



La Porte County Association of REALTORS®

LPCAR



Monthly Newsletter

February 2025

Water Test Addendum with Option Septic Inspection now available on Zipforms

The LPCAR Board of Directors has prepared a Water Test Addendum form that includes mandatory testing for Arsenic and Lead for homes built before 1973. At the request of our members, this form also includes an optional section for septic inspections. Please remember that this section is **OPTIONAL!** The forms have been reviewed by our board attorney and can now be used.

The form is currently located on Zipforms and can be found under the "LPCAR" local library. However, we have included the form on our website under the LP Co Health Department information for your use.



Letter from the Board President

Hello LPCAR Members!

I would like to introduce myself as the new Board President, and to those who may not know me. My name is Julie Wagner and I am truly honored to serve as your 2025 LPCAR President and I am committed to working with all of you this year.

Whether you have questions, feedback, or are looking for ways to get involved, please don't hesitate to reach out – I'm here to listen and support. My goal is to have a positive environment where everyone

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INDIANA REALTORS®

Delegation Days

NORTHWEST IN (NIRA) + LAFAYETTE
LAPORTE COUNTY + WHITE COUNTY

MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2025
Indiana REALTOR® Building + Indiana State House

REGISTRATION IS OPEN TO ALL IAR MEMBERS



Let's show the power of Indiana's largest professional organization with strength in numbers at the statehouse.

These sessions are opportunities for in-person advocacy with state lawmakers at the Capitol.

Indiana Third House Session

Join our state and city legislators as they discuss important topics that affect our community and region.

Register Online: <https://members.laportepartnership.com/events/details/2025-third-house-session-february-7-5154>

February 7, 2025
8:00 - 9:30 a.m.
The Great Hall Events & Conference Center at Purdue University Northwest
1401 S. US 421, Westville




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2025 LPCAR Scholarships

LPCAR is pleased to offer Scholarships in the amount of **\$1000** each, to area students 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 on our website by February 21, 2025 at www.laportecountyrealtors.com. 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

There will be **4 (four) Scholarships available**. Three will be available to any student related to an LPCAR member—REALTOR or Affiliate member, and one scholarship is available with the same criteria but with one additional requirement—**the family member must have served on the board of directors**—either in the past or a current board member. This is our Board of Director Service Scholarship! Eligible applicants may apply to both scholarships but may only be selected for one.

The deadline for this year is **April 15, 2025**. Please download the application (when posted) and have your student complete and send the form back by the deadline. Students of family members of LPCAR are eligible for this scholarship so we encourage them to apply as soon as possible.



Membership Update

Please help us welcome our newest LPCAR members.

Jacquelyn Jacobs ~ Coldwell Banker 1st Choice

Jeff Miles ~ MTM Realty

Managing Brokers—please remember to notify the board office with any changes at 219-324-8120 or via email: lpcar@lpcar.comcastbiz.net

New members are invited to attend their first general membership meeting on us to be inducted and meet your colleagues. Please contact the board office for more information.

2025 Installation of LPCAR during our January Meeting!

Thank you to everyone who joined us via Zoom on January 21, 2025 for our Membership Meeting and Installation of the 2025 LPCAR. IAR Past President Jennifer Parham was on hand to conduct the installation. This year's 2025 LPCAR Board members include:



President Julie Wagner



President Elect Lyz Lukac



Secretary Mike Bilek



Treasurer Jordin Agemy



Local Director Amy Blind



Local Director Tracey Cummins



Local Director Verna McAlister



Local Director Miranda Sebesta



Affiliate Director Dawn Zigler

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Board

Letter from Board President *(continued)*

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feels encouraged to share their ideas and contribute to the success of our association.

If there are any committees and/or events that interest you, or that you would like to become more involved – please contact me and I will connect you with the members who are coordinating that event. I can be reached by cell phone at 219-608-5614 or via email at jaw1275@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your trust and support. Let's have a great year

Julie Wagner

2025 LPCAR Board President

Member Benefit



FOREWARN®

FOREWARN is a revolutionary application that allows agents to have instant due diligence on prospects. In seconds, with as little information as a phone number or name, LPCAR members can verify a prospect's identity, criminal records, bankruptcies, liens, judgments, address history and property records (state laws vary) all in one place, leading to safer and more productive interactions.



This is not only critical for your personal safety and efficiency, but also a benefit to your listing homeowners, providing an added layer of protection for their homes and families through your vetting of prospective buyers. Haven't set up your account yet? Please contact the board office for more information at 219-324-8120.

LaPorte County Association of REALTORS Food Drive Fundraiser Quarter Paddle Auction

For Tickets Contact

Lyz Lukac :219-851-4911 Amy Blind:219- 608-4213

Robin Umphrey: 219-363-9330

April 13, 2025

Doors Open at Noon

Auction begins at 1pm

\$5 entry fee

includes 1 paddle

***Ask about our limited
VIP tables***



Location:

Silver Palace

1719 State St Suite C

LaPorte, IN 46350

**Additional paddles
available for
purchase for \$5**

All proceeds will go directly to
our 2025 LPCAR Annual Food
Drive Campaign

-Ticket needed to enter

-Plenty of Parking

-Cash Bar

-Food available for purchase

What to bring:

✓ **Money to buy a paddle**

✓ **Money to buy food**

✓ **Quarters for bidding**

✓ **Friends and Neighbors**

✓ **Desire to have fun!**

LPCAR is a 501(c)6 a membership NOT for profit. The Food Drive Committee falls under that designation since it is operated by the association.

2024 REALTOR of the Year Nomination Form



LA PORTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS, INC

2024 REALTOR OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

Name of Nominee: _____

Business Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

1. **ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS** (use additional sheets if necessary); ***It is not necessary to complete all sections.***

A. **REALTOR PROFESSIONALISM:** (high principles, faithfulness to laws and regulations, the Code of Ethics, and the furtherance of principles of good real estate practice among other brokers and general public)

B. **REALTOR DESIGNATIONS:** (Designations, advanced education and/ or training)

C. **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** (local, state and national level of participation in civic and service clubs, charitable activities, political activities, fraternal or religious groups, etc.)

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2. **LOCAL BOARD ACTIVITY:** (Board offices and committee work, special assignments, seminar activity and education work, membership and offices held in local chapters or institutes, etc.)

3. **STATE ASSOCIATION ACTIVITY:** (State offices held and committee work, attendance and participation at IAR Conferences, Board of Directors meetings and educational conferences, etc.)

4. **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS ACTIVITY:** (National offices and committee work, membership and work in institutes, attendance at NAR conventions, etc.)

5. **OTHER COMMENTS:**

Submitted By:

Name: _____

Office: _____

Please return completed form and photo of nominee (if available) to:

Iris Muccigrosso, Executive Officer

La Porte County Association of REALTORS

P.O. Box 248, La Porte, IN 46352

Email: lpcar@frontier.com or lpcar@comcastbiz.net

Forms must be submitted no later than February 17, 2025 (no exceptions)



RPAC: Your Best Investment in Real Estate

Since 1969, the REALTORS® Political Action Committee (RPAC) has promoted the election of pro-REALTOR® candidates across the United States. The purpose of RPAC is clear: REALTORS® raise and spend money to elect candidates who understand and support their interests. The money to accomplish this comes from voluntary contributions made by REALTORS®. These are not members' dues; this is money given freely by REALTORS® in recognition of how important campaign fundraising is to the political process. RPAC doesn't buy votes. RPAC enables REALTORS® to support candidates that support the issues that are important to their profession and livelihood.



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February 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>The board office will be operating remotely. In-person office visits by appointment only! Lockbox requests must be initiated through NIRA and appointment for pickup at board office must be made.</p>						1
2	3	4 Board of Director Meeting at 11:30 a.m. at Coolspring Branch/La Porte Library	5	6	7 2025 Indiana Third House Session at Purdue NW. 8:30 a.m.	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Happy Valentine's Day	15
16	17 President's Day—Office closed.	18 Committee Chair/Co-chair meeting 9:00 a.m.	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	