



# Community Builders

Quarterly review of the Home Builders Care Foundation



Giving Back to Our Community

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Announcing the Home Builders Care Foundation (HBCF) 4th annual *Community Builders Bull & Oyster Roast!* Please show your support and join us at this fun-draising event!

This year, our roast will take place at a beautiful new location—at the Hunters Lodge at [Pleasant Prospect Farm](#), right off MD 97 (Georgia Avenue) in rural Brookeville.

Our first three roasts were wonderful with well

over 250 attendees joining us on sun-filled spring evenings for a delicious pit-meat buffet, an oyster bar, plenty of beverages, live music & more. Individual tickets are just \$89.

It's a fundraiser so sponsorship are needed!

Our top level Prime sponsorship - includes six tickets, a key opportunity to promote your business with our event, plus the bonus of earning a place on HBCF's Honor Roll.

Wednesday May 12

5:00 pm—8:00 pm

**Pleasant Prospect Farm - Hunters Lodge**  
4389 Jennings Chapel Rd  
Brookeville, MD 20833

## Sponsorship Opportunities!

[Roast Sponsor Levels range from \\$300 to \\$1500. A portion of all sponsorships is considered a tax-deductible donation.](#)



Please contact **Patti Kane** for event details. 301-776-6212  
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## Dick Pettit to receive Robert L. Mitchell Founders Award

The Home Builders Care Foundation (HBCF) Board of Directors has selected Mr. Dick Pettit, President and CEO of [Pettit Companies](#) as the 2016 recipient of the [Robert L. Mitchell Founders Award](#). He joins previous winners Roger Lebbin (2014), Bob Goodier (2015) and of course, Bob Mitchell.

Dick Pettit understands the value of giving back. He has long been



active in the building industry and has been an ardent supporter of HBCF since its inception in 1984. Dick's Real Estate pedigree is unquestionable. His Dad,

John Pettit founded the Pettit Companies as Pettit & Griffin, Inc. back in 1963 with its first single family home project. Over the years, the company grew

into one of the premier mid-sized development companies in the area. Now in its third generation, the business has three unique divisions comprised of Home Building, Land Development & Excavation Services, and Property Management & Leasing Services.

Dick is also a champion for the homeless. He works tirelessly to combat the issues of homelessness in

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## Maryland's Homeless Numbers 2015

Continuum of Care Homeless Clients Served By County:

Allegany: **148**  
 Anne Arundel: **1471**  
 Baltimore City: **15810**  
 Baltimore Co: **3823**  
 Carroll: **497**  
 Cecil: **365**  
 Frederick: **1746**  
 Garrett: **313**  
 Harford: **476**  
 Howard: **909**  
 Lower Shore: **910**  
 Mid-Shore: **263**  
 Montgomery: **3189**  
 Prince George's: **1263**  
 Southern MD: **981**  
 Washington: **461**

Source: *Annual Report on Homelessness*, November 10, 2015

Prepared by: *Maryland's Interagency Council on Homelessness*

## Ribbon Cutting at Alpha House for Families in Bowie

On February 26, HBCF helped the St. Matthews Housing Corporation celebrate the rejuvenation of its transitional home in Old Town Bowie.

Thanks to the efforts of builder captain Caruso Homes and the support of Councilmember Todd M. Turner (D-4th District), the home and program are better equipped to care for families in need.

Alpha House, owned and operated by St. Matthews Housing Corporation in Prince George's County, is a four-

bedroom single family house that supports low-income families transitioning to stability.

MBIA members contributing to the project

include: [Builders First Source](#), [The L & L Company](#), [McCrea Equipment Company, Inc.](#), [Newport Partners](#), and Summit Electric Company.



From L to R St. Matthews President Gary Allen; MBIA CEO Lori Graf; Dan Roys, Caruso Homes; HBCF President Chris Rachuba; Caruos Homes President Mark Somerville, Reverend Dan Mejia; and Prince George's County Councilmember Todd M. Turner (D-4th District)

## MBIA Remodelers Council Hosts Casino Night April 14

Ante Up and join in the fun at MBIA's 2nd Annual Casino Night, hosted by MBIA's Remodelers Council. Try your luck at Black Jack, Roulette, Craps, Texas Hold 'em and more. Prizes for top winners!

**Thursday, April 14, 2016**  
**6 pm—10 pm**

**Turf Valley Resort**

*Proceeds to benefit Home Builders Care Foundation.*



\$80 MBIA members  
 \$90 non-members

Register online at  
[www.marylandbuilders.org](http://www.marylandbuilders.org)

## HBCF Supports Rebuilding Together/Christmas in April

Did you know that there are a total of 13 Rebuilding Together or Christmas in April chapters operating within the service area of MBIA and HBCF?

Together, these chapters repair hundreds of homes owned by low-income, elderly and disabled individuals and families in Maryland.

For the past 16 years, HBCF has also played a strong part in the rebuilding programs, fulfilling an annual commitment to assist in all RT and

CinA programs throughout our service area by making equal direct financial contributions to each active chapter.

This year, HBCF is proud to support these organizations as part of this commitment and hope that our contributions will make a difference in their work:

- Rebuilding Together Anne Arundel County
- Rebuilding Together Baltimore

- Christmas in April Calvert County
- Christmas in April Caroline County
- Christmas in April Cecil County
- Christmas in April Charles County
- Rebuilding Together Caroline County
- Rebuilding Together Howard County
- Rebuilding Together Kent County
- Rebuilding Together Montgomery County

- Christmas in April Prince Georges County
- Rebuilding Together Queen Anne County
- Christmas in April St. Mary's County
- Rebuilding Together Washington DC



## Next HBCF Project for The ARC Baltimore is Set to Begin

The next Home Builders Care project is under contract with Tim Ellis and his team at [T.W. Ellis](#) serving as the project's Builder Captain.

A single family Rosedale home that is part of The ARC of Baltimore's Community Living Division is set to receive a much needed two-room renovation that will expand the space into a new larger accessible kitchen for its residents.

The ARC assists more than 280 people in homes

and apartments across the Baltimore area, all with the aim of helping people become full and active



members of the communities of their choosing.

The project is anticipated to be the first of other future ARC collaborations.

The mission of [The ARC of Baltimore](#) provides advocacy and high quality, life-changing supports to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.



*This...is fulfilling a dream for a project we would not normally be able to entertain....I know we are very excited about what might be possible with a longer term approach to projects in the future...*

Kate McGuire,  
Chief  
Advancement  
Officer at The  
ARC Baltimore



## Men's and Women's Clothing Wanted



MBIA's Professional Women in Building Chapter is once again hosting its annual clothing drive at our Bull & Oyster Roast on May 12 in

Brookeville. This year, collected clothes will be donated to the [Maryland Center for Veterans Education and Training](#) in downtown Baltimore. The MCVET program is designed to provide homeless veterans



and other veterans in need with comprehensive services that will enable them to rejoin their communities as productive citizens. Prior to May 12, clothing may be dropped off at the Maryland Center for Housing in Maple Lawn.



## Dick Pettit Earns Mitchell Award (continued)

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our region as the current Board Chair of the Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless. For the past 25 years he and the Pettit Family Charitable Foundation (PFCF) have provided guidance and support to many nonprofits working to provide housing, shelter and food to others in need. The PFCF was also a key contributor to the original construction of the men's shelter,

now the Home Builders Care Assessment Center in 2000.

Named after the Founder of the Home Builders Care program, the Mitchell Award is presented in recognition of a lifetime of leadership and commitment to community outreach and charitable efforts, particularly within the state of Maryland and through HBCF, its community service programs and

charitable construction projects.

Chosen by the HBCF Board of Directors, recipients of this prestigious award are selected on the basis of dedication, service, participation and contributions - both in-kind and financial - that go above and beyond "normal" volunteer activity. The award recognizes lifetime achievement and philanthropy.



Pictured: Past Robert L. Mitchell Founders Award Recipients: Roger Lebbin, Mid-Atlantic Builders, Inc. (2014); Bob Goodier, Goodier Builders (2015); and HBCF Founder Bob Mitchell, Mitchell Best Homes (2013).

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
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Home Builders Care Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

For over 30 years, we have been building to make a difference in our communities.

Our work helps non-profits & local governments meet the challenges of providing a safety net for our most vulnerable citizens.

## Home Builders Care Foundation Board of Directors 2016

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*Did you know that Baltimore City and Somerset County have the highest poverty levels in Maryland, with each estimated to have more than 20 percent of residents living below the federal poverty line.*  
- source: US Census' 2014 Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates program.

## New Foundation Leadership Asks – Make a Pledge to Help Home Builders Care in 2016

The charitable mission of Home Builders Care is to give back by utilizing the skills and resources of building industry members on shelter-related construction for the homeless and others at-risk.

With each of our shelter-related projects - either large or small - we have been making a positive impact in our Maryland communities. On a daily basis, our completed construction projects provide shelter for thousands in need, as well as provide our community partners with an improved capacity to care for at-risk families and individuals.

Last year, our foundation undertook 8 shelter projects that provided supportive housing to over 80 persons in crisis and 3 outreach projects that served an additional 500 individuals.



Chris Rachuba

We need your help in 2016. Mr. Chris Rachuba of [The Rachuba Group](#), recently took office as HBCF's President and he is ready to lead the Foundation into another productive year of service.

Joining him on the HBCF Executive Committee are: VP Mike Karns, [Winchester Homes](#), Secretary Bob Ward, [Bob Ward Companies](#), Treasurer Mike Goldstein [Wells Fargo Home Mortgage](#) and Past-President Liza Bowles, [Newport Partners](#).

Chris and the entire Home Builders Care Board ask you— *Are you willing to take the pledge - and donate time, materials or cash to help us build for good in 2016?*

HBCF is working to build up an army of resources that we can call into action - when required on one of the many Home Builders Care projects of the future.

We need:

- Construction Project

Expertise

- Time and Materials
- Help with Events & Auction Activities
- Annual Funding Commitments

*Your pledge to help* - be it lending 10 hours of time, donating building supplies, or contributing a major gift - will make the difference.

On behalf of the HBCF Board of Directors, thank you for keeping Home Builders Care in your giving plans.

We look forward to having your support as we grow our charitable construction program.



The building industry holds a key to preventing and ending homelessness in Maryland.