

LUNCHEON UPDATES!

Mimi Morgan from District 7 Health Department, was guest speaker and talked about H1N1- fact and fiction.

Seasonal flu is an annual event, usually affecting people between October and March. H1N1 was first detected in the U.S. in April of 2009. It's a new virus, so our bodies don't recognize it and, consequently, can't fight it. A vaccine for H1N1 will be available late October.

For more information contact Eastern Idaho Public Health District, 533-3152 or www.idaho.gov/phd7

Ron Clawson gave a brief report on the recent IAR Convention in Coeur d'Alene. The main items to come out of the meeting were as follows: a) IAR has put their office building up for sale in Boise for 1.6 million, b) IAR dues will increase in 2010 by \$50, from \$120 to \$170. The legal review fee will increase to \$10.

Renee Spurgeon reported that GIFAR reached 83% of its RPAC goal for the year. The following RPAC donors were awarded for their generosity: Jackie Kennedy, Doug Page, Renee Spurgeon - \$250 each; Brett Magleby, Ron Clawson - \$500 each; Georgia Meacham - \$1,000. Thank you!

Georgia noted the 5 top legislative issues that NAR is watching:

1) expansion of tax credit, 2) expansion of loan limits, 3) putting a moratorium on HVCC (Home Valuation Code of Conduct), 4) monitoring healthcare bill currently being debated and how it affects independent contractors, 5) cap and trade bill.

OCTOBER LUNCHEON WILL BE ON THE 28TH; 11:45AM, RED LION. Be sure to bring your punch cards. They will be collected at the October luncheon and there will be some lucky winners in November! And, 2010 elections will be held in October, too! BE THERE!!!

DATES TO MARK: (at GIFAR Office, unless noted)

- 9-30: Broker Round Table, 8:30am
- 10-6: Continuing Ed, Panel Training
- 10-7: Navica Training, all day sessions
- 10-13: IAR Foreclosures & Short Sales class @EITC
- 10-14: SNRRMLS Board Meeting, 8:30
- 10-14: Flu Shots, 11:00am-3:00pm
- 10-17: *Finally Home!*, 8:00am to 5:00pm
- 10-28: GIFAR Board meeting, 8:30am
- 10-28: GIFAR Luncheon, 11:45am, **Red Lion**
- 10-30: Broker Round Table, 8:30am

EDUCATION

(classes held at 1508 Midway, Ammon; registration forms available at www.gifar.org under Education/Registration Forms)



- 10-7: Navica Training, 5 sessions, \$5 for one or all. You must pre-register
- 10-13: IAR Foreclosure & Short Sales class @EITC

And the Luncheon Winners were! ----

- Full Page HOMETEAM Color Ad - Tracy Wohlschlegel
- \$25 Affiliate Prize, courtesy of the Association- Teresa Anderson, *First American Title*
- POST REGISTER 1/4 Page Ad - Dennis Stevens
- Full Page Color HOMESEAKER Ad - Tracy Wohlschlegel.

Genius contest winners were as follows: Jacob Lundquist, Tello Baird, Kathy Martin, Justin Stevens, Kerry Howell. Each received a coupon for \$10 off their next CE at GIFAR! Remember, each month there will be a REALTOR® tidbit question for you to answer before the luncheon starts. Just answer the question and drop it in the basket. Five names with winning answers will be picked. Yours might be one!



Help-U-Sell was this month's generous \$100 donor and the winner was Ron Clawson! Congratulations to all our prize winners and Thank You to all our donors! Next luncheon: October 28, 11:45am. - Red Lion

APPLICATION FOR REALTOR® MEMBERSHIP

Cherice Pickett	Easy Realty, LLC
Andrea Jeppesen	NAI Commerce One
Ashlee Bond	Easy Realty, LLC
Lynnae Kreager	High Desert Realtors
Diane Milner	C21 Greater LandCo
Kendra Jenks	NAI Commerce One
Meagan Hill	NAI Commerce One

MEMBERSHIP TERMINATION

Steve Golder	ERA Archibald Real Estate
Rene Herndon	Coldwell Banker Eagle Rock
Dan Windmiller	WinStar Realty
Jana Windmiller	WinStar Realty
Preston Diehl	WinStar Realty
David Landon	C21 Advantage
Monty Egbert	Piece of the Rockies (office closed)

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

Jennifer Anderson	from: HomePointe Real Estate
	to: Assist-to-Sell



**ELECTIONS - 2010
BOARD OFFICERS/DIRECTORS**

Elections for 2010 Board of Directors positions will be held at the General Membership Luncheon on October 28, 2009, Red Lion. The Nominating Committee was directed, per the Association Bylaws, to bring forward one name for each open position to be placed on the ballot. They are as follows:

President-elect: Susan Allred
Secretary-treasurer: Lisa Brown
IAR Director: Larry Pettingill
Director: Susan Weaver



Members are encouraged to add their names to the ballot if they wish to serve on the Board. Please check page 4 of this publication for details.

Once the final ballot is confirmed, absentee ballots will be accepted only in person, at the Board office beginning October 14, ending 5:00pm October 26. No email or faxes.

Due to the resignation of Melody Grivet from the Board of Directors, Brandon Taggart was appointed to fill her position for the remainder of the term.

FORE! The annual GIFAR Golf Tournament was Thursday, September 24 and was on par with no other! Weather was beautiful, prizes were awesome, food was yummy and a good time was had by all. The 1st



Place team was comprised of Collin Hunter, Daren Almond, Daniel Bair and Brandon Falter. *Congratulations!*

A huge thank you to our committee: Marcus Hopkins, Jennifer Shippen and Ben Thomas! Job well done!

Finally Home!, the class for first time home buyers, held an 8 hour class ending Wednesday and Jeff Metcalf was this month's instructor. There were 16 graduates! Thank you, Jeff! Guest speaker was Chris Robinson, *Inspect-it-First Property Inspection.*



Thank you to our volunteers for generously donating their time to educating first time home buyers!

Next Class will be October 17; 8:00am to 5:00pm.

REMEMBER: NO DECEMBER CLASS

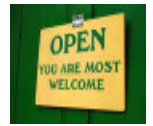


**FLU SHOTS -
OCTOBER 14!**

The Greater Idaho Falls Association of REALTORS® is partnering with Community Care to offer seasonal flu shots on October 14, 11:00am to 3:00pm, GIFAR Office. Vaccine for H1N1 is not yet available. The shots are offered at a discount price of \$15 and you and your family members are welcome to come. Community Care needs to know approximately how many shots to bring so please call the Board office, 523-1477, and give us a number as to how many will be taking advantage of this great opportunity!



MR. MANNERS



Rules of Etiquette for Forwarding Emails

Let's face it, we all do it - and we don't all do it right. Every effort you make online will reflect upon how you are perceived. Think very carefully about how, what, when and who you forward to. Here are a few simple rules to keep you on the straight and narrow.

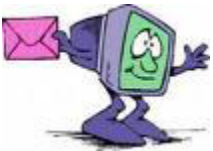
Don't forward anything without editing out all the forward >>>>, other email addresses, headers, and commentary from all the other forwarders. If you feel you must forward, only forward the actual content of the email.

Think carefully about if what you are forwarding will:

- 1) be of value (accurate information-check for hoaxes @Snopes.com),
- 2) be appreciated (something the recipient needs),
- 3) humorous (do they have the same sense of humor as you), or
- 4) do you just think it is worthy?

If you cannot think of why the person you are forwarding to would like to receive the email -then don't forward it. If you are sending the forward to business associates, think about whether forwarding is worth the risk of your job credibility and professionalism being diminished.

Forwarding of chain letters, regardless how noble the topic may seem, virus warnings or anything that says "forward to everyone you know" simply shouldn't be forwarded.



If you must forward to more than one person, put your email address in the **TO:** field and all the others you are sending to in the **BCC:** field to protect their email address from being published to those they do not know. This is a serious privacy issue! Remove any email addresses in the body of the email that have been forwarded by those who brush off the privacy of their friends and associates.

Remember, your reputation, integrity and character are literally at stake.

Until next month, Mr. Manners, out!

If you have questions or comments you would like addressed in the newsletter, please write to either Evan Cook at evans@ida.net or chiefeo@gifar.org

