



Realtor Safety Class with Instructor Tim Reed - Friday May 10, 2019

4 Credit Hours: 10:00 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Date: **Friday, May 10, 2019**

Time: 10:00 a.m. until 2 p.m.—check in
begins at 9:30 a.m.

Place: Michigan City Public Library

100 E 4th Street, Michigan City, IN



This course is free of charge for all LPCAR members as part of your member benefits. \$45 for non-members—please pay at door.

To register: please register online at:

<https://www.laportecountyrealtors.com/realtor-safety-course>

Class size is limited-registration closes on Monday, May 6, 2019. All fields must be completed in order for attendees to receive proper credit for CE.

A light breakfast and lunch will be provided to all those attending.

Letter from Board President



It's here,
blooming season!!!

MAY your bouquet be filled with qualified buyers, sellers with accepted contracts and the ribbon around them, and closings!

Please do not forget that May is our annual food drive month. We are looking for any and all monetary donations (checks may be made payable to LPCAR) along with food donations. Please make sure those items are boxed up and can be dropped off at the board office during normal business hours. This year donations will be shared with both LP & MC Salvation Armies and 5 other food banks throughout our county.

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May 13-17, 2019-Washington D.C

Register online at: <https://www.legislative.realtor>

 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of REALTORS®

 LEGISLATIVE MEETINGS & TRADE EXPO

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Membership Update

The following have applied for membership in our association:

Brandon Rootes ~ McColly

**Hailee Bowser ~ Century 21
Affiliated La Porte**

**Elizabeth England ~ BHHS
KeonigRubloff**

**Amber Layman ~ Century 21
Affiliated Michigan City**

If you have any questions or comments please contact the board office at 219-324-8120.

LPCAR 25th Celebration Give Away

Question: Where was the LPCAR office located in 1999? Email your answer to lpicar@frontier.com by May 24, 2019!

2019 LPCAR Scholarships

LPCAR is pleased to offer Scholarships in the amount of **\$600** each to area seniors who plan on pursuing further education after graduation or are currently attending a college or trade school and who are related to a REALTOR or Affiliate member of LPCAR.

This award will be given to a person demonstrating outstanding community involvement who is planning to pursue further education through an accredited college, university, or trade school or are currently attending college or a trade school.

Applications are now available on our website homepage! The application requires an essay of 200 words or less explaining why the scholarship should be awarded. Any application received without the essay will not be considered during the selection process. It is important for the student to complete all parts of the application.



The deadline for this year is **May 1, 2019**. Please have your student download our application and submit it before the deadline. Students of family members of LPCAR (REALTOR and Affiliate) are eligible for

this scholarship so we encourage them to apply as soon as possible. Scholarship Application may be found online at www.laportecountyrealtors.com on the home page.

REALTOR® Safety Tips

We continue with more safety tips to help keep agents safe during their everyday business:

Tip #9: Keep track of colleagues

Have a check-out employee board at your office, listing your name, destination, customer name, date and expected return time.

Tip #10: Wear your REALTOR® ID

Always wear visible company identification such as a badge. It is also best to drive a vehicle clearly marked with your company name. These will be invaluable for identification if you need to get assistance.

Tip #11: Bring up the rear

When showing a home, always have your prospect walk in front of you. Don't lead them, but rather, direct them from a position slightly behind them. You can gesture for them to go ahead of you and say, for example, "The master suite is in the back of the house."

Tip #12: Pick up some self-defense skills

The best way to find a good self-defense class is to learn what is available, and then make a decision. Many health clubs, martial arts studios and community colleges offer some type of class. You can also ask your peers, friends and family if they have taken a self-defense class that they would recommend.

Tip #13: You take the wheel Whenever possible, take your own car to a showing. When you leave your car, lock it.

Calling All Chefs

The Deserving Children Charity Committee would like to thank those who have sent those favorite recipes! Keep them coming! We need to fill up our cookbook with some great recipes from all of our members.

You may fill out your recipe with our online form on our website.

Visit

[https://](https://www.laportecountyrealtors.com/deserving-children-charity)

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email your recipe to our committee chairs:

Rena Taylor at
renaetaylor83@gmail.com

Tommy Sunn at
tommysunn11@gmail.com

Karol Organ at
korgan@horizonbank.com

Julie Deal at
julie.deal@fnf.com



Letter from the Board President *(continued)*

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Our goal is \$7000 this year and with your help we can meet and beat that goal as we did last year!!

We all see how fast time flies the older we get. June will be here in no time. So mark your calendars and get your team together for this years LPCAR annual gold outing. **June 21, 2019 at the Michigan City Municipal Golf Course.** Lunch will be served prior to tee off time of 12:00 noon. Drawings and give a- ways afterwards. So, get your team of 4 together and get your registration form in ASAP, for a day full of food, golf and drinks all for \$250, one of the best deals around. THANK YOU!!! TA ROBERTS AGAIN for suppling the adult beverages.

RPAC is celebrating its 50th Birthday. Some of you may or may not believe or even care for PAC's, however they do help OUR industry continue to fight legislation that could levy a tax on services (YOUR commission) and help homeownership. Also, our local RPAC funds help us look out for Realtor Champion's like our very own Realtor, Randy Novak, who also helps to continue to "protect private property rights".

Don't forget to sign up for our REALTOR Safety class with Tim Reed on May 10, 2019. There is limited space so make sure you register online asap. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided for all attendees. Managing Brokers, this class counts towards your required managing broker eligible hours. Do not forget to look for other safety tips in this newsletter.

Since there is not a general membership meeting this month look for the trivia question about our association located somewhere in this newsletter and get your answer submitted to Iris via email only by May 24th to have your name go into the hat for this month's give away.

I want to send out a special thank you to all of our members. **THANK YOU** for all those volunteering on committees and helping to secure donations for the Deserving Children Auction and shopping tour. Without each and every one of you where would we be?

Robin Umphrey,

2019 Board President

LaPorte County Association of REALTORS
Annual Golf Outing



**FRIDAY
JUNE 21ST**

Michigan City Golf Course
lunch @ 11:15 | Tee Off @ 12:00

**4 PERSON SCRAMBLE
FUNDRAISER**
(24 Team Limit)

Longest Put

Closest to the Pin

\$1st Place Team Award

\$2nd Place Team Award

\$3rd Place Team Award

Duffer Award

Committee Members:

Brad Anderson : 219-369-3330

Julie Deal: 219-241-8888

Charlie Roberts: 219-561-3203



www.laportecountyrealtors.com
245 W Johnson Rd, La Porte, IN 46350
(219) 324-8120

\$250 per team

Deadline: **June 11th**

Each Golfer Receives:
18 Holes of Golf with
Cart & Lunch

\$100 Hole Sponsor
Lunch for 2 & Sign

Beverages Sponsored by:

T. A. Roberts
IKnowTARoberts.com
800-906-8326

REGISTER NOW

Team Name: _____ Contact Name: _____ Contact #: _____

Player #1: _____ Player #2: _____

Player #3: _____ Player #4: _____

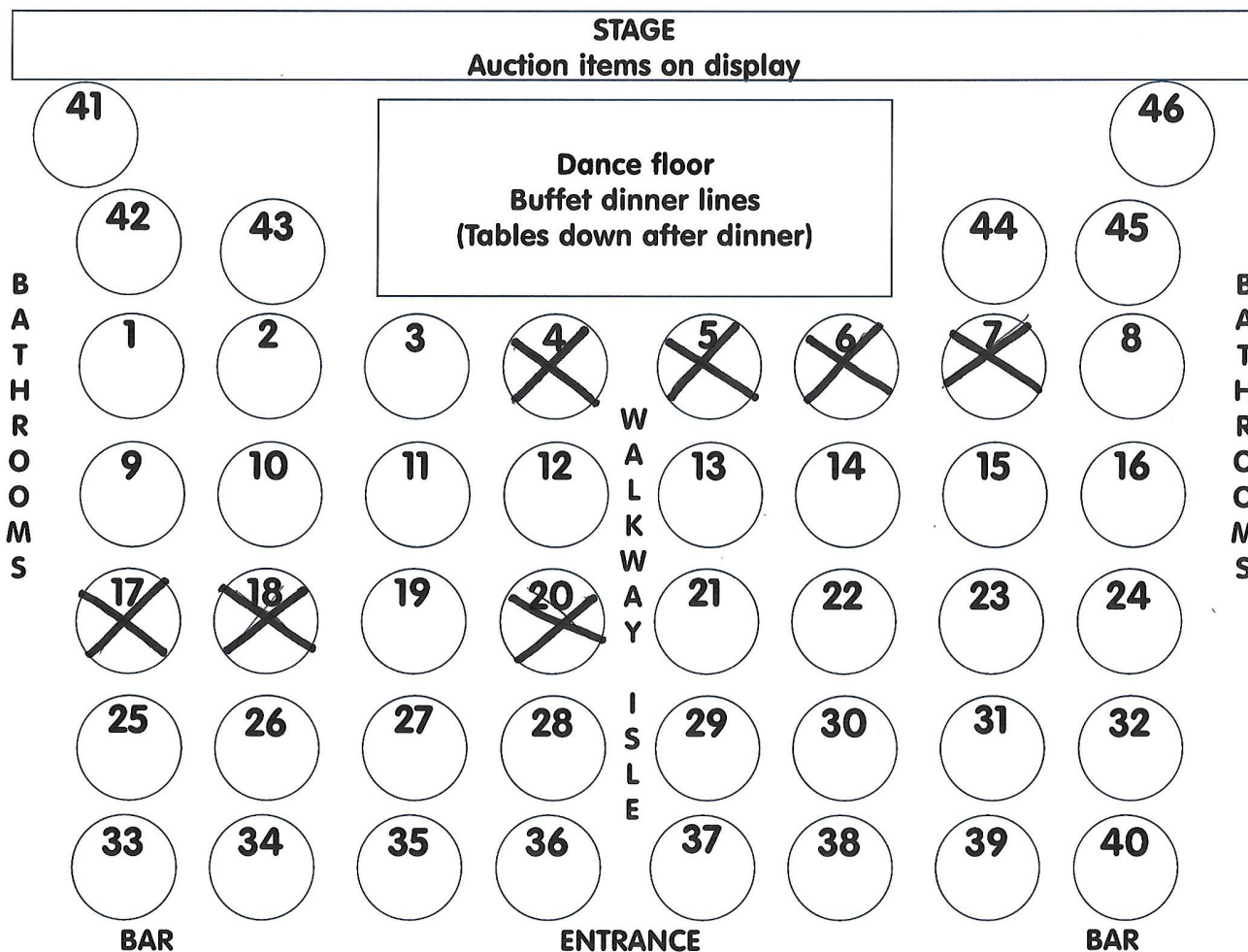
Make checks payable to LPCAR. Jeaniene Emerick will collect all payments and entries. jemerick@meridiantitle.com



Charity Auction Dinner Ticket and Table Reservation Information

The Deserving Children Charity Auction will take place on Friday, November 8, 2019 at the Orak in Michigan City. Dinner and Table Reservations are currently on sale! Tickets are \$50 per person/\$400 per table. Tables of 8 may be reserved with a \$50 deposit. Table must be paid in full by June 30, 2019 to complete the reservation. Seating chart is shown below. (tables marked with an "X" have already been reserved).

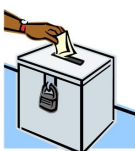
**To reserve a table or purchase dinner tickets, please contact
Karole Myres at 219-363-8677.**



Election of Officers and Directors

The elections for the 2020 Board of Directors is right around the corner. The association would like to thank everyone that has volunteered to submit their name as a candidate in the past and thank those who have already submitted

their name for the fall elections. The deadline for the slate of candidates is **August 15, 2019**. Please



consider volunteering for your association this fall. Our volunteers help to sustain

our association and remain a presence in our county.

Interested in running? Please contact the board office for more information and positions available at 219-324-8120.

May is Food Drive Month!



FOOD DRIVE!



Indiana Hunger Facts: Did you know?

- **Indiana is the 11th Hungriest State in the Country!**
- **1 in 7 Households struggles to put food on the table**
- **1,427,696 people live in counties with poverty rates of 20 percent or more**
- **27,790 veterans live below the poverty line**

(source: www.bread.org)

Who goes hungry? Hunger can affect people from all walks of life. Many Americans are one job loss or medical crisis away from food insecurity – but some people, including children and seniors, may be at greater risk of hunger than others. When we think of hunger we often think about countries far away, but the reality is that many people are struggling to get enough to eat right here in our country, our state and even our own community.

The La Porte County Association of REALTORS is sponsoring our 5th Annual food drive during the month of May to help our own community. Summer is approaching and many children that rely on meals at school may go hungry during the summer months. Our food drive committee has been busy behind the scenes already collecting donations to purchase food items in bulk to fill our pantries.

How can you help? Please consider a monetary donation - our food drive collection cans are scattered through the area or you can send a check to the board office. A \$20 donation can buy 24 boxes of pancake mix, 24 boxes of instant oatmeal, 12 jars of peanut butter, 40 boxes of mac & cheese or 40 cans of vegetables! **Help us meet the goal of raising \$7000!**
Deadline for donations is May 24, 2019!

Want to donate online? Visit our Food Drive GoFundMe page at:

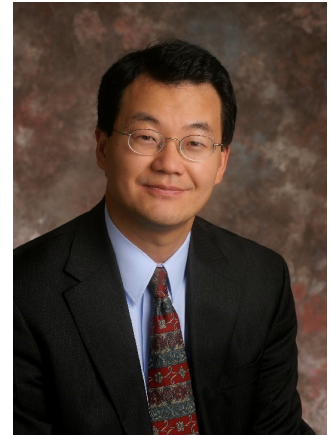
<https://www.gofundme.com/lpcar-food-drive>

FOOD DRIVE!



Economic and Real Estate Outlook with NAR Chief Economist Lawrence Yun

Lawrence Yun is Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of Research for the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®. He oversees and is responsible for a wide range of research activity for the association including NAR's Existing Home Sales statistics, Affordability Index, and Home Buyers and Sellers Profile Report. He regularly provides commentary on real estate market trends for its 1 million REALTOR® members. Mr. Yun will be our keynote speaker during this luncheon presentation.



August 14, 2019 - 11:30-2:00 p.m. CST - Tickets \$27.00

**Blue Chip Casino Hotel Spa
777 Blue Chip Drive
Michigan City, IN 46360**

Purchase your tickets on
Eventbrite:

<http://bit.ly/LPCARAUG14>

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office at 219-324-8120.



The REALTOR® Party works hand-in-hand with the REALTORS® Political Action Committee (RPAC); however, RPAC is a voluntary program and provides the “hard” dollars the association uses to make direct contributions to national, state and local candidates. This partnership is what makes us a force to be reckoned with at the local, state and national levels.



Let your voice be heard and make your 2019 RPAC contribution today!
Visit: <https://www.laportecountyrealtors.com/advocacy> for more infor-



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May 2019 “Annual Food Drive Month”

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7 Board of Director Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Board Office	8	9	10 REALTOR Safety Class at MC Library: 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.	11
12 HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!	13	14	15	16	17	18
NAR Legislative Meetings in DC—Board Office closed: May 13-17, 2019						
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day Observed—Board Office Closed	28	29	30	31	