



# The Greater Dayton Realist Association, Inc



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## New Year, New Team



2009 President Birt Hampton is welcomed by Former President Fred Diggs.

As we start this new year, "Change" is the word of the day. 2009 ushers in changes from the White House to Our House. We welcome your participation, your enthusiasm, and your dedication to be of service in our community and our Nation in 2009.

Our 2009 Officers consist of:

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**Board Members**

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## Calendar of Events

QUOTE OF THE MONTH:  
"COMPENSATION IS A RIGHT,  
RECOGNITION IS A GIFT."

EXECUTIVE MEETING **2/3**  
11:30A-1:30P  
NORTH RIVER COFFEE HOUSE

VALENTINE'S DAY **2/14**

PRESIDENT'S DAY **2/16**  
FEDERAL RESERVE CLOSED

MONTHLY MEETING **2/19**  
11:30-1:30  
DAYTON BRD OF REALTORS

ASH WEDNESDAY **2/25**

## "Building a Better Community" The 2009 Ohio Realist State Convention

It is my honor and pleasure to greet you as V. P. of the Greater Dayton Realist Association and Local State Coordinator for the 60<sup>th</sup> Ohio Realist Association Annual Conference.

Thank you all for your overwhelming vote of confidence and for the genuine support many of you have offered. It has been six years since the

Dayton Chapter hosted the Ohio Realist State Convention.

With the excitement of having an energetic, enthusiastic new United States President, we want to harness that same excitement and be an advocate for a better community. It is only fitting that our 2009 60<sup>th</sup> Ohio Realist Association State Conference theme

is "REALTIST®: BUILDING HOPE FOR THE COMMUNITY"

We invite past and future Realtist, to get involve in this worthwhile organization and participate in its cause for building better neighborhoods. Too often our neighborhoods have suffer from lack of volunteers to participate in community

service. We encourage you to join our organization and get involved to share, to network, to serve and to make a difference with the Greater Dayton Realist Association and our Community.

With your help **we can** and **we will** have a fantastic Conference.  
Cora Diggs, 1st Vice President and Committee Chair 937-307-4363

# The Greater Dayton Realist Association, Inc

The Greater Dayton Realist Association (GDRA), a member of the National Association of Real Estate Brokers, is comprised of African-American professionals in the real estate industry. Our members are called "REALTISTS®", a term which incorporates the many disciplines we represent. Our membership includes real estate agents and brokers, loan officers, mortgage brokers, title companies, appraisers, and more.

*Although composed mostly of African-Americans, the REALTIST® organization embraces all qualified real estate practitioners who are committed to achieving the ideals of our vision, which is "Democracy in Housing". We focus our professional practices on serving the needs of the underserved.*

## Open Letter to the Greater Dayton Realist Association

The National Association of Real Estate Brokers is the oldest African American Trade Association in the United States. Founded by African American real estate practitioners, and open to all who are dedicated to the principle of promoting democracy in housing, and serving the unserved & the underserved. The State of Ohio and City of Dayton have played a very significant role as both a State Association and a local chapter of the aforementioned trade association in promoting these very ideals over a long period of time. Their com-

mitment, concern, and contribution to all communities across this nation has been and will forever continue to be the highest order.

The last 2 plus years as president and leader of this impressive historic organization and the equally impressive committed professionals who comprise it, has been my most rewarding and yet humbling experience. I submit to you that there is no difference today than it was the day of the founding fathers of these same ideals. I want to thank my officers who helped me lead and

the membership who helped me serve. I am immensely proud and humbled to be in your presence and to walk hand in hand with you.

I am excited to welcome our new president Birt Hampton, and his slate of officers. I wish them the very best as they prepare to host our State Conference to held in Dayton, Ohio this June 2009.

The best is yet to come and our community will be better for it!

Thank You,

Frederick J. Diggs,  
Outgoing President,  
Greater Dayton Realist  
Association

### DID YOU KNOW?

- THE AVERAGE AMERICAN WILL MOVE 11 TIMES.
- "TO TALK WITHOUT THINKING IS TO SHOOT WITHOUT AIMING" BEN FRANKLIN
- MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WAS BORN TO REVEREND AND MRS. MARTIN LUTHER KING, SR. ON JANUARY 15, 1929.
- THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) WAS FORMED ON JANUARY 10-11 OF 1957. DR. KING IS ELECTED AS ITS FIRST PRESIDENT.



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