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# HBC NEWS

Industry News & Information Exclusive to HBC & BIA SC Members

## HBC Contributes over \$40,000 in Scholarships / Grants!!!

HBC's Scholarship Committee recently announced \$24,998.56 was granted to high schools, colleges and community colleges in Orange County, LA County, and Riverside County, including Laguna Hills High School, Trabuco Hills High School, Capistrano Valley High School, Santiago High School, Sonora High School, Bolsa High School, Fullerton College, Long Beach Community College, Woodrow Wilson High School, Bayside Community Day School.

HBC's Scholarship Committee has also donated over \$17,000 in scholarships to the Light Construction Development Management (LCDM) certificate program at UCI. Recipients of scholarships will be recognized at the August Dinner Program event.

If you are interested in learning more about the LCDM program, HBC grant / scholarship program, or would like to join the Scholarship Committee, please contact Kathy Johnson at [kathy@vitallinkoc.org](mailto:kathy@vitallinkoc.org).

## Upcoming Events

### August Dinner Program – Make Your Reservation NOW!!!

The August Dinner Program "Too Close for Comfort or Just Right" will be held August 8th at The Club House restaurant in South Coast Plaza. Networking begins at 5:00pm, Dinner and Program at 6:00pm. For additional information, visit [www.hbcsc.org](http://www.hbcsc.org)!

### Del Mar Race Day - Join us for a Day at the Races!

HBC's 2nd Annual Del Mar Race Day will be held August 25th. For additional information visit [www.hbcsc.org](http://www.hbcsc.org).

### Golf Tournament

The Annual HBC Golf Tournament is right around the corner!!! Join us at the Mesa Verde Country Club, Costa Mesa on Monday, September 25th for a day of golf and awards dinner with tons of exciting prizes!!! For additional information visit [www.hbcsc.org](http://www.hbcsc.org) or to register contact Patti Nearhoff at 909.396.9993.

## HBC Awards

You've seen the best of the best projects at PCBC and some of your companies have been recipients - Now, this is your opportunity to acknowledge some of the individuals that were instrumental in getting you there!



Categories:

- Outstanding Administrative Assistant
- Outstanding Fixed Superintendent
- Outstanding Contracts Administrator
- Outstanding Purchasing Agent
- Outstanding Project Manager

For additional information, visit [www.HBCSC.org](http://www.HBCSC.org)



## Historical Fact

### Youth Housing Opportunity Program

The Home Builders Council has been providing educational programs since the early 1970's. One of the first programs supported by the council was called the Youth Housing Opportunity Program. Students rehabilitated a house as a class project during the summer. In 1989 HBC changed the name of the program to Hands-On. This successful program lasted for 20 years when in 1990 HBC supported the programs last two projects, which were located in Riverside and Orange county.

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*The Home Builders Council (HBC) of Orange County is the educational arm of the Building Industry Association of Southern California (BIASC), who's primary goal is to provide scholarships to those students who have demonstrated a desire to further their careers in the homebuilding industry. For additional information on HBC, please visit [www.HBCSC.ORG](http://www.HBCSC.ORG).*

## HBC's Builder Auction Huge Success!



Brian Riggs, Shea Homes, event co-chair, Bruce Hunsaker, Hunsaker & Associates and committee member, Ted Riddel, Associated Soils Engineering and committee member.

HBC held its annual Builder Auction Event on Thursday, May 11th at the Fox Sports Grill in the Irvine Spectrum. It was a great opportunity for networking and was the best year yet - with over 15 raffle items included in the silent auction. The event was a huge success - raising over \$20,000 which will all go toward scholarships and grants.

Thank you to the Builder Auction committee and all volunteers who

helped to make this event such a huge success! If you are interested in joining our committee next year, please contact Holly Sandler, [holly@jlhare.com](mailto:holly@jlhare.com).

## LCDM Program Looking for Qualified Instructors!!

HBC works closely with UC Irvine Extension on the Light Construction and Development Management (LCDM) Certificate Program. Since the program was created in the late 1970's, more than 430 students have graduated with a certification needed to enhance skills of residential and commercial construction management. This year alone, HBC will contribute over \$25,000 to the program.

UC Irvine Extension is also looking for qualified instructors to teach courses (usually a commitment of one class per week for 10-12 weeks on the UCI campus). This is an exciting opportunity and is a great way to give back to our industry. If you are interested and would like additional information, please contact Mike Hixson at [m.hixson@ryness.com](mailto:m.hixson@ryness.com).

If you would like to know more about the LCDM program or see a list of the courses, visit [www.HBCSC.org](http://www.HBCSC.org) or [http://unex.uci.edu/certificates/business\\_mgmt/construction/lcdm/courses.asp](http://unex.uci.edu/certificates/business_mgmt/construction/lcdm/courses.asp).

## HBC Membership is up!

Membership within the Home Builders Council is on the rise! We have a very strong committee this year that is working hard to connect with as many in the building industry as possible and share the benefits of becoming an HBC member.

The Home Builders Council (HBC), under the BIA of Southern California, has historically been dedicated to the furthering of education in the building industry. When you become an HBC member, your dues automatically contribute to help grant scholarships for those in the industry (and those still in school!) that are looking to continue their education. In total, HBC gave out over \$31,000 in 2005 to scholarship recipients!

Although our primary goal of raising funds is a very serious one, we also strive to mix in a lot of fun by coordinating exciting events for our members! Some of these events include the Builder Auction, the Design/ Build Competition, Race Day at Del Mar, and the Annual Golf tournament.....just to mention a few.

So if you have any interest in becoming part of the team, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me or any of the membership committee!!

Here's to a great year!

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