

**TO:** All Members of the Midd-Shore Association of REALTORS®

**FROM:** Midd-Shore Association President Elect, Karen Stephens

It's committee time again! A lot of hard work has gone into making our committees more meaningful and productive. This cannot become a reality without the help of a great number of members. If you haven't been involved with the Association in the past, I invite you to take a look at the following committee descriptions and sign up for one that may interest you. By being involved you can have a say in the direction that your Association takes. If you have questions regarding any of the committees, please feel free to call the Association Office at (860) 395-0588.

## **2012 Midd-Shore Association Committee Request Form**

- ❖ **Legislative/Political Affairs:** The committee is responsible for proactively representing the Association's interest in public policy matters at the State level, as well as local public policy issues, developing and participating in coalitions, supporting CAR and NAR's political programs and promoting effective REALTOR® involvement in the political process.
- ❖ **Orientation:** To better educate the new members of the MSAR in all regards to the workings of the Association, with special attention given to contracts and forms, and to provide the NAR mandated Code of Ethics training.
- ❖ **Professional Standards:** To educate members on ethical conduct; to arbitrate disputes; and to follow through on complaints pertaining to the ethical conduct of REALTORS®. In order to serve on this committee, a member must have served on the Grievance Committee for at least one year. Committee members must complete an intensive 2-day Professional Standards course and receive the PSCS designation.
- ❖ **Community Relations:** To develop realistic programs and projects that will reinforce public awareness and respect for REALTORS®.
- ❖ **Grievance:** The Committee is responsible for making determinations as to whether there is any validity to a complaint that would justify holding a hearing. Committee meets only when needed.
- ❖ **Risk Reduction:** Responsible for providing risk reduction programs and servicing members' requests for legal information related to the practice of real estate.
- ❖ **Political Fund Raising:** The committee is responsible for coordinating the Association's RPAC fundraising and Issues Advocacy campaigns.
- ❖ **Program:** To work with the Association staff to organize programs and procure sponsorship for such events. Committee meets prior to every General Membership Meeting
- ❖ **Awards Committee:** Reviews nominations/applications for all Midd-Shore Awards.

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**Committee Choices:** 1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

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