registration form and return it to me before March 31, 2006.

In past years we have found that some members did not know what to donate. If you are one of these members, please take note of 2 options available to you. One is a gift certificate and the other is a cash donation. If you choose to donate a gift certificate just complete the information on the donation sheet and I will make up the gift certificate for you. If you choose to donate cash you will be invoiced for the amount specified. All cash donations will be used to purchase items for the auction. A reminder that, if possible, please ask donators to sponsor both our Supplier's Night event and our Golf Tournament so you only have to approach them ONCE for a donation.

## **News Release from CHBA-BC**

### Expanded Skills Training Programs Lead Measures to Keep BC Growing

Burnaby, February 21, 2006 – Just announced in today's budget by Finance Minister Carole Taylor of great interest to CHBA-BC members:

- A tax credit program (TTC) of \$90 million over 3 years to be designed with industry to expand training opportunities in construction trade and emerging industries. The Minister stated that this was a "really important issue" done as a response to industry.
- An increase of \$39 million to the ITA to increase apprenticeship training.
- Expansion of the Bladerunner program to other parts of BC
- Vehicle surtax threshold has increased by a further \$6,000 (from \$49,000 to \$55,000) ensuring our members' work vehicles are not subject to a luxury surtax.
- CHBA BC applauds the government's measures to support a skilled workforce in our province. A big thank you to our partners for their assistance and input in the writing of our Training Tax Credit proposal.

## **Sprinkler Bylaws**

A working group is being struck by the Provincial Government to look at the issue of municipal jurisdictions introducing new sprinkler bylaws. Any bylaws adopted by Councils before January 2004 are considered legal non conforming and any bylaws after that date have to be submitted to the Province for approval. Of the 4 bylaws previously submitted only one was received for provincial approval as it brought consistency to one area of the Province. All other submissions and the ones already submitted and not approved are being held until the working group finishes their work.

## **“GOLD” Georgie Award Winner**

CHBA-Nanaimo and The Interior Design Group congratulate their new Senior Designer, Teresa Ryback, on winning a “GOLD” at the Georgie Awards for:

**BEST SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED HOME 4,000 SQ FT AND OVER**  
Sauvignon, Genex Development Corporation  
**td Swansburg Design Studio**

## **National SAM and CHBA Award Winners**

CHBA BC would like to congratulate the following members from BC who won SAM Awards presented at the National CHBA Conference in Lake Louise, Alberta:

- From **CHBA Victoria - G.E. Miller Builder and Contractor** for Home Renovation: Kitchen
- From **GVHBA - Millenium University Homes, Ltd: One University Crescent** for Multi-Family Housing: Low- and High-rise Condominiums or Apartments with Common Areas
- From **CHBA Sea to Sky - One Tree Developments Ltd.** for Production Homes: Single Detached Home 2,000 - 3,500 Sq. Ft.
- From **GVHBA - SFU Community Trust** for the Community Development Award

Special congratulations also goes to the following BC members who won the Association Awards:

- **Ken Sawatsky, Kenorah Design and Construction Ltd.** and Past President of CHBA National, CHBA BC and GVHBA won 2 awards, the CHBA Beaver Award for Outstanding Builder Member of the Year and the Gordon S. Shipp Award in recognition of leadership, dedication and continuous lengthy service to the CHBA at the national level
- Harry J Long Award for Membership Increase - **CHBA Kamloops**

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