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BUILDERS TO HOLD SALE OF MODEL-HOME ITEMS

From books for free to \$500 fixtures going for \$75, the Building Industry Association is clearing out builders' attics Saturday with its third annual Furniture Fantasy Sale.

A 20,000-square-foot facility at the former Naval Training Center in Point Loma, donated by Liberty Station developer McMillin Cos., includes thousands of items salvaged from model homes, as well as the Casa del Zorro hotel in Borrego Springs, said Lora Heramb, the event chairwoman.

"We never know what we'll get donated," Heramb said. "This year we have a lot of appliances, mostly donated by Shea Homes — refrigerators, built-in ovens, microwaves, cooktops. They changed the appliance manufacturers and pulled them out of the models."

Other companies participating include Brookfield Homes, where Heramb is a sales and marketing executive, Pardee Homes and Design Line Interiors.

The Casa del Zorro items include armoires, sofas, hanging lamps and fixtures, some that Heramb guessed went for \$500 at retail but

3rd Annual BIA Cares Furniture Fantasy

When: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Saturday

Where: 2816 Historic Decatur Road, Suite 140, Liberty Station at the Naval Training Center (enter at Lytton Street)

Cost: Free

Information: biacares.org
or Gale Tobin at
(619) 990-5726

are offered for \$75.

Other items include filing cabinets and other office furniture, accessory pillows, wooden blinds, decorative iron pieces and other artwork and boxes of plumbing fixtures that were never installed. All books are free.

Last year's event yielded \$64,000 for the BIA Cares charity, Heramb said.

There is no charge to attend the sale, but space is limited and she advised buyers to show up early. She also said attendees should bring their own equipment to move large pieces.

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