

Welcome to the Thursday, September 2, 2010 issue of the Daily Buzz.

Fair Housing Tip of the Week

Thanks to ECAR Fair Housing Chairman Karen Butler, we will bring you a new Fair Housing tip each week. This week's tip is the definition of the Fair Housing Act. [Read more.](#)

Emerald Coast Money Debit Card Tourism Promotion

Thanks to a BP Grant, the Okaloosa Tourist Development Council is creating the Emerald Coast Money Debit Card program to encourage vacationers to come to the Emerald Coast. [Read more.](#)

ECAR Closed Monday, September 6 for Labor Day

ECAR will be closed Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day. [Read more.](#)

Documentation Needed for Filing Claims with Emergency Fund

Make sure you file your claim through the emergency real estate fund today! Find out what documentation you will need and other information about the claims process. [Read more](#)

Upcoming Education

MLS Training – Maintenance, Tuesday, September 7, 9:00 a.m.

This FREE class, taught by Susan Beck, is designed for anyone who will be entering or editing listings in the MLS for themselves or others in the office or company. [Read more.](#)

Real Estate Investment Analysis Made Easy, Thursday, September 9, Noon

Steven David will help you learn how to calculate cash flow, cash on cash returns, depreciation schedules, and ultimately determine the suitability of a specific property. [Read more.](#)

Did you know...

ECAR members Joe Saber and Denis Milonas auditioned for and have been accepted as new GRI instructors for Florida REALTORS®. Auditions were held during the 2010 Florida REALTORS® Convention in Orlando.

Each year, the BIA awards the prestigious APEX Awards to BIA members and members of the general public competing in different categories: Kitchen, Bath, Special Purpose Room, New Construction (Residential and Commercial), and much more. As a REALTOR®, you may have a property listed that has an extra special feature that has been finished in the last year. If so, please encourage the builder or vendor who completed the work to enter the APEX awards. The application deadline is September 3. [Read more.](#)

Grant Blackwell, owner of Coastal Insurance Agency, is offering an informational session “Learn About Deal Makers and Deal Breakers” Tuesday, September 14 at 9:00 a.m. at the Point Washington Methodist Church. [Read more.](#)

Quick Links

[Beware of Offender Masquerading as Potential Buyer](#)

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[Videos from 2010 Florida REALTORS® Convention Available](#)

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