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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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THANK YOU FOR RENEWING

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MSBIA Members,

Last week several of your Board members accompanied me to Tallahassee to lobby our elected state officials on building industry concerns for you. We were joined by over 100 other members of the FHBA federation as we invaded the capital building. We had the good fortune to be

able to meet all of our elected officials to express our concerns and thanks for all that they do for us. Most importantly, many of our bills are moving and gaining strength and we expect nearly 90% success rate in getting them passed.

We are following hundreds of bills in both the House and Senate with some more important than others. Those bills that meet that threshold are Rights of Nature: HB1199/SB1382, Construction Defects: HB1381/SB948, Building Design: HB459/SB954, Preemption of Local Occupational Licensing HB3/SB1336, and Impact Fees: HB637/SB1066. Of course, there are many others that concern Water Quality Improvements, Everglades Protection, Statewide Resiliency, Sadowski Funds, Affordable Housing Reform and the Department of Environmental Regulation just to name a few.

We are fortunate to have many strong legislators in our region:

Senate President Bill Galvano

Senator Joe Gruters

Senator Ben Albritton

Representative Tommy Gregory

Representative Will Robinson

Representative James Buchanan

Representative Melony Bell

I wish to express many thanks to our Members for working hard on the issues that matter the most to our industry. Without your continued voice and financial support, we would not be able to accomplish our primary goal: Advocacy.

Jon Mast MPA - MSBIA









Thank You to our 2020 Premier Partners



SMC Winter Happy Hour Tuesday, February 4th 5:00pm @ Grove LWR

Remodeler's Luncheon Wednesday, February 12th 11:30am @ MSBIA Office

GMM Chili Cook Off Thursday, February 13th 6:00pm @ MSBIA Office

Government Affairs Monday, February 17th

4:00pm @ MSBIA Office

Parade of Homes

February 22nd - March 15th

POH Realtor Preview

Wednesday, February 19th 8:30am @ Grove LWR

Mixer at RIM Express

Thursday, February 27th 5:30pm @ RIM Express

Parade of Homes Gala

Thursday, March 5th 6:00pm @ Hyatt Regency

SMC Meeting

Wednesday, March 11th 8:30am @ MSBIA Office

Mixer at D&D Garage Doors

Thursday, March 19th 5:30pm @ D&D Garage Doors

Florida Building Code Training

Tuesday, March 24th 8:00am @ Kimal Lumber

MSBIA Cornhole Tournament

Wednesday, April 15th 5:30pm @ Motorworks

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