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2018 REALTOR of the Year—Karole Myres



REALTOR® of the Year Award

The La Porte County Association of REALTOR®s is proud to announce Karole Myres of 1st Choice Realty Group, La Porte IN as the 2018 REALTOR® of the Year. The announcement and award presentation was made during the September 11th General Membership Meeting at Portofino Grill in La Porte.

The REALTOR® of the Year is an annual tradition recognized throughout the REALTOR® community. The recipient of REALTOR® of the Year demonstrates true REALTOR® spirit, is involved with their local, state and/or national associations, volunteers in the community, has significant business accomplishments, and lives by the REALTOR Code of Ethics. Members submit nominations for REALTOR of the Year, nominations are reviewed and a recipient is selected.

Karole was honored at the State Association during the Fall Stakeholders Meeting in Indianapolis in August. The Indiana Association of REALTORS holds a recognition ceremony to honor those recipients

selected by the local associations throughout the State.

CONGRATULATIONS Karole!

Election of Officers/Directors-Absentee Voting

The election of Officers/Directors will take place during our October General Membership Meeting. Absentee Voting will be available as follows:

Tuesday, October 2, 2018	2:00—4:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 4, 2018	2:00—4:00 p.m.
Friday, October 5, 2018	2:00—4:00 p.m.



Please note the dates and times that absentee voting will be conducted. (*Absentee Voting will only be available during the dates and times listed*)

Only one ballot per person. Ballots will only be available at the board office—they will not be mailed, faxed or emailed. The Slate of Candidates along with their bio appears in this newsletter and the information regarding the election and voting was emailed to all members in September. The proposed 2019 Budget was also emailed in advance. Please make sure you add lpcar@lpcar.comcastbiz.com and lpcar@frontier.com to your safe senders list to receive information and updates.



La Porte County Association of REALTORS 2018 Affiliate of the Year Nomination Form

Nominee _____

Company _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Please describe how this affiliate member has demonstrated their support for the La Porte County Association of REALTORS during the 2018 Year.

List any LPCAR Committees and/or other community service involvement

(Please include a photo if available)

Submitted by (optional) _____

Please return to the Board Office no later than **November 14, 2018!**

Forms may be faxed to: 219-324-9323

or mailed to:

La Porte County Association of REALTORS, Inc.

P.O. Box 248 La Porte, Indiana 46352

Or Via Email: lpicar@frontier.com



Election of Officers and Directors

Our election of Officers and Directors will take place during our October General Membership Meeting on **Tuesday, October 9, 2018**. All REALTOR and Affiliate members in good standing are eligible to vote (Affiliate members receive one vote per paid affiliate member). Here are the candidates for the election and a little something about each of them. We would like to thank the candidates for taking the time to send us some information for our newsletter. Our current president-elect, Robin Umphrey automatically ascends to the position of President in 2019 and therefore does not appear on the ballot. Our Current Treasurer Rosie Michiaels and Affiliate Director Dawn Zigler will be serving the second year of their two-year term and therefore will not appear on the ballot.

On behalf of the association, I would like to thank each and everyone of these great candidates for taking an active role in our association and volunteering to serve on the board. We hope all of our members take the time to attend our October General Membership Meeting and cast their votes!!!

President-Elect: one position available –ascends to president

(names appear in alphabetical order by last name as per bylaws)



Brad Anderson/ County-Wide Properties

I'm Brad Anderson, I have served on the board previously as a local director, President and past President. I've been a member of the golf committee putting together our great golf outing this year! Past REALTOR of the Year, and if you didn't already know, an agent at County-Wide Properties! I take my career and my roles with the board very seriously! I love to learn and this year I have already booked a trip to the NAR Conference and Expo in Boston! If elected as your Board President-Elect, you have my word as before, my phone is always on and my door is always open, don't ever hesitate to voice your opinions and concerns, this is YOUR Association! Thanks for your consideration!!



Renae Taylor/1st Choice Realty

I have been an active Agent for many years and have been a Member of Greater Northwest Indiana Association of Realtors, Member of National Association of Realtors, and La Porte County Association of Realtors. I'm proud to be a Member in "good standing." I'm a Mom, a proud "Nana" of the two most beautiful grandchildren, and a "full-time" Realtor." I'm seeking the position of President-Elect and will strive to maintain a good working relationship with all. I love people and love doing volunteer work. The decision I made to join "1st Choice Realty Group" has been one of the best decisions I have made. I'm looking forward to serve as President-Elect on the LPCAR Board and will be available in whatever capacity the Membership and Board deem necessary. In past years, I have been heavily involved in United Way, being the loan executive for NIPSCO was quite an honor and I was proud to represent USWA 13796 Steelworkers (clerical workers) and NIPSCO. I have also served on the Board of Directors for "The Caring Place", a battered women's shelter in Porter and Lake Counties, as well as many other Community Service minded functions and projects. Please know that my interests will always be Volunteering and Helping People. I would love the opportunity to serve on the Board as Director for LPCAR and will always be available to help out whenever needed and to serve this Membership will be an honor.

Election of Officers and Directors



Secretary: one position available –one year term

Louis Price/Coldwell Banker New Buffalo

Hello to LPCAR Members! I want to re-introduce myself. My name is Louis Price. I have been a REALTOR in Indiana since 1985 and in Michigan since 1983. I am a Past President of our Association as well as being on the BOD. I have been a State of Michigan Director and have been President, Treasurer, Secretary and BOD of the Southwestern Michigan Association of REALTORS. I was manager of the New Buffalo Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Office for more than 20 years before deciding to give up that role and remain an active Associate Broker. I also serve on the State Ethics Committee in Indiana as well as having Chaired hearings in Michigan. I am a GRI, CRS, CRB, RSPS and I serve on the National Association of REALTORS Resort and second Homes Committee. I understand the role of our "small" Association. This Association gives so much back to the local community by a very dedicated group of members and needs commended and recognized for its work. Keeping a small Association vibrant and sustainable means members need to participate in the operation and we need help in that area. Real Estate has been good to me and I feel an obligation to do a small part to repay our Associations and hereby agree to help by running for the Office of Secretary. I would appreciate your vote - Thank you. Louis Price

Local Director: two positions available

(names appear in alphabetical order by last name as per bylaws)



Cari Adams/Merrion & Associates

Hi! I'm Cari! I love Tacos and being a LaPorte County Realtor®. I've enjoyed bringing my wit and opinion to the LPCAR Board and I'm hopeful that you will vote me in as second term Director. Eventually, I want to become President which should be a real treat for everyone!



Jamal Agemy/Century 21 Affiliated-Michigan City

Jamal Agemy is a full time Broker Associate for Century 21 Affiliated, formerly Middleton Company and has been a REALTOR for 11 years. He conducts his real estate practice with a strong work ethic and passion for success in real estate. He has been a volunteer for Meals on Wheels, served as President & Treasurer for the Joy School PTA/PTO, Served on the Michigan City High School Post Prom Committee. Also, Jamal volunteered as a Junior Achievement instructor for approximately 5 years and Treasurer to a 501(c)(3) corporation for 12 years. He is the Father of two college students and has been married for 24 years.

Charity Auction News:

Donations are needed and are being accepted by contacting any committee member. Items for the auction are needed—let's make this auction a huge success. Please contact the board office if you have items to donate for our auction. You may drop off any auction items at the following locations: LPCAR Board office,



1st Choice Realty Group or any of the title companies.

Items also needed for baskets!

Wine and alcohol are great items for our baskets and are needed. Please contact Karole Myres at 219-324-2121 if you would like to donate basket items.

Raffle tickets and monies need to be collected and turned in. Please contact the board office if you have any tickets/money for the auction!

Monthly Market Report: Read the latest market report provided by IAR and view the report for La Porte County by visiting:

<http://www.laportecountyrealtors.com/local-market-reports>

Membership Update

The following have applied for membership in our Association:

Bridgette Garrison ~ D'Aprile Properties

Please contact the board office if you have any questions or comments.

Installation Round-Up: During our October General Membership Meeting we would like to invite our new members to join us for the meeting to conduct your installation into our Association. If you have not yet been installed at one of our meetings, please contact the board office and rsvp for our October meeting! **Lunch is on us!**

Letter from Board President— Continued

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ish line and continues working hard in order to have another successful auction. Committee members are looking forward to receive many wonderful donations needed for the Auction. Please drop off any items you may have.

We also need your input and nominations for "Affiliate of the Year". I am sure we all have a favorite in mind, please take a few minutes and submit your nominations. Their participation is greatly appreciated. The deadline for submission is November 14, 2018!

Enjoy the beautiful fall and have a Happy Halloween!!

Olga Sanchez
2018 LPCAR President

PS.— The national convention will be held in Boston this year. There is still time to register. There are great speakers, time to learn, party and to network. Visit nar.realtor for more info or to register.

Upcoming CE Opportunities

December 11, 2018: CE immediately following our general membership meeting. Instructor Tim Reed/ course: Antitrust - more details in the November newsletter

Details will be available at:
www.laportecountyrealtors.com



RPAC: Your Best Investment in Real Estate

Since 1969, the REALTORS® Political Action Committee (RPAC) has promoted the election of pro-REALTOR® candidates across the United States. The purpose of RPAC is clear: REALTORS® raise and spend money to elect candidates who understand 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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