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York County Council Newsletter

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A Message from President Pete Clark:

Hello everyone and welcome to 2008!

Our holiday party held on December 14th at Clay Hill Farm was a festive evening and a fun time was had by all who attended. A special thank you goes out to the following sponsors for their continued support of our holiday party: Adams Title Services, Arthur Gary School of Real Estate, Biddeford Savings Bank, Kim Chilton of Residential Mortgage Services, Cornerstone Valuation Services, Countrywide Home Loan Corporation, First American Title Insurance Company, First Horizon Home Loan Corporation, Granite Settlement Services, Great East Mortgage, Kennebunk Savings Bank, The Real Estate Learning Group, Residential Mortgage Services, Saco & Biddeford Savings Institution and Southern Maine Home Inspections. We greatly appreciate the support of our sponsors!

Our Affordable Housing fuel fund continues to be very successful. In 2007, through the generosity of many York County REALTORS®, our fund was able to assist 38 individuals and families in need of fuel assistance. The ones that receive our assistance are always very appreciative.

Our first Board of Trustees meeting was held on January 16th. At this meeting details for the year were finalized and goals for the Scholarship, Affordable Housing and Public Relations/Communications Committees were established. The York County Council has a long tradition of providing assistance to deserving citizens throughout York County. It is through the efforts of the Scholarship and Affordable Housing Committees that we are able to organize our fundraising activities. Our Public Relations/Communications Committee is responsible for inviting local newspapers and to promote and recognize the events of the Council. New faces are always welcome on these committees, so please let me or any one of the trustees listed on the left of this page know if you would like to become involved. We would love to have you participate!

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A Message from President Pete Clark (continued):

We have decided to try something a little different with the holiday party this year. It will be held on Friday, December 12 at The Coastal House in Wells and will be looking at something different for entertainment instead of a dance with a band. We hope we can count on your participation. More details will be provided as soon as they become available.

If you would like to contact me, with ideas or comments, please do so at bonnyeagle@aol.com or call me at Bonny Eagle Associates at 727-3700. I hope many of you will attend the upcoming February Membership Meeting taking place on Tuesday, February 12th.

Upcoming Membership Meeting: The next meeting of the York County Membership is scheduled for Tuesday, February 12, 2008, at The Coastal House in Wells. Registration: 8:00 a.m.; Breakfast & Membership Meeting: 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.; “Short-Sales, Foreclosures and Bankruptcy” (3 hours c.e. credit): 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. A registration form is enclosed.

York County Scholarship: April 25th is the deadline for receipt of scholarship applications. Annually, the York County Council of REALTORS® provides 4-6 \$1,500 scholarships to York County graduating seniors. Scholarship information is posted at <http://realtorscholarship.com>.

New Members: In order to become a York County Council member, an individual must complete the membership application and pay an application fee. Because we have provisional membership, new REALTOR® applicants become members as soon as they pay their dues. New members are required to take an orientation class that includes the REALTOR® Code of Ethics when offered in order to keep their membership privileges active.

Membership Rosters: Members may request a current membership roster mailed or e-mailed in Adobe Acrobat format, please e-mail tanya@mainerealtors.com.

Meeting Schedule: The schedule for the year is printed below.

February 12	Breakfast	The Coastal House, Wells	“Short-Sales, Foreclosures and Bankruptcy”
March 11	Breakfast	Stage Neck Inn, York	Economic Update w/Gerard Cassidy
April 8	Breakfast	Jonathan’s Restaurant, Ogunquit	MLS, MAR & Foundation Update
May 6	Dinner	Holiday Inn Express, Saco	Scholarship Auction
June 10	Dinner	Spring Hill, South Berwick	ROTY, AOTY & Scholarship Awards
September 9	Dinner	Foster’s Clambake, York	Lobster Bake
November 4	Breakfast	Holiday Inn Express, Saco	“Legal Update - 2008”
December 12	Dinner	The Coastal House, Wells	Holiday Party

Visit our Websites: <http://yorkcountycouncil.com> and <http://realtorscholarship.com>

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☞ **Plan to Attend the York County Membership Meeting on Tuesday, February 12th** ☞