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Thursday, Jan. 14th • 11:30 am  
Holiday Inn • Caraway Road  
Jonesboro

## Next Membership Meeting is Thursday, January 15th

Make sure to attend our next membership meeting, 11:30 am, Thursday, January 14th at the Holiday Inn on Caraway Road in Jonesboro. These meetings are a great place to network and meet your fellow members. Remember, the more contacts you make, the more your business can prosper.

Our thanks to State Executive Officer, **Julie Mills**, who has agreed to swear in our 2010 Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

Our Guest Speaker will be **Craig Light**, with the City of Jonesboro Engineering Department.

## Christmas Party / Awards

We hosted our annual Christmas Party on December 5th. Over 70 members and guests were present.

Congratulations to **Tannica Gamble** and **Zach Bare**, who were awarded the 1st two \$1000.00 NEAHBA Scholarships. We will offer these scholarships each year to NEAHBA members, their immediate family, or employees, who are furthering their education in some aspect of the building / construction field.

We were also grateful to honor **John Marcom** with a lifetime achievement award for 50+ years of service to the NEAHBA. John was one of the founders of the NEAHBA back in the 50's, along with his long list of other accomplishments (see page 2).

**Steve Schmidt, Jr.** was presented with a Spike Award, jacket, and pins for his hard work and dedication in recruiting more than 25 members to the NEAHBA. Steve is a Past President, and current Board Member.

We showed our appreciation to **Steve Schmidt, Sr.**, with a plaque, for his continued help running the annual NEAHBA Golf Tournament. We would not be as successful without his hard work year after year.

The 2009 Membership Drive awards were given out as well.

Team Award – This Team recruited a total of 29 Members:

**Derek Daniels, James Shelton, Kris Seyler, Jim Quinn & Linda Goad**

Individual with most new members before Drive began - **James Shelton**

Individual with most total new members: 13 new recruits - **James Shelton**

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Call Stephen Goad, 219-2059 for info.  
Very reasonable rate. Over 1200 viewers.

## John Marcom Profile

We were proud to recognize John Marcom at our 2009 Christmas Party, as he retired from the NEAHBA after more than 50 years of service. Following is the biography which was read at the presentation.

John Marcom was a licensed real estate broker for over fifty years and retired in the spring of 2009. He received his education at Chamberlain Hunt Military Academy and Louisiana State University. He is a former pilot in the US Air Force.

John built and sold over 2,000 dwelling units in Northeast Arkansas and developed 15 subdivisions and numerous commercial properties. John has owned a real estate company, a general insurance agency, and a mortgage company. He was a general contractor and also CEO of a local bank. He is a long time member of First United Methodist Church where he served on various committees including the Board of Trustees.

He organized the Jonesboro Board of Realtors, founded Dixie Contractors, and co-organized the local chapter of Ducks Unlimited.

When he moved to Jonesboro in the 1950's he was a member-at-large of the National Association of Home Builders. Bruce Blackwell of the Arkansas Association assisted him and they formed the Northeast Arkansas Association of Home Builders. John remembers these men as attending: Guy Pardew, Jr., Carroll Caldwell, Jerry Craft, Don Gilbert and there were others whose names he does not recall.

Though John loved to hunt and fish until his health prevented him from taking part in these activities, when someone would ask what he did for fun, he would answer work. He looked forward to each day on the job, his special friendships with the men with whom he associated, and his enjoyment of seeing families settle into their new homes.

## NEAHBA Builds Dog House for NEA Charitable Foundation

Part of our mission at the NEAHBA is to work with charitable organizations in Northeast Arkansas. We were approached by the NEA Clinic Charitable Foundation to build a dog house to be auctioned at their annual Duck Classic dinner. Several members stepped up to design, build and deliver the dog house, which sold for \$500.00, to Dr. Pat Savage, at the live auction. I apologize if I missed anyone who helped.

- \* Dog house design (**Michael Nelson - Nelson Design Group**)
- \* Lumber and materials pick up (**Scotty Hickson - Razorback Concrete**)
- \* Lumber & materials (**Ron Turpin - Barton's, David Tennison - JT White, Todd Gazaway - Gazaway, Tim Stallings - Ridout**)
- \* Stone (**Ruth & Jack Cauble - Cauble Stone & Brick**)
- \* Siding / labor (**Shannon Roberson - Modern Exterior Concepts**)
- \* Roofing (**James Shelton Construction**)
- \* Labor and construction site (**Derek Daniels**)
- \* **Todd Wilcox - H & W Construction**
- \* **Billy Dill - Dill Construction**
- \* **Carlos Coronado Masonry**
- \* **Martin Cook - Innovative Woodworx, Inc**
- \* Dog House transport to armory (**Tim Stallings - Ridout**)
- \* Dog House transport to buyer (**Ron Turpin - Barton's**)
- \* Concrete block pad/foundation (**Brian Woods - Nettleton Concrete**)



## Educational Opportunities

**Register for any of the classes below:**

**By Phone: 501-663-1428 • By Fax: 501-663-4624**

**By Mail: AHBA • 1400 W Markham • Ste 305 • Little Rock, AR 72201**

**Online: [amandaleech@tcworks.net](mailto:amandaleech@tcworks.net)**

All courses held at 1400 W Markham • Ste 305 • Little Rock, AR 72201

Registration Fees for all courses: NAHB Member \$220 - Non-member \$320

(All Books and Materials are Included.) Payment is due at time of registration.

Cancellations must be received no less than 15 days prior to course to receive a full refund.

**For full course info, visit: [arkansashomebuilders.org](http://arkansashomebuilders.org)**

### **Customer Service**

**February 2, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

### **Basics of Building**

**February 3, 2010 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

### **Sales & Marketing**

**February 4, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

### **Design/Build**

**February 5, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

### **For above classes:**

Designation Credit Include: CGA, CGB, Master CSP

Cont. Ed. Credit includes: CAPS, CGA, CGB, CGP, CGR, CSP, CMP, GMB, GMR, Master CSP, MIRM

### **Reach the Fastest Growing Segment of the Remodeling Industry**

Get the technical, business management and customer service skills essential to compete in the fastest growing segment of the remodeling industry—home modifications for the aging in place market. Requirements: Two CAPS courses with one additional course, if needed.

### **Marketing & Communications Strategies for Aging & Accessibility (CAPS I)**

**February 16, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

### **Design/Build Solutions for Aging and Accessibility (CAPS II)**

**February 17, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

### **Business Management for Building Professionals**

**February 18, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

Designation Credit: CAPS, CGA, CGB, CGP, CGR, Master CSP

Continuing Ed. Credit: CAPS, CGA, CGB, CGP, CGR, CSP, CMP, GMB, GMR, Master CSP, MIRM

### **Scheduling**

**April 7, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

Designation Credit: CGA, CGB, CGR

Continuing Education Credit: CAPS, CGA, CGB, CGP,

### **Negotiating Skills**

**April 8, 2010 • 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

Designation Credit: CGA, CGR, GMB

Continuing Ed. Credit: CAPS, CGA, CGB, CGP, CGR, CSP, CMP, GMB, GMR, Master CSP, MIRM

## 2010 Home & Garden Show • March 13 - 14

The 2010 NEAHBA Home & Garden Show, at the NEA District Fairgrounds, is coming up fast. Everyone who reserved their booths from last year have paid.

You will soon receive a floor layout map showing the available, and already taken, booth spaces. The 8' x 8' booths will be reserved on a 1st paid 1st served basis.

Booths are \$275.00 for NEAHBA members and \$375.00 for non-members.

If you have any questions, want to reserve a booth, or want a floor layout map, contact:

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