



WINTER
gala

A Night of Dining,
Dresses, and Memories—
All for a Great Cause!

FireKeepers Casino
11.20.26 | 6 - 10 PM

tickets on
sale now

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the HBA Legal Action Fund

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you're
invited

Join the HBA for a Night of Elegance and Advocacy. Let's build a stronger future together at the Second Annual Winter Gala!

Dress in your finest cocktail attire and prepare for an unforgettable evening filled with exquisite dining, lively music, and joyous laughter. Gather your friends or make new connections as we create magical memories together.

Secure your tickets now and be part of this enchanting winter tradition!

event

info

when:

Friday, November 20, 2026 / 6:00 PM

where:

FireKeepers Casino Hotel | Mbish Ballroom D
11177 E Michigan Ave, Battle Creek, MI 49014

why:

The Holidays are all about GIVING! A portion of the proceeds will benefit the HBA of Michigan's Legal Action Fund.

who:

HBA Members OR anyone working in the residential construction industry

What is the HBA Legal Action Fund?

While much of the HBA of Michigan's advocacy takes place at the Capitol in Lansing, the fight for attainable housing extends far beyond. Your state association is actively engaged in legal battles across Michigan to combat unlawful government actions and overreach—and we need your support.

Why is Your Contribution Important?

Your donations help replenish critical funds needed to:

- Challenge the illegal implementation of a new Michigan Energy Code
- Demand repayment of legal fees after our permit fee overcharge victory against the City of Troy
- Oppose the natural gas ban on new construction in Ann Arbor
- Advise the City of Kentwood that a proposed ordinance violates Michigan's uniform codes

How Does This Impact You?

Governmental roadblocks and regulatory challenges can add weeks or even months to your building projects. The HBA of Michigan is here to help streamline your projects and reduce unnecessary delays.

To further support our members, in February 2025, we launched the Building Reporting & Support Form—a powerful tool designed to help HBA members report delays, permitting challenges, zoning issues, utility connection problems, or other governmental obstacles.

Your Voice Matters

By reporting these challenges, you help us identify trends, tackle inefficiencies, and advocate for statewide solutions. If you've faced unusual delays or unnecessary hurdles, we encourage you to submit a report—together, we can create a more efficient, predictable, and builder-friendly process.

Thank you for standing with us in this fight. Your support makes a difference!

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registered online



single ticket | \$200

Each ticket includes: a lively cocktail hour to kick off the evening, two complimentary drink tickets, a gourmet meal paired with a decadent dessert, a \$10 player card for added fun, music by DJ Todd to keep the energy high, exclusive access to an extravagant silent auction benefiting the HBA Legal Fund, and complimentary valet service for your convenience

table of 10 | \$1500

Bring your colleagues, clients, or friends for an unforgettable evening! Secure a reserved table for 10 and enjoy guaranteed group seating—network, celebrate, and connect in style. Comes with all of the above.

GALA REGISTRATION ENDS @ 12 NOON ON FRIDAY, 10/30/26

sponsor info

title sponsor (1) | \$10000

EXCLUSIVE

- One standard hotel room
- One table (seating for 10)
- Priority Seating & Service
- Company Logo on tables
- Company Logo on Event Website and all event promos
- Social Media Spotlight
- Formal introduction from stage with option to speak

platinum sponsor | \$5000

- One table (seating for 10)
- 20 Additional Drink Tickets
- Company Logo on Event Website and all event promos
- Social Media Spotlight

gold sponsor | \$3000

- One table (seating for 10)
- Company Logo on Event Website and all event promos
- Shared Social Media Post

spotlight sponsor | \$100

picture perfect partner (1) | \$1500

- Logo Sign near photo booth
- Company Logo on Event Website and event promos
- Custom logo overlay on all picture prints
- Logo displayed on tap to start screen

cocktail sponsor (2) | \$500

Host cocktail hour from 6-7pm! Includes:

- Logo recognition on cocktail tables
- Logo recognition on digital invitation
- Shared Facebook post
- Logo recognition on bar

entertainment sponsor | \$500

- Logo recognition near DJ station
- Logo recognition on digital invitation
- Formal introduction from stage

appetizer sponsor | \$300

- Logo recognition at dessert station
- Logo recognition on digital invitation

dessert sponsor | \$300

- Logo recognition at dessert station
- Logo recognition on digital invitation

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Hotel info



**MAKE IT A GETAWAY! SAVE ON A
CLASSIC KING OR DOUBLE QUEEN ROOM**



Extend the evening with a luxurious stay at FireKeepers Casino Hotel. Enjoy an exclusive 20% discount on classic King or Double Queen Rooms for just \$240 + taxes/fees. Reservations can be made online by following this link [HBA Gala Room Block](#). If you prefer to make your reservation by phone, please call at 877-352-8777 and mention group code 112026GALA. Please note, reservations must be made by 10:00pm on November 5th, 2026 to receive the discounted group rate.

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silent

au ction

Make an Impact with Your Donation! We're excited to host a diverse selection of auction items at our second annual Winter Gala! Your generous donation will play a vital role in the success of this event and help support the HBA Legal Fund.

Suggested donation items include: Weekend getaways & vacation packages, Wine tours in Traverse City, Camping or hunting gear, Themed gift baskets, Sports tickets & exclusive experiences...and much more! See page 11 for more ideas.

WANT TO DONATE A GIFT FOR THE SILENT AUCTION?
CONTACT THE WINTER GALA COMMITTEE

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The logo features the word "gala" in a white, elegant cursive script, positioned above the word "committee" in a bold, white, sans-serif font. The background is a dark, textured surface with a horizontal band of shimmering gold glitter and bokeh light effects.

gala committee

**FOR EVENT QUESTIONS, SPONSORSHIP
INQUIRIES, OR SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS,
PLEASE CONTACT THE WINTER GALA
COMMITTEE:**

**CHAIR: Dawn Bradley, Devon Title
dbradley@devontitle.com**

**Victoria Ziemer
Christina Reed
Malia Applegate
Aaron Hovestadt**

Silent Auction

DONATION IDEAS

- Weekend stay in an Airbnb
- Vacation package/Weekend getaway
- Tickets - concert, theater, sporting event, comedy show, museum, amusement or water parks
- Signed sports memorabilia, artwork, or books
- Dance lessons
- Pottery or Glass blowing class
- Memberships- Country clubs, Zoo, Bird Sanctuary
- Wine or beer club
- Private classes or lessons - Cooking, charcuterie board making, flower arranging, rock climbing, etc
- Wine & canvas type events
- Family photo shoot certificate
- Home staging
- Videography/photography for Real Estate
- Fishing charter
- Sunset River Cruise
- Axe throwing
- Tasting Menu at a Top Restaurant
- Themed baskets: spa day, movie night, game night, beach party, backyard BBQ, etc.
- Beach basket: Beach tote, towels, beach chairs, cooler, umbrella, yeti cup
- Car basket: oil change, car wash package, cleaning items
- Pet basket: grooming gift certificate, gift card to pet store, toys, local treats
- Chocolate basket: gift certificate to Cherri's Chocol'art, coffee cups, chocolates
- Bourbon basket: Bourbon, cigars, meat, cheese, crackers
- Firepit basket: s'mores items, pokers, firepit, lighter
- Margarita basket: Tequila, Margarita mix, glassware, Jimmy Buffet CD, gift card
- Travelers gift basket: a travel pillow, Bose headphones, wet wipes, magazines, snacks, and a suit bag.
- Fitness baskets: can include a yoga mat, dumbbells, a water bottle, and a gym membership.
- Gourmet Picnic Basket with good wine, cheeses, crackers, and everything a couple would need for a lovely picnic.
- Spa basket: Shades of Lavendar mini self care kit, hand crafted soap, face masks, slippers, bathrobes, lotions, essential oils, or bath salts, gift certificate to local day spa for facial, manicure/pedicure or massage.
- Cooking enthusiast basket: Everyone loves a good meal, so add items like flavored oils, spices, cookbooks, cooking utensils, and sauces.
- College Rivals Basket - Two donors are pitted against one another, with each creating a basket that is themed for one half of a popular college rivalry (i.e. University of Michigan vs. Michigan State, etc.). See which team "wins" by getting the most bids!
- Everyday items: vacuum, household items, gift cards, camping supplies, and household decorations.
- Latest smartphones, tablets, or smartwatches
- High-end headphones or speakers
- Custom-made or artisan-crafted items
- Fun items: lottery ticket tree or a mystery box containing high end jewelry
- Goods and services like landscaping, handyman for the day, a cake per month from a local bakery, party services, painting, and restaurant experiences
- Bird houses/ Gardening Supplies
- Cooking supplies
- Boat outings/Rental
- Ski instruction
- A cooler full of beer from local micro-breweries
- Fun appliances: pizza oven, solo stove, Cocktail Making Machine, espresso machine

Prize Donation *description*

DONATED BY:

EMAIL:

DESCRIPTION/ITEMS INCLUDED:

VALUE:

Please attach to basket.