

GREATER DAYTON BUILDING & REMODELING WINS NATIONAL CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

CotY[™]2014
National winner
Commercial Exterior
Commercial Interior

Greater Dayton Building & Remodeling has been awarded two National “Contractor of the Year” (CotY) Awards by the National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI).



Announced on March 28 during the “Evening of Excellence”[™] reception (a three-day event hosted by NARI in New Orleans, La.) contractors were given awards based on the quality and execution of renovation projects.

GDB&R received the Commercial Interior award for the renovation at Salar Restaurant & Lounge in the Oregon District, and the Commercial Exterior award for the renovation at 1207 Wayne Ave.

The Salar Restaurant and Lounge project scope included: a reconfigured footprint, new flooring, lighting, bar tops, signage, improvements to back of house and office areas, as well as the installation of a water feature, bubble wall, and texture walls.



Full Circle Development, a Beavercreek-based development company, aspires to restore and revitalize older neighborhoods one house at a time.

Theresa Gasper, owner and president, worked extensively with GDB&R to renovate a commercial space (lower level) in the

building located at 1207 Wayne Avenue. Collectively, improvements to the building included: exterior repairs, new store front glass, upgraded mechanical systems, a deck installation, new windows, raised ceilings, new cabinetry and flooring.

For the second year, NARI brought the “Evening of Excellence”[™] to the remodeling industry as a whole, via an online Webcast announcement that was also broadcast to those who were in attendance in person at the reception. The presentation highlighted both Regional and National winners totaling 126 projects in 25 categories ranging from kitchens, baths, additions, exteriors, whole house and commercial remodels. The webcast is available for viewing here: www.nari.org/eveningofexcellence

TROPICAL SMOOTHIE HOLDS GRAND OPENING AT SPRINGFIELD LOCATION

On Friday, February 28, the Tropical Smoothie Café located in Springfield hosted its official store grand-opening after three months of successful operations prior to completion of its drive-thru.



SPRINGFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR ERIC SIRONS, MAYOR OF SPRINGFIELD WARREN COPELAND, TSC OWNER TIM POULOS, AND CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONER JOHN DETRICK POSE AT TSC – SPRINGFIELD GRAND OPENING.

-PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRIS GODFREY

Greater Dayton Construction, Ltd. collaborated with Oregon Group Architects to receive the zoning variance that made the addition of the drive-thru possible.

The Tropical Smoothie franchise tenant improvement project was completed on November 7th with a small opening to family and friends. Previously home to the Hero's Sports Bar and Grill, the 2,300 square foot Tropical Smoothie— located at 233 E. Home Rd. in Springfield – has seating for 40+.

In addition to the Springfield location, GDC has completed work at four other Tropical Smoothie franchise locations. Other GDC completed locations include:

- Oakwood (Shops of Oakwood on Far Hills)
- Beaver Creek (Beaver Creek Plaza Shopping Center near Kroger)
- Fairborn (University Shoppes Shopping Center near Wright State – Select front and back of house renovations.)
- Huber Heights (Old Troy Pike near Wayne High School)

GDCG HOSTS CE COURSES FOR INSURANCE AGENTS AND ADJUSTERS

During the month of March, Greater Dayton Construction Group, along with trade partner PuroClean Dayton, hosted continuing education courses for those working in the home insurance industry.



CE ATTENDEES POSE FOR A QUICK PHOTO DURING EFFECTIVE CLAIM MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION

-PHOTO COURTESY OF KATHERINE BRAUNSCHEIDEL

The first course of the quarter became a two-day offering due to an overwhelming request for attendance. Course information included effective claim management and residential structural drying.

Upcoming CE courses will be held on June 25 and July 29. Interested individuals can visit <http://www.bilbreymarketing.com/classes.php> to register. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kim Bilbrey at kim@bilbreymarketing.com or 937.901.7557.

GDB&R WRAPS UP HOMESHOW SEASON AT DAYTON HOME & GARDEN SHOW

To wrap-up homeshow season, Greater Dayton Building & Remodeling participated in the annual Dayton Home and Garden Show held March 21 – 23 at the Dayton Convention Center. GDB&R Sales Representatives Victor Rooney and Matt Jones spoke with homeowners from the Dayton area about potential remodeling projects.

In addition to hosting exhibitors, the Dayton Home and Garden Show also featured sponsors, garden layouts, a garden academy, a cooking stage, and interior design model spaces.

With over 250 experts, the event provided an educational experience for homeowners looking to expand on various areas of their home.

SPRING / SUMMER HOME PREPARATIONS

With warm weather conditions approaching, easy home preparations can be made to ensure a safe Spring/Summer season. Keep this information in mind when speaking to insurance agents and adjusters as this information can be beneficial to homeowners.

Sump Pump: An early winter thaw and spring rain showers will put your sump pump to the test. Be sure the sump pump is working and the drain pipe is free and clear of debris. Never plug your sump pump into a GFI protected outlet. An undetected trip can terminate power to the pump.

Exterior Inspection: Inspect the trees in your yard for winter damage. Cracked or hanging branches create a safety hazard to humans, pets and homes. Snow, ice and winter winds can damage the shingles on your roof. Do a visual inspection from the ground, then call in a professional roofer for repairs if needed. Check your exterior lighting systems for security and safety purposes. Heavy snow can damage landscape lighting fixtures and wiring.

Weather Ready: Be sure all lawn furniture, trampolines and swing sets are secured. Spring storms can bring high winds causing these items to become airborne. Have a severe weather plan in place and a power outage survival kit ready. Tornadoes often happen at night. A UL approved battery back-up weather radio is always handy when threatening weather develops.

Fire Hazards: Make sure when grilling out to move the grill away from the house before using it. The intense heat can start a fire or distort siding. Store gasoline and flammable liquids in approved containers in a well ventilated area. Make sure holiday celebrations with fireworks don't create a fire hazard. Never store bagged mulch against the exterior wall of your home or garage. Bagged mulch can spontaneously combust in extreme heat causing a fire.

Air Flow: Schedule an inspection with a certified HVAC professional to ensure your air conditioning system is charged and functioning properly. Adjust the dampers in your ductwork to move the cool conditioned air to the highest level in your home.

GDCG CO-HOSTS PAINTING SOCIAL

On Wednesday March 5, Greater Dayton Construction Group, along with trade partner AllServ, sponsored a social event to show their appreciation for the customer referrals from insurance agents and adjusters.

Hosted at the Miamisburg Pinot's Palette, the event featured food, wine and a guided painting tutorial.



GDCG'S MARKETING REPRESENTATIVE KIM BILBREY AND EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR CAROLINE MORGAN TAKE A QUICK BREAK FROM PAINTING TO POSE FOR A PHOTO

-PHOTO COURTESY OF PINOT'S PALETTE - DAYTON/MIAMISBURG

Attendees received instruction from a local art teacher and completed a "Chromatic Sunset" painting during the event. Thank you to all those that came out for the event – we look forward to the next one!



EVENT ATTENDEES SHOW OFF THEIR HIDDEN TALENTS AFTER THE PAINTING SESSION AT PINOT'S PALETTE

-PHOTO COURTESY OF PINOT'S PALETTE - DAYTON/MIAMISBURG

HBA PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION

On Saturday March 1, trade partner Phillips Companies' Vice President Larry Phillips was inaugurated as the 73rd president of the Home Builders Association of Dayton. Larry is the first Associate member (or "non-builder" or developer member) to be named HBA President.



PHILLIPS COMPANIES' VICE PRESIDENT, LARRY PHILLIPS, IS INAUGURATED AS PRESIDENT AT HBA OF DAYTON INAUGURAL AND AWARDS CEREMONY

-PHOTO COURTESY OF HBA OF DAYTON

Greater Dayton Construction, Ltd. was proud to be a bronze sponsor of the event and extends their congratulations to Larry.

GDB&R PROJECT HIGHLIGHTED IN HOusetRENDS PUBLICATION

Greater Dayton Building & Remodeling was recently featured in the March/April issue of *Housetrends's*



Dayton Magazine for its role in an award-winning carriage house and outdoor bar renovation in Bellbrook, Ohio.

Bellbrook homeowners, Steve and Natalie Herres, added the 1,500-sqft carriage house to entertain guests outside without having to run back and forth to the main house's kitch-

en. In addition to being featured in *Housetrends*, the carriage house also won a 2013 Local CotY Award in the Exterior Specialty category.

To view the digital version of the featured project, visit: <http://www.housetrends.com/Splashes-of-Las-Vegas/>

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10-Hour OSHA Training Sessions | 4/10 – 4/11 (9:00 AM - 3:30 PM) & 5/1 – 5/2 (9:00 AM - 3:30 PM)

Greater Dayton Construction Group and Oberer Thompson Company will be holding two 10-Hour OSHA training sessions for all project personnel during the months of April and May.

Topics of discussion are scheduled to include: Introduction to OSHA, Hazard Communication, Focus Four Hazards (fall protection, electrical, struck-by and caught-in/between), Personal Protective Equipment, and Ladders/Stairways.

For more information about the training sessions see Safety Coordinator Chris Godfrey.

Ladies Night Out | April 10th

Greater Dayton Construction Group and Puro-Clean Dayton will be teaming up to host a Ladies Night Out on April 10 from 5:30 p.m. – 9 p.m. The event will take place at Waco Air Museum at 1865 S. County Rd. 25A in Troy, Ohio.

The Ladies Night Out will feature a night of pampering and relaxing with food and beverages provided. Services will include: chair massages, mini manicures, hair styles / bang trims, eyebrow waxing, make-up artists, and a personal fitness trainer. If interested in attending, please RSVP by April 4 to Kim Bilbrey at 937.901.7557 or at kim@bilbreymarketing.com.

Rebuilding Together Dayton National Rebuilding Day | April 26th

Greater Dayton Construction Group will participate in Rebuilding Together Dayton's 19th Annual "National Rebuilding Day" held on Saturday, April 26, 2014. The neighborhood chosen for this year's National Rebuilding Day is in the Twin Towers neighborhood in East Dayton.

If you would like to participate in this year's event, please see House Captains Jeff Kaltenstein or Brian Haines.