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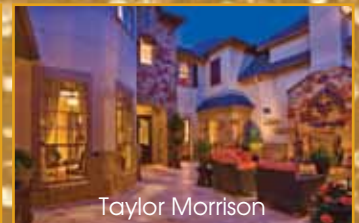
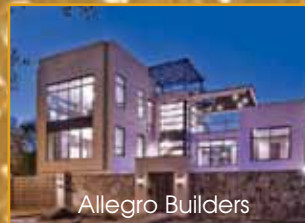
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The 2011 Winners List



GRAND AWARD WINNERS

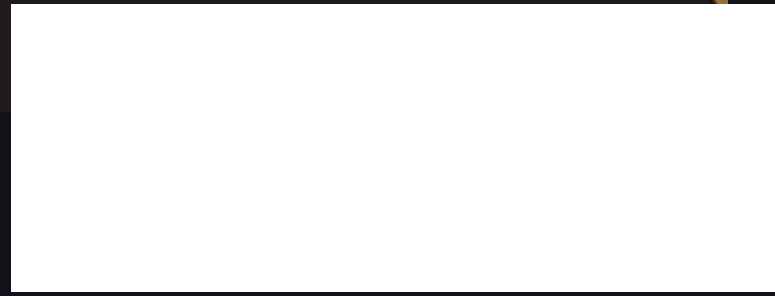


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PROJECT PLAYHOUSE WINNERS RECEIVE KEY AT MINUTE MAID PARK

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PLAYHOUSE SPONSORS, VENDORS AND TOP SALES TEAM RECOGNIZED AT UNION STATION

Winners of HomeAid Houston's 2011 Project Playhouse were presented the ceremonial key on the field at the Astros v. Pittsburgh Pirates game on August 30 at Minute Maid Park. Shelly and Mike Blalock and their sons, Michael, 12; John, 9; and daughter Kendall, 6, met with Playhouse sponsors, vendors and the top sales team in Union Station before the on-field ceremony.

Astros owner, Drayton McLane drew the Blalock's name from more than 5,200 tickets. The playhouse, named "The Astros Express," was modeled after the signature train at Minute Maid Park and was built by Trendmaker Homes with donated materials, labor and services from members of the Greater Houston Builders Association (GHBA). Will Holder, president of Trendmaker Homes, Stuart Feldman, chairman of the Project and Mike Dishberger, president of the GHBA, presented the key.

Project Playhouse is a major fundraising event for HomeAid Houston, a GHBA charity. The playhouse team was led by Trendmaker staff members Eva Brunell and Terry Shuffler. The 2011 Playhouse raised a record \$62,500 through raffle ticket sales and sponsorships to help build transitional housing for Houston's homeless.

"I've been a supporter of HomeAid for many years," said Mike Blalock. "The playhouse has been a fun way to donate funds to a valuable organization that is addressing homelessness in Houston. I never dreamed my family would win! We are excited to plan how we will incorporate it into our lives, either in our own backyard, or donate it to a place where more children in the community can enjoy it."

The Playhouse team, sponsors, vendors and winning sales team gathered in Union Station for photographs before the game. On hand were Mike Dishberger, Sandcastle Homes; Eddie and Brandon Martin, Tilson Homes; Donna Newcomb and Scott Merovitch, Chesmar Homes; Melanie Jasek and Casey Judkins, Lennar/Village Builders; Irene Binash, Allan Walter Homes; Greg Tomlinson, Builders Post-Tension; Jim Ludtke, CertainTeed; Marilyn Gardner and Wendy LeBlanc, M/I Homes; Salty Thomason, Pella Windows and Doors; George Rino, Connectone Security; and John Burks, Joel Bryan, and Marlene Satterwhite, On-Target Marketing.

HALL OF FAME - \$3,000
Fairfield by Friendswood Development
Pella Windows & Doors
Westin Homes

GRAND SLAM - \$1,500

Allan Walter Homes
Bank of America
Builders Post-Tension
Chesmar Homes
Darling Homes
Lennar/Village Builders
Mustang Development, Inc.
Newland Communities
Sandcastle Homes
Sherwin-Williams Paint Company
Tilson Home Corporation

HOME RUN - \$750

Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP
iLevel by Weyerhaeuser
The Johnson Development Corporation
MASCO/Environments for Living
Stewart Title

ALL STAR - \$250

Ashton Woods Homes
C.I.A. Services, Inc.
Capital Air
CertainTeed
Chicago Title
Costello, Inc.
Datasmart/Duncan Security
Dennis Williams & Company
Eric L. Davis Engineering, Inc.
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ConnectOne - Low Voltage Wiring/Electronics
J-Kraft Cabinets - Cabinets & Trim Work

VENDORS (DOUBLE):

Houston Carpet - Flooring
Ochoa Painting - Paint Labor
Pedco Roofing, Inc. - Roofing M/L
Texas Fence and Iron - Iron Work

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Champion Windows - Windows
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Cy-Fair Fence Co. - Fence
D&R Signs - Signage
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MBS Maintenance Bldr Supply - Door Hardware
Paramount Electric - Wiring & Light Fixtures
Pella Windows & Doors - Windows
Perfection Supply - Insulation
Pittsburgh Paint - Paint
Top Stitch - Fabric/Décor



ABOVE, PHOTO 1: Will Holder, president, Trendmaker Homes; Mike Dishberger, GHBA president; Stuart Feldman, Project Playhouse chair; Playhouse winners Mike and Shelly Blalock and their children Michael, John and Kendall.

PHOTO 2: Stuart Feldman, Eva Brunell, Lea Pipitone and Bette Moser before the ceremony.

PHOTO 3: Winning sales team members Tim Bautsch, Jane Swanzy, Bill and Danielle Gottfried with the Blalock family.

PHOTO 4: Playhouse sponsors on hand for the key presentation and the Astros game.

PHOTO 5: Trendmaker team, the Blalock family, and Shawn Bertani of the Astros.

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PHOTO 1: Winning bidders of the Gala Playhouse, Gregory Miller and Beverly Wren; Bette Moser and Lea Pipitone, HomeAid Houston.

PHOTO 2: The playhouse on the field during the gala.

PHOTO 3: Bette Moser, Erika Morton and Lea Pipitone, HomeAid Houston.

PHOTO 4: Astros Wives Gala and Playhouse auction on the field. Proceeds from the Playhouse benefit a HomeAid Care project replacing the security gate at the Houston Area Women's Center, shown on the Jumbotron.



HOMEAID SCORES BIG WITH PROJECT PLAYHOUSE AUCTION

HomeAid Houston's Project Playhouse scored big at the 22nd Annual Astros Wives Gala held recently at Minute Maid Park. The playhouse, built by Trendmaker Homes, was auctioned off at the Gala's "Black Ties and Baseball Caps" event for \$11,500. Funds will go to the Houston Area Women's Center for a HomeAid Care project.

Gregory N. Miller, president and CEO of Pipeline Inspection Company Ltd. along

with his mother, Beverly Wren, had the winning bid. Mr. Miller and Ms. Wren will be installing the playhouse for their grandchildren/great-grandchildren.

Trendmaker Homes partnered with HomeAid to construct the Wives Gala playhouse as well as the second identical playhouse that was up for raffle at Minute Maid Park through August 21.

The Houston Astros Wives Gala "Black

Ties and Baseball Caps" benefits the Houston Area Women's Center. Since the first gala in the early 1990s, Astros Wives have raised more than \$3 million for the center, which provides a safe environment for victims of domestic and sexual violence in Houston.

Special thanks to the playhouse Hall of Fame sponsors, Fairfield by Friendswood Development, Pella Windows & Doors and Westin Homes for their support.

Our mission: To build dignified housing where homeless families & individuals can rebuild their lives.

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**OCT
5**

HALO Luncheon
at Del Friscos

**OCT
29**

Bank of America
Day of Care,
Santa Maria Hostel

**NOV
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Open Door Mission
Dedication with
Craftmanship by John

**NOV
9**

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Groundbreaking with
Legend Homes