La Porte County Association of REALTORS®, INC.



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Monthly Newsletter December 2016



CE Breakfast with Instructor Rita Beaty 2 Hours CE Credit- Fair Housing

Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2016

Time: 8:00 a.m. (CST)

Place: Portofino Grill in La Porte

Cost: \$11 with reservations/\$13 walk-ins

Program: Guest Speaker Gigi Fergus, Interim CEO of La

Porte Hospital

CE Breakfast with Rita Beaty - there will be a short meeting followed by CE: 2 Credit Hours - Fair Housing



For Reservations: Please contact the Board office at 219-324-8120, online at www.laportecountyrealtors.com or via email at lpcar@frontier.com no later than Friday, Decem-

ber 9, 2016. Please have your check ready for our meeting, made payable to LPCAR. Thank you. When making reservations please indicate the following:

- 1. Breakfast and CE
- 2. CE Only (please arrive no sooner than 8:30 a.m.)
- 3. Breakfast Meeting Only

Sunshine Drawing Pricing: \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 7 tickets and may be included in your dinner check! Reservation Policy: We strongly suggest you make reservations in advance. Any reservation made and not cancelled <u>2 hours</u> prior to the start of our event will be charged for the cost of the meal. Portofino's is very accommodating with our reservations but we are required to call in a reservation number ahead of time and pay for that number. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter!

To register for CE online/Meeting, please visit our website: www.laportecountyrealtors.com - Registration link is located on the home page.

mobile text alerts

Stay up to date with information and events with our LPCAR text alert system.

This system will allow any member to opt-in by signing up via this link: https://mobile-text-alerts.com/lpcar (members must opt-in/sign up...we will not add members with out their consent). If any member would like the association to add you, please send your name and number to the office.

Any member that has opted in may at any time opt-out by texting the word "Stop". Click on the image above to sign up - Full name and phone number are required fields! Data & Message rates may apply depending on your carrier.

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Future Removal of Fax Service for Attached Documents in MLS



As a reminder, Rapattoni is preparing to phase out the fax service which is currently available when submitting listing attachments. Beginning on Sunday, 1/01/2017, the fax service will no longer be available and all attached documents will need to be uploaded as PDF files for new listings.

2017 REALTOR Dues

The deadline for the 2017 Association Dues was November 30, 2016. We are now in a grace period through December 30, 2016. Payments made during this time will not incur a late fee. After this date, late fees will apply.

Accepted forms of payments include personal check, cashier check, money order, or credit card (MasterCard or Visa Only) You

may pay your dues online via the NAR E-Commerce System at www.realtor.org (login required). Credit card payments may also be sent to the office but please not that your payment will be processed through e-commerce. We cannot accept credit card payments over the phone as we are required to have a signature for the payment on file.

Thank you.



Seasons Greeting's



Sunshine Committee

Sunshine Committee for this association are Robin Umphrey/ REMAX 1st for La Porte and Judi Donaldson/Micky Gallas Properties for Michigan City.



Please contact them with any news that is relevant to this association.

Upcoming CE Opportunities

<u>December 13, 2016:</u> 2 Hours—Fair Housing with Instructor Rita Beaty, following general membership meeting.

Register online at:
www.laportecountyrealtors.com(registration for December's class will open up at the end of November!)

Reminder: Current Cycle for Code of Ethics - 2013 to 2016: all members must complete 2 1/2 hours before the end of 2016.

Deserving Children Charity Shopping Events

We had a great auction and surpassed last year's total with a little more than \$36,500.00 in proceeds the night of the auction. Great job to everyone and especially to all of the charity auction committee volunteers who have worked year round to make this event successful.

Now is the time for the purpose of the charity, to take local children in need shopping for items such as coats, boots, hats, blankets and toys for Christmas. Each year the money raised is used to help this great cause.

The Shopping event for La Porte will take place on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 6</u>, <u>2016</u> at the La Porte Fair Grounds starting at 4 p.m.

The Shopping event for Michigan City will take place on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 7</u>, <u>2016</u> at the Orak Shrine starting at 4 p.m.

Volunteers are needed at both locations to help run the events smoothly. Approximately 10 more shopping escorts are also needed. Please contact Joy Zigler at 219-608-5719 if you are interested in either volunteering during the event or becoming a shopping escort.

Interested in becoming part of the 2017 Charity Auction Committee? Please contact president-elect Bernie Conners at 219-324-2121 for more information or to sign up.



Indiana Association of REALTORS 2017 Legislative Conference—January 30-31, 2017 Indianapolis

There's a popular saying in politics that if you're not at the table, you're on the menu. Register to attend the 2017 IAR Legislative Conference, and help keep your profession, your clients, and your community off of legislators' plates. Plus, network with REALTORS® from all across Indiana and get a sneak peek at the new Indiana REALTOR® home next door to the capitol. It'll be a day, day-and-a-half well spent.

Register online at: https://indianarealtors.wufoo.com/forms/zfri9lq1orxhwl/

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS \$139 per night plus tax, pending availability Sunday, Jan. 29-Tuesday, Jan. 31 Call 1-317-972-0600 or Book Online

Hilton Indianapolis Hotel & Suites 120 W Market St, Indianapolis, IN 46204



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stand and support their interests. The money to accomplish this comes from voluntary contributions made by REALTORS®. These are not members' dues; this is money given freely by REALTORS® in recognition of how important campaign fundraising is to the political process. RPAC doesn't buy votes. RPAC enables REALTORS® to support candidates that support the issues that are important to their profession and livelihood.



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December 2016

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