

Central Vancouver Island

Canadian
Home Builders'
Association



DECEMBER 2007

NEWSLETTER

Christmas Party

Once again, we have been hard at work putting together a great festive evening for our members and their guests. This year as our gift to you, you the member (one member per company), will be attending free of charge.

Date: Friday, December 21, 2007
Time: 6:30 p.m. - ????
Place: Nanaimo Yacht Club
Cost: \$30/Additional Members & Guests
Music By: The Racket Club

Your evening will include a fabulous buffet dinner, complimentary table wine, door prizes and a great band to entertain you. Tickets will be sold for the traditional "Texas Mickey" and balloons can be purchased for a chance to win money and prizes so don't forget to bring extra cash with you. Complimentary transportation by taxi is available to members and guests within the Nanaimo area. Drinking and driving will not be tolerated so please make the appropriate arrangements for your trip home.

In keeping with the Christmas spirit we are collecting unwrapped toys and non-perishable food for the Salvation Army. Please bring these items with you when you come.

General Membership Meeting - Construction Forum

Date: January 10, 2008
Time: 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. - Meet & Mix
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. - Prime Rib Dinner
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Meeting
Place: Nanaimo Golf Club
Cost: \$30 Members
\$40 Non-Members

The Canadian Homebuilders' Association (CHBA) and the City of Nanaimo are co-hosting the 5th Annual Building Construction Industry Forum. The Forum will provide a review of the current status and challenges in the industry, as well as what we can expect in 2008 and beyond.

The Building Construction Industry Forum is open to all participants in the building construction industry, including general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, architects, engineers, surveyors, designers, developers, consultants, bankers, lawyers and municipal staff from the Regional District of Nanaimo and the City of Nanaimo.

The forum will consist of 15, five to seven-minute presentations from individuals involved in different aspects of the construction industry. Presentations will focus on trends, new innovations, up in coming challenges, and what can be expected in the building construction industry over the next one- and five-year periods. This Forum is designed to be interactive and allow for questions, answers and discussion on issues affecting the building construction industry in central Vancouver Island.

You are encouraged to invite members of your company/organization, or all other members of the local building construction industry (please confirm names of all people attending). If you require further information and/or clarification regarding the Forum or wish to participate as a presenter, please contact Penny McMann, CHBA Central Vancouver Island, at (250) 758-2256 or Toby Seward at the City of Nanaimo (250) 755-4424. Pre-registration with payment is required. The Forum has sold out the last three years so it is advisable to register early.

You must RSVP to attend this meeting.

Confirm your attendance by returning this form by 3:00 p.m. December 18th

Don't forget to bring a business card and enter the draw for an overnight stay at the Old House Villa in Courtenay, compliments of McKinnon & Associates.

Name: _____

Company: _____

Thank You

The association would like to thank Chris Cross for donating his 50/50 winnings from the last General Membership Meeting to the Salvation Army for a total of \$380.00. That's the Christmas spirit Chris, much appreciated.

2007-2008 Board of Directors



Welcome to our 2007- 2008 CHBA-Central Vancouver Island Board of Directors. The Board will be looking for suggestion of goals and events that we will hold over the next year. If you have any suggestions please contact either the office or one of the directors at any time. Remember - this is **YOUR** association and we need to know what **YOU** want. The yearly schedule of meetings and events will be listed in the January Newsletter.

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President's Message,

The Canadian Home Builders' Association Central Vancouver Island (formerly Nanaimo) is proud to formally welcome our neighbouring communities by our recent name change. Our membership has expanded over the past several years to include members from Port Alberni, Parksville, Qualicum, Salt Spring Island and Campbell River. Our new name now reflects the contributions of these members.

The Canadian Home Builders' Association is the voice of the residential building industry. Our members represent all aspects of the housing industry. New home builders, renovators, developers, trade contractors, product suppliers, lending institutions, service professionals and other ancillary services are all proud members. Professionalism, service and quality are the key goals of our members.

CHBA Central Vancouver Island is committed to enabling our members to achieve their goals. CHBA offers courses on the BC Building Code, energy efficiency through the Built Green™ program, project management, law and financial management and we encourage all members to make ongoing education a priority. Consumers today are well informed on available methods and materials and it is crucial for our members to keep abreast of new developments.

As President of this Association I am proud to represent our members and look forward to a successful year to all.

Rob MacCallum, CHBA-Central Vancouver Island President

OFFICE UPDATES

Our office is becoming busier by the day and we have been making changes to manage the growth.

- The new voice in the office is Suzie Tai and she has been hired as my assistant. Please join me in welcoming her.
- The association's name has changed from CHBA-Nanaimo to CHBA-Central Vancouver Island. The official National Logo has been sent to all members and

the new association logo will be emailed to you separately. Please remember to display these logos when and wherever possible. New window decals will be available in January.

- The “new” 2008 Directory is being revised and will be available at our January meeting.
- We are in the process of upgrading our telephone system to add more lines so that you will not constantly be getting our voice mail. The phone number will NOT change.
- Our email address has also changed to chbacvi@telus.net and our website address will also be changing very soon.
- We will be in a position, FINALLY, to accept Visa/Mastercard by mid December.

We hope these changes/additions will improve the operation of the association.

2007 Educational Seminars

Register for the Built Green Seminar to be held:

December 17 & 18th
Nanaimo Golf Club
8:00 – 4:30 pm
Cost \$350 Members & \$600 Non-Members

This seminar is quickly filling up and registration is limited. Please contact the office asap for registration.

Event: “Building Green in a Changing Climate” Conference & Tradeshow

Date: **March 4 & 5, 2008**

Location: Florence Filberg Centre, 411 Anderton Avenue, Courtenay BC

Website: www.livinggreenbuildinggreen.com

Join us for “Building Green in a Changing Climate”, showcasing leaders and innovative case studies in the Vancouver Island Green Building movement. It will inform & inspire and provide attendees with hands on practical information on green building products, systems and solutions. Register online Now!

Information for Built Green Builders

Funds have been allocated to our association and will be dispersed equally to Built Green Builders strictly to be used for advertising. If you would like to apply for your portion of the advertising please contact the office.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Representative</u>
A-1 Septic Contact: 250-468-1764	Jamie Jackson
Concept Photography Contact: 250-754-1850	Lance Sullivan
CST Industries Ltd. Contact: 250-287-6005	Doren Anderson
Team Gillette (Re/Max of Nanaimo) Contact: 250-751-1223	Ryan Stolz
Ocean Villa Homes Contact: 250-752-8374	Greg Higgins

LAST, but not least, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy & prosperous New Year! Thank you for your support this past year, it has been appreciated.....Penny

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