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Luisa Velez and her son Spencer.

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first project was started in Texas,

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mediately following the dedication event," stated Dallas BA Director

of Operations Sheena Beaver.

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#### **Association reopens with May 24 Dallas BA's Industry Investors for 2022** ribbon-cutting festivities energy

The Dallas Builders Association has reopened its newly renovated headquarters in Plano following catastrophic flood damage sustained during 2021's winter storm. More than 100 members and dignitaries gathered May 24 for an official ribbon cutting followed by a celebration presented by StrucSure Home Warranty in the remodeled 8,500-sq.-ft. office space

"A silver lining is that the damage and disruption created an opportunity to modernize the building and make it a truly outstanding place for association members and staff," said Dallas BA Executive Officer Phil Crone.

Association members stepped up with amazing generosity to provide funds, material and labor needed for items that fell outside the scope of the insurance claim. Nearly 100 companies and individuals contributed to the Rebuilding Better Together fundraising campaign, which has been recognized by the National Association of Home Builders with an Association Excellence Award.

Classic Urban Homes served as general contractor and chairman of the rebuilding task force, going far beyond the call of duty and spending countless hours to see the project to completion.

"I can unequivocally say that Michael's work to rebuild our office was one of the most selfless and extraordinary efforts in the nearly 80-year history of this Association," Crone stated. "There's no way we can ever repay him except with our heartfelt gratitude and ardent appreciation."

Past President Michael Turner of

"A large multi-purpose conference room, smaller meeting areas, a refurbished patio and deck, improved drainage, exterior paint and some of the most sophisticated building materials and amenities available make this a headquarters befitting one of the largest builders association in one of the nation's most active new home markets," said President Andrew Pieper of Hillwood Communities

Just a few of the building's new features include:

■ Foam encapsulation in the attic and other energy efficiency upgrades that resulted in reducing the number of HVAC units, which will lower operating costs and increase indoor air quality.

■ A state-of-the-art audio/video system optimized for hybrid meetings and an enhanced experience for the Association's educational classes.

Modernized design with white painted brick on the outside and a clean, comfortable interior.

 Upgraded staff cubicles into modern enclosed offices with LED lighting.

An upgraded kitchen showcasing the newest appliances, a large island and custom cabinetry.

■ Installation of a backup generator to better protect against future winter storms.

A reimagined outdoor patio that is a stunning extension of the building's other gathering spaces.

Contributors are recognized with a plaque in the lobby and commemorative bricks in the building's Walk of Friends leading to the front door.

# **Rebuilding campaign** wins Excellence Award

The Dallas BA has been recognized for its outstanding Rebuilding Together campaign with an Award of Awards (AEA) is an annual program Excellence for Best Revenue Effort -Non Parade, Tour or Show from the

operates today.

The Association Excellence designed to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of state and local



Dallas BA President Andrew Pieper performs official ribbon-cutting honors at the grand opening of Association's renovoted headquarters. More than 100 members and guests turned out for the event, presented in partnership with StrucSure Home Warranty. Turn to pages 4 and 5 for a list of Rebuilding Better Together contributors and photos.





Executive Officers Council (EOC) of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

"I'm really proud of the Dallas BA staff for working through the difficulties of displacement from the office," said President Andrew Pieper of Hillwood Communities. "They didn't miss a beat even after losing quite a bit of critical equipment in the 2021 winter storm. Their diligent work earned them this prestigious award and inspired incredible generosity that has contributed to an amazing new home for our industry.

The Rebuilding Together campaign involved intensive outreach to the Dallas BA membership regarding how they could assist in the clean up and reconstruction of the Dallas BA office following the destruction caused by a broken fire sprinkler pipe in February 2021. The goal of the fundraising effort was to turn that challenge into an opportunity to go beyond the insurance proceeds and modernize the building, originally constructed in 1998, to be compatible with how the association home builders' associations and executive officers in the field of association management. EOC membership consists of the staff executives who direct more than 650 NAHB-affiliated state and local home builders' associations representing more than 140,000 home builders in communities across the United States.

"I'm especially thrilled about this particular AEA Award," said Executive Officer Phil Crone. "Our staff took the initiative and created a truly novel and innovative program that will set the standard for any other association that may find itself in the same unfortunate situation we were in. I'm really proud of them along with all of the members who contributed to the educational videos, especially Rebuilding Captain Michael Turner."

The winning entries will be added to the NAHB website, so that other executives and associations across the country can access and learn from them in order to provide better service to their own members and community.

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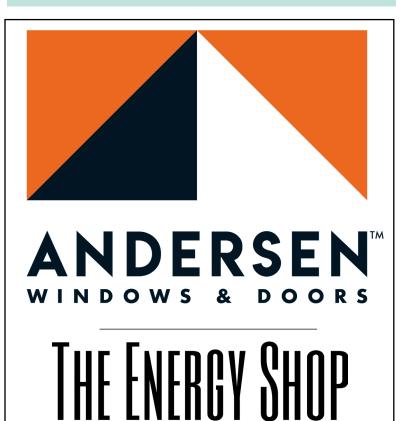


Shaddock Homes – 55 Years

Peter Shaddock Jr, Peter Shaddock Sr. and Todd Shaddock accept their 55-year Milestone Anniversary Award recognizing five and a half decades of continuous membership in the Dallas Builders Association. Milestone Awards are presented courtesy of StrucSure Home Warranty.



**Burgess Construction Consultants – 25 Years** Russell Burgess and Chris Urbartus display their company's 25-year Milestone Anniversary Award.



# May was a busy time on the government Home Front

The Denton City Council on May 3 voted to approve new park dedication allocations, fees-in-lieu of dedications, and park development fees.

Dallas BA weighed in during the process, and the May 3 council meeting, and had an impact on getting needed provision changes and preventing the fee increase from being significantly higher. The ordinance had not been updated since inception.

Dallas BA had voiced its concerns about the impact the significant increase in fees will have on already challenging new home costs. After hearing from Dallas BA early in the process, the fees that came to vote were nearly \$1,500 less than what were originally proposed, for homes in areas where Denton will see significant building.

The new dedication evaluation assesses 1 acre for every 129 single-family units and every 186 multifamily units. The new fee-in-lieu charges \$435 per single-family unit and \$301 for each multifamily unit. The park development fees are \$2,515 and \$1,741, respectively.

The Association requested that replacement homes be exempted from applicability of the ordinance, as those are homes built on lots where there was an existing home, meaning there is no added dwelling units. This provision was added to the ordinance.

Dallas BA also questioned the rate for certain park development cost estimates that are charged to the city. This resulted in further review of those items and, after adjustment in the estimates, resulted in helping lower the final rate for park development fees.

The new fees become effective on Aug. 1, 2022. Projects that have a preliminary plat submitted prior to August 1 will be grandfathered in under the current fees. Should a grandfathered project expire without approval, it will be subject to the new fees.

Denton's Mayor Hudspeth and Councilman Davis voted against the ordinance because it did not include a provision to phase the fees in over time, echoing Dallas BA's concern about the impact the immediate full increase will have on home prices and families that buy those homes.

As mentioned last month, builders and developers should remain aware of the discussion in Denton regarding roadway impact fees. The fees, first discussed in 2015, and implemented in 2016, are due for revision and update.

The original fees were introduced at a lower rate when Dallas BA voiced concern about sticker shock for new home prices.

Now, with inflation and material

costs posing a threat everywhere, it will be important for Denton City Council to keep in mind the overall cost.

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Denton is still working on the update for its thoroughfare masterplan, so it may be some time before the discussion reaches the city council.

On May 18, at the behest of Dallas Mayor Eric Johnson's working group, which Dallas BA has interfaced with frequently, the city manager was brought before the Dallas City Council to brief the city's elected on what kind of progress has been made in addressing the sustainable development department's processes and challenges that have led to unacceptable permitting delays.

City staff offered that Dallas has finally filled the vacant position of Director and Chief Building Official, as well as Deputy Building Official. They also reported that the permit center is fully open and staffed and that there has been a focus on improving communications and customer service.

Regardless, builders still report significant challenges in obtaining permits. And the city still reports challenges due to the departure of staff in key technical positions and the increase in permit load.

During the presentation, city management previewed their next steps, including cross training frontline staff, as well as cross training plan reviewers and field inspectors. Dallas also plans further implementation of recommendations from a now well-known efficiency study. With the loss of revenue to the city, the hope is that there is more of a sense of urgency in addressing issues in Dallas that other cities have less of a challenge to manage. David Lehde Director of Government Affairs



addition to the primary runoff elections, yielded some May victories for builder-supported candidates. At the city level, the re-election of Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, as well as the election to bring back Chris Watts, a former mayor and longtime ally, to city council helps continue relationships in Denton. This is important with the planned growth in that part of Denton County.

On May 24, former McKinney city council member Fredrick Frazier and former Flower Mound city council member Ben Bumgarner, both officials who have taken hard votes that help home building, won tough primary runoff elections and are now their party's nominee for the November general election for Texas House Districts 61 and 63, respectively.

As we move towards November, it will be important for the Association to remain engaged. With a core mission of advocacy, having elected decision makers who understand the importance of a regulatory environment that is friendly to residential construction—and the economy it impacts—is vital.

HOMEPAC of Greater Dallas, the non-partisan action committee for the Association, is an essential part of our advocacy efforts. Along with Dallas BA's Government Relations Committee, it provides a fantastic opportunity for members to weigh in on the decisions that impact their business.

Members who would like more information about participating are encouraged to contact the Association's Director of Government Affairs.

Spring municipal elections, in

| Construction Monitor                                   |         |                               |                                     | Dallas<br>Single Family Builders<br>Year-to-Date 05/18/2022 |                                |                              |
|--|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
|  |         |                               | Iomeon                              |   | lomes                          | Value                        |
| Dallas Building Permit Summary                         |         |                               | 1 First Texas Homes<br>2 D R Horton | 312<br>398  | \$116,894,679<br>\$107,842,153 |                              |
| Year-to-Date 05/18/2022                                |         |                               | 3 Bloomfield Homes                  | 341   | \$107,842,153<br>\$103,706,327 |                              |
| Residential  | Permits | Value                         | Units                               | 4 Highland Homes  | 220                            | \$92,116,080                 |
| Single Family Homes                                    | 7.295   | \$2,286,852,276               | 7298                                | 5 M/I Homes   | 112                            | \$55,757,605                 |
|  | ,       | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1         |                                     | 6 D R Horton Express-                                       | 225                            | \$49,488,263                 |
| Duplexes & Twin Homes                                  | 51      | \$7,475,630                   | 102                                 | 7 Toll Brothers Inc   | 78                             | \$43,571,089                 |
| Apartments & Condos                                    | 37      | \$364,919,643                 | 3503                                | 8 TSHH LLC  | 103                            | \$37,545,212                 |
| Cabins   | 1       | \$80,000                      | 0                                   | 9 Lennar Homes  | 136                            | \$37,460,265                 |
| Other Residential Structures                           | 231     | \$15,230,331                  | 0                                   | 10 Meritage Homes<br>11 Landon Homes                        | 118<br>98                      | \$37,390,590<br>\$36,165,300 |
| Swimming Pools & Spas                                  | 1,415   | \$72,143,713                  | õ                                   | 12 K Hovnanian Homes  | 99                             | \$35,320,288                 |
| 9 1  |         |                               |                                     | 13 Gehan Homes  | 114                            | \$32,827,645                 |
| Garages & Carports                                     | 51      | \$3,365,023                   | 0                                   | 14 LGI Homes  | 156                            | \$32,263,960                 |
| Res Rmdl, Addn, Int Fin                                | 1,058   | \$76,043,435                  | 0                                   | 15 American Legend  | 110                            | \$30,615,477                 |
| Reroof Residential                                     | 270     | \$20,544,101                  | 0                                   | 16 KB Homes   | 50                             | \$28,020,670                 |
| Total Residential Const                                | 10,409  | \$2,846,653,952               | 10 903                              | 17 Shaddock Homes   | 95                             | \$27,745,400                 |
| Total Residential Collist                              | 10,405  | <i>\$2,040,000,002</i>        | 10,300                              | 18 History Maker Homes                                      | 74<br>236                      | \$26,219,168                 |
|  |         |                               |                                     | 19 BBL Building<br>20 Pulte Group                           | 230                            | \$25,775,000<br>\$24,959,189 |
| D. H. D. H.K. D. H.K.                                  |         |                               |                                     | 21 Pacesetter Homes   | 65                             | \$24,835,894                 |
| Dallas Building Permit Summary                         |         |                               |                                     | 22 Grand Homes  | 46                             | \$24,632,385                 |
| Week 20 - 05/12/22 to 05/18/22 (permits over \$20,000) |         |                               | 00)                                 | 23 Tradition Homes LLC                                      | 42                             | \$23,795,671                 |
| Residential  | Permits | Value                         | Units                               | 24 Dr Horton-Texas Ltd                                      | 117                            | \$23,400,000                 |
| Single Family Homes                                    | 422     | \$133,990,788                 |                                     | 25 Shaddock Caldwell  | 2                              | \$23,020,000                 |
|  |         | . , ,                         |                                     | 26 Ashton Woods Homes                                       |                                | \$22,634,116                 |
| Demolition   | 20      | \$137,220                     |                                     | 27 Trophy Signature   | 76                             | \$22,089,065                 |
| Footing & Foundation                                   | 54      | \$424,357                     | 0                                   | 28 Taylor Morrison<br>29 MHI Partnership                    | 53<br>37                       | \$21,748,995<br>\$20,214,905 |
| Apartments & Condos                                    | 1       | \$72,368,227                  | 250                                 | 30 Camden Homes LLC   | 69                             | \$17,774,947                 |
| Other Residential Structures                           | 7       | \$461,999                     | 0                                   | 31 John Houston Custom                                      | 48                             | \$17,280,830                 |
| Swimming Pools & Spas                                  | 72      | \$10,431,468                  |                                     | 32 Beazer Homes Texas                                       | 46                             | \$15,673,779                 |
| <b>o</b> .   |         | • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • |                                     | 33 D R Horton Custom  | 63                             | \$15,293,815                 |
| Res Rmdl, Addn, Int Fin                                | 52      | \$3,383,446                   |                                     | 34 Cb Jeni Homes Grand                                      | 50                             | \$15,129,900                 |
| Reroof Residential                                     | 19      | \$659,071                     | 0                                   | 35 Altura Builders Dfw                                      | 52                             | \$15,053,471                 |
| Total Residential Const                                | 647     | \$221,856,560                 | 672                                 | 36 GFO Homes<br>37 Stonehollow Homes                        | 26<br>29                       | \$14,485,259<br>\$14,466,955 |
|  |         | , ,                           |                                     | 38 Southgate Homes  | 42                             | \$13,984,500                 |

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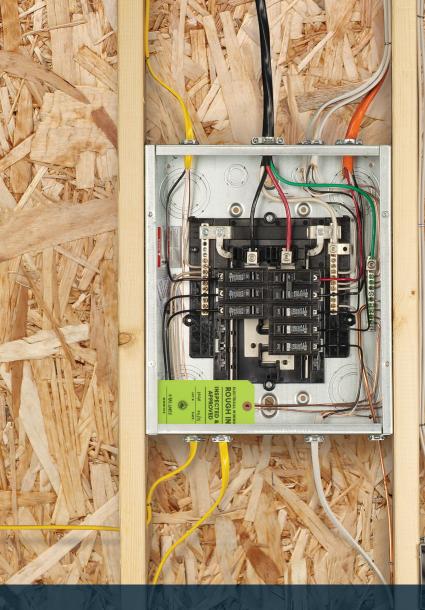
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# **Cars for CASA breaks records**



The Metro East Division hosted its 17th annual Cars for CASA auto show on May 15, raising an anticipated \$73,500 for Lone Star CASA, the most money ever raised for the organization.

Approximately 20 volunteers from the Metro East Division helped with the event, which drew more than 300 entries.

Cars for CASA has become one of the most successful auto shows in North Texas.

"We're proud to play a role in helping CASA kids rebuild their lives," said Dave Hambley of Lee Lighting, a show organizer. "The show is a great way to support a worthy cause and raise awareness."

Lone Star CASA's mission is to advocate for children in Rockwall and Kaufman Counties under the care of Child Protective Services. To date, the show has raised in excess of \$645,000.

# Upcoming Classes: June Presented by

#### Plunge Pool and New Builds: How to Give Customers What They Want - June 8

Precast plunge-style pools are in demand. This class will go over how home builders can now include a plunge pool as part of their offering for new construction. Discover if offering precast pools to your clients will help your business model to increase profits and cause minimal impact to timelines.

This class will include a crane prep and fly; a plumbing demo; and a bonding and grounding demo.

Time: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm Class Location: Plungie USA (4400 State Texas Highway 121 Suite 300, the Realm Building) Cost: \$35 Member/\$55 Non-Member

Luxurious Outdoor Rain and Shading Solutions for High-End Residential Projects - June 16

This class and tour will examine the different motorized rain and solar protection options available to home builders. It will include discussion of new design trends used to expand the outdoor living experience and associated health benefits.

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This is an in-person only class and tour. It includes a one-hour education

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