



WCR Rhode Island Chapter

Winter 2010

Thank you to all for a wonderful Installation/Holiday party



Congratulations!!!

2009 Member of the Year - Judy Howard
2009 Entrepreneur of the Year - Barbara Jagolinzer



Chapter Notes:

Please see our Chapter's updated website

2010 Inspiration by Belinda Nattress:

The Carpenter's House - Author Unknown

An elderly carpenter was ready to retire. He told his employer-contractor of his plans to leave the house building business and live a more leisurely life with his wife

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WANTED: Committee members and volunteers. If you are interested in being more involved with our Chapter, please contact Shannon Buss at 401-714-7056 or at shannonbuss@kw.com

We are on Facebook & Linked In!!! Please connect with us by searching for "RI Chapter Women's Council of Realtors"

Go to www.wcr.org check that your contact information is correct on the National WCR site before the 2010 referral roster is printed. Also, if you renewed your membership by 12/31/09, you can upload your photo for free!!! Don't forget to upgrade your listing...it is where members go to find referrals!!!

Welcome to our newest members...AnnaMarie Ringheim, Karl Martone, Libby Kirwin, Melissa Perrille, Noelle Shiland, Erica Sousa, Connor Dowd, Herb Armstrong, & Sarah Principe

If you change your email address, please send Shannon Buss (shannonbuss@kw.com) or Nancy Rutter (N_Rutter@cox.net) a quick note. You don't want to miss out on an event announcement.



Officers:

Shannon Buss, President
Michelle Drum, Pres. Elect
Maureen Mills, VP Membership
Anna Anton, Secretary
Cynthia Valenti Smith, Treasurer

enjoying his extended family.

He would miss the paycheck, but he needed to retire. They could get by. The contractor was sorry to see his good worker go and asked if he could build just one more house as a personal favor. The carpenter said yes, but in time it was easy to see that his heart was not in his work. He resorted to shoddy workmanship and used inferior materials. It was an unfortunate way to end his career.

When the carpenter finished his work and the builder came to inspect the house, the contractor handed the front-door key to the carpenter. "This is your house, " he said, "my gift to you."

What a shock! What a shame! If he had only known he was building his own house, he would have done it all so differently. Now he had to live in the home he had built none too well.

So it is with us. We build our lives in a distracted way, reacting rather than acting, willing to put up less than the best. At important points we do not give the job our best effort. Then with a shock we look at the situation we have created and find that we are now living in the house we have built. If we had realized that we would have done it differently.

Think of yourself as the carpenter. Think about your house. Each day you hammer a nail, place a board, or erect a wall. Build wisely. It is the only life you will ever build. Even if you live it for only one day more, that day deserves to be lived graciously and with dignity. The plaque on the wall says, "Life is a do-it-yourself project." Your life tomorrow will be the result of your attitudes and the choices you make today.



Dates to Remember

GENERAL MEETINGS/PROGRAMS:

Free for Members, \$15.00 for Non-members

FEBRUARY 8th

"Message from the Mountain: Mt. Everest's lessons for building a successful business"

Based on the story of Alison Levine, featured in Realtor Magazine on Aug. 27, 2009

Speaker - Judy Moses, Past National WCR President

Location: Holiday Inn Express, 855 West Main Rd., Middletown (next to Chili's)

12:00 - 2:00 pm

- Tackling Fear
- Taking Responsible Risks
- Keeping Focus

MARCH 1st

"Green Is In" with FREE Breakfast

Speaker - Ralph Plumb of Atlantic Building

Location: Brick Alley Pub, 140 Thames St # 1, Newport
Program and Breakfast sponsored by Atlantic Building

Are you interested in becoming a member of the WCR?

Contact Maureen Mills @
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or email BuyBuyMoe@aol.com

9:00 - 11:00am

- What is "Green" and Why is it Important in Your Home
- How to Easily Diagnose Energy Efficiency Problems
- Cost v. Benefit Analysis of Green and Energy Efficient Improvements
- 10 Steps to Improving A Home's Energy Efficiency

Governing Board Meetings:

February 26th 8:00am @ Keller Williams

March 26th 8:00am @ NCBR