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BIA Safety Committee Inaugurates New Service

The BIA Safety Committee has instituted a Safety Alert which will be sent each month to our member builders and contractors. These single page, easy to read, alerts will describe a violation, code section and penalty from actual recent violations.

Alerts are designed to provide our members with quick safety information that shows a link between the lack of safe practices, injuries or fatalities that resulted, and penalties affirmed. This information is compiled by James Boretti of Boretti Inc. from the California Occupational Safety & Health Appeals Board (COSHAB) decisions, and affects all BIA member construction activities.

The Alerts can be photo copied and distributed to superintendents and workers at the job site and also for tailgate discussions. The BIA is for safety first and always.

BIA Joins Valley Water Alliance

The Board of Directors voted to join the VWA (Valley Water Alliance) after hearing a presentation by the group's leadership. The directors appointed our Executive Vice President Bob Keenan to represent the industry on the VWA Board of Directors.

The Valley Water Alliance is a coalition of business leaders, local elected officials, labor interests and resource interests who have come together to insure a reliable water supply for the future of our region. VWA is united in its effort to educate and advocate about the negative impacts of the potential restoration of significant water flows on the San Joaquin River to reestablish the salmon run that hasn't existed in 70- years. To accomplish this, the organization is taking their message far and wide – from our backyards to Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

Recognizing the significant impacts of any decision to shift the management of water supplies from Friant Dam will have on the region, it is incumbent upon each of us to participate in this fight. The economic impacts to our region would be far-reaching and ultimately devastating. It is the Alliance's goal to bring a unified voice to the region through a coalition of supporters who recognize the value of protecting Our Water and Our Future. For information contact the BIA office.

“Community Lenders Golf Classic” – 5/20, River Island Golf Course

“Community Lenders Golf Classic” is now only one week away. Did you remember to send in your registration?

Information: 11:00 AM – Registration-Lunch / 12:00 PM – Shotgun Start / 4:30 PM – Awards/Hors d'oeuvres
Registration Fee – **\$130 per player**

Deadline: 05/13/05 – Cancellations and no shows will be credited as “donation” to this fundraiser.

Rules: Call BIA office for registration form.

To-Date MAJOR SPONSORS:

If you are a lender member and would like to sponsor, please contact BIA office.

Bank of the Sierra	“Gold” Sponsor (\$1,500 Donation)
Bank of Visalia	“Gold” Sponsor (\$1,500 Donation)
Rabobank	“Gold” Sponsor (\$1,500 Donation – 2005 Annual Membership Sponsor)
Visalia Community Bank	“Gold” Sponsor (\$1,500 Donation – 2005 Annual Membership Sponsor)
Countrywide Home Loans	“Silver” Sponsor (\$1,000 Donation – 2005 Annual Membership Sponsor)

Beverage Sponsors (\$200 Donation):

If you are an insurance or title company member and would like to co-sponsor beverages, please contact BIA office.

Buckman-Mitchell Inc.	Chicago Title Company	Fidelity National Title - Visalia
First American Title – Hanford	First American Title – Visalia	

Closest to Hole Sponsor (Sharp Insurance & Bonding): 1st, 2nd, 3rd

To-Date Hole Sponsors (\$115 Donation):

Open to all members. To sponsor a hole (Co. Name on sign at one of the holes), please contact the BIA office.

California Water Service	Daley Enterprises Inc.	Ennis Homes	Kaweah River Rock Company
M ^c Millin Homes	Mitch Brown Constr. Inc.	Stewart Title Company	Williams Scotsman
Woodard Homes	Fidelity National Title	Quad Knopf Inc.	Larry Nelson Construction
J.R. Nelson Roofing Inc.	Smee Builders Inc.	Reynen & Bardis	Pickett Construction Corp.
Citizens Business Bank	Windows Plus	Precision Tile Works	F&S Shower Door & Mirror
Countrywide Home Loans	Palma Construction Inc.	Provident Mortgage Corp.	Paloma Development
Phil McDonald Structural Framing	Coulters Interiors		

To-Date Gift Bag Sponsors: Rabobank, HBW 2-10, ResCom Pest Control, Sharp Insurance & Bonding, Chicago Title Company, Larry Nelson Construction, Countrywide Home Loans, . . . We need **more** items for players' bags – if you have items to donate, please contact Elaine @ the BIA office as soon as possible. Need in office by 5/18. Thanks