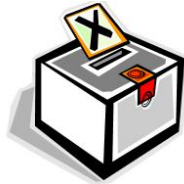




# Real Estate Institute Alumni Newsletter

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## Board Elections



Once again Board Elections are upon us! The call for nominations just went out for alumni seeking a two-year term on the Alumni Association Board.

The current board also elected a new Board President to sit for a two-year term. Congratulations to O'Brien Murray, our '08-'10 Board President. Many thanks to our outgoing President, Jeff Carus, who has put in a tremendous amount of work over the last 2 years as President and 5 years as Board member. We hope you'll continue to stay active as Past President.

## Successful Monopoly Night

On November 6, 2007, alumni, students and supporters of the REI came together to honor Simon Ziff at the Evening of Monopoly. Simon Ziff, president of Ackman-Ziff, was this year's "Honorary Banker" and we thank him for representing the REI and for helping us achieve a banner year in fundraising.



*Simon Ziff, Honorary Banker, 2007 (middle) with O'Brien Murray and Jeff Carus*



*High Stakes Players*

## Alumni News

REI alumni remain at the forefront of the industry! Check out David Eyzenberg ('98) online in a Regional News Network (RNN) video interview. His segment starts at around the 4:40 mark.



With oil prices at a record high of \$119 a barrel, consumers are getting squeezed at the pump as well as the checkout line. Meanwhile, home sales across the country are slowing to a crawl. Interview with David Eyzenberg, President, Prodigious Capital Group, (4/23/08)

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In January, Jeff Carus ('03) was hired by CW Capital as Vice President. He is originating debt for Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and FHA.

Construction Management alum Mary McDonald ('06), RC Dolner completed an expansion at the Poly Prep Lower School in Brooklyn, which was recently awarded Silver LEED certification. Congratulations, Mary!

Don't lose touch when you switch jobs, sign up for an "@alumni.nyu.edu" email at VioletNet. It's a tough market out there; let us know where you are so we can promote a new job or project you're working on.

## Mentorship Program

The second alumni mentorship year is coming to a close with the end of Spring Semester. Sean O'Shea has been a great organizer and is starting up a Board Mentorship committee. Please get involved as a mentor; we have received so much great feedback from students about this program. Over the summer we will be recruiting new & returning alumni mentors for the '08-'09 academic year. Contact Sean O'Shea to get involved – [sean.oshea@madison-harbor.com](mailto:sean.oshea@madison-harbor.com).

## Save the Date!

Keep your calendars free for the following REI associated events:

Wednesday, May 28, 2008 – Alumni Panel “Relative Value – Remember the Concept” to be moderated by Larry Fiedler and with a stellar cast of panelists: Michael Higgins ('92), Managing Director, CIBC World Markets, Patrick Hanlon ('00), Principal, Ackman-Ziff, Joel Leitner ('93), Principal, Leitner Group, Richard Walsh ('95), Managing Director, New York Life, and Chip Andrews ('93), Managing Director, Babson Capital. It promises to be another fantastic alumni event. Call 212.998.7300 by May 23<sup>rd</sup> to RSVP.

May 14, 2008 – Commencement Day for graduating students. Welcome, new alumni!

May 17, 2008 – Alumni Day.

June 24, 2008 – Urban Leadership Award Dinner. Join us in recognizing the past leaders of the NYU Real Estate Institute Advisory Board during Four Decades of Achievement: Larry Silverstein, Founder, Brian Strum, John Somers, Joseph DeLuca. Call Fran Brooks for your big alumni discount – 212.992.3237.

August 5, 2008 – Annual Alumni Cruise.

November 5, 2008 – Evening of Monopoly at Gotham Hall.

November 13, 2008 – Capital Markets Conference.

## Et Cetera

### Get Involved!

If you would like to contribute to an upcoming event, create a new one or just want to help the Association with your time and talents, please let any of the Board members know. Alumni Association President O'Brien Murray can provide guidance if you don't know where to start – [EOM@obrienmurray.com](mailto:EOM@obrienmurray.com).

### Contact information

Send any alumni news to Jo Hastings ('06) at [j.hastings.1@alumni.nyu.edu](mailto:j.hastings.1@alumni.nyu.edu). You can also update your own contact info with the REI at our new online Directory:

**<http://alumni.scps.nyu.edu>**

Please bear with us as we work through a few kinks at the site, but it's functional!

### Web links

The REI is getting its own new & improved website and alumni directory at long last.

**[HTTP://SCPS.NYU.EDU/REI](http://scps.nyu.edu/rei)**

Stay tuned for specific information as it becomes available.

Future and archived newsletters will appear on the website as well at [scps.nyu.edu/reialumni-news](http://scps.nyu.edu/reialumni-news), our permanent home on the web.