

Keller Williams Realty Danville names top agents for April

KELLER WILLIAMS

DANVILLE — The April top agents for Keller Williams Realty in Danville were recently announced by team leader, Kristin White. Top individual listing agent based on listing volume taken, Lorri Cutler; top individual production agent based on closed sales volume, Paul Ward; top listing team, The Harper-Mees Team; top production team, The Bay Area Team; Rookie of the month, Carl Battiste.

"The outstanding training that we provide and the spirit of our agents working together for the betterment of all are just some of the reasons why our agents continue to be productive and provide excellent service to our clients in this changing market," stated White.

Contact Keller Williams Realty, 925-855-8333.

Professional home stagers open virtual consignment shop

STAGERSLIST

DANVILLE — StagersLIST.com, the first virtual consignment shop for the real estate industry, has been started by five-year professional home stager, Kvm Hough. Staged to Sell.com, Danville, and veteran Realtor Terryvnn Fisher of Diablo Realty, Walnut Creek, who is also a staging consultant.

StagersLIST.com provides one stop shopping for stagers, Realtors and homeowners nationwide.

"The staging industry was developed because of a need in the real estate industry to improve the condition and quality of properties that Realtors were bringing to the marketplace. StagersLIST.com was created to provide the resources to the staging industry in support of that effort," said Hough.

StagersLIST.com was created 100 percent with the professional home stager in mind. We know what the stager needs because we are stagers and are working in the field every day. We have built a site with input from experienced professional stagers located in all regions of North America," stated Hough.

According to Fisher, a 2006 CSP survey of real estate professionals says that 98 percent of real estate professionals surveyed believed it was necessary to hire a professional to stage their listings. The homebuyer of today uses the Internet as their "drive by," says Fisher. "You have only seconds to make a first impression and get the buyer to stay and look further. If you don't make the cut on the first Internet visit with proper staging and professionally staged photographs, you could be eliminated before the buyer even sees the inside of your home."

Two join RE/MAX Allied Brokers

RE/MAX

WALNUT CREEK — RE/MAX Allied Brokers announced the addition to their office on Mt. Diablo Boulevard in Walnut Creek of two veteran real estate agents, George

Brown and David Burnett.

George Brown has almost 40 years in real estate and has worked with over 1,225 satisfied clients. He earned a B.S. at San Jose State in real estate and insurance, and an MBA from the University of California in Urban Land Economics.

Contact these agents at 925-939-4242.

ABC Team plans singing events, holds blood drive

AMERICAN BROKERAGE

PLEASANT HILL — For the Patriotic season, ABC is scheduling several dates and places for its volunteer singers to entertain, including the July 4th Pleasant Hill Parade. Group meets at 6 p.m. for practices and events.

Call Maxine Chan for dates and locations, 925-969-9693 or 510-501-4637.

Chan, broker of American Brokerage Company, is holding another community blood drive on June 23 from 4 - 7 p.m. The Blood Centers of the Pacific donor mobile will be on hand. Stop in for refreshments, mini-massages, music, networking and more. Each Donor will receive a Giants All-Star t-shirt, plus a chance to win a trip for two to the All-Star game in New York City in July. Everyone who donates or tries to donate blood from June 1 to June 30 will have their name put in a drawing.

For an appointment, call 925-969-9693 with your name, phone number and time you wish to donate.

Kim Dromlewicz joins Prudential California

PRUDENTIAL

WALNUT CREEK — Kim Dromlewicz has recently joined the Walnut Creek office of Prudential California Realty. He is a member of the Contra Costa and National Association of Realtors.

He has degrees in Electrical Engineering and Business Administration. He has lived in the Walnut Creek for 14 years and will be specializing in that area.

Contact Kim Dromlewicz at the Walnut Creek Prudential office at 2051 Mt. Diablo Blvd., 925-932-1000 or directly at 925-324-7072.

Julie Sullivan at Empire Realty volunteers with student program

EMPIRE REALTY

WALNUT CREEK — Julie Sullivan, Realtor at Empire Realty Associates, recently volunteered her time at the Fifth Annual Students Rising Above Gala in San Francisco. This was her second year volunteering her time for the event. That evening alone, the organization raised over \$600,000.

Students Rising Above is dedicated to providing educational resources to high school students who are overcoming staggering obstacles to pursue their education and their dreams for a better life. It's never too late to help. It raises essential funds to send students to college and to increase

the number of students selected into the program.

"This event meant a great deal to me," said Sullivan. "This is a wonderful organization that can do some amazing things for children. This organization really gives them hope that they can have a better life!"

Sullivan works with buyers and sellers throughout the Lamorinda, Walnut Creek and Pleasant Hill areas. at Julie@Julie-Sullivan.com.

Suzanne Masella appointed Walnut Creek Arts Commissioner

EMPIRE

WALNUT CREEK — Suzanne Masella, Realtor at Empire Realty Associates, was appointed to the position of Arts Commissioner in Walnut Creek. Appointments were made by the City Council and the Mayor.

The Arts Commission reports to the City Council and is responsible for all of the outdoor art in Walnut Creek, as well as overseeing the Leshner Center, Center Rep, The Bedford Gallery and Civic Arts Education.

"I applied to the Arts Commission because I wanted to become more involved in the city where I live and work, and take an active part in the future development of Walnut Creek," says Masella. "Through my involvement with the Commission I have voted on outdoor art projects valued at over \$2,000,000 as well as participated in the development of the future plans for the Leshner Center and the new Library in your community."

Massala works with buyers and sellers throughout the Lamorinda, Walnut Creek, and Pleasant Hill areas. Contact Suzanne Masella at 925-938-HOUSE, 925-788-5693, 925-871-4098 or visit www.suzannemasella.com.

Coldwell Banker Foundation donates \$268,000 to Habitat for Humanity

COLDWELL BANKER

SAN RAMON — Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Community Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the real estate services company, has donated more than \$268,000 to benefit 10 Northern California Habitat for Humanity home construction projects to be built this year.

The Foundation grant is the result of a companywide raffle held last fall in offices from Lake Tahoe to Carmel. Among the local Habitat for Humanity chapters that will receive funding will be the East Bay chapter, which will receive \$41,487, and the Sonoma County chapter which will receive \$10,468. Eight other chapters in Northern California will also receive construction funding.

Over the past decade, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage agents, staff and managers have not only donated their dollars to Habitat for Humanity, but also their time, energy and effort as volunteers. Since launching the first annual raffle in 1999, the company has raised more than \$1.8 million and donated more than 40,000 hours of volunteer work, participating in the construction of more than 65 homes for low-income families.

"I'm very proud of our support of Habitat

for Humanity and those people who are struggling to put a roof over their heads," said Larry Klapow, president of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in San Francisco Bay Area region and The Foundation advisory committee member. "Our work with Habitat allows the people of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage to make a real difference in the lives of those less fortunate, to truly give back to the communities we serve."

The Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Community Foundation will launch its 2008 Habitat for Humanity raffle on July 7 and it will run through Sept. 5. For information contact Kacie Ricker at 925-358-3133.

Empire Realty welcomes Julie Hensley to Danville office

EMPIRE REALTY

DANVILLE — Empire Realty Associates welcomes Realtor Julie Hensley to the Danville office. She has been a Realtor for seven years, including serving as a manager and a award-winning sales agent

"I'm delighted that Julie made a decision to join our sales team," Empire Realty Associates CEO, Hank Perry said. "Her skills as a professional in this business have earned her a solid reputation within our communities, and her leadership background is immediately recognized as a benefit by her clients."

She is also very active in her local community. She has served on the CCAR Board of Directors, has contributed to Contra Costa Food Bank, and Toys for Tots.

Julie works throughout San Ramon, Danville and the Lamorinda areas. For more information, please contact Julie Hensley at 925-217-5033 or JHensley@EmpireRA.com

O'Brien and Sabine join J.Rockcliff Realtors

J. ROCKCLIFF

LAFAYETTE — J. Rockcliff Realtors announced that Lori O'Brien and Pete Sabine have joined the Lafayette branch office as a sales associate.

Since 1990, O'Brien has provided her expertise in representing buyers and sellers of more than 300 residential properties in Contra Costa County. More than 85 percent of Lori's real estate sales are referrals from her clients and repeat customers.

She is a member of the National Association of Realtors (NAR) and of its Real Estate Buyers Agent Council. She holds the Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR) designation.

Additionally, she is a Certified Relocation Specialist (CRS). Contact her at 925-385-2332.

Pete Sabine is a real estate consultant specializing in Contra Costa County residential property sales since 1985. He has an extensive background in sales, marketing, negotiation, relocation and investing with buying and selling strategies focused on delivering quality services, expertise and innovative solutions