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Carol's News

General Membership Meeting 6-9-10:

We had a fantastic turn-out on June 9th for our General Membership Meeting at **DOLCE Hotels and Resorts Conference Center** in Norwalk!

Thanks to Bill Karchere our *Program Committee Chair*, as well as Stu Svirsky, for a job well-done!

The continental breakfast served, and the location itself had many compliments. We are intending to have all of our meetings at this location – many fantastic rooms to choose from!

Attorney Eugene Marconi, *General Counsel for CAR*, was kept on his toes with the many questions asked by the REALTORS®. Many thanks to all who attended, and if you missed this meeting you should definitely mark your calendar for the next one!

New Website Launch for Home Buyers & Owners:

I attended a Campaign Launch and Networking Event in Stamford last week which was hosted by Attorney **Judith Johannsen**, *Assistant Counsel for CAR*.

The program being launched was titled **Own It, Keep It!**, and its purpose was to launch a new website www.ownitkeepit.org. **Own It, Keep It!** grew out of a need to help prospective home buyers understand how to buy a home, where to start, who to talk to, and what to look for, and (once they owned a home) how to keep it. It seemed that what these home buyers and owners needed was an organized plan to follow, and resources to call for answers to their questions.

Three organizations, *Connecticut Association of REALTORS® (CAR)*, *Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA)* and *Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)*, pooled their information to create this informational website so that home buyers could navigate the path to buying a home, owning a home, and keeping it.

For more information visit the website: www.ownitkeepit.org.

The Board has literature at the office, so please stop by and pick up some brochures.

-Carol Heins



Carol Heins, MFCAR A.E.



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CONGRATULATIONS !!!!!

Each year MFCAR awards scholarships to deserving High School Seniors (chosen by their school's *Guidance Department*) who attend High School in one of the four towns (Norwalk, Westport, Weston & Wilton) that MFCAR Services. For towns with more than one High School, the award is rotated each year between schools.

This year, MFCAR is pleased to congratulate the following recipients of the

2010 MFCAR High School Scholarships:

<u>School</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
Wilton High School	Anne Christian
Norwalk High School	Jaleesa Davis
Weston High School	Anja Nickel
Staples High School	Monika Goldschmidt

CALENDAR

June

25 Program Committee:

10am at Board

29 Ringsend Open House:

7pm Ringsend Lumber, Wilton

July

5 July 4th Observed: Board Closed

14 Region I Caucus:

New Canaan library

CMLS Beginner Training:

10am at Board

16 BOD Meeting: 9am at Board

19 Seminar: 1-3pm at Board

"Tax Strategies for R.E. Professional"

20 State BOD Meeting

August

5&6 NAR Leadership: Chicago

11 Clambake: Compo Beach (8/12 rain)

20 BOD Meeting: 9am at Board

ATTENTION REALTORS®
New Hours for
Westport Tax Assessor's Office
8:30am—12:30pm
Monday thru Friday

It is with sadness and fond memories that we remember and honor the following REALTORS® who have recently passed away.

In Memoriam

Joanne Williams
 Dorothy Appleton
 Lisbeth King

New Members - May

Cara Christofor; Matthew Condon; John Crandall; Morgan Fine; Annette French; Jeff Gagliardo; Ingrid Gilbertie; Frederick Herot; Glenroy Hibbert; Susan Iseman; Rachel Karchere-Lopez; R. Diana Lea; David Lee; Donna Lumsden; Lina Mak-Chin; Catherine Mills; Margaret Nightingale; Teresa Papadopoulos; Mariana Pasternak; Elsie Pecorin; Eva Rawiszer; Stephanie Reardon; Debbie Savvaides; Barbara Sweeney; Jonas Thomas; Jenny Walsh

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The Following are statistics taken from CMLS records for Single Family properties currently listed as:

CTS (on June 17, 2010)
PENDING (from May 21—June 17, 2010)

These figures were compiled for the towns of Norwalk, Weston, Westport, Wilton and Fairfield.

Norwalk Population: 84,925 approx.
Weston Population: 10,000 approx.
Westport Population: 28,000 approx.
Wilton Population: 18,000 approx.
Fairfield Population: 57,861 approx.

CTS Listings: Single Family Homes
 For June 17, 2010

Norwalk	49	avg. mkt. time	88
Weston	9	avg. mkt. time	57
Westport	32	avg. mkt. time	86
Wilton	8	avg. mkt. time	97
Fairfield	51	avg. mkt. time	108

Pending Listings: Single Family Homes
 For May 21 through June 17, 2010

Norwalk	29	avg. mkt. time	97
Weston	8	avg. mkt. time	69
Westport	37	avg. mkt. time	71
Wilton	19	avg. mkt. time	78
Fairfield	51	avg. mkt. time	88

HOUSING STATISTICS

According to the CMLS, the average price for Houses & Condo's **SOLD**

Town	Property Type	Jan - May '10		Jan - May '09	
		Units	Avg. Price	Units	Avg. Price
Norwalk	Single Family	187	517,761	126	548,061
	Condominium	90	337,337	78	284,733
Weston	Single Family	46	804,949	20	1,086,225
Westport	Single Family	102	1,344,227	61	1,232,063
	Condominium	11	538,292	4	533,009
Wilton	Single Family	58	834,578	42	839,580
	Condominium	8	292,531	1	750,000
Fairfield	Single Family	210	651,517	120	693,363
	Condominium	26	453,443	24	453,500