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Delaware County—Commissioner Stapleton Honored as Citizen of the Year

The Building Industry Association of Central Ohio (BIA) recently celebrated its 70<sup>th</sup> Awards Ceremony to recognize outstanding BIA members and community members. Delaware County Commissioner Dennis Stapleton was awarded the 2012 Citizen of the Year, an annual recognition given to a non-BIA member who has performed service resulting in major benefits to the community and the building industry.

Commissioner Stapleton was recognized for opening lines of communication between building industry members and Delaware County officials. He was also praised for helping to facilitate waiving the requirement for a pre-paid 50 percent tap fee for new lots and for initiating ongoing meetings with county officials and BIA members about improvements to sewer service planning and construction. In addition, for the first time ever, Delaware County had an visual presence during the BIA Parade of Homes in Lewis Center with an evening reception for the home builders, suppliers, subcontractors, and service providers, again to the credit of Commissioner Stapleton.

BIA Executive Director Jim Hilz, completed his remarks honoring Stapleton by expressing his appreciation, on behalf of the industry, for the increased support from Delaware County.

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