



From the President...

Our Annual Christmas Party was on Thursday, December 12th. We hope everyone who attended enjoyed great conversation, tasty food and merriment. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our party including our gold sponsor, BARD Marterials, our dessert sponsor, Spahn and Rose Lumber Company, and our appetizer sponsor, Top Notch Plumbing, Heating and Electrical. We appreciate your support!

The **Greater Dubuque Home and Builders Show** is scheduled for **February 14-16, 2025**. If you are interested in a booth at the event, visit our website, dubuquehomebuilders.com, or reach out to Christy at Events, Inc. at 317-557-8590. We will be contacting members regarding opportunities to volunteer in various roles during the show. If you are interested in volunteering, please send Kristie an email at dbqhba115@gmail.com indicating the best day and time for you to volunteer.

We will have a new family event this year -- Dubuque Fighting Saints Hockey Game in February or March! Look for details in the next newsletter.

We are working out the details to bring back the Baseball Game early in the Spring of 2025. Details will be included in upcoming newsletters.

Membership dues are due by January 31, 2025. Invoices will be sent out in the near future via email. A membership renewal for is included in this newsletter for your convenience.

If any of you have information you would like to share with our group, feel free to contact us via email at dbqhba115@gmail.com. We'd love to share the news with the membership!

Joel Mozena
President

2024
Ron Smith Award
Recipient
Dave Grable

The Ron Smith Award was established in 2015 and was created to remember Ron Smith, and his endless devotion to promoting excellence in the building industry.



Joel Mozena looks on as Gerb Smith presents the award honoring his father to Dave Grable, the 2024 recipient.

Key Dates...

- January ...
Monday, January 6th–
Board Meeting
- Tuesday, January 31st–
Membership Dues are
now due



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Mission Statement...

Dubuque Homebuilders and Associates is a non-profit trade organization formed to promote and enhance the professionalization of home building and associated businesses in the tristate area. Our goal is to achieve continuity and communication among builders, sub-contractors, suppliers, financial institutions and local government to network for community growth and development

Happy New Year!!!

As we bid farewell to an incredible year, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support and dedication. Your involvement and enthusiasm have made our community stronger, and we couldn't have done it without you.

Wishing you a New Year filled with joy, success, and wonderful moments!

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February 14, 15 & 16

Interested in exhibiting? Please visit:
www.dubuquehomebuilders.com

GRAND RIVER CENTER

Business Record - Project515 (from HBA of Iowa News Weekly email - December 12, 2024)

“Here’s a very well-done forum put together by the Business Record that is focused on Central Iowa, but informative for the remainder of the state. The discussion features our own 2025 HBA of Iowa President Rachel Flint and tackles home construction, buying trends and the overall outlook.

The housing market, in Iowa and the nation, continues to be a critical economic issue. An increasing number of people don’t have enough money to purchase their first home. Also, many potential homebuyers are sidelined because too few existing homes are for sale. The limited availability of homes for sale is helping spark a flurry of construction of multifamily units, particularly in Des Moines’ downtown and the area’s burgeoning suburbs.

Local housing experts shared during the panel discussion what’s driving the uptick in the construction of townhomes and apartments; the effect interest rates for home mortgages is having on homebuying; and efforts underway to make buying a home more affordable.

Rachel Flint, senior vice president, homebuilding operations, Hubbell Realty Co.

Sean Fogarty, partner, Artisan Capital Group

Larry Goodell, retail mortgage manager, U.S. Bank

Lance Henning, CEO, Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity

Sara Hopkins, realtor, Re/Max Precision

Aaron Mesmer, executive vice president/chief investment officer, Block Real Estate Services LLC”

Watch the full panel discussion at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fuz8NBhkqiA>

happy holidays



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