# HOME FRONT

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# **WINTER 2021**

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Agnelli Pools & Construction
Associa Gulf Coast
Centex by Pulte Group
Cornerstone Solutions Group
Encompass Pet Group LLC
Gate Pros Inc.
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THANK YOU FOR RENEWING Advanced ESI All Wire Electric Aqua Plumbing & Air Services Inc. Ben Brown Insurance Agency Camlin Home Corporation CenterState Bank Chapman & Associates Classic Homes by Clayton, Inc. FM Contract Services Florida Southern Roofing Forristall Enterprises, Inc. **Gabbert Waste Solutions GE Appliances** Hartshorn Custom Contracting, Inc. Heidt Design, LLC IAS Marketing Services J&N Stone Juniper Landscaping

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MSBIA Members,

Our Nation was built by hand, by hardworking individuals passionate about building, creating, and innovating. Skilled and capable workers amongst the Building Industry is one of the most common issues for all

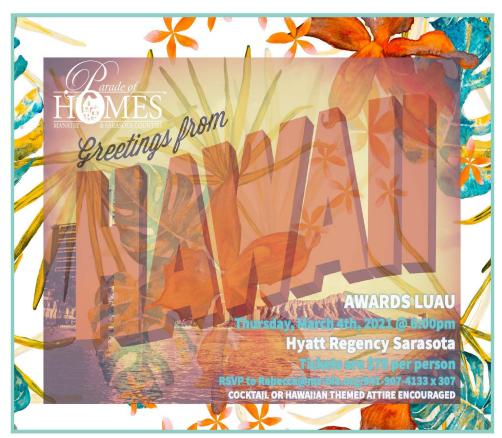
our members. So common, that 85 percent of members reported that the availability to laborers was their most significant challenge in 2020. By 2028, more than a million trade professionals will be needed to keep up with the demand in the Building Industry.

Addressing one of the largest industry's growing problem is crucial to the growth and survival of building. Labor shortage impacts the affordability of housing, translating into higher building costs, increased home pricing, longer project timelines and dwindling economic growth.

The Manatee-Sarasota Building Industry Association together with FHBA and NAHB is working together on Workforce Development and Career Training. Building partnerships with local high schools and trade schools, allows the younger generation to learn a trade and develop the skills needed to succeed in the Building Industry as an adult. Additionally, NAHB invests funds into Apprenticeship programs for individuals to learn skills and receive job placements.

For more information on Workforce Development and Career Training visit: <a href="https://www.nahb.org/advocacy/top-priorities/">https://www.nahb.org/advocacy/top-priorities/</a> Workforce-Development/workforce-development-resources.

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\*This event will adhere to CDC guidelines. Happy hour is outside, tables will be spread further apart to promote distancing, masks will be offered at door and there will be smaller groups of 6 people at each table.



# **BOD Meeting**

Thursday, February 11th 5:00pm @ MSBIA Office

## 3rd Annual Chili Cook Off

Thursday, February 11th 6:00pm @ MSBIA Office

# **Government Affairs Meeting**

Monday, February 15th 4:00pm @ MSBIA Office

#### Parade of Homes

Realtor Preview Wednesday, February 17th 8:30am @ Grove LWR

#### **Parade of Homes**

February 20th-March 14th

# **POH Awards Gala**

Thursday, March 4th 6:00pm @ Hyatt Sarasota

# **Market Snapshot GMM**

Thursday, April 1st 5:30pm @ LWR Country Club

# **Spring Fling Golf Tournament**

April/May Location TBD

#### Sarasota Slam

August 3rd-8th Marina Jacks Inshore/Offshore/Billfish

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