



CELEBRATING 100 YEARS...



Pat Grabill,
CBR President, 1992

What goes around . . .

It was great fun and a little surprising reviewing the *In Contract* issues for the year of my CBR Presidency, 1992. This walk down memory lane confirmed my theory that a life spent in the real estate business should be measured in dog years – things go by about 7 times faster than for everybody else.

So much has happened, yet there's more than a few recurring themes in the issues before us then and what we're seeing currently.

Then

We were upgrading our MLS to state of the art technology

A major goal was to expand minority membership and participation in the Board

Numerous complaints were made about media hype and articles damaging our industry

Discussions about gridlock in Congress – slow reaction to RESPA reforms, S&L crisis, and RTC foreclosures

Our members get involved in the Columbus Board of REALTORS® to make a difference as Board Trustees and Committee members

Now

We are upgrading our MLS to state of the art technology

Progress has been made, including an African cultures seminar last December, but it's still a major goal to meet

Same complaints, same issues! CBR launches *The Grass is Greener Here* campaign to counterbalance.

Gridlock continues – fighting for sub-prime restructure, mortgage relief and foreclosure restructuring . . . but progress is still possible!

Same level of enthusiastic volunteering. REALTORS® doing the work in less than terrific times. In a slower economy volunteer time is precious, but they're putting forth the effort.



ESPN sports analyst, real estate manager and former football coach Lee Corso drew a crowd as keynote speaker at the March 1992 membership meeting. Shown with Pat and Bruce Massa.



No, that's not Uncle Sam with Pat. It's "R. Packer" (Brad Bennett) -- who was soliciting heavily that night.



Back in 1992, they were said to have raised a little cane. It appears that they raised a little leg also!

Need for RPAC funds to put the REALTOR® issues forward. We were worried about getting heard over S&L issues, RTC inventory issues, affordability issues, redlining problems with unscrupulous mortgage lenders

Our Executive Officer, Larry Metzger, and his truly exceptional, supportive staff made the job enjoyable and a learning experience.

Columbus Housing Partnership was in its formative, growing-pain years after being founded largely through the efforts of CBR leaders, Don Kelley, Bob Weiler and Max Holzer.

We had a 'talented' bunch of members who enjoyed performing.

We celebrated the 500th Anniversary of Columbus' discovery of the New World.

Upcoming presidential campaign (featuring newcomer couple - the Clintons!)

Attractive Board president

It was great fun serving over the years at CBR. The camaraderie, idea sharing and sense of accomplishment were, and continue to be, a high point of my career.

Now more than ever REALTOR® issues need voiced. CORPAC funds are vital for passage of foreclosure relief, preservation of capital gains rates, tax loss carryback for builders, special investment tax credits for new home purchases and other ideas to jumpstart housing's recovery.

Same faces (and many new ones) doing a terrific job for today's leadership. This town is lucky to have such talent.

Columbus Housing Partnership is thriving and nationally recognized for its valuable contribution to affordable housing issues in Central Ohio. REALTORS® still actively involved.

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I delivered my 500th lecture that "REALTOR®" is a two syllable word, trademarked and requiring a capital "R."

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Although this is a bit of a stretch for CEO Larry Metzger, those who know him, know he's serious about politics – enough to go to extreme lengths to raise those PAC dollars.



Pat with CHP's original Director, Pat Hughes.



Jack Myers received the Broker of the Year award in 1992, shown with Pat and President-Elect George Smith.



Sales Associates Day at the Vets.



Anyone remember the Key Performers? Who are those young folks?!