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DON'T MISS IT



This is not just for golfers!

Who loves a competition?? If that is you then sign up and come play. This is also a great time to network and talk business in a stress free environment.

There will be light appetizers and everyone gets a free drink ticket at the door.

Sponsorships are available.

**May 6th, 5:00pm to 7:00pm
Tees & Taps-10 Centre Dr., Orchard Park
Members and Non-Members Welcome**

What to expect?

*EXPERIENCE 2 GIANT 16FT SCREEN SIMULATORS THAT INCLUDE A GOLF EXPERIENCE WITH SEVERAL COURSES TO CHOOSE FROM, SOCCER OPTIONS AND CARNIVAL GAMES.

*GET INVOLVED IN THE COMPETITIONS OF LONGEST DRIVE OR CLOSEST TO THE PIN.

*GOLF CLUBS & BALLS ARE PROVIDED UNLESS YOU WANT TO BRING YOU OWN.

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

Our new website has **launched**



[CHECK IT OUT!](#)

Welcome

NEW MEMBER

Joshua King
Obsidian Development Group



NYSBA NEWS BRIEF

Governor Hochul speaks at Empire Building Awards

[NYSBA NEWS BRIEF: Governor Hochul delivers the keynote address at the Empire Building Awards](#)

In this issue, we announce the winners of the Empire Building Awards. You can also view the full list of winners on our website at nysba.com/awards and see photos from the ceremony at [Flickr](#).

BNBA is on the Radio

WBEN Tom Puckett & BNBA Pres. Phil Nanula

Talk about Gas Ban, New Homes & Electric Costs

The link is below to listen to where we are currently on the Gas Ban, where the Governor stands and what is expected in the near future.

For easy access to where he spoke, please use this link - [**BNBA with Tom Puckett**](#) and click LISTEN and he speaks at PART 4 at 6:23:00pm.



WBEN Tom Bauerle & BNBA Pres. Phil Nanula

BNBA President Phil Nanula was on the Tom Bauerle recently from about 4:15 to 5:15pm. Click the link below, it starts at Part 6 at 4:13pm.

This is regarding the electric situation and touches on electric school buses and electric homes with guest speaker New York Senator George Borrello.

<https://www.audacy.com/stations/wben/shows/tom-bauerle-499f5/episodes/25f66992a9c4>



This is worth listening to-stay informed.



BEING A MEMBER MEANS: This is a great opportunity to spread the word about the tireless work that the **BNBA** (Buffalo Niagara Builders Association), **NYSBA** (New York State Builders Association) and **NAHB** (National Association of Home Builders) do for our members.

Not only is this a great way to network within the home building community, but a great reason to get involved in the everyday issues that face the industry. Wetlands, Sprinkler mandates, local Town and Village laws including moratoriums, and the biggest one is the Gas Ban, just to name a few.

Membership Application - <https://form.jotform.com/82334039574156>

The BNBA strives to serve its members and is only as strong with the support of this collective effort.



Government Affairs Corner

Topics Discussed

Local

- o There was a meeting in Clarence with the State Development group. Ken, Ryan and Aric attended and brought back information to the group. There has been more emphasis on protecting agricultural zoned properties. These properties may be rezoned which would limit building on them. A letter may be drafted in the future to let farmers or landowners know what is going on to let them know that we are not in favor of a rezoning and so they can support the decision. The Association is looking to meet with Clarence in the near future.
- o Amherst and Orchard Park are also on the forefront to meet with. With new people in positions, this is a great time to discuss issues and or keep communication open. These meetings will be organized in the next month or two.

State and National

o Along with NYSBA, the BNBA is showing support of the Governors' position on the Gas Ban. Phil presented a letter to Mike Fazio (NYSBA) to pass along for support.
o Bill Tuyn was on a conference call with the Governor regarding the Gas Ban and other topics. He is also still working on Wetlands Law.

New Business

o Nothing to Report

Old Business

o Nothing to Report

Next Meeting - The next meeting will be on Monday, April 13th at 11:30am via Zoom.

If you would like to be on the call, email me and I will send you the link.
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******SALE RATES-SAVE NOW ON ADVERTISING******

The ads will be put on the website and/or the newsletter starting February 1st, 2026 and will expire December 31, 2026.

Option 1--The **website** is \$250 **WAS \$300** includes all pages including the front page.

Option 2--The **newsletter** is \$680, **WAS \$780** which is emailed to all the members monthly, also gets posted on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, and Website.

Option 3—Both **website** and **newsletter** are \$900 **WAS \$1000**.

Click here to advertise!

Payment must be received before the ad is put on the website or newsletter.

NOTE: After 2/15 any ads that are currently on the website or newsletter will be taken off if not paid for.

Useful Links

[NYSBA-New York State Builders Association Named 2025 Top Trade Associations](#)

If you would like to receive updates on Albany about Acts, rulings or laws, general information and/or the NYSBA News Brief from NYSBA: [NYSBA Emails](#)

Website-<https://www.nysba.com/member-benefits>

Once you are on the website you have access to Government relations, advocacy for our local area/state, member insurance, member rebates for several home building products.

[NAHB-National Association of Home Builders](#)

Create an account for NAHB. [Register | NAHB](#)

Once you are on their site you have access to benefits, advocacy, communications, blogs, economic news, video updates, education, discounts, newsletters, Issues of Pro Builder & Pro Remodeler Magazines plus much more.

Sign up for NAHB Blog- <https://www.nahb.org/blog>

Sign up for additional newsletters like-Eye on Economy, Green Intersects eNews, Student Chapter Update, Weekly Education Update. [Subscriptions](#)

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2026

Event Schedule

Event-Thirsty Thursday

Date- April 9th. 5-7pm

Place- Big Ditch Brewing

Sponsor- The Buffalo News

Event-Sports Night & Network

Date- May 6th, 5-7pm

Place- T Squared Tees & Taps, Orchard Park

Event-Thirsty Thursday

Date- May 21st, 5-7pm

Place- Grezi-Main St. Snyder

Sponsor- M P Caroll Hardwood National Lumber Company

Event-Thirsty Thursday

Date- June 11th, 5-7pm
Place- Brazen Brewing, Lancaster
Sponsor- Premium Mortgage

Event- Annual Golf Outing
Date- August 5th
Place- Diamond Hawk Golf Club

Now Booking For July and September

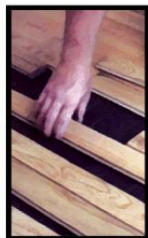
How it works

- 1 Sponsor(You)
- 2 Pick a month
- 3 Pick a Thursday

These are cash bar gatherings.
No need to RSVP, just stop in!

It is posted on social media,
emails and monthly newsletter.

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M P CARROLL HARDWOOD

National Lumber

AWARD WINNING IMPACT STUDY VIDEO



VIDEO WINS AN AWARD: This video won Best Learning Video from the Brandon Hall Group. Bulletproof, a GLI Company 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.** 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

2025 Single Family Home Permits, 2026 are not reported yet.

Amherst-40
 Buffalo-31

Cheektowaga-31
Depew-0
Grand Island-44
Hamburg-45
Lancaster-31
Orchard Park-81
West Seneca-18
Total-321



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Philip Nanula

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Executive Officer - Joseph Benedict

Administrative Assistant - Jennifer Dougherty

Any questions on this newsletter or more information on any topic, please reach out to Jennifer Dougherty at jennifer@conexbuff.com.

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