

## **NEW YEAR NEW FACES**

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Fellow Dominion Post Readers, I would like to introduce myself as the 2014 President of the Morgantown Board of REALTORS. With the membership's approval, Shelly Martin has now passed her gavel on to me for the upcoming year. Part of my duties as President is to write this weekly article where I hope to keep you informed on what is going on in the real estate industry and the Morgantown Board of REALTORS.

First I would like to thank Shelly for her outstanding job of commitment and service this past year serving as the Board President. During the year she lead the MBOR to accomplish many goals – including revamping the Board's website [www.morgantownrealtors.net](http://www.morgantownrealtors.net), establishing a home owners association database on the board's website, and overseeing the creation and implementation of a Three year Strategic Plan.

When I started in this fascinating industry of Real Estate seven years ago with Old Colony REALTORS, the thought of being President of the Morgantown Board of REALTORS never crossed my mind. I must first thank Vaughn Kiger, Kathleen Johnson and Joe Miller for supporting me and giving me an opportunity to succeed in this industry. I would also like to thank the local Brokers and membership who have supported and encouraged me to participate with the MBOR. I began serving the MBOR four years ago as a local director then transitioned to Vice President, President Elect, and now President. It is truly a humbling experience to be voted by your peers to a position of leadership within your organization, especially when you consider all the great MBOR presidents who have come before you.

The Morgantown Board of REALTORS is a healthy association. I believe we have many great programs in place and I want to build upon that foundation. None of that can be accomplished without a great team and I do have that with our 2014 Executive Board. They are: Heath Clark, President Elect; Jessica Miller, Vice President; Caitlyn Alexander, Secretary; Eliza Alexander, Treasurer; Arthur Trusler, Paul Ragland, Lisa Simons, and Rhonda Hutchins will be serving as Local Directors. All of these Board Members are dedicated to their profession and we all look forward to a great year in 2014, not only for the Real Estate industry, but for our Community.

In the upcoming year the MBOR has many goals we hope to accomplish. First in conjunction with the Education Committee, chaired by Sheri Lowther, we hope to bring in a national speaker to expand our REALTORS knowledge various topics impacting our business. The Contract Committee, lead by Mark Burke, hopes to deliver a sales contract specifically designed for vacant land transactions. Finally we will continue to support our Community Service Committee, chaired by Theresa Palmer, that has done an outstanding job focusing on local people and organizations in need.

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