REALTOR® RAPPER

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

My fellow REALTORS®,

AUGUST 2009

2009 Officers and Board of Directors

President: Rudy Zetz, Jr. **President-Elect**: Peg Gahles Secretary: Jack Lyden Treasurer: Mike Raich Directors: Leslie Bostaph Leslie Chaklos Frank D'Amico Keith DeVries Lisa Dowling Melissa Hill Shirley Lyden Lorraine Ross Vic (Bill) Smith Immediate Past-President Lynn Gratta Affiliate Director: Ellen Caputo Association Executive: Karen Fuller

Let me first start by saying....WHAT A GREAT PICNIC!! Congratulations to the picnic chair, Mike Raich, and his committee for a great job. If you did not attend you missed an enjoyable evening with great food. Thank you to the affiliates for donating the items for Door Prizes. Also be sure to thank Rudy Zetz for the entertainment that evening. It was the best picnic entertainment ever. (LOL)

There was a Bylaw Change discussed at the picnic. The Bylaw change would permit online voting for the election of Officers and Directors. This motion was passed. The online voting process would be ran by a reputable company and would be safe and secure to prohibit multiple votes from any one individual. Watch for more details on online voting.

The next event is the PAR Presidential Visit on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at Jeffries Landing in Bridgewater. The cost of this dinner is normally \$25.00 but the association is subsidizing the cost of this dinner by \$7.00 a person to keep the cost down and to encourage attendance. Get your reservation in.

The website is up and running and looks great. The association has saved over \$1,000 due to the website. The savings include not making copies of the Rapper, buying the paper, and postage for mailing the Rapper. If you have suggestions on how to use the website more efficiently or what else should be available on the website....call me at 724-774-7373 or email me rz@oxfordrealty.org

Your Prez, Rudy Zetz



Beaver County Association of REALTORS®

General Membership Meeting



"PAR Presidential Visit"

Special Guests: PAR President Greg Herb and District 6 Vice President LouAnn Kenney

When: Wednesday, September 2, 2009 Where: Jeffries Landing (1440 Riverside Dr, Bridgewater) Time: 6:00 pm Registration

7:00 pm Sit Down Dinner Cost: *\$18.00 / person *BCAR subsidized the cost of this dinner by \$7

> Call BCAR at 724-774-4126 by Wednesday, August 26th to make your reservation and dinner choice.

Dinner Choice: 12 oz Prime Rib (med) Chicken Picatta Crab Stuffed Flounder

Dinner includes cup of Wedding Soup, Tossed Mixed Greens, Roasted Red Skin Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Rolls and Butter, and Chocolate Mousse

PICNIC REVIEW

BCAR would like to say "**Thank You**" to Mike Raich, Picnic Chairperson, and his committee of Ellen Caputo, Leslie Chaklos, Ernie D'Achille, Scott and Tabitha Fosnot, Carolyn Hewko, Karen Hutman, Mona Simmons and Joe Vular for a great job on the picnic preparations.

There were 50 people in attendance, the food was great and Rudy Zetz entertained everyone with karaoke.

A special "Thank You" to the Affiliates who donated door prizes that were given out at the picnic. Jean Randza of Prudential won a Digital Camera, Austin Daniel of Howard Hanna won a GPS Unit and Melissa Hill of Northwood won a certificate paying her 2010 Local Dues. Also "Thank You" to Quad County Homes who brought their delicious snocones.

If you did not attend you missed a good time!!



BLOOD DRIVE

Century 21 Frank Stefura, Inc Realtors is sponsoring a Community Blood Drive with the American Red Cross.

When: Wednesday, August 19, 2009 Where: Chippewa Twp Fire Dept. (Darlington Road, Chippewa) Time: 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm



A hotdog cookout will be provided for all donors and volunteers.

Thank you in advance for your support.

REALTORS® REACH OUT 2009

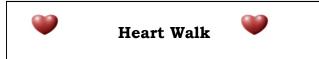
Lending a hand to help those in need in our communities is more important than ever during this challenging economy. The BCAR is calling on all REALTORS® to once again give back to our local communities during REALTORS® Reach Out month, October 1-31, 2009. REALTORS® Reach Out 2009 has been extended to a month so more REALTORS® can participate. BCAR is participating in the Heart Walk and is holding its Annual Charity Auction. We are looking for more ideas and events to get involved in....have a suggestion and want to get involved then give us a call. Last year the BCAR joined 2,200 REALTORS® across the commonwealth who participated with 27 local associations donating more than \$28,000, collecting 5,500 pounds of food, and contributing 1,000 pieces of clothing to charitable organizations. Members gave their time to refurbish homes, clean up local communities, held auctions and blood drives as part of this initiative.

THERE IS NOTHING MORE AWARDING THEN GIVING BACK!!!



and we are looking for volunteers. We need volunteers to help get donations for the auction, help with a mailing, organize the day of the event, and work the event, and many other tasks. If you would like to be a part of this worthwhile event, please contact Chairperson Vic Smith at 724-774-2222 or the A/E at 724-774-4126.

Even if you only have a few hours..... we have a job for you!!!



The association is participating in the Heart Walk that will be held October 3rd in Beaver. This year's coordinator is Ellen Caputo of Excel Mortgage. We are looking for volunteers to walk and sponsors. Watch for more details and if interested contact Ellen at 724-775-3090 or ecaputo11@yahoo.com.

CODE OF ETHIC

Article 2: REALTORS® refrain from exaggeration, misrepresentation, or concealment of pertinent facts related to property or transactions.

Member Changes: Mindy McKee is now with RE/MAX Select, Cranberry.

Condolences to Leslie Bostaph of Prudential, Beaver in the passing of a dear friend.

to Karen Fuller, Association Executive, and family in the passing of her nephew.

to Mona Simmons of Excel Mortgage and family in the passing of her brother.

to Laura and Drew Thompson of Coldwell Banker in the passing of Laura's mother.



Get You REALTOR® OF THE YEAR Nomination In.....

REALTOR® OF THE YEAR AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize the REALTOR® member of the Association who has provided outstanding service to the Association, real estate profession, and to the community. This is not a listing or sales award, but an award for the REALTOR® who best exemplifies on a business and personal level the qualities that make a REALTOR®.

SOME CRITERIA TO CONSIDER:

- REALTOR® SPIRIT: faithfulness to the principles of organized real estate, laws and regulations of their Association, the Code of Ethics and time and effort expended in furthering principles of good real estate practice among other real estate practitioners, press and the general public.
- ASSOCIATION ACTIVITY (LOCAL): Activity in the local association, offices held, committee work, special assignments meeting attendance and active participation in association events.
- BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENTS: General reputation for professional competence, public recognition of business conduct, service to clients and customers.
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IDEALLY THIS IS YOUR REALTOR® OF THE YEAR: SOMEONE YOU WOULD BE PROUD TO PUT BEFORE YOUR PEERS AND THE PUBLIC.

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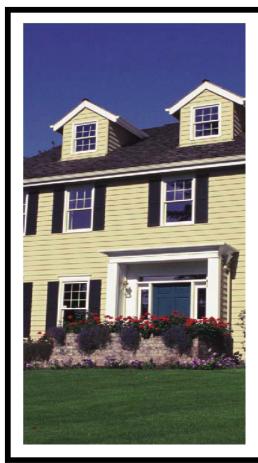
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Calendar of Events:

August 28	Radon Training Class @ Holiday Inn Express in Monaca
September 2	PAR Presidential Visit @ Jeffries Landing in Bridgewater
September 20-24	PAR Quarterly Meetings in Harrisburg
November 4	Annual Charity Auction @ Javy's in Ambridge
December 8-10	REALTOR® Convention in Atlantic City, NJ

<u>REALTOR®</u> T-Shirt Sale

Purchase a Hanes White T-shirts with the blue REALTOR® logo on the back and Beaver County Association of REALTORS® on the left chest. Sizes range from medium to xx-large at a cost of \$10.00 each.

T-shirts are available for sale at membership meetings, online at www.mybcar.com under catalog, or by calling BCAR at 724-774-4126.

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