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February 20 - 22
Winter Meeting
Austin, TX

March 12
Monthly Meeting
South Shore Harbour
League City

March 20 - 22
Marketing to Women Summit
Chicago, IL

May 14 - 17
Home & Garden Show
League City Convention Center

May 14 - 17
NAR/WCR Mid Year
Mid Year Political Event



from the
President

We are underway! The 2009 officers are installed, the speeches made and work has begun. 2008 with its challenges is behind us and great things are ahead of us. The January meeting is a case in point. It was full of energy and fun. Stacy Jenkins, VP of Membership had a real revival going on. The music had us on our feet, clapping and dancing and singing and that was about membership. Craig Foster, CPA entertained and enlightened us about TAXES, of all things, and we had a good time with him too. We want you to include WCR in your list of things to do in 2009 and trust you will come, bring your business cards and network to build business and personal relationships. Plan now to be part of the Referral Roster; get online with WCR National and put your information on the electronic roster as well.

The webinar on January 15th was over the heads of most, who attended, but the information was good and the free stuff may prove to be the best information of all.

TAR/WCR Winter Meeting is slated for the 19-22 of February in Austin. I encourage those interested in future leadership to consider attending. The state organization has a lot to offer. I hope some of you will take advantage of the opportunities that come our way every chance you get. ARE YOU READY??? At Bay Area WCR we are definitely READY!!!

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We are a community of real estate professionals creating business opportunities, developing skills for the future and achieving our individual potential for success.

Installation of 2009 Officers & Awards

**Betty Hodges and
Kathleen Tacl with
Installing Officer
Mary Ann Jeffers
Texas State WCR 2008
President**



**Donna Newding
receives
Business Woman
of the Year 2008**

**Johnna Little
receives the Chapter's
Member of the Year
Award for 2008**





**Melanie Davenport
receives
Affiliate of the Year
2008**



**Janet Rose receives
the Golden Rule 2008
Award**



**Sponsors for the Installation
of Officers were
Glen Hodges, Appraiser and
Keller Williams Pearland
Al Rincon, Judy Berno and
Don Jones standing w/Bett**

November Luncheon Meeting



**Dollye Scruggs Selling
Tickets For
the Coach Bag Drawing**



**Congratulations Norma Ramos
The Coach Bag is stuffing and
you wear it well!**



**Wayne Miller wins the orange
Poncho - Congratulations**



2009 District Meeting

You missed it! What did I miss? A great WCR District Meeting which was held at the University of Phoenix Building in Houston on Thursday morning, February 5, 2009. Our Chapter was represented by your President Betty Hodges, President Elect Donna Newding, Ways and Means Chair Donna Eckels, Tena Mikula and Norma Ramos. We went to network, shop and learn something about First Responders in Emergency situations.

The meeting was power packed with information on WCR. The speaker Mark Sloan from the Houston Emergency Management Services shared interesting statistics from Hurricane Ike and reminded us all that we are also First Responders. The police and fire departments, medical personnel and government officials cannot handle everything. There are not enough people in place to take care of a major disaster in any large city. True First Responders number 1% or less of any population they serve. He said we have to take care of ourselves in time of trouble by taking massive action and getting trained to help others was his suggestion.

Do things as simple as checking in on neighbors to learning CPR and other life saving task requirements. CERTS (Certified Emergency Response Team Service) is one good way to prepare our populace for any major emergency. He share the surrounding counties have these teams in place with more coming on board everyday. If you are interested in making a difference go online and become a volunteer.

We enjoyed a good lunch, short visits with our fellow WCR members from other Chapters and even had time to shop before coming home. Next year, plan to attend. There is always something positive and interesting for those that attend.

Respectfully, Betty Hodges



Ethel O'Dell/Montgomery County; The Sentienias, the sponsors, he's/w the Univ. of Phoenix, she's w/North American Title; Susie Benitez of Greater West Houston, & our own Donna Newding.



Our own Norma Ramos with Sherry Hartford, our District D Governor; Karen Carolton/Montgomery County;& Vicki Palmer LCP of Ft. Bend Chapter



Donna with Lori Robinson of Red Tangles and Vicki Palmer of Ft. Bend Chapter

Hats Off

By Darlene Nicholson

If you missed the January 8, 2009 meeting of the Bay Area WCR at South Shore Country Club you missed a tremendous way to start 2009. Enthusiasm ran high with a great turnout of Realtor and Affiliate members and guests. Betty Hodges, 2009 President Extraordinaire, introduced her officers, Donna Newding, President-Elect; Stacey Jenkins, Vice President of Membership; Vicki Rye Secretary and Maureen Davison Treasurer. WOW what a team!

The Bay Area WCR meets the Thursday of the month at South Shore Country Club, 4300 South Shore Blvd, League City TX with networking from 11am-11:30 am bring your business card, wear your badge and get to know someone new. The luncheon meeting follows ending at 1pm. The "Location" can't be beat and neither can the price, make a reservation—its' FREE if you are a WCR Realtor member. For all others the ticket price is \$20.00. Gee, you might think about joining.

The year promises to be filled with lots of fun, information and comradery. A membership contest is in the works until March 31, 2009. Be watching for prize information coming soon. With Stacy Jenkins in charge expect the unexpected. Loved the music Stacy!! You can count on Donna Newding to get the greatest speakers AND programs for our pleasure. Maureen Davison, Chapter Treasurer will keep our finances straight. Thank her when you check-in as the Treasurer has a thankless job at times.

Vicki Rye wears two hats this year one being Chapter Secretary and the other being in charge of the Spotlight Tables. For more information email her at @alliedhomewarranty. or call her at 281-827-1146. You wear those hats well, Vickie.

We have a "Member of the Month" each month. This is someone who has gone above and beyond serving our Chapter. Barbara Spencer, November's Member of the Month presented Norma Ramos with the Member of the Month Award for January. Betty Hodges described Norma as one of those "angels" when asked to help jumped in and said where and when. Congratulations Norma.

There is so much more to say but I have a deadline and presses are waiting.

February's meeting was Thursday, February 12, 2009—Honoring Our Past Presidents. This is always a special meeting. Come meet the Ladies and Gent who have served our Chapter with their blood, sweat and tears; and learn a tad bit about our Chapter's history and find out what makes our Chapter so special.

Hope you enjoy all the pictures. The Camera Lady is our own Barbara Spencer. Thanks Barb.

Signing off for now--DN

Keep Us Updated

Got a new e-mail address? Or have you moved to a new company? Be sure to notify National WCR of all changes to your contact information – from phone numbers and mailing addresses to Web sites and e-mails. An address correction form appears in WCR's annual membership

directory, the *Referral Roster*, and it can be faxed to National WCR 312-329-3290. Also, an online correction form is available at www.wcr.org. Or e-mail contact information changes to National WCR at wcr@wcr.org, or call toll free to 800-245-8512.

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