



Board Members

May 2025

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- **Terry Allen**
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- Tom Knapp

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Clearer Views

Windows give natural light into the home and bring the outdoors in.

A great window fits the design style and are nearly as insulating as the walls near them.

Five to eight years ago, stark white and cool greys were color trends.

Dark color widow frames and black are now the most popular choice for homeowners wanting new windows. This trend was inspired by the "Farmhouse Style" trending and even though preferences are shifting, dark window frames are still popular. Natural tones like browns, tans, bronze and are growing in popularity.

Windows with thinner rails, slimmer sightlines, larger windows, more windows, window walls and multi-slide patio doors with increased insulative abilities and better R– and U– values are growing in popularity.

Who doesn't want a larger panoramic view?

This desire also affects the outdoor living projects.









W.I.B.A. Board Highlights

*46 Members

* WIBA Board Meeting June 4, 2025 6:30a.m. Perkins Restaurant

* WIBA Membership Meeting
Wednesday
October 15, 2025
156 East
156 E. Main St. Galesburg, II.

Speaker- TBA

*Next Newsletter-September



Happy Mother's Day!



WIBA Home Show

The types of businesses people asked for that were not at the WIBA Home Show;

Realtors,

Heating & Cooling,

Driveway Paving &

Garage Doors.





The Western Illinois Builders Association, as we know it today, was formed at an Organizational Meeting October 16, 1956 under the name of HBA (Home Builders Association) of Galesburg. The first meeting was held in the Custer Hotel. Al Bradbury was elected President; Clifford Pearson was Vice-president; J.W. Rezner was Secretary and Harold Mast as Treasurer.

The Charter members were: A.F. Bradbury, Clifford E. Pearson, James W. Rezner, Harold W. Mast, E.V. Sloan, Don Gullickson, Paul Weller, Harry Starr and Marshall E. Gardner. Do you recognize any of these names?

When the membership decided to incorporate other counties into the organization, they changed the name to the Western Illinois Builders Association (WIBA).

Our association has had two Life Directors, Bill Johnson (1964) and Terry Hartley (1978). Bill Johnson is still a member today! He serves on our Board.

Of the membership that joined in 1957, after the Builders Association was established, two are still members today. They are First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust and Farmers & Mechanics Bank.

Among past and ongoing project involvements are:

Alternatives for Older Adults, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boys & Girls Club of Knox County, Christmas in Action, Galesburg Christian School, D.A.R.E., Galesburg Athletic Boosters, GHS Band Boosters, Habitat for Humanity, Knox County Humane Society, Knox County Teen Court, Knox Prairie Community Kitchen, Pilot Club of Galesburg, Safe Harbor Crisis Center, Shop With a Cop, Special Olympics, Galesburg Veteran's Memorial, Playhouse for Charity and giving away a "Dream Home' with Hy-Vee. And the local radio stations.

We also award the M. Brad Johnson Scholarship to local area students attending Carl Sandburg College every year.

WIBA hosted it's 46th Annual Home Show in 2025.

WIBA marks it's 69th year in 2025. Here's to all the members, past and present and future, for all their dedication!



Have a safe, meaningful Memorial Day weekend!



Have a safe, fun, festive Fourth of July!

Website Features

May Compeer Home RE/MAX Preferred Properties– Chris Pepmeyer Webber Rental & Supply

<u>June</u>

I 3 Broadband Platinum Key Real Estate Twin Bridge Roofing & Construction

<u>July</u>

Century 21 Tucker Swanson Gutt R Done Tompkins State Bank

<u>August</u>

Breslin's Floor Covering Renewal By Anderson Western Illinois Title





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The next WIBA newsletter will arrive in September.



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Have

A Great

Summer!