

News Release

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Mark Abramson named 2010 REALTOR® of the Year



Springfield, MA - June 15, 2010 - Mark Abramson, of Better Homes & Gardens, The Masiello Group in Greenfield, has been named the 2010 REALTOR® of the Year for the 1,800 member REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley (RAPV). The announcement was made during the Awards Banquet held June 8th at The Delaney House in Holyoke.

As the highest honor given to a member, the REALTOR® of the Year award is bestowed upon the one person who has shown outstanding service and devotion to the association and the community over the past 17 months.

Mark has been a REALTOR® since 1979 and served as President of the RAPV in 2010. Collectively, Mark has served on the Franklin/Hampshire and RAPV Board of Directors for over 25 years. He has served on and chaired various committees at the local level including Finance Committee, Leadership President's Advisory Group, Ambassador President's Advisory Group, Bylaws/Policies, Strategic Planning Committee, Board of Directors and Massachusetts Association of REALTORS® Directors. Mark holds the Certified Commercial Investment Member, Certified Buyer Representative and NAR Green designations—all proof of his commitment to the real estate industry.

Mark was named REALTOR® of the Year in 1992 at the former Franklin/Hampshire Board of REALTORS®. Earlier this year, he served as a member of the jury for the Western Massachusetts Architectural Award for Smart Growth sponsored by the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission. He has been a member of the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce for 10 years in addition to advising and serving on numerous civic committees in the Pioneer Valley region.

Mark now competes for the coveted title of Massachusetts REALTOR® of the Year, an honor to be announced later this year.

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Lisa Mish of Hampden Bank named 2010 Affiliate of the Year



Springfield, MA - June 16, 2010 - Lisa Mish of Hampden Bank in Springfield has been named the 2010 Affiliate of the Year, the highest honor that is given out to affiliate members of the 1,800 member REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley (RAPV).

Lisa has been a member of the REALTOR® Association of Pioneer Valley since 2005. Since joining, Lisa has played an active role on a number of projects and has served on the REALTOR® Community Service Committee (RCSC). Lisa co-chaired the Fantasy Auction 2010, an annual charitable fundraiser. She has volunteered on countless occasions to serve lunch at the RCSC's monthly lunch serving at Worthington Street Shelter in Springfield. Lisa is presently the second vice president of the Home Builders & Remodelers Association of Western Massachusetts.

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