

March 2023 **HAPPY ST. PATRICKS DAY**

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INAUGURATION RECAP

2023 Leadership is Official

Inauguration 2023 was a success. About 115 members and nonmembers attended the event on February 9th. Special guest and past NYSBA President Kristen Savard was in attendance and spoke a few words. In addition to that Mark Longo past BNBA president was awarded a Spike pin for 50 new members.

Congratulations to the following:

David Capretto - President, Mark Longo Vice President, Jeff Naab - Treasurer, Darlene Williams - Secretary, Phil Nanula - Presidential Advisor, and Jim Marrano - Immediate Past President.



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WELCOME NEW MEMBER
We are pleased to have you as part of our Community.

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WATCH YOUR EMAILS!!!
KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR A HUGE
ANNOUNCEMENT

Three Chord Bourbon is hosting a special tasting just for BNBA Members Only.

Watch your emails in the next few days for the date, time and place.

Hint: Keep March 14th open

Thirsty Thursday is Back!!

April- 6

Appetizers are Sponsored by: Big L Distributors, Inc.
Where: Giancarlos Steakhouse, 5110 Main St.
Williamsville, 14221
Time: 5-7 pm

June - tbd

Appetizers are Sponsored by: Capital One
Where: tbd
Time: 5-7 pm



Want to know how it works? [How it works](#)

Sponsor-Pick a month & a Thursday, its as easy as that. These are cash bar gatherings. No need to RSVP, just stop in!

Contact: Jennifer@conexbuff.com or 716-874-3435x212

Thirsty
THURSDAYS



Government Affairs Corner

Government Affairs Meeting Updates & Actions

Notable Points from February 13 Meeting

Meeting Notes/Upcoming Meetings:

-Senator Ortt and the BNBA did meet on February 27th regarding several areas of concern such as electrification and condo status to name a few.

-There will be a meeting with the Orchard Park Planning Board with intentions of discussing customer and home builder friendly patio homes. Several new regulations need to be discussed.

-There will also be a meeting with the ECWA (Erie County Water Authority) regarding unknown price increases. This will be on March 21st.

-There has been some communication questions in working with the Town of Amherst. There will be a meeting with the Building Commissioner on March 6th.

National Fuel Gas Reacts to Electrification

National Fuel Gas Company President & CEO David Bauer comments on the "all in" approach to electrification. The recent freezing weather and power outage has prompted concern of the safety of National Fuel Gas customers. Where customers resulted to gas for cooking food, transportation fuel and heat, this will become a concern if this has to be changed to electric energy. The cost of this change will be of the upmost concern as well.

Please read below, President David Bauer's article in response to what Albany and the Scoping Plan has in store.

[Read Full Article Here](#)

Next meeting will be March 13th at 11:30am via zoom.

William Morehouse Scholarship is OPEN

The William Morehouse scholarship for 2023 has been released. This scholarship is to assist students who are entering a course of study specific to residential construction industry. Applicant must be a high school senior, graduate, or a college student attending a 1, 2 or 4 year college or a certificate program. Also, applicant must be a US citizen.

Deadline:

April 12 – Student send application to local HBA, set up interview.

Sections for First Time Applicants:

[2023 App Instructions](#)

[2023 App for First Time](#)

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Section for Returning Applicants:

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2023 IBS Builders Show - Big Hit

International Builders Show has the largest attendance in several years.

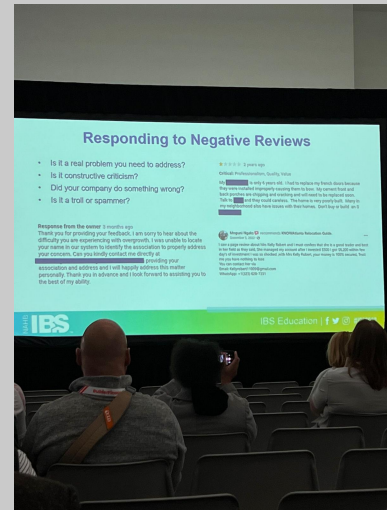
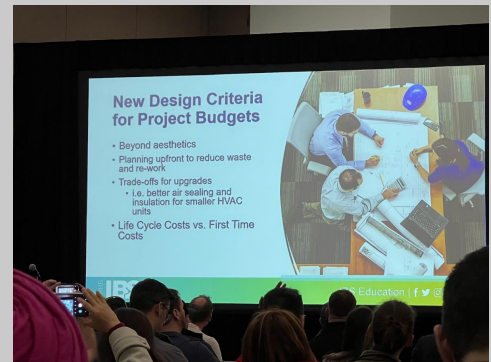
It was reported that almost 70,000 building professionals attended the 2023 Builders Show. This the largest attendance in 10 years. Opening ceremonies were given by the famous Mike Rowe. There were also about 1,300 exhibitors showing their expertise and there were over 100 different educational sessions that were attended.

There were several winners of the show including best of show, best indoor product, most innovative building materials. [Check out](#) the winners and their company's.

Some of our very own members attended such as Bill Tuyn from David Homes, Jim Churchill from Churchill Architectural pc., and John Dransfield from Lowes.

Pictures Courtesy of Member Jim Churchill.

[Read more](#)



STAY INFORMED



2023 Event Schedule

Bourbon Tasting-March TBD
By Three Chord Bourbon

Thirsty Thursday- April 6
Giancarlos, Big L, 5:00-7:00pm

Bowling Bonanza-May 4
512 Pearl St. 5:00-7:00pm

Thirsty Thursday- June
TBD, Capital One 5:00-7:00pm

Thirsty Thursday-July-Open

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AWARD WINNING IMPACT STUDY VIDEO

VIDEO WINS AN AWARD: This video won Best Learning Video from the Brandon Hall Group. Bullettproof paired with Elliott did an amazing job incorporating what the BNBA wanted to regarding Home building in this area.



Dr. Elliot Eisenberg, PH.D, Expert Economist explains the importance of the home building industry in our area. The BNBA and the National Association of Home Builders have studied the Metro Buffalo area and Dr. Eisenberg reports on the results in the short video. [Impact Study Video](#). [Zoom with Elliott](#). This is the recording of the interview with Elliot at the VIP Builder Presentation Event. This was through zoom from Florida.

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Building Permits for New Residential Single-Family Construction

****In lieu of non-current reports-click [Building Permit Database](#) to visit the website ****

2023 Statistics have not been released, so the numbers are the same as last month.

December 2021 YTD

- Amherst 158
- Buffalo 35
- Cheektowaga 0
- Clarence 112
- Grand Island 64
- Hamburg 76
- Lancaster 73
- Orchard Park 68
- West Seneca 29

Total Units 615

December 2022 YTD

- Amherst 398
- Buffalo 34
- Cheektowaga 1
- Clarence 98
- Grand Island 34
- Hamburg 54
- Lancaster 66
- Orchard Park 48
- West Seneca 78

Total Units 811



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2023 President
David Capretto

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Membership Application

2023 Leadership

- President - David Capretto
- Vice President - Mark Longo
- Secretary - Darlene Williams
- Treasurer - Jeff Naab
- Presidential Appointee - Phil Nanula
- Immediate Past President - James Marrano
- Executive Officer - Joseph Benedict



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