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Anchorage

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ANCHORAGE**

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President's Message:

In troubled economic times every little bit of edge helps. It can often seem like there are roadblocks in every direction. **The road to success is often littered with roadblocks that you have to overcome.**

For example, there was a time when it seemed like MGM's attempt to translate L. Frank Baum's most popular novel to the big screen was a doomed adventure.

Five different directors came and went during the making of the film. Buddy Ebsen's Tin Woodman's makeup caused him to be replaced after being hospitalized due to problems with his makeup. Toto was out of action for two weeks after being stepped on. When a special effect went awry, Margaret Hamilton, playing the villain received second- and third-degree burns to her hands and face. Also several actors who portrayed Winged Monkeys were injured when the piano wires suspending them snapped, dropping them several feet to the floor of the sound stage.

The various directors also had trouble with the then new Technicolor film process. In early film tests the yellow brick road showed up as green on the screen. It took some tweaking to return the road to the proper shade of yellow.

Yes, it sometimes seems like a miracle that the 1939 classic *The Wizard of Oz* ever got completed.

BOMA Anchorage will help you cruise over those **roadblocks** by continuing to offer a wide array of educational and informative presentations at our luncheons, educational seminars, and socials.

Our 2nd Annual office market survey was presented to all BOMA Anchorage members in April.

Political advocacy on your behalf has been deemed a major focus for BOMA. BOMA has met with our new Mayor, Dan Sullivan, and related several items of concern to BOMA Anchorage and their membership. Frequent updates are provided on issues and legislation important to our members.

There are several upcoming fun events and educational seminars planned for this fall. Details will follow soon.

As we strive to improve, develop, and further BOMA Anchorage, we welcome ideas and suggestions from the membership on how we may achieve these goals.

Ken Bauer/BOMA Anchorage President

Welcome New Members!

Gary Baugh
GMB Family Partners

Stuart Bond
Bond, Stephens & Johnson

Laura Hays
BINW
Business Interiors

Duane Heyman
University of Alaska

Joe LoMonaco
JANCO
Commercial Cleaning

Steve Mac Swain
Mac Swain Associates

Special Thanks!

Thank you to **Laura Hays/BINW** for her 3-Minute Member presentation at the June BOMA luncheon. Great opportunity to highlight your business, so let us know if you wish to be a speaker at an upcoming luncheon!

ADVOCACY: Shaun Debenham



On July 24, 2009, Ken Bauer (BOMA Anchorage President) and Shaun Debenham (BOMA Anchorage Advocacy Chair) were invited to meet with new Mayor Dan Sullivan. Mayor Sullivan wanted to discuss issues of concern to BOMA and how the Municipality might help with these issues.

In response, a letter was sent to the Mayor outlining BOMA's four principal areas of concern: Property Taxes,

Title 21, Sustainability Ordinance, and Building Department Fees.

A positive dialogue ensued and the meeting ended with both the Mayor and BOMA pledging time and resources to tackle these concerns.

Ken and Shaun felt that a good working relationship was started with the administration and look forward to working with the Municipality in the future.

BOMA Golf Tournament: GREAT SUCCESS!



Nearly 150 BOMA golfers and friends enjoyed the **24th Annual BOMA Anchorage Golf Tournament** on July 14th in the hot Alaska sunshine! The 2009 Championship Golfers were the players from the Siemens' Team. Congratulations! Door prizes, great food, laughter and fun were enjoyed by all. Thank you to all of our super sponsors whose

generosity allows us to host a superb event. Thanks also to the BOMA Golf Committee—Andrew Romerdahl, Darin Floyd and Craig Gales—for the dedication and time in planning this annual tournament! **We are especially pleased that we are able to again make a substantial donation to Special Olympics Alaska!** Thanks also to Dave Arnell for his individual dona-

tion to Special Olympics as well! We hope to see you all the 25th Anniversary Tournament next summer!



2009-10 BOMA Membership Directory:

2009-10 BOMA Anchorage Directories were mailed in July. Please check your membership information for yourself AND your company, and let us know if you have any corrections. Email us at boma@cgprop.com with any changes!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Friday, August 14 Luncheon

Shell Oil Company

Peter Slaiby, Alaska General Manager

11:30 AM Monthly BOMA Luncheon

Downtown Hilton Hotel/Chart Room

Friday, September 11 Luncheon

Speaker to be announced.

11:30 AM Monthly BOMA Luncheon

Downtown Hilton Hotel

Friday, October 2 SPECIAL EVENT

Special BOMA Tour of Airport Remodel

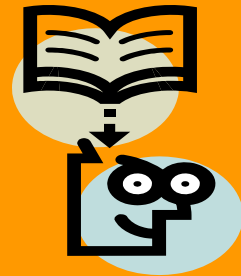
3:00 PM South Terminal

Ted Stevens International Airport

Flyer Will be Emailed Soon!

Education:

We are working on bringing Nationally recognized speaker Tom Gille of REAL Systems to Anchorage this Fall for a special education seminar which will grant CEU Education Credits for professional licenses. Stay tuned for the topic, date and location!

**Tidbits of Information:**

2009 BOMA Anchorage members own or manage over **25,052,000 square feet** of commercial building space and represent 89 different business entities or agencies.

Title 21 Update:

Don Dwiggin, BOMA Board Member, attended the Assembly Sub-Committee this week on the residential design standards. If implemented, they will dictate every material, jog, window, roof line, spacing and virtually all aspects of residential design. This prescriptive design approach is a nightmare for design and then getting plans approved for permits as the Standard is impossible to understand, and there are new, extensive review requirements. Commercial design standards were reviewed last week. We encourage BOMA members to watch the Assembly Calendar for just when the Title 21 Hearings will be in front of the full Assembly.