



The Beaver County Association of Realtors® has been following the news as it takes shape concerning COVID-19. As stated in our most recent communication the BCAR Board of Directors and Executive Officers value your health and well-being above all else. Decisions that we have made and will continue to make will be based on this obvious priority.

At this time, our local staff are working remotely as are NAR, PAR, and the PA Real Estate Commission. All employees of these entities are checking emails and voicemails in a timely manner. We thank you for your patience. Having said that we ask for your patience as all these groups realign their work processes to accommodate the “new normal”.

Most of you have received notification via email and/or social media that BCAR’s upcoming events have been cancelled or rescheduled. Please be sure to consult BCAR’s calendar of events at our website, www.mybcar.com. If you don’t already follow BCAR on social media please use the links on the home page of our website to connect to Instagram, Facebook and/or Twitter. We are committed to keeping you informed during this national crisis. Therefore, it is critical that you take time to read ALL emails that we will be sending out in a timely manner.

We want you to know that our BCAR members, the affiliates and the members of the communities we serve are of the utmost importance to us. In this time of uncertainty during an unprecedented pandemic, I pray for the Lords peace, comfort and protection for all of us and our nation. This is a time of utmost importance! I ask that you please follow the suggested guidelines put in place by our government to keep us all safe and the spread to a minimum.

Beaver County is an amazing community that steps up in time of need to help others. I am now witnessing it every day and I have witnessed it first hand when my daughter Paige was battling a rare form of breast cancer and then experienced the loss of a young daughter in a horrific accident. The outpouring of emotional support, love and financial help from our community was literally overwhelming, and I am confident that our community will once again pull together and support one another in these uncertain times.

My heart goes out to the people that have been infected with this awful virus and to the businesses and individuals that this massive shut down has affected. This is a time to reach out and help each other, even if it is only a phone call to see how someone is doing. Check on the elderly, the widows, children and the sick in your communities to see how they are doing and if they need anything, especially food and medicines.

Beaver County is a giving, loving, and resilient community – we will get through this, and be stronger and knit closer together for having fought through it!

Please feel free to contact me if there is anything I or the BCAR board can do to help!
Praying the Lords Protection on You & Yours,
Sherman Hostetter - 724.601.2333

UPDATES AND RESOURCES

PAR has reached out to the administration for clarification regarding Governor Tom Wolf’s declaration to close “non-life sustaining businesses”. Please look for further updates on our social media and email updates.

NAR: <https://www.nar.realtor/coronavirus-a-guide-for-realtors>

PAR: <https://www.parealtors.org/coronavirus/> Please take note that there is a **COVID-19 Addendum** that can be used to modify the terms of the sales agreement in the event third-party services become unavailable or so limited that meeting deadlines in the sales agreement are impossible or impractical.

PA Commonwealth: www.pa.gov/guides/responding-to-covid-19/ Information on symptoms and prevention, travel, mitigation, scams, emergency food assistance, mitigation guidance, social distancing and much more is available at. I will also continue to share helpful information on my website.

Continuing Education: For those of you that have not completed your Continuing Education I have not received word that The Real Estate Commission will be making changes due to the recent COVID-19 issue. Therefore I am including the following links for you to complete your CE online:

The CE Shop: <http://www.mybcar.theceshop.com/>

REI: <https://www.realtorspgh.com/Education/Continuing-Education>

*Please remember if you were licensed **on or after 12/1/2017** you must take: **The 7-Hour General Module (“The Big Picture”)**. As well as your choice of either: **The 7-Hour Residential Module or a 7-Hour Commercial Module. Other CE & Broker Classes will not satisfy the CE commitment for new real estate licensees for May 2020.**