



HOME IMPROVEMENT

Guest Column ...

New schedule for 2023 WIBA Home Show



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Treasure your Home! WIBA Home Show makes changes this year. It will be a one day only event. The home show is on Saturday, March 25th from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the

Knights of Columbus, 1556 E. Fremont St. Galesburg. It is free to attend. Food is available for purchase. I hope you can join us! You can meet & greet people who can build, repair, and provide services you may want for your home. You can ask all the questions you want. What's new? What's trending? You can see new products and might even be able to get exclusive deals.

Enter for a chance to win power equipment, a garage door opener with remote, doghouse, custom painting, gift basket and more prizes! We will draw for the prizes at 3 p.m.

You will see that we have remodelers, siding & custom trim, garage door & openers, door & window replacement, heating & cooling, realtors, equipment rental, outdoor power equipment, fencing, financing, water control & foundation repair, and even a charitable group for repairs for those who are on a fixed income. Everyone will be there to help make your house your dream home.

Our website is www.wibaweb.org. Each member has their own page on our website so that you can look at their areas of expertise and have all their contact information to make

it easier for you. One of our members donated the building to become the Galesburg Welcome Center. Western Illinois Builders Association moved it to the present location and remodeled it. WIBA installed a roof, plumbing, heating, air, and remodeled the interior and exterior. I just happened to be shopping at the grocery store that day with my husband and our two youngest children. We sat on the corner and watched the bank roll across East Main St. It was quite the feat to move that large brick, solid, heavy building with a vault inside it. Western Illinois Builders Association once

gave away a "Dream Home" along with Hy-Vee. This was long before I worked for WIBA. Members voluntarily built a beautiful home. There was a big day at the mall where 100 out of 100,000 contestants who qualified through contests on the radio, lined up and grabbed a key out of a basket. If your key turned the lock in the door, then you won the home. I qualified. We were raising five children in a three bedroom home. The gentleman right in front of me won.

The Western Illinois Builders Association began on October 16, 1956. WIBA celebrated our 65th year in 2021.

For your protection, we strongly recommend you request a Certificate of Insurance from anyone who works for you AND a List of References.

For more information or to join as a member, contact Kaylee Johnson, Executive Director at (309) 343-2116 or westernillinoisbuildersassociation@gmail.com.

I hope you can join us at the WIBA Home Show Saturday, March 25th 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus, 1556 E. Fremont St. in Galesburg!

Your Sherwin

* DOORS

* BATHROOM