



EXECUTIVE UPDATE

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HBADE Members,

Does anybody remember what we do with our lives when football isn't on?
I need some guidance here. And also, GO BIRDS!

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

February went by so quickly. Last month we continued our meetings on establishing a wetlands program for Delaware, including making a presentation on our own priorities to a diverse group of stakeholders. We anticipate a draft bill to come soon.

HBADE President Mike Riemann gave a presentation on workforce and affordable housing to members of Sussex County Council and the Sussex Planning & Zoning Commission. Mike covered where we need to go to provide more of ALL kinds of housing to meet the current demand while also promoting sustainable and smart growth practices.

And, our members had some fun at our annual Bowling Tournament and on a trip to Vegas to attend the International Builders' Show!

WHAT'S COMING UP

Due to weather, we had to reschedule Advocacy School. The new date is April 1, and registration is still open on our website! Join us for a fun workshop and learn how to advocate on behalf of your business. We are also hosting a Legislative Reception for HBADE members and members of the Delaware General Assembly on March 27. Registration is open.

UPCOMING EVENTS (REGISTER ON HBADE.ORG)

- **CAPS III Class on March 17**
 - *Virtual course*
- **Legislative Reception on March 27**
 - *Roma Restaurant; open to all HBADE members!*
- **Advocacy School on April 1**
 - *Chesapeake Utilities in Dover*
- **Spring Member Mixer on April 9**
 - *Brick Works in Smyrna*
- **Lunch & Learn (Marketing Best Practices) on April 10**
 - *Delmarva Design Center*

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