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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Join us for our Annual Membership Meeting, hosted by our own Lynn McLemore.

When: Tuesday, December 14th, from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: Lynn McLemore's home
 (3901 Palomino Dr. SW Decatur, AL)

Dress: Casual

This is a chance to meet and mingle before the holiday season gets too busy!
 There will be great food and great fun! We hope everyone can make it!
 If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at the office at 350-4594.

4TH ANNUAL JANUARY JAM

Come celebrate the 4th Annual January Jam with GMCBA and MCAOR. **Sponsorship Levels**

When: Friday, January 14th, from 6:30-9:30 pm

When: Sykes Place on Bank
 (726 Bank Street Decatur, AL, 35601)

Cost: \$25 Per Person (Pre-Pay or Pay at the Door)

Dress: Business Casual

Heavy Hors d'oeuvres and Cash Bar
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- A. Logo on Power Point
- B. Logo on programs on each dinner table
- C. Name on welcome sign at entrance
- D. Four tickets to event

Silver \$501-\$750

- A. Logo on Power Point
- B. Name on welcome sign at entrance
- C. Two tickets to event

Bronze \$250-\$500

- A. Logo on Power Point

NAIL DOWN THESE DATES Calendar Available www.gmcba.org

- ◆ **Board Meeting**
 Thursday, December 9th, from 4:30-5:30 pm, at the GMCBA office
- ◆ **Annual Membership Meeting**
 Tuesday, December 14th, from 6:00-8:00 pm, at Lynn McLemore's House



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DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Builders: Jerry L. Smith & Associates, McCutcheon Construction, and General Repair Services

Associates: The McDonald Richard Co., and Cell-Pak

ENERGY-EFFICIENT TAX CREDITS: TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

The deadline is looming for home owners looking to save money and enjoy a significant tax credit by making energy-efficient improvements to their home. The stimulus legislature that President Obama signed soon after taking office providing energy-efficiency credits for up to 30 percent or \$1500 of the cost of certain energy upgrades expires at the end of this year. By using energy-efficient components in your home, you can save one-third on your energy bill. When a typical household spends about \$2,000 a year on energy bills, the expanded tax credit and the energy-efficient components will save a significant amount!

What is included?

Tax credits are available at 30 percent of the cost of the materials, up to \$1500, until Dec. 31, 2010 (for existing homes only) for:

- * High-efficiency windows and doors
- * Insulation
- * Roofs (metal and asphalt)
- * HVAC (heating, ventilating and air-conditioning)
- * Water heaters (non-solar)
- * Biomass Stoves

There are also tax credits available for new construction with no upper limit through 2016. Details on qualifying improvements are available at www.nahb.org/efficiencytaxcredit. To find a builder or remodeler in your area to help make your home more energy efficient, contact Rose Strickland at 256-350-1545. Take advantage before time runs out!

WELCOME GMCBA'S NEWEST MEMBER



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COOKING WITH NATURAL GAS SNAPSHOTS

Thursday November 4th turned out very successful for the 2nd Annual Get Cooking with Natural Gas. It was brought to GMCBA by Wheeler Basin Natural Gas. This event was organized and planned by Lou Ann Mitchell, one of our board members. Scott Curry of *Curry's Restaurant* in Decatur was on site to offer us his talents and recipes. He also provided the food that was served to all who attended.

Everyone got to tour the Showcase home, where this event was held, before the cooking demonstrations began. Mr. Curry demonstrated how to create his famous Caesar dressing and how to grill the perfect steak using natural gas (of course!) After everyone was pleasantly full from the wonderful food, there was door prizes to be handed out. Thank you to all those who donated these wonderful prizes. Thank you to all that helped with this event and thank you to Lou Ann and her hard work. All the monies raised from this event were donated in honor of Mrs. Linda Duran. GMCBA was awarded Best Community Service Award for a small association for this event! We look forward to seeing everyone next year!



NEWS FLASH FOR DECEMBER 2010

The HBAA is having a new membership drive. The HBAA will give qualifying members \$150 cash plus either free registration to the 2011 Winter Board Meeting or a \$50 credit toward 2011 Summer Board registration for those who bring in new members. The GMCHBA will also give an additional \$50 to qualifying members to help sweeten this deal. This will only be going on until March 30, 2011 so start recruiting!

The Bonded Builders Warranty Group is also offering an incentive for the holidays to promote New Membership. From December 10 through January 10, Any member who brings in a new member will receive the *Spirit of America* Award and receive a \$35 Wal-Mart gift card. **(Award applies to the first new member only.)** To claim holiday awards, send an email to Andi Lindberg at alindberg@bondedbuilders.com. This must be emailed no later than January 17th 2011.

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