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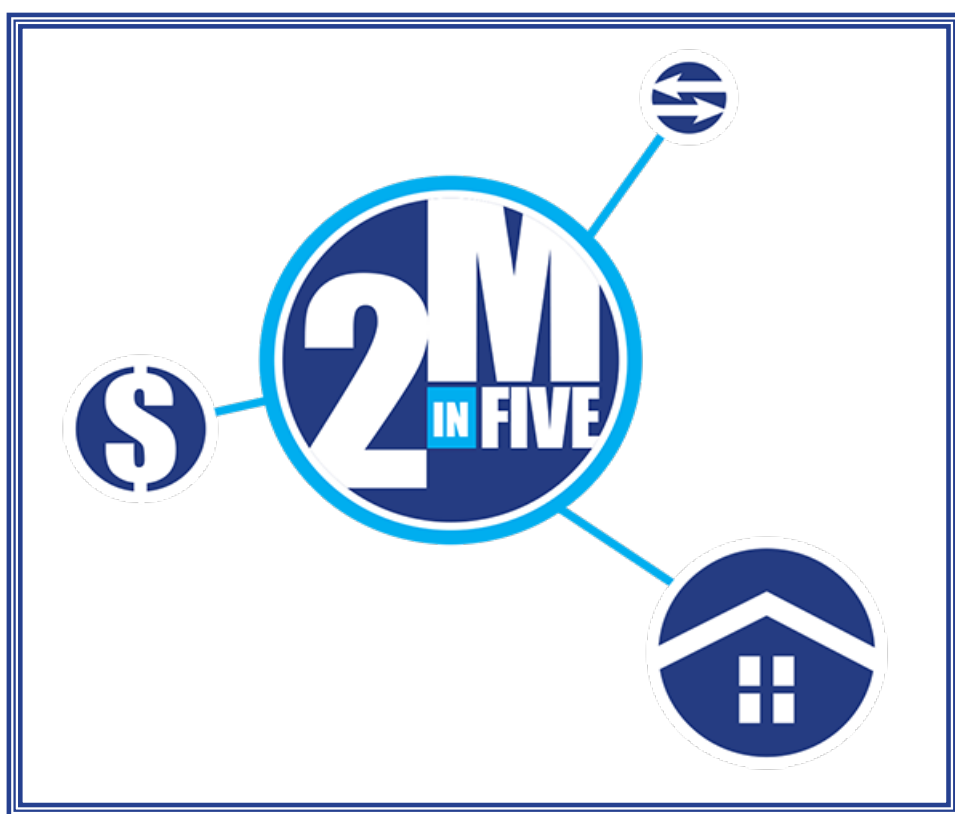
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Luncheon

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OUR VISION

It is the mission of the Central Indiana Realist Association to improve the quality of life of the unserved and the underserved by promoting home ownership and providing real estate services that support the goal. It is also our mission to enhance the economic development and improvement of our members and the community we serve.

CIRA FULFILLS THIS VISION BY:

- **INFORMING**

CIRA meets monthly and showcases industry professionals who inform and communicate their knowledge to the membership.

- **ENSURING**

CIRA ensures membership awareness of current news, trends and changes in the industry.

- **EDUCATION**

CIRA offers Homebuyer Education Classes throughout the community.

- **ENLIGHTENING**

CIRA is committed to being a trusted resource to it's membership with in the communities where we work and live.

- **ADVOCATING**

CIRA is a voice for affordable housing at the local and national levels.



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Looking Back @ Trailblazer Luncheon 2018



2019

CIRA Trailblazers Awards & Recognition Luncheon

Welcome.....Courtney Goodwin, MFCDC
Director Housing Development

Invocation.....Dr. Mark Eckel, President
The Comenius Institute

LUNCH IS SERVED

Introduction of Mistress of Ceremony.....Robbie Williams, Broker
Keller Williams Real Estate

Mistress of Ceremony.....Donna Schiele
Radio One

Greeting.....John Hall, Executive Director
Indiana Housing Agency

Intro Keynote Speaker.....Myra Lillard, President
National Society of Real Estate Appraisers

Keynote Speaker.....Mark Alston, President
California Association of Real Estate Brokers
Los Angeles, CA

CIRA Award Recipients "Best of the Best"

Latoya Dix, Realtor
Carpenter Realtors

Erica Petty-Saunders,
A H P Senior Compliance Analyst,
Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis

Trailblazer Recognition

Leigh Riley Evans
Executive Director MFCDC

Fred D Page
Retired, Original Flanner House Home Builder

Tribute to Daisy Lloyd.....Shelley Specchio, CEO
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"Champion of Change" Scholarship Recipients
In Memory of Dr. Daisy Lloyd.....Shelley Specchio, CEO
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In Memory of Mayor Richard Lugar.....Paige Dowe,
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50/50 Scholarship Fund.....Dorothy Dodd
Mortgage Loan Officer, Centier Bank

Closing Remarks.....Delores Kennedy, President
Central Indiana Realist Association



The President's Letter

The Central Indiana Realist Association (CIRA), a local chapter of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers (NAREB), welcomes you to our 6th Annual Trailblazer and "Best of the Best" Awards Recognition Luncheon.

We, the membership of CIRA celebrate and honor our Trailblazers and "Best of the Best" award winners, these individuals have blazed the trail for so many.

Our Trailblazer recipients have made the ultimate sacrifice, by being the 1st in their respective purpose.

Without THEM, there would be no US!!

Our "Best of the Best" continue to make a difference by their contributions of service, dedication and commitment in promoting homeownership.

We thank our Sponsors that continue to support and help make this event a possibility. You are most appreciated!!

We THANK YOU for believing in the vision and purpose of CIRA, as we continue to support our communities, encouraging homeownership and dispelling the myth that "I can never be a HOMEOWNER"!!!

The mission of CIRA is to improve the quality of life to the unserved and underserved, by promoting home ownership.

Our purpose is to enhance economic development and promote financial literacy.

Our National Association of Real Estate Brokers' (NAREB) initiative is 2 Million New Black Home Owners in 5 Years (2Mn5) to reverse the wealth drain among Black Americans.

It is important to our members to ensure we make a difference by, informing, enlightening, advocating and educating the communities we serve.

While many gains have been made, there is still work to be done!!!

The Central Indiana Realist Association is blessed to have an awesome group of people that support our mission and make it possible for us to continue to do the work that we feel God has charged us to do!!

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Community Day Event



Informing Educating Advocating

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ABCs of Home Buying
Financial Planning
CIRA Lender Council

IHCDA - Down Payment Assistance
Do's Dont's of Home Buying and Lending
How to get over the fear of home buying
Understanding Credit

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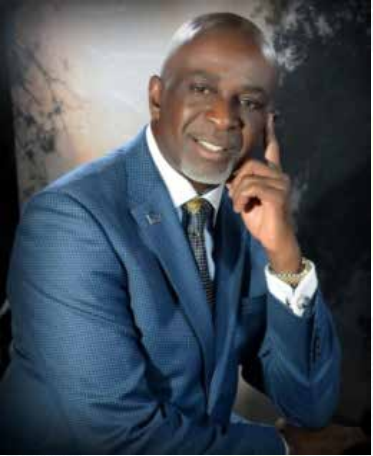
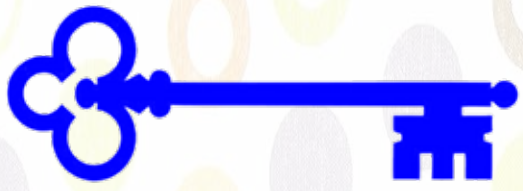
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The Keynote Speaker



MARK ALSTON

Mark Edward Alston, Owner of Alston & Associates Mortgage Company, he is also the current 1st. vice president of the California Association of Real Estate Brokers. Mark has served as President of the Consolidated Board of Realtist of Los Angeles, Chairman of the Public Affairs and Mortgage Banking Committees for the National Association of Real Estate Brokers. Mark has been in the Real Estate Profession since 1989.

Some of Mr. Mark Edward Alston's past achievements and current involvements are:

- Successfully led a national initiative to include Real Estate Brokers in distressed property disposition which brought millions of dollars to inner city communities.
- Spoke in the United States Congress regarding the plight of urban housing.
- Recently testified in Congress before the subcommittee on Housing and Finance.
- Presented to Congress a public policy white paper identifying the impact and result of underserved financial services in inner city communities.
- Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors "Outstanding Achievement in his community Award"
- City of Los Angeles "Outstanding Community Achievement Award"
- City of Inglewood "Outstanding Community Achievement Award"
- National Association of Real Estate Brokers "Mortgage Professional of 2014"
- California Association of Real Estate Brokers "Realtist of the Year 2011"
- Southwest Los Angeles Association of Realtors "Realtor of the Year 2004"
- Board Member, Consolidated Board of Realtist of Los Angeles
- Board Member, Los Angeles Museum of African American Art
- Past Board Member, Mini House Women's Recovery Center
- Past Board Member, Seattle NAACP

Trailblazer Award Alumni

2014

Elizabeth Booth

Retired, Real Estate Broker Booth Realty

Faye Brooks

Real Estate Owner/Broker Real Estate Unlimited Posthumously

Samuel Hatten

Retired, Self Help Builder/Homeowner Ransom Place

Fred Kortepeter

Real Estate Broker

Myra Lillard

Appraiser NSREA President

Michael Rodman

Retired Marion County Treasurer

Donna Sheline

Retired Chase, Homeownership Preservation

Annette Smith

Retired, Real Estate Broker/ Owner Realty World Action Group

Steve Sullivan

CEO Metropolitan Indianapolis Board of Realtors

Pat Wachtel

President/CEO Girls, Inc. of Greater Indianapolis

G.K. Warren

Real Estate Broker/ Owner G.K. Warren Realtors Posthumously

2016

Walter S. Blackburn

President/CEO Blackburn Architects Posthumously

Jonathan E. Edmonds

Executive Director Movement Day Greater Dallas

Eugene McClain

Real Estate Broker/Owner McClain Matthews

Norman "Norm" McClain

Broker Real Estate Broker Century 21 Scheetz

Diana Rice-Wilkerson

Senior Loan Officer Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation

2015

Janis Bradley

Real Estate Broker JB Real Estate Consultants

Augustus "Gus" Hamilton

Real Estate Owner/Broker

A.W. Hamilton Realtors Posthumously

Kim Harris

Homeownership Director IHEDA

Dr. Daisy Lloyd

Retired Real Estate Broker/Owner Retired, Legislator

Priscilla Russell

Real Estate Broker United Real Estate

Robbie Williams

Real Estate Broker Century 21 Diversified

2017

Beverly Mukes-Gaither

Vice President /Compliance Director
Community & Economic Development 5/3 Bank

Joyce Black

Real Estate Broker Owner

Sandra Sandifer

VP Community Development Banking
Community Outreach Officer Old National Bank

2018

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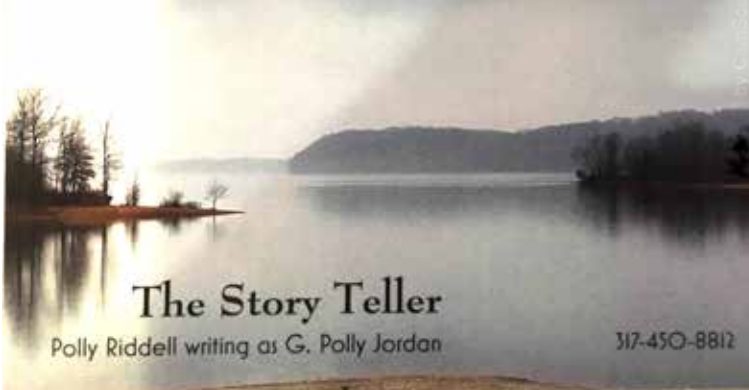
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Congratulations Trailblazer Award Recipients

2019



Leigh Riley Evans

Leigh Riley Evans, a community development executive who has served the Mid North Area since December 2011. Mrs. Evans is responsible for the overall direction and management of the Mapleton Fall Creek Development Corporation's operation, including administration, program development, financial and personnel management, marketing and community relations.

Leigh Riley Evans

Mrs. Evans is a longtime Indianapolis resident, who moved to the Mapleton Fall Creek Area with her parents and brother when she was only seven years old. She and her family still reside in the area, as do her parents and several other family members.

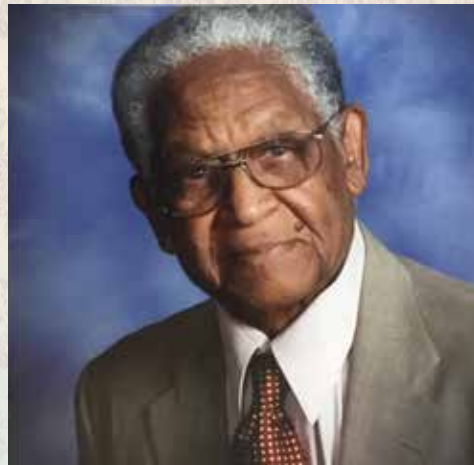
Leigh, and those who know her well, considers herself a change agent; one who has never forgotten what is really important. She enjoys fostering collaboration that enriches the community and lives of others through the combined gifts and talents of people and organizations she meets and works with in her life. In Leigh you have a strong believer of asset-based community development and in creating sustainable communities.

Her career and educational highlights include earning a BS in Psychology from Purdue University and her MBA from the University of Phoenix. She has been recognized by CHEP with the trailblazer award for her work helping to improve health through a community-university partnership. She currently serves as a Commissioner for the Indiana State Fairgrounds and on the Board of Directors for several community-based organizations, such as the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) – a national organization with local priorities committed to helping neighbors build communities – Prosperity Indiana, Keep Indianapolis Beautiful and The Indianapolis Children's Museum.

Leigh has been married to Scott for 24 years and is the mother of three sons. In her spare time, she likes to travel with her family to sporting events and amusement parks.

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Fred D. Page Sr.

Fred D. Page Sr., is a WWII Navy veteran that served in the US Navy from September 1943-1946. He was born in Bainbridge, Georgia on June 24, 1925 and grew up in Winnfield, Louisiana. His mother died when he was two years old and he was raised by his WWI-minister-tailor father Rev. Phillip Peterson Page. Fred took an interest in art and began drawing and painting and at a very young age. His artwork was recognized by a local pastor and he was recruited to draw a picture of an elaborate mansion in Louisiana. The mansion belonged to T.L. James, a highly regarded industrialists and businessman in the south. The drawing of the home was so intricate, the pastor that requested the drawing, asked him to draw a picture of his church. His meticulous attention to detail with both drawings prompted the

church's congregation to collect funds to compensate Fred for his work. Fred decided to use the money to travel to Indianapolis and reunite with his mother's side of the family and pursue his dreams to study artistry. After moving to Indianapolis as a teenager to be with his maternal aunt, he was drafted in the military as a student from Crispus Attucks High School. Fred was part of the invasion of France but remembers the Mediterranean Sea and seeing Mount Vesuvius. He saw sights he never would have seen in his life. He became a cook and a petty officer. Fred ended up on a minesweeper, the USS Effective AM92 that was reclassified as the US Sub Chaser PC 1596 with officers James McKay, King, and "an old Salt that really knew what he was doing" when traveling through the Bermuda Triangle. With the danger of their mission, they were blessed to survive 'The Perfect Storm' when many sister ships were lost at sea. They were in route through the Panama Canal to be part of the invasion of Japan when President Truman dropped the atomic bomb before they got there. Their ship redirected and went to California. Instead, of re-enlisting in the military, Fred became a civilian again. By being a veteran with benefits, he later enrolled in the nation's first self-help program to build a Flanner House Home close to the downtown Indy area for his young family in 1956. This program allowed African American veterans to obtain the American Dream. A \$300 'good faith deposit' was required from every family. The men had to be in great physical condition, have good credit standing, make a minimum income of \$3,800 annually, and work a minimum of 20 hours a week on their homes using sweat equity. Upon completion of Fred's home, the Page family was featured on the marketing pamphlets for the Flanner House Homes. The Flanner House Homes were recognized as a historic landmark on the National Register of Historic Places in 2003. Landmark recognition for historical neighborhoods was set at an age of 50 years or more to be eligible for consideration, however, a 2004 Indianapolis Star article mentioned Landmark officials lowered the neighborhood age requirement due to the intact condition of the area.

Fred later worked for the Post Office until he retired. He was displayed in the 2015 Indiana State Museum Exhibition of Heroes from the Heartland and had the privilege of participating in the Honors Flight in April 2016. He still lives in the home he worked so hard to build and raise his family in 63 years later. He enjoys spending time with his family, continuing to instill the importance of homeownership to others, and observing the advancing changes within the community he helped to build. Fred D. Page Sr., is now 93 years old.



"Best of the Best"
2019 Award Winners

Erica Petty-Saunders

Affordable Housing Program Senior Compliance Analyst
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Latoya Dix

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2015

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