

# GREATER GADSDEN HOMEBUILDERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## WORKERS COMP LAW CHANGE

On May 8th, the Alabama Legislature passed SB 365 which requires that anyone with employees working on a new residential construction project carry workers compensation. Signed by the Governor, Act #2008-395 takes effect August 1, 2008. Below is a bulleted explanation of what the bill means.

- Returns the law the way it was in 1992.
- Eliminates the affidavits of exemption issued by the department of Industrial relations.
- States that builders or subcontractors that have

employees working on a NEW residential construction project must have workers comp coverage.

- Owners and partners in the business may exempt themselves from coverage, but not their employees.
- Members of the Self Insurers Fund are not affected by the change since the Fund stopped accepting the affidavits of exemption last year and participants are responsible for uninsured subs.
- Members with specific questions on how this change will affect them

should contact your underwriters at AHBSIF (800) 745-3863.

**LET'S WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS**

- ALAN SMITH CONSTRUCTION
- MCKINNEY-TRAMMELL CONSTRUCTION
- CHRISTIAN ELECTRIC
- ROCCO DRY-WALL SERVICES

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION

Have you heard the news ? Once again we will have the privilege of working with Sandra Patterson as our Executive Officer ( EO )for the Greater Gadsden Homebuilders Association during the 2009 year . Sandra has been very active in the commu-

nity , as well as the state level in being visible, making contacts, attending business functions and overall, promoting our association. We are fortunate to have her in our local homebuilders association ? During a recent trip to the Shoals Homebuilders

Association ( near Florence ), I had the opportunity to meet Brenda Griffith, the EO from that area and we spent time talking about the importance of the EO position in our business.

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### ETOWAH COUNTY MONTHLY HOME SALES REPORT

JUNE 08 MONTHLY NUMBERS SOLD YEAR TO DATE AVG DAYS ON MARKET

EXISTING HOMES	71	412	147
		35901@5254	

NEW CONST	4	67 (ON MARKET)	276
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The higher up you go, the more mistakes you are allowed to make. Right at the top, if you make enough of them, it's considered your style.  
-Fred Astaire

#### BRISTOL DEVELOPMENT



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Would you like to begin advertising your company? This newsletter reaches several hundred businesses each month and create excellent Net working and advertising. For only \$25 each month we will add your business card or small advertising write-up about your company. Please see me or one of the other board members for additional details.

COMMENTS ON  
THE  
NEWSLETTER ????

#### ADVERTISING SUPPORT

Has anyone seen our billboards advertising our association? There are three locations: Hwy. 278, Rainbow Dr and Meighan Blvd near 12th st. These are bill boards paid for by us and the state homebuilders association to draw attention to our profession.

- JOHN WESLEY FOSTER FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT.
- If you haven't heard the tournament was a success with over \$17000 raised for cardiac screening and AED



#### GADSDEN -ETOWAH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

CELEBRATION DINNER & AUCTION  
THURSDAY SEPT.4TH 2008  
6:00 pm AT Convention Hall

Tickets are \$35 or \$250 for table of 8

RSVP by Thursday Aug.28th

Come celebrate 30 homes built in 1998

Live and silent auction

Tickets at : Habitat for Humanity

P.O.Box 7002 Rainbow City, Al 35906