

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Nov 2011 - Jan 2012

November 16 was the last Membership Meeting/Luncheon for 2011. Sharon Parry, Idaho Falls City Council was guest speaker.

CEO Jana Merkely and 2011 GIFAR President, Patrick Malone, presented plaques to all Board members for their service in 2012.

Tiffany Mai-Ganske, IAR East District Vice President, was present to install our new officers:

President:	Jacob Lundquist
President-elect:	Tina Miller
Secretary-treas:	Misty Brouillette
Past President:	Patrick Malone
Secretary-treas elect:	Chris Lee
Directors:	Brian Thompson, John Tanner, Julie Anglesey, Ben Winder, Larry Pettingill
State Director:	Brett Magleby

Honor Society Recipients: Georgia Meacham, Brett Magleby, Brian Thompson, Patrick Malone

WCR Installation of 2012 officers:

President:	Jennifer McCulloch
Connie Daw	Treasurer
Joy Storer	Secretary
Lisa Brown	Membership

Punch Card Winners:

\$50 REALTOR® Winners: Larry Pettingill, Helen Johnson, Brittany Kane, Marge Foster
\$50 Affiliate Winners: Jill Landon, Ann Long

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

2-8: SNRRMLS BOD, 8:30am
2-13-15: *Finally Home*, 6:30-9:30pm
2-15: GIFAR BOD, 8:30am
2-15: GIFAR Membership Meeting/Luncheon, Catered Your Way, 11:45am
2-20: OFFICE CLOSED, Presidents' Day
3-7: Red Cross Blood Drive

CONTINUING EDUCATION

February 22: **Commission Core 2011** (#C2011, 4 ceu), 8am-12pm, Georgia Meacham, instructor. This course, developed by the Idaho Real Estate Commission is required once every two years for license renewal.



February 22: **Risk Reduction: 5 Simple Ways to Cover Your Assets** (EO312, 4 ceu), 1-5pm, Georgia Meacham, instructor. This class takes a deeper look at completing forms, title insurance, home warranties, and home inspections, and hopefully eliminate the problems before they occur.

Early Bird Special Registration - \$41, if you pay by check, cash or money order, other forms of payment \$45. Must be received by 2/15/2012.

Sign up after 2/15/2012 - \$50, if paid by check, cash, or money order.



\$25 REALTOR® Winners: Ron Clawson, Wythe Jones, John Tanner, Brian Thompson, Renee Spurgeon
\$25 Affiliate Winners: Deanna Parravano, Debbie Purcell

APPLICATION FOR REALTOR® MEMBERSHIP

Jacob Schuldt Keller Williams Realty East Idaho
Brad Harker Assist 2 Sell HomePointe
Shelly Greenhalgh C21 High Desert
Cheryl Gordon Re/Max Prestigite

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

Jacob Lundquist from: C21 High Desert
to: Fall Creek Homes
Josh Higley from: Fall Creek Homes
to: ROI Brokers
Chris Schmalz from: Keller Williams Realty E ID
to: Re/Max Prestigite

MEMBERSHIP TERMINATION

Ron Christensen C21 Greater Landco
Dwayne Coburn Keller William Realty E ID
Adam Jardine Assist 2 Sell HomePointe
Janet Sanders Help-U-Sell
Kevin Sanders Help-U-Sell
James Randall Keller Williams Realty E ID
Kimberley Hurley Keller Williams Realty E ID
Patty Lyons West Group Real Estate
Shay Kahl Re/Max Prestige
Andrea Nigbur C21 High Desert
Vickie Walker ROI Brokers
Bob Reece ROI Brokers
Cori Johnson Keller Williams Realty E ID
Joy Simmons Green Tree Realtors
Leann Neal C21 High Desert
Paula Winn C21 Greater LandCo
Steve Butler Assist 2 Sell HomePointe
Brandon Taggart C21 High Desert
Sara Johnson Exit Realty
Kristine Bartel ROI Brokers
Jessica Carlson Silvercreek Realty
Gary Norris ROI Brokers
Troy Killpack Assist 2 Sell HomePointe
Melody Grivet Silvercreek Realty

Finally Home! The Class for first time buyers is alive and well!



Thank you to all of our sponsors and instructors for 2011 and we look forward to 2012

Thank you, Brian Thompson, for teaching our first class in January!

February 13-15 will be the next class. Interested parties need to pre-register at the Board office/\$20 per person.

WORTH READING!

It's only January, but already the latest real estate news indicate that the housing market is looking up.

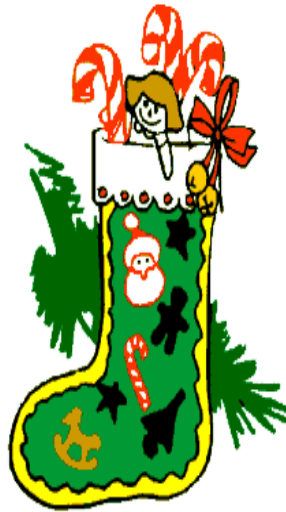
CoreLogic's latest MarketPulse report, released Wednesday, suggests 2012 could be the year of the housing turnaround. Improved unemployment figures, low mortgage interest rates and inexpensive homes could be just the kick the housing market needs to begin a recovery. Home sales are expected to rise between 2 and 5 percent year-over-year, according to Freddie Mac's U.S. Economic and Housing Market Outlook survey, also released Wednesday. That's not as much - or as quickly - as some people would like to see, but at least it didn't forecast home prices to fall further than they already have.

This optimistic outlook is due largely to all the good economic news we're hearing about the end of 2011: Existing home sales increased in November, while the inventory of unsold homes decreased to a six-to-seven month supply. Nearly 80 percent of American households believe now is a great time to buy, and if that optimism translates to sales, the inventory could dwindle even further.

If foreclosure rates don't skyrocket and prices remain steady through the beginning of 2012, this might be the year things start to turn around. (*Money Watch January 2012*)

We are deeply saddened by the passing of fellow REALTOR®, Galen Bush. We extend our sincere sympathies to his family and friends.





Distinguished emcees, Ron Clawson and Larry Pettingill, 'hard at work.'





Wishing Everyone a
Prosperous New Year!



Jill Landon, US
Bank Home
Mortgage

GIFAR Affiliate
of the Year.

Congratulaion,
Jill!!

Patrick Malone, REALTOR® of the Year.

Congratulations, Patrick!!

