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# The Tool Box

*A Weekly Publication for Members & Friends*  
 June 7, 2010



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Dear Doug,

## Another Source of Money for Builders And Remodelers: **Manufacturer Rebates!**

Last week I told you about sources of money to help your customers pay for their projects. I left this one out and decided it is important enough to highlight this week. That is, Manufacturer Rebates on a variety of building materials.



The money comes from an excellent program sponsored by the Michigan Association of Home Builders and is explained on this special website: [HBARebates.com/MAHB](http://HBARebates.com/MAHB). There are currently [35 different manufacturers](#) that offer rebates back to you--the builder. All you have to do is fill out the forms and send them in. All but two (Delta & Zurn) offer the same rebates to remodelers.

The program is ever expanding and recently added four new manufacturers: Boise Cascade, Closet Maid, HB&G Porch Columns and Sears Commercial Marketplace. GLHB&RA members can get rebates from numerous companies when they purchase their products. The money is paid directly to the builder! Average rebates last year were over \$860 per member!! It's easy to file for a rebate using [these claim forms](#). All details are explained on [this special MAHB website](#). If you're a builder or remodeler, don't leave money on the table! This is a valuable benefit of membership. And, if you're not a member, you may want to join

[Housing Starts](#)

to get in on the action!

**Golfers:  
Sign Up  
Now!!**

**July 13th  
GLHB&RA  
Golf Outing!**



**Hawk Hollow**

**Reserve Your  
Group!**

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For More  
Information**

**517-323-3254**

**Remodelers:  
Get BPI  
Certified  
Before  
Cash For  
Caulkers Goes  
Into Effect!**

**Doug**

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## Upcoming Events:

(Click on the links below to RSVP!)

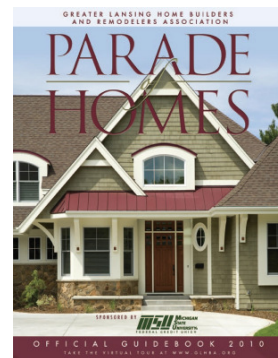
- Jun 10 - 13 Parade Of Homes Second Weekend
- Jun 14 - 18 BPI Certification Training, 5 Day Building Analyst, In Lansing, Must Pay In Advance, Save \$150, [RSVP Here](#)
- Jun 15 Lugnuts Outing [RSVP Here](#)
- Jul 13 Golf Outing at Hawk Hollow, Tee Off at 9:00 AM



*"Thank You, MSU-FCU for  
Sponsoring The  
Parade Of Homes, this Week!"*

## LifeInLansing.com Featuring Parade Of Homes Promotion

The 2010 Parade of Homes is in full swing this week with promotions in a variety of places including newsprint, bill boards, radio and TV. There are 25 new homes and 4 remodel projects in the Parade this year, scattered throughout the Lansing region. In addition to virtual tours that are featured on GLHBA.Org, this year [LifeInLansing.com](http://LifeInLansing.com) is featuring a listing of all of the Parade Homes and Remodel Projects. Parade Builders have the option to expand their listing on the Life In Lansing website with a 3-5 minute video tour of the home with links back to the builder's website for a small fee. For more information contact Mark Warner 517-908-0000 ext. 207, or [click here](#).



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**Tuesday, June 15th Is The Time to**



Once the Home Star Energy Act is in place this fall, thousands of households will be in the market for energy efficient upgrades that only BPI Certified contractors will be qualified to install. BPI Certified contractors will be in "the driver's seat for this work." The five-day training includes a 2-hour test.

**Get Certified Today by Registering for the next session: June 14 - 18th and save \$150.**

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or call the GLHB&RA Office  
323-3254.

**Save 22%**

## "Go NUTS" With Your GLHB&RA Friends!

GLHB&RA has reserved a block of seats for you and 50 of your closest friends! It's your time to Go NUTs on a Dollar Dog Tuesday, June 15th. At 6:05 PM the Lugnuts will be taking on the Bowling Green Hot Rods. It's actually a double header with an early game time. So, if you arrive early, you get to see Cindy throwing the first pitch! This is always a fun event and a great time to relax and enjoy the evening with GLHB&RA friends and family. Tickets are only \$9 each and can be ordered by [clicking here](#), or calling the GLHB&RA office at 323-3254. GLHB&RA will mail you your tickets prior to game time. Don't delay. All of your lugnuttiest friends will be waiting for you!



**It's A Dollar Dog Tuesday!!**

## Virg Bernero & Rick Snyder Front Runners in Governor's Race

The [Detroit News](#) reported last week that a poll conducted by Public Policy Polling of Raleigh shows Virg Bernero and Rick Snyder as the two leading contenders for Governor, by a slight margin. Snyder has a small lead over Pete Hoekstra in the Republican's race at 20% to 19%, while Bernero has a slight lead over the current House Speaker Andy Dillon. The poll measured Bernero at 26% and Dillon at 23%. 51% of Democrats polled said they were still undecided.



*Snyder (left) & Bernero Leading*

## MAHB Annual Meeting At Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, July 22-23



The [Michigan Association of Home Builders](#) (MAHB) annual meeting this year will be held at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth, Michigan. Frankenmuth features the largest Family Fun Center in the midwest with an indoor waterpark and five indoor pools. A full schedule of events and the registration form has been posted at [buildingmichigan.org](#). All MAHB members are encouraged to attend this two-day event. The Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 23, 2010 from 1:30 - 4:30 PM. Contact Pam Frankenberger at 517-646-2572 for more details.

## Meridian Companies Hosting Annual 5K Run/Walk For Hunger

Get out your running shoes! GLHB&RA Member Meridian Companies, is hosting their



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**Use Your Member**

third annual Run/Walk marathon fund-raiser for hunger. It starts at 9 AM on Sunday, July 18th, at the Meridian Municipal Complex, 5151 Marsh Rd. in Okemos. All proceeds go to the Lansing city Rescue Mission. For registration details on divisions and cost go to [themeridianadvantage.com](http://themeridianadvantage.com). Or call 339-6300.

## **MCIM Places Moratorium On Issuance Of New Policies**

Michigan Commercial Insurance Mutual (MCIM) announced last week that they are placing a moratorium on the issuance of new construction-related work comp policies. In a memo issued by MCIM, it



was noted that although MCIM currently insures 1,200 Michigan Association Of Home Builder (MAHB) members, MCIM has lost 895 accounts due to the challenging market conditions. The memo also stated that MCIM plans to continue maintaining and strengthening the relationships they have with their existing customers. When asked about the change, Matt Waligorski, Chair of the MAHB Insurance Committee noted that an MAHB task force was formed and granted authority by the MAHB Board, "to explore the possibility of forming a self-insured workers compensation fund that provides members the opportunity to receive dividend returns and pay their bill on a monthly audited basis."

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