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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Achieve Conference & Inaugural Gala

January 17-18, 2008, Amway Grand Plaza & Hotel Grand Rapids, MI

This two-day conference is designed to assist REALTORS® in developing and recognizing the skills and performance of local and statewide leadership by translating positive strategies into winning business results. All local association leaders are invited and encouraged to attend. Past speakers include Roger Turcotte and Jeff Crilley.

Professional Standards Workshop Series

MAR has teamed up once again with Bruce Aydt, ABR, ABRM, CRB, to host five half-day workshops designed to assist REALTORS® who serve on professional standards and grievance committees to gain new insights and knowledge of Professional Standards through mock hearings and classroom instruction. Workshops were held February 27-28 and March 1st. Find resources below.

Broker Summit

April 15-16, 2008, Hyatt Regency Dearborn, MI

The Broker Summit, an event full of non-stop training and information, specifically designed for brokers, managers, and local leaders, that will inform, inspire and amaze! It's the largest Broker Summit in the state of Michigan and you won't want to miss it. You'll learn from top-notch real estate professionals.

Land Use Academy

Do you have a passion for land use? If words like smart growth, high-density and multi-use development are part of your daily vocabulary, then MAR wants you! The MAR Land Use Academy is a special course that teaches participants the basics and some of the finer points of land use issues with instruction on the latest and best strategies from land use experts and community leaders. Armed with this knowledge, it is MAR's intention that Academy graduates will then bridge the gap between developers and local governments. This event is free of charge. Visit the MAR website for more information on the Land Use Academy for 2008.

MAR 2008 Convention & Expo

September 17-19, Marriott Detroit at the Renaissance Center



MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our annual flu shot clinic this year, held on October 15th, was another success. We are pleased to be able to offer this convenient service to our members who work close by the board office. Members from our realestate, appraisal and affiliate firms stopped by during the lunch hour to receive their flu shot for the low fee of \$20.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Our sympathies to Dave Becker, Century 21 Benjamin whose family has experienced two losses in a short time frame.

PAUL BUNYAN MLS

Paul Bunyan MLS Committee

Rick Lantz, Committee Chair
Keith Johnson, Judy Greeley, Jim Meier and Barry Fall Jo Ellen Serum, Dave Becker, Mike McCullough, Mark Hacker, Sandy Keezer

Paragon 4 online will be deployed to you on November 6th. In order to better prepare yourself for the change, please take the time to view the flash demos and release notes located at <http://www.pbbr.com> > RESOURCES > MEMBERS AREA LOG IN > MLS INFO (see red arrows to point the way) and also in Paragon Online program on the bulletin board screen under Technical Support Info.

Board Staff is enthusiastic about the changes that have been made. We hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to acquaint yourself ahead of time. In this busy world, taking the time to learn something will save you even more time later.

Input people, we think you will really appreciate the changes to the Input and Maintenance area. Watch the flash demos labeled Input/Maintenance

Three major focus areas for members: Searches, Views and Reports and Preferences. Watch those demos.

2008 Elections

Following is the Candidate Slate for Officers and Directors for vacancies on the Board of Directors for both Corporations. Please review the matrix and additional information for this year's elections.

Setting yourself up for eballot voting will be much easier if you receive email from the PBRRMLSForum@internetcrusade.com. If you don't, the only way for you to make sure you receive eballots will be for you to send an email TO: sally@pbbr.com CC: amber@pbbr.com

Enter EBALLOT REQUEST AND EMAIL ADDRESS VERIFICATION into the subject line and also authorize us to add your email to the PBRRMLSForum@internetcrusade.com

You will then receive the test notice and we can then collect all authorized email to program into the Election eballot software.

Nominations for 2008 PBRR Board of Directors for open positions:

President:
Jilane Fenner, Exit Realty of Greater Cadillac
President Elect:
Jim Meier, RE/MAX Central – Cadillac

Treasurer:
Bob Inglis, Coldwell Banker Schmidt REALTORS®
Cadillac

Secretary:
Kathy Davis, RE/MAX Professionals – Lake City

Wexford County
Director 2008/2009:
Barry Fall, ERA Greater North Properties – Cadillac

Missaukee County
Director 2008/2009:
Brenda Morrissey, Everett Realty – Lake City

Nominations for 2008 for the 2 open seats on PB MLS Board of Directors One-year directors

Roscommon Co Area:
1 year term
Linda Cooper, ERA Houghton Higgins.com – Higgins
Lake branch office

Wexford and Missaukee Co combination Area
1 year term
Barry Fall, ERA Greater North Properties – Cadillac

TIME FRAME MATRIX AND ADDITIONAL INFO

- Report of Slate of Nominations for open positions by Nominations and Elections Committee due by October 17th, 2007
- Notice of Slate of Nominations October 19th, 2007
- Deadline for receipt of petitions for interested parties to be nominated following notification of Nomination Slate is November 2nd, 2007
- Final Slate Notice sent on November 7th, 2007
- E-Ballot Voting November 12th, 2007 thru November 16th, 2007
- E-Ballot results tabulated November 19th, 2007
- Paper Ballot voting and Election results announced at Annual Meeting/Election Meeting November 29th, 2007

Petitions by members who decide they would like to run after the Notice of Slate of Nominations on October 19th, must be submitted on the proper form to the Board Office with the signatures of 20% of members eligible to vote. In order to add a nominee to the slate after October 17th. All petitions with nominees to be added to the final and official slate must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 2nd. At that time the names of petitioners will be checked for eligibility and the information forwarded to the nominations and elections committee.