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Union County Association of Realtors Newsletter

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REMEMBER: If you have already taken your Code of Ethics between 2013 and now, please email certificate to Carol Hinson at

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so it can be recorded in NRDS. Every Realtor must have this course completed by the end of this year December 31, 2016!

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October 2016

Habitat house Realtor work morning 9-24-16



BEFORE



After



DON'T FORGET.....

- 1) **Dec. 14th** Christmas Luncheon
- 2) Take your Ethics course before 12/31/2016
- 3) **SAVE MONEY!** Reduce your annual dues by bringing Affiliates on board with UCAR

From the President...

9/11 was spent traveling to the NCAR Convention in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. A little odd having a North Carolina Realtors Convention in WVA, but the convention at the Greenbrier was an amazing experience! This convention almost did not take place because of the devastating floods from the summer. Some of the locals that I talked with said that over 9 inches of rain fell in what seemed like an hour's time. It literally looked like the rain was poured out of a bucket and engulfed the area. Restaurants were still closed, the town was still reeling, and the famous Greenbrier was being re-built and was completely under reconstruction. NAR President Tom Salomone, who was one of the keynote speakers, reported the NCAR contributed \$15,000 to the people of WVA for flood relief. NC Realtors not only contributed monetarily, but work sessions in the effected areas were held prior to, and at the conclusion of the convention. There were no CNN camera crews, and this was not front page reporting these good

Representing Union County and UCAR at the NC State Conference in Greenbrier in September



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deeds, but I believe this is typical of Realtors. In quiet unassuming ways, Realtors do amazing things, without a tremendous amount of fanfare or publicity. President Salomone stressed the importance of Realtors being involved in their respective communities and urged each of us to try and make a difference where we live. Since hearing this, I have been reflecting on what I personally contribute and also what we are doing as an Association. The Book Drive for Wingate Elementary School that we spearheaded at the first of the year and the trash pick-up in conjunction with Indian Trail Community Pride Week immediately came to mind. Most recently, on Sept. 24th, a very fine group of Union County realtors helped add the finishing touches to one of three Habitat Houses being built in Marshville. Bushes planted, mulch put out, grass seed and fertilizer, raking, trash removed, plants watered and a number of necessary tasks were completed. I represented UCAR at the dedication of the home the following week and witnessed the presentation of the key ceremony and saw the culmination of the entire project. I met the excited family who were the new homeowners. I must say, I have admired the work of Habitat from afar, but after being a miniscule part of the process for a couple of weeks, I am so impressed! The new homeowners must contribute 500 hours of sweat equity and this is clearly not a give-away program. Each family must be totally involved and pay the 0% interest loan back. Union County Habitat Chapter has built 141 homes and has plans for many more from Marshville to McBee (SC). We are hoping to partner with Habitat in the near future on additional projects and we will let you know when those opportunities come available. I believe that Habitat is a great work partner for us. They are Christian based organization with a mission to help provide affordable housing to a hard-working, deserving family in need!

Speaking of hardworking, our UCAR Board is looking at the possibility of creating a logo and slogan conveying the message that UCAR Cares or UCAR—We Care! As an Association, I believe that we should continue to do good work to convey this message loud and clear! As the old saying goes, **“Nobody cares how much you know, until they know how much you care!”**

We had a great October membership luncheon at Rolling Hills CC with President Myron Williams presiding and speakers Sam Basden, who explained the school bond, Rep. Dean Arp, who gave us an encouraging update on NC state accomplishments and Todd Pierceall, Gastonia Major Pro-tem and NCAR Region 7 RVP, who challenged us to meet our



RPAC goal for this year. We will update you soon on the enthusiastic results. We closed with door prizes, new affiliates and bread pudding!