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December President's Message

t's hard to believe that 2023 is nearly over and along with that, my term as your Lubbock Association of REALTORS® President. The past year was the year to demonstrate our REALTOR® value and there are so many ways we've done that in 2023.

We started the year off strong with a great Clue-themed installation. It was the perfect way for us to gather to celebrate our association, our new directors and our new leadership. Our association has seen steady growth in 2023. Here in Lubbock, we are seeing people want to join our Association because they see a Realtor career to set their own business model and a way to be a part of something really special.

One of the memories I will cherish in 2023 is our trip to Washington in May for the Mid-Year Legislative Meetings. We had the opportunity to spend time with Jody Arrington's staff during our trip. These are the people who have his ear and we were able to share things we deal with in West Texas and on the South Plains.

Although his staff understands the political process, they don't know the details of how Texas does business. By the end of that meeting, I know that Jody's staff had a better idea of how property taxes are calculated and what they can do in Washington, DC that will have a positive impact on West Texas. It's like Congressman Arrington always says, we are the food, fiber and fuel for America!

Who can forget the great Rap Out of 2023? With great communication and creativity, we not only got through a difficult time regarding our MLS and managements systems, but we continued to thrive. Our members rallied together to serve the real estate needs of the South Plains



with the resolve not to let the cyber criminals dictate how we do business in West Texas.

This year we were able to make some improvements to our buildings with the addition of our LAR signage and a rework of our landscaping. These new projects celebrate our Association and our REALTOR® trademark. If you haven't been by the LAR office lately, I encourage you to do so and check out our beautiful facilities.

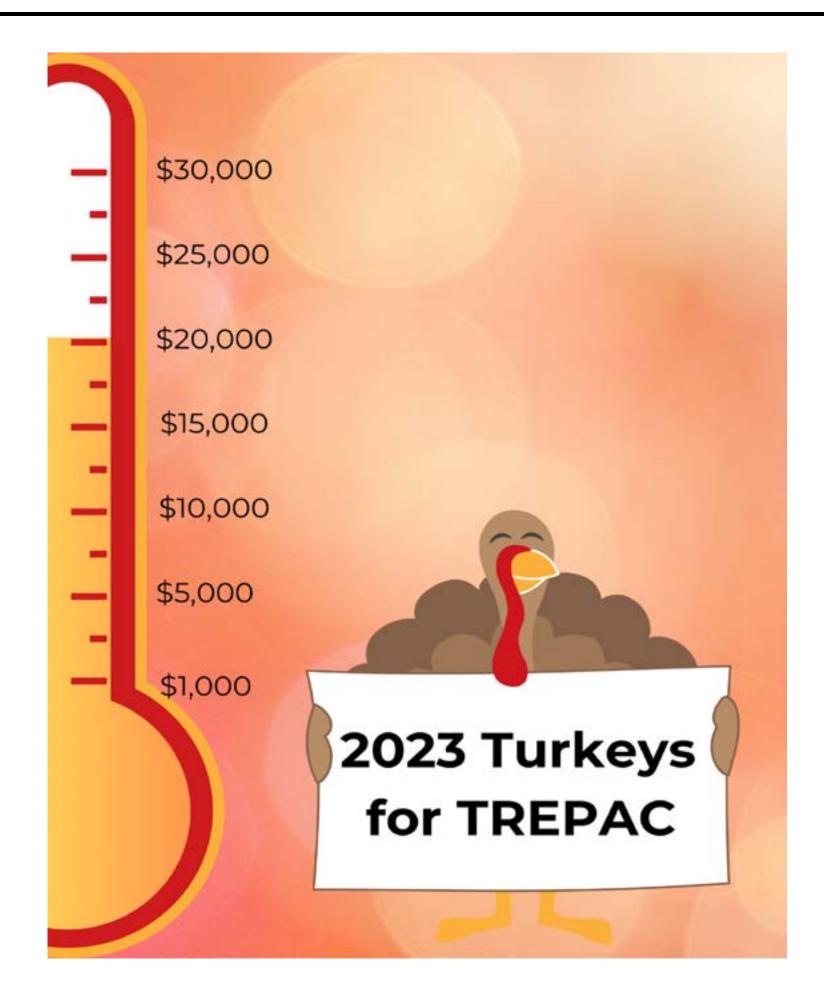
One of my duties as president has been to facilitate the Strategic Plan for 2023-2026. I've been working with the upcoming leadership to make sure there is a seamless transition as we move from 2023 to 2024. We have set our goals; our committees are ready to go and 2024 is right around the corner. I would encourage our Real Producers reading this to get involved and consider joining a committee. We

would love to have you.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't mention our amazing TREPAC year. We not only met our goal, but we smashed it and set a new high watermark! Our members invested \$197,412! It's been an amazing year, and we are off to a great start with our 2024 TREPAC investment year with our Turkeys for TREPAC.

Thank you for your support and encouragement during 2023! It has been my honor to serve YOU as your LAR President! May your business be prosperous and blessed in 2024 and beyond!













TREPAC Participation Levels

RPAC Hall of Fame

RPAC Hall of Fame is awarded to members who have invested \$25,000 or more throughout their career as a REALTOR®. This is a lifetime award achievement.

RPAC Major Investor Program

RPAC's Major Investor program consists of an elite and passionate group of REALTOR® investors who give a minimum annual investment of \$1,000 or more.

RPAC Platinum R Member

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$10,000 or more in one year will be recognized as a Platinum R major investor. Individual members can then sustain their Platinum R status with an annual investment of \$5,000.

RPAC Golden R Member

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$5,000 in one year will be recognized as a Golden R major investor. Members can then sustain their Golden R status with an annual investment of \$2,000.

RPAC Crystal R Member

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$2,500 in one year will be recognized as

a Crystal R major investor. Members can then sustain their Crystal R status with an annual investment of \$1,500.

RPAC Sterling R Program

A Texas REALTOR* investing \$1,000 in one year will be recognized as a Sterling R major investor.

Capitol Club

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$500 to \$999 in one year becomes a Capitol Club member.

Lone Star Statesman

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$250 to \$499 in one year becomes a Lone Star Statesman.

110 Club Member

A Texas REALTOR® investing \$110 to \$249 in one year becomes a 110 Club Member.

Participation Club Member

Any Texas REALTOR* investing \$35 to \$109 is considered a member of TREPAC.

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November Membership Stats



LAR Membership Counts as of November 30, 2023.
There was a 1.46 percent increase from November 2022.

1,734 Total members
193 Designated REALTORS*
1,473 REALTORS*
43 Appraisers
25 REALTORS* Emeritus

MLS only participants/subscribers
108 MLS only Designated REALTORS*
108 MLS only REALTORS*

24 MLS only Appraisers

REALTOR® Membership Applications*

Franklin Pirelli, Exit Realty of Lubbock Matt Valle, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Premier Properties Jordan Brown, Progressive Properties Holly Northcutt, Keller Williams Realty Collin Gossett, Keller Williams Realty Collin Stephenson, Exit Realty of Lubbock Cody Thurman, Veritas Real Estate Company

Kelly Engelbrecht, Aycock Realty Group, LLC

Sonya Young, Madewell Real Estate Company

Anita Lopez, Bray Real Estate Group Duncan Douglas, Progressive Properties Micah Lust, Keller Williams Realty

Designated REALTORS®

Siairra Tharp, Southern Magnolia Real Estate

Transfers

Jonathan Aguayo, Progressive Properties to Brick & Loft Realty Irma Carrasco, JPAR Lubbock to Centry 21 Kearney & Associates Whitney Pendergrass, McDougal, REALTORS to Keller Williams Realty Tayci Green, McDougal, REALTORS to Keller Williams Realty Jeremy Steen, McDougal, REALTORS, to Keller Williams Realty Haley Mimms, McDougal, REALTORS, to Keller Williams Realty

Kevin Cranfill, McDougal, REALTORS, to

Keller Williams Realty

Mitchell Mason, Reside Real Estate Co., to Keller Williams Realty

Kaylee LaDuke, Exit Realty of Lubbock, to Reside Real Estate Co.

Alyssa Herrmann, Bray Real Estate Group, to Milestone Realty Group Hillary Martin, ALL Real Estate, LLC, to

Southern Magnolia Real Estate Jennifer Loper, RE/MAX Lubbock, to

Reside Real Estate Co. Lindsay Thompson, ALL Real Estate, LLC, to Southern Magnolia Real Estate Shaw Wofford, Mackenzie Appraisal

Company, to Linker, REALTORS Margaret Gaydon, Amicus Realty, to Southern Magnolia Real Estate Lindsey Stanczak, Amicus Realty, to Southern Magnolia Real Estate

Misty Nance, Minnix Property
Management, to Coldwell Banker Trusted
Advisors

Daniel Martinez, Exit Realty of Lubbock, to Minnix Property Management Zach Hinojos, Reside Real Estate Co., to Redondo 5 Realty

Amanda Cox, Amicus Realty, to Southern Magnolia Real Estate

Kelly Sorrells, Amy Tapp Realty, to Southern Magnolia Real Estate Tiffany Norris, Amicus Realty, to Southern

Magnolia Real Estate Amy Rohrer, Reside Real Estate Co., to Southern Magnolia Real Estate Courtney Jordan, Taylor Reid Realty, to

Amy Tapp Realty Amanda Bennett, Minnix Property Management, to Coldwell Banker Trusted Advisors

Jim Rosson, RE/MAX Lubbock, to Aycock Realty Group, LLC

Miscellaneous Changes

Tayci Green, Keller Williams Realty, change to MLS member
Tucker Smothermon reinstated with Brady Collier, Broker
Sole' Placencia reinstated with eXp Realty LLC
LeighAnn Ramirez reinstated with Keller Williams Realty
Misty Nance, Coldwell Banker Trusted Advisors, change to MLS member
Daniel Martinez, Minnix Property

Management, change to non-MLS member

Cancellations

Benjamin King, Brick & Loft Realty Demeri Cobb, Brick & Loft Realty Arlen Whitlow, Texas Home and Land Connection

Jessica Cano, West Sage, REALTORS
Jay Long, Exit Realty of Lubbock
Kinsley Scott, Reside Real Estate Co.
Jaci Stewart, Nathan Jordan Real Estate
Jason Vinson, Keller Williams Realty
Tom Hackney, Hackney Appraisal Service
Adrian Reimer, Exit Realty of Lubbock
Aaron Cannon, GRACO Real Estate
Development

Stephanie Allison, Amicus Realty Glenda Mercer, The WestMark Companies Courtney Blackstock, Bray Real Estate Group

Sandy Mackenzie, Mackenzie Appraisal

Company

Ali Brorman, Brick & Loft Realty Collen Melton, Keller Williams Realty Jade Williams, Keller Williams Realty Jodi Sowell, West Sage, REALTORS Susie Ysasaga Ramos, Reside Real Estate Co.

Jason Jones, Reside Real Estate Co.

MLS Only

Laura Sales, The Sales Team Realtors Cindy Lanham, Lake Homes Realty, LLC, cancelled

Joel Cooke, The Sales Team Realtors Cindy Wade, All City Real Estate, Ltd. Co. Bruce Jones, Lake Homes Realyt, LLC, cancelled

Irene Ishak, Oasis Properties, cancelled David Ishak, Oasis Properties, cancelled Peter DiBenedetto, Realty United, LLC Joe Garcia, Realty United, LLC Jeff Brown, Jeff Brown Realty Group Felicia Odom, eXp Realty LLC Monica Rodriguez, Street Real Estate, cancelled Sijo Vadakkan, Realoq Inc Katie Mosher, Heritage Real Estate Timur Medaric, New Western Acquisitions, cancelled

Carlos Ibarra, Jr., New Western Acquisitions, cancelled Caleb Beacham, New Western Acquisitions, cancelled









The deadline to volunteer is December 8. Please sign up for the committee of

for the committee of your choice, even if you were on it this year. We ask volunteers to sign up each year.





Safer Showings. Smarter Engagements

December Training Opportunities

December 5, at 11 a.m. EST December 20, at 2 p.m. EST.



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Classes and Events

New Member Orientation

Tuesday, December 5 8:30 a.m to 1 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

Contracts Must be Written

Thursday, December 7 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

TREC Legal Update 1

Friday, December 8 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

TREC Legal Update 2

Friday, December 8 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

December Membership Meeting

Thursday, December 14 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Click **HERE** to register

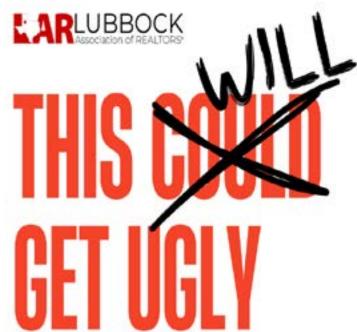
2024 Installation Banquet

Friday, January 12 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. More information to follow

January Membership Meeting

Thursday, January 25 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Click **HERE** to register





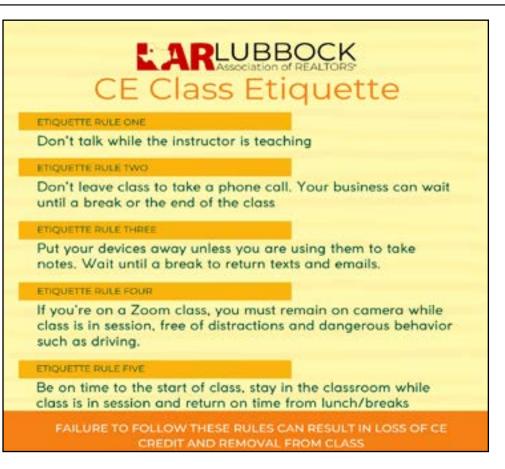
December Membership Meeting and Luncheon

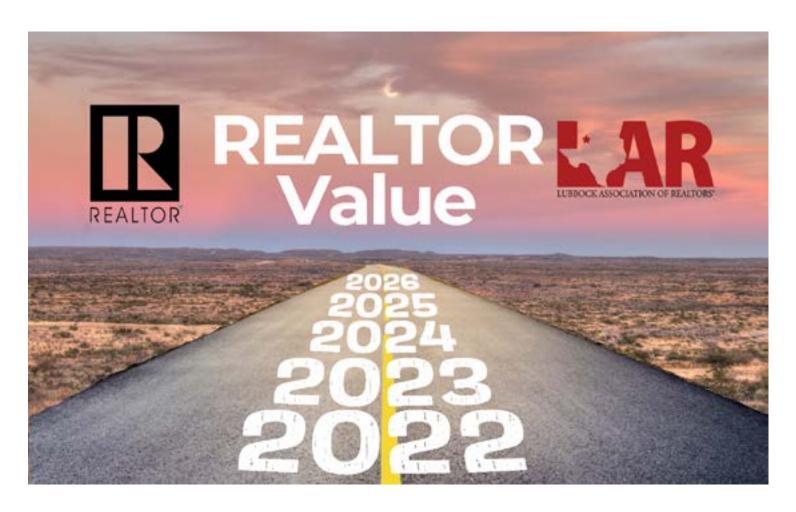
Ugly Sweater Contest, guess the baby picture, games, food, fun, and lots of giveaways!

Thursday, December 14 | 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

R.S.V.P. at bit.ly/1223LNCH







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