



Monthly Newsletter

April 2016



## Letter from Board President

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016  
Time: 11:30 a.m.  
Place: Overboard Restaurant in Michigan City  
Cost: \$13 w/reservations: \$17 for walk-ins  
Speaker: Bert Cook, Executive Director of the Greater La Porte Economic Development Corporation.



**\*\*Bylaw review and vote regarding affiliate position on Board\*\***



**For Reservations: Please contact the Board office at 219-324-8120 or via email at [lpcar@frontier.com](mailto:lpcar@frontier.com) no later than Friday, April 8, 2016.** Please have your check ready for our meeting, made payable to LPCAR.

Thank you. *Sunshine Drawing Pricing: \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 7 tickets and may be included in your dinner check!*

Please note that this meeting will take place at a new location in Michigan City - we would like to ask everyone who plans to attend to **PLEASE RSVP by Friday** so we can give the restaurant an accurate count. Our meeting locations are very accommodating with our reservation numbers but we are still responsible to pay for the number of meals reserved. Also, when we have reservations that are not cancelled in time, the association is still required to pay. Last month we had several no-shows, the board was still required to pay, and has not received payment for those meals. Please review our reservation policy below:

*Reservation Policy: We strongly suggest you make reservations in advance.*

***Any reservation made and not cancelled 2 hours prior to the start of our event will be charged for the cost of the meal.*** Our locations are very accommodating with our reservations but we are required to call in a reservation number ahead of time and pay for that number. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter!

Hey all, can't believe it's already April! I know everyone is in full swing, but wanted to let you know that the board is still hard at work for you! The website is being updated regularly, so be sure you use it! There are all types of goodies on the website! Did you know, that if you have a supra account set up you can go online and get a new authorization code all by yourself?!

The Auction committee put together a HUGE successful bake sale at the LaPorte Savings Bank! They raised just under \$1100!!! Awesome guys!!

The golf outing is coming up next month, so get your teams together and if any of the vendors you work with would like to sponsor a hole, send them to one of the committee members.

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LPCAR Scholarships available to local graduating seniors/college undergrads

## LPCAR Scholarships

LPCAR is pleased to offer Scholarships in the amount of \$500 each to area seniors who plan on pursuing further education after graduation or are currently attending a college or trade school and who are related to a REALTOR or Affiliate member of LPCAR.

This award will be given to a person demonstrating outstanding community involvement who is planning to pursue further education through an accredited college, university, or trade school or are currently attending college or a trade school.

Applications will be available at all area public schools as well as the board office. The application also requires an essay of 200 words or less explaining why the scholarship should be awarded. Any application received without the essay will not be considered during the selection process. It is important for the student to complete all parts of the application

The deadline for this year is **April 15, 2016**. Please have your student contact their local high school for this application.

Students of family members of LPCAR are eligible for this



scholarship so we encourage them to apply as soon as possible. Scholarship Application may be found online at [www.laportecountyrealtors.com](http://www.laportecountyrealtors.com) on the home page.

## Board President's Letter (continued)

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Let's continue to make 2016 a great year! I'm always here if you have any questions or comments. [bca1223@hotmail.com](mailto:bca1223@hotmail.com) or 219-369-3330.

Brad Anderson

2016 LPCAR President

## May is Food Drive Month

LPCAR will be holding a Food Drive during the month of May to help our communities. Non-perishable items will be collected and donated to the food pantries of La Porte and Michigan City Salvation Army. Once again will have an office challenge, watch for details next month. Start collecting those items and let's see who will win a free lunch from your directors!

## Voter Registration Reminder

Please remember that Voter Registration ends **April 4, 2016**. In order to be able to vote in the Primary on May 3, 2016 you must register to vote by April 4, 2016

With Primary Elections coming up on May 3rd, the LaPorte County Association of REALTORS® wants to remind you to register to vote! If there is a reason you will not be able to vote in person, you can still absentee vote. Unsure if you are registered? For more information or help finding your polling location, follow this [link](#).

## Charity Auction Committee Meeting

The committee is pleased to report that our first fundraiser was a great success. The committee members really stepped up to the plate and we had a great selection of baked goods for our bake sale. Just under \$1100 was raised and we are off to a great start. A big thank you to everyone that helped with this fundraiser.

The next meeting will take place on **Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.** at 1st Team U training center. If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please join us for this meeting.

Sunshine Committee for this association are Robin Umphrey/REMAX 1st for La Porte and Judi Donaldson/Micky Gallas Properties for Michigan City. Please contact them with any news that is relevant to this association.



## Continuing Education - April 27, 2016

A continuing education class has been added to our line-up in order to provide as much CE as possible to our members. All agents are required to take 12 hours of CE from July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016.

Here are some quick facts from the IPLA website:

- Brokers are required to complete 12 hours of CE every year from July 1st to June 30th.
- If your license status is ACTIVE or UNASSIGNED, you must complete the required CE to renew the license.
- If your license status is INACTIVE or REFERRAL, you are not required to complete CE to renew the license.
- If your license was issued on July 1, 2014 or after, you are required to complete the post-licensing education within 2 years of the date of issuance.
- Post-licensing education can be counted towards the required continuing education as outlined in 876 IAC 7-4-2.
- If you also hold the Managing Broker eligibility, 4 hours of the required 12 hours must be managing broker CE as outlined in 876 IAC 7-5-2.

If you also hold an instructor permit, 4 hours of the required 12 hours must be instructor specific CE as outlined in 876 IAC 7-5-3.

LPCAR will offer TRID - 2 Credit Hours on April 27, 2016 from 1-3 p.m. at the 1st Team U Training Room. Class size is limited to the first 25 registrations. Our instructor for the class will be Tim Reed. Please use the entrance located on the back side of the building. 1st Team U is located at 245 W Johnson Road in La Porte.

To register: please contact the Board Office at 219-324-8120 only. Due to the limited class size, we ask that you register by phone. Those attending must have/know their current RE license so please make sure you have that with you before arriving to the class. If you have any other questions, please contact the board office.



## Deserving Children Charity Auction—Bake Sale Highlights

The first fundraiser of the year was held on Friday, March 25, 2016 in the Lobby of the La Porte Savings Bank. Our committee members baked a huge variety of holiday treats and raised just under \$1100.00! What a great start. Here are a few pictures from our event.



## Charity Auction Dinner Tickets and Table Reservations

The Deserving Children Charity Auction will take place on Friday, October 21, 2016 at the Orak in Michigan City.

The Charity Auction Committee is pleased to announce that Auction Table Reservations and Dinner Ticket Sales will begin **Friday, April 15, 2015!!!** Tickets are \$50 per person/\$400 per table...Tables of 8 may be reserved with a \$50 deposit - Table must be paid in full by June 30th, after that date you will forfeit your deposit and the table will be available for reservations. Seating is same as last year at the Orak.

**To reserve a table or purchase dinner tickets, please contact  
Karole Myres at 219-363-8677.**

**Current Cycle for Code of Ethics - 2013 to 2016**



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 Board of Director Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Board Office	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 General Membership Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Overboard Restaurant in MC	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Charity Auction Committee Meeting at 8:30 a.m. at 1st Team U training room	22	23
24	25	26	27 CE - Risk Management w/ Instructor Rita Beaty 1-3 p.m.	28	29	30