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Message from the Chair

At the July ABM we were lead through an all-day exercise to direct our organizational focus for the coming year. We established that we are an education driven organization committed to developing top rate professionals in the application of the Life Safety Codes. Keeping in line with our strengths the

Education Committee has put together another all-star lineup of professional education opportunities for the fall institute in Scottsdale this October don't miss out (**Fall Institute**). They have also planned a dinner event that you won't want to miss. Attendance at the institute is not a requirement to participate in the dinner event. Hope to see you there. Our

Public Relations Committee has been hard at work on revamping our web site to make it more user friendly, showcase who we are and what we do as an organization, and provide some additional tools that provide one location to get needed information about all our member jurisdictions. I am excited for the new look and functionality.

Our **Permit Techn Committee** has planned a charity event. Look for information (Page 6) on how you can get involved, support a good cause, and promote AZBO as an organization that has community involvement. The **Code Review Development and Legislative Committee**, is gearing up to prepare a list of recommended amendments for the 2015 codes and preparing to keep an eye on the upcoming legislative session to identify and speak out about proposed legislation that can have an effect on our industry. The

Awards Committee will be accepting nominations throughout the year in the hope that the many professionals out there that are doing great things will be recognized and not forgotten in the business of it all with a once a year opportunity to be recognized.

Just recently I was informed our

Special Projects Committee has lost its Chair due to some work conflicts. If anyone out

there would like to take on the role of Chair for the Special Projects Committee please contact Ron Boose @ ron.boose@tucsonaz.gov . This will be an excellent opportunity to explore new options for AZBO and be part of a growing organization. The **AZBO Board** has been chartering new waters as they held their first executive meeting via teleconference where all but one of their members were able to attend. Also, between ABM's the Board will be meeting at each of the institutes to focus on the health and direction of the organization

I applaud those of you that are serving on our committees and those of you that have recently signed up. We (AZBO) are only as good as the committees that serve our organization. It is through your service and those like you over the years, that AZBO has become what it is today and I see continued improvement through the exceptional service of our Committees. Together we can make 2013/2014 a banner year for AZBO.

Randal Westacott, CBO
AZBO Chair

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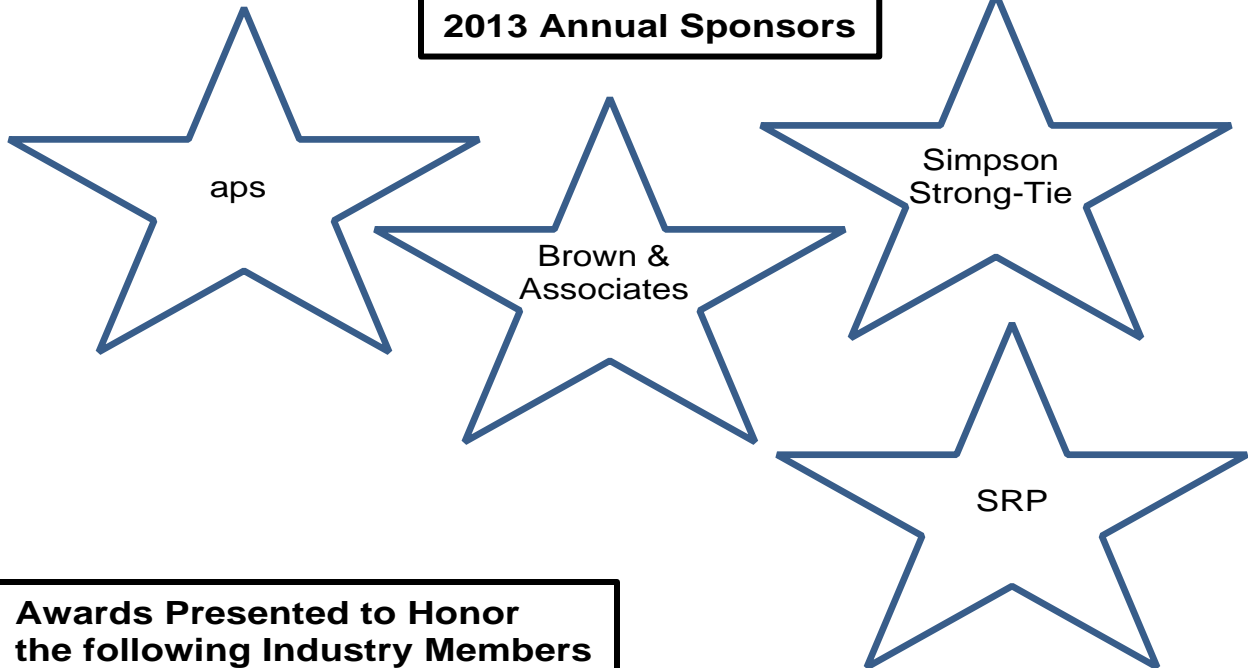


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AZBO ABM Recognition

2013 Annual Sponsors



Awards Presented to Honor the following Industry Members

Building Official of the Year, **Michael (Mac) McMillan**, Brown & Associates
Award of Excellence, **Ed Kulik**, City of Goodyear
Building Inspector of the Year, **Robert Schettler**, Brown & Associates
Plan Reviewer of the Year, **Scott Buzan**, Gila County
Brent Snyder Memorial Award, **Pat Headington**, Yuma County
Permit Technician of the Year, **Billie Lou Haley**, Town of Buckeye
Member of the Year, **Randal Westacott**, City of Avondale
Companion of the Year, **Christine Durgin** (Ron Durgin), Mohave County
Chairman's Award, **Steve Brown**, Retired
Chairman's Award, **Ray LaHaye**, Town of Payson
Award of Merit, **Dave Mann**, Retired
Achievement in Education, **Mary Dickson**, City of El Mirage
Special Services Award, **Terri Roth**, AZBO Registrar, City of Litchfield Park
Achievement in Code Development, **Forrest Fielder**, Retired

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AZBO ABM GOLF



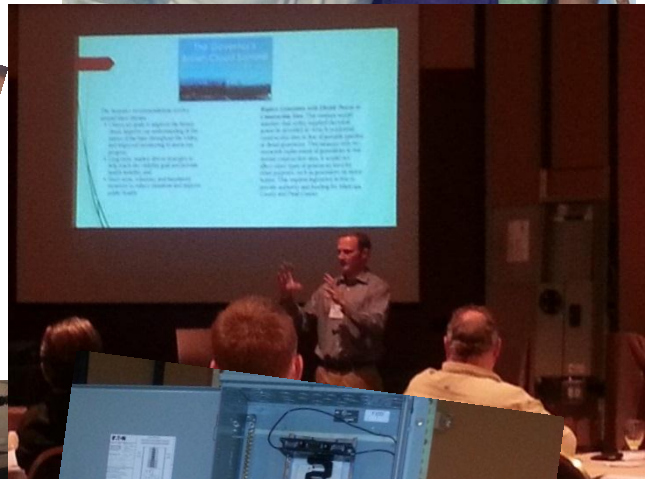
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AZBO ABM MEETINGS



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Arizona Permit Techs

Photos from the July Permit Tech Committee Meeting. *Over the Counter Plan Review Refresher and IBC Overview* by Mary Dickson, CBO, City of El Mirage. Meeting Minutes are posted on AZBO's website.



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This is a volunteer opportunity for
the Arizona Permit Techs and
AZBO members

VOLUNTEERS WANTED



We are looking for volunteers to participate in the Special Olympics Bocce Games. Our duties will include keeping scores and presenting awards. This is a great opportunity to get involved and it is sure to be a fun and memorable day.

If you are interested email **Ella** Ochoa to be placed on the list. Feel free to call if you have any questions. Tel. 623-251-3503

Email: eochoa@cityofelmirage.org

Bocce Games Location

RH Johnson Recreation Center
19803 N. RH Johnson Blvd.★

Sun City West, AZ 85375

Date: October 19th 2013
Time: 12:00 noon till 4:00pm



Special Olympics

2013 STATE
FALL GAMES

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Jurisdiction Contributions

City of Avondale from Randal Westacott, CBO

Avondale Building Division hosted its first Permits 101 class on July 23rd. We used Facebook, Twitter, and flyers at our Libraries to invite people to attend. We had 15 people in attendance and the session lasted about an hour. In the session we covered our application process and what projects required a permit. We also discussed the benefits of having a permit. We walked participants through our application and submittal process for a residential patio using our patio handout. At the end of the session we had about 15 minutes of open questions from participants about contractor requirements, grandfathered items, non-permitted structures, and even some zoning questions.

Avondale participated in the 100% certified Certificate of Achievement offered by Target corporation in conjunction with ICC. We have added our e-signature 100% certified logo to our web page and tweeted out the good news to those that are following us on Twitter.



City of Benson from Sheila Perkins

The City of Benson is 100% ICC certified with Michelle Johnson having her Am. Institute Certification of Planners (AICP).

Tim Brandenburg holds multiple Certs, I have my Permit Tech and Luis Garcia our CBO, an active member and office holder of SACA, SACICC, AZBO. We're very proud of our Development Service Dept., and excited to represent Benson and Cochise County.

Sheila Perkins
City of Benson



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Dust Storm



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