

Bearings

a newsletter for GKAR MEMBERS

July 2015



At A Glance

Committee Meetings

Not Meeting in July:

- [Board of Directors](#)
- [Broker Exchange Forum](#)
- [Community Relations](#)
- [Education](#)
- [Membership](#)
- [MLS/Technology](#)
- [Risk Management](#)

GKAR News

GKAR Closed Friday, July 3rd for Holiday Weekend

Be sure to stop by GKAR to renew your SentriCards for the long weekend. Cards renewed on Thursday, July 2nd will be good through Monday, July 6th.

Thank You 2015 GKAR RPAC Donors!

The following members have generously contributed as of June 26th.

Crystal R \$2,500 - \$4,999

Dan Jaqua
Robin Pompey

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[Member Offices & Committees](#)
w/ 100% Participation from all Members

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Events

July 13th

- [GKAR Golf Outing](#)
BBQ Lunch Sponsored By:



August 27th

- [GKAR Tigers Game Day](#)

September 24th

- [Top O' The Mornin'](#) -
REALTOR® Safety

October 17th

- [Day of Service](#)
[for Veterans](#)

[Check out the photos from](#)
[RPAC Picnic & Auction](#)

Classes

October 15th

- [Blast Off](#)

October 30th

- [Course 1600](#)

GKAR Events



RPAC Picnic & Auction Raised \$5,751 w/ 113 GKAR Members Attending!

Thank you GKAR Members for coming out, enjoying lunch with us, and supporting your REALTOR® Party! Congratulations to our auction winners:

Sue Annen

Brian Bay

Rick Berner

Earnie Best

George Betten

Theresa Bond

Scott Burkett

Joe Goldsberry

Crystal Haydo

Alex Jeffries

Kerry Keefer

Jim Kindle

Jill Kingsbury

Dave Maturen

CeCe McGuinness

Bobbe Orr

Al Rowe

Natalie Rowe

Stephanie Sherriff

Wendi Traxler

Nancy Whitney

Steve Zientek

Come Play BINGO at the GKAR Golf Outing July 13th

Schedule of Events:

- 9:15am Check-In Begins
- 10:00am Shotgun Start for Golf Scramble
- **3:00pm - 4:00pm NON-GOLFER BINGO w/ Margaritas & Appetizers**
- 4:30pm Dinner, Awards & Prizes

Only \$20 per non-golfer; [Download BINGO Registration Form](#)

New Event - Day of Service for Veterans



Upcoming Classes

Course 1600 - 6 hour CE Course w/ 2015 Legal Update

October 30th at GKAR from 8:00am - 1:45pm

Instructor: Jack Miedema

Investment: \$55 for GKAR Members | \$65 for Non-Members

Breakfast, lunch, and materials included with tuition

[Register Now](#)

[Learn More About the Topics Covered](#)

Blast Off Educational Conference Registration Now Open

October 15th at GKAR from 8:15am - 3:20pm

Investment: \$55 for GKAR Members | \$65 for Non-Members

Breakfast, lunch, and materials included with tuition

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Classes & Events

- [July Birthday Calendar](#)
- [New Member Orientation July 22nd, 23rd, & 24th](#)

Housing Reports

- [Cumulative Sales Report](#)
- [Mortgage Rates](#)

Professional Standards

- [2015 Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice](#)
- [The Code of Ethics on Multiple Offers](#)

Membership News

Welcome New REALTOR® Members

Tyler Kellum - RE/MAX Advantage
Cynthia Reese - Advanced Real Estate Services

Welcome New Business Partner Office

KALSEE Credit Union
Kathi Vlachos | 269-382-7820 | www.kalsee.com

Transfers - REALTORS®

Candace Hatfield - Century 21 Advanced to Keller Williams Kalamazoo
Alan Jeffries - from Century 21 Advanced to Michigan Real Estate Services
Alex Jeffries - from Century 21 Advanced to Michigan Real Estate Services
Luke Jeffries - from Century 21 Advanced to Michigan Real Estate Services
Kim Rotz - Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices MI to
Network Team Homes Realty
Joe Selles - from Century 21 Advanced to Michigan Real Estate Services
Barbara Sloan - from Keller Williams Kalamazoo to Michigan 1st Realty Co.

Drops - REALTORS®

Ben Aldrich - Keller Williams Kalamazoo
David Locey - Landsafe Appraisal Service
Meredith Pratt - Jaqua, REALTORS® (Drake)
Kassandra Rance - Cornell & Associates
Vicki Ritchie - Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices MI (Plainwell)
Val Sila - Jaqua, REALTORS® (Drake)

Drops - REALTOR® Office

Landsafe Appraisal Service - David Locey

Change of REALTOR® Office Address

Keller Williams Realty Tower Rd.
7175 Tower Road Battle Creek MI 49014, Now in Suite A

Quarter Century Club

Congratulations to Frances Doezema (Time Line, REALTORS®) who will reach 25 years with GKAR on July 5th!

Keybox Corner

When providing an access code, we encourage you to use the following disclaimer as a good reminder: "Use of this Lockbox code shall be for the intended recipient only. Any violation of its use for access to the property may be considered as trespassing and subject to legal consequences."

MLS News



MLS Training Available at GKAR

Searches (hands-on) - July 7th 2:00pm - 4:00pm in the Classroom

Contacts (hands-on) - July 14th 9:00am - 10:30am in the Classroom

Customization (hands-on) - July 28th 9:00am - 10:30am in the Classroom

Class sizes are limited. Reservations are required. Call (269) 382-1985.

Flexmls Webinars

If you enjoy an online learning experience or find it difficult to fit classes into your schedule, there are webinars scheduled by FBS that may be of interest to you. Go to flexmls.com/training/ to see a schedule of webinars on the flexmls system or to view previously recorded webinars.

New Fields Have Been Added to the MLS System

The following have been added to fields for Residential Property type listings:

Playground is available as a selection in Assoc. Amenities

Elevator is available as a selection in Additional Items

Chair Lift is available as a selection in Accessibility Feat.

You can print updated Listing Input forms by clicking on the **Daily Functions** tab, then clicking **Input Forms**. Input Forms in flexmls are always up to date because they change as the new fields are added or made required in the MLS system.

The Listing Input form in zipForm will reflect these changes in the next revision.

Peak Performance

11 Communication Habits to Enhance
Your Effectiveness and Keep You Out of Hot Water

Brought to you by the Risk Management Committee.