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2011 will be remembered



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2011 will be noted as the year that community associations in Utah established significant visibility in the legislative process. At the core of this effort are the members of the CAI Legislative Action Committee.

There is no organization in the State doing more to (1) prevent harmful legislation and (2) promote sound legislation benefiting the estimated 350,000 Utahans living in community associations. Commitment, purpose and a lot of time by a lot of people resulted in both preventing potentially bad legislation and the introduction and successful passage of UCIOA-Lite.

If you haven't already done so go to and bookmark www.utahlac.com While there take a minute and familiarize yourself with the purpose of the LAC and how you might contribute to making community association living even better.

Many of you have already contributed financially to this effort, thank you, and we hope that all of you will consider doing so in the future. Your financial contributions are used primarily in three categories:

- (1) lobbyist
- (2) executive director &
- (3) general business expenses such as website, office supplies and travel costs.

I confess that I questioned the necessity of a lobbyist. This has been, and likely will continue to be, our largest expense. Earlier this year I had the opportunity of attending a meeting at the Capital regarding our legislative efforts to improve the insurance scheme for community associations. In this meeting I had the opportunity to see first hand the value and benefit of our lobbyist.

Since this experience I realize how naïve I was and how important it is to enlist help from individuals who have traveled the road before, who know the places to avoid and get you to your desired destination. Help us continue to traverse the winding legislative road in 2012 by contributing financial to the ULAC.



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