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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF REALTORS

AUGUST, 2018

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I cannot believe it's August already! Where has summer gone? It's been a busy summer. I hope you all are enjoying it and having fun. Balance is so important in our career, remember you need to take care of you, nobody else will.

The Board of Directors made some decisions on the website. We will be getting a sneak peek at our August Board of Directors Meeting. We are hoping to have the full roll out at the September Installation meeting. A new JCBR logo was chosen by the Directors. We had great entries! Thank you all who submitted a logo design. We have lots of talent in our membership.

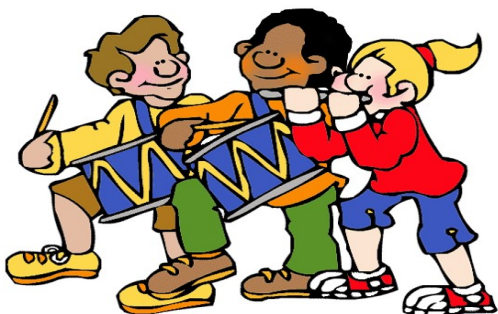
Mark your calendars for August 9, our "Meet and Greet" for \$5 at Sandy Beach restaurant. Should be fun and don't forget to bring your school supplies for the kids in need in the county.

Remember Martha, our local agent who is serving overseas to protect our freedom. Thank you Martha! Her kids will receive school supplies from our collection. Hope to see you all August 9 and remember to ALWAYS BE KIND!!

Ann

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UPCOMING JEFFERSON COUNTY PARADES



September 16 – Gemuetlichkeit parade Jefferson
October 19 – Harry Potter Festival parade Jefferson
November 10 – Lighted Holiday parade – Fort Atkinson
November 24 – Christmas parade – Watertown
November 30 – Christmas parade – Whitewater
December 1 – Christmas parade – Palmyra

JCBR Summer Social Event



HERING'S SAND BAR

345 Sandy Beach Road
Lake Mills

Thursday, August 9

5 to 7 PM \$5.00

Please join us on the patio (*weather permitting*) to eat, drink and celebrate summer with your fellow Realtors and Affiliates.

Appetizers - wings, curds, pub fries and drinks - beer, soda, sangria will be served

As we did last year, we are collecting school supplies to help those children in need. In addition, this year with the supplies collected, we will also be assisting our deployed agent Martha Ortiz's children: Gage 12, Madelyn 13 and Josh 15.

RSVP to Heidi Kabat

hkabat@remax.net

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Convention Registration

The WRA grants each Board/Association one FREE convention registration.

Criteria for the FREE Registration for the September 17-18 Convention follows:

- ♦ Registration must be given, not sold and is not transferable
- ♦ Recipient must be a member of good standing
- ♦ Financial need is not necessarily a prerequisite
- ♦ Recipient may not be a local board of director
- ♦ Deadline for submission is August 24, 2018
- ♦ Recipient may add ticketed items at their own cost.

For the chance to win FREE convention registration complete the registration form
www.wra.org/convention

Email the completed form back to the board office at myjcbr@gmail.com no later than Friday, August 17, 2018

The winning registration form will be drawn by the Board on Tuesday August 21st and the winner will be contacted by email or phone.

ONCE AGAIN

The WRA will be offering the Two-Fer program again. A WRA member registers for a full convention pass and receives a promotional code that can be sent to another WRA member who has never been to the WRA Annual Convention or has not attended in the past 5 years. The person is able to register for a lower fee. For example, Early registration (if you register by 8/16), the fee would be \$125 and the Two-Fer would be \$62. Registrations can be made on line at www.wra.org/convention



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To submit changes, go to our website and click on Membership tools and complete page 2 of the application. Or email the Board office at myjcbr@gmail.com

Message from **MARTHA**

Martha has been deployed and is no longer in Illinois. Still in the states and will ship over seas the first week in August. It is hot where they are and there is no air conditioning in their barracks.



Martha sends her best to all of us and is thinking of us and thanks us for our support of her children during her absence. Martha states "I really appreciate all the help from everyone..... From the bottom of my heart, thank you."



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Email: support@techhelpline.com

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PROPOSED SOLAR FARM TO BE BUILT IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

**READ THIS
NOW**

From: Cheryl Creydt <ccreydt@hotmail.com>

Date: Mon, Jul 23, 2018 at 1:56 PM

Subject: Solar Farm in Jefferson County

Hello to all!

I wanted to touch base with you all to find out if you are aware of the proposed Massive Solar Farm which is being planned for Jefferson County within the Townships of Watertown, Ixonia, Concord and now Farmington is being added. They are planning on leasing from the land owners 2000-3000 acres to install 8' solar panels, which will follow the sun tipping up to a height of 15'. These fields will be surrounded by 7' chain link fences and have 2 rows of barred wire on the top, due to the fact that there is high voltage inside. It is a great deal for the land owner who will sign a 25 year lease and be paid \$800 an acre with a 2% increase each year. The land owners will not have to pay the taxes on this land, Invenergy will subsidize the townships and county. But what will happen to our beautiful area? Economics? Wild life? Home values? Water run off? The damage to our roads as they construct these farms, using their large trucks? After their lease is up then what, does the land owner have to pay for the clean up of this toxic waste, or will it be forced back on the county because they can't afford it?

I personally will be effected by this and as an appraiser and real estate agent can only imagine what this will do to our home values in the area! I've lived within 1 mile of Pipersville my entire life, my great grand parents settled here in the early 1800's, it breaks my heart to see this happen!

The state of WI is new to the solar farm industry and has no regulations set in place as of yet. The PSC is in charge of this project. We as residents need to voice our opinions before it's too late and they come in and rape our natural beauty and then walk away in later years after they have filled their pockets!

I have been involved with some of my neighbors in getting the word out to others, either through door knocking and social media. I have contacted WRA and spoke with an Attorney there and he told me that the WRA has funds available just for things like this! Thus, this is why I am contacting you! He told me that Roz was the one to speak with on the board to get you guys to petition for funds for either a large news paper add or to mail out flyers! Unfortunately most people don't get the Watertown Daily Times anymore and with our door knocking we had found that no one knew anything about this! This is why we'd like to get a flyer out to as many people as we can!

The neighborhood group has a facebook page- Solar Freeze WI which has some info and comments from others, unfortunately some comments can be pretty rough!

I will attach the Wdtimes article and the info that we have been handing out!

The Co Invenergy will be presenting the project to the Ixonia Planning Commission on Wednesday

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

SOLAR FARM IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

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night at 7:00 pm at the town hall and is open to the public! We encourage everyone to attend! I've also included a very interesting article about what these large LLC companies have done with the wind farms! Now that a lot of states, including WI will no longer allow them, they are starting on the solar farms!

http://www.lockportjournal.com/opinion/local-landowners-don-t-let-your-liberties-be-gone-with/article_198f4c90-0a8e-5adb-94f9-acac0c61946c.html

Local landowners, don't let your liberties be gone with ... www.lockportjournal.com It has often been said that the "devil is in the details." Legal language in the "confidentiality contracts" found in the agreements between industrial wind LLCs and landowners is the

www.wdtimes.com/news/local/article_8a37eeb2-6f25-11e8-826a-7fa0b65b15a4.htm

International firm eyes Concord for massive solar panel installation www.wdtimes.com CONCORD -- A substantial portion of the scenic rural landscape south of the We Energies Concord Generating Station along County Highway E to Interstate 94 could be seeing some interesting

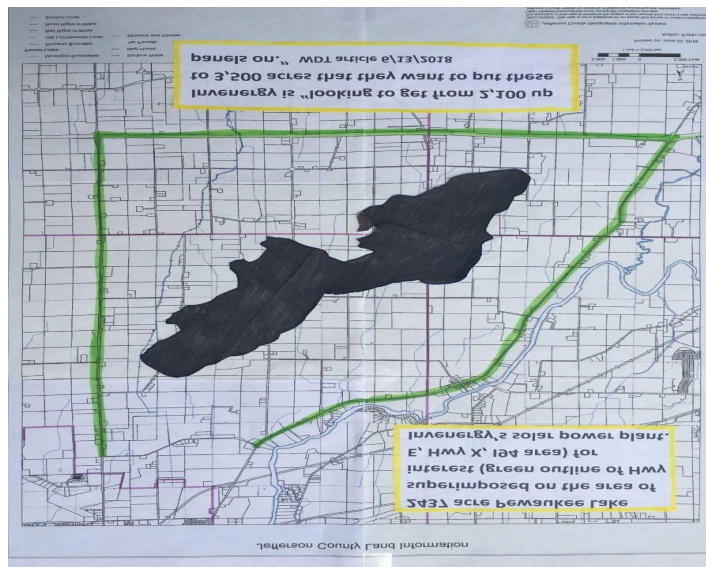
I wait for your comments! Hopefully I may see some of you Wednesday evening in Ixonia!

Cheryl Creydt

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2018 ORIENTATION DATES

January 19, 2018
8:30am - 3:30pm

February 16, 2018
8:30am - 3:30pm

March 16, 2018
10:00am – 5:00pm

April 19, 2018
8:30 – 3:30

May 17, 2018
8:30am - 3:30pm

June 14, 2018
10:00am – 5:00pm

August 16, 2018
8:30am - 3:30pm

September 14, 2018
8:30am - 3:30pm

October 19, 2018
10:00am – 5:00

November 16, 2018
8:30am - 3:30pm

Contact: Beth Fletcher
800 422-8831

4801 Forrest Run Rd 101
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2018 ORIENTATION DATES*

(all Tuesdays)

January 9

February 6

March 6

April 3

May 8

June 5

July 17

August 7

September 11

October 9

November 6

December 4

*All classes will be held at the Radisson Hotel,
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**Shannon Streich of
Re/Max Community**

In addition to Shannon, entries were submitted by Lon Profit and Chris Nash of Century 21 Integrity and Belle Luhman of Century 21 Endeavor.

The Board would like to thank those members who participated.

Shannon will receive \$125 to use towards convention or CE/Education.

Watch for details on the debut of the Jefferson County Board of Realtors' new logo.

Spread a little Sunshine



If you know of anyone that needs a little sunshine in their life, please bring it to our attention. Send an email to ROZ at myjcbr@gmail.com