

Maine Association of Dispute Resolution Professionals

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Message from the Past-President

The New Year Brings an Unexpected Change

We need to extend our best MADRP congratulations and good wishes for success to our very short-lived Board President, Marc Sevigny! Yes, you heard right! Marc has accepted a new job in Massachusetts and will be leaving us in January. Who said "the only constant is change"? Well, they were right. We also want to extend our best MADRP welcome to our new Board President, John Alfano, who

was waiting there in the wings, planning on the normal two year Vice Presidential term. Who said, "Life is what happens when you're making other plans?" They were right, too! Kudos to John for agreeing to start his term early. Please note that we have switched our membership meeting from January 4 to **February 1st at 10:00** so that the Board of Governors can meet on January 4th to get organized around these changes. Have a very happy holiday and see you in 2006!

2006 MADRP Calendar of Events

Board of Governor's Meetings are from 8:30-11:30 Networking and Continuing Education Opportunities are from 10:00-12:00 (with a mini-Board meeting from 8:30-9:30 prior to the all members meeting)

February 1 - Networking and Continuing Education Opportunity* - Scheduled Speaker— David Webbert, Esq. Topic: to be announced AUGUSTA

Locations: TBA

February 6 - Continued Strategic Planning for BOG, 8:30 - 4:00

March 1 - Networking and Continuing Education Opportunity - Scheduled Speaker - Jack Kartez, from the Muskie School, Topic: "Public Policy Alternative Dispute Resolution: Principles and Prospects"

April 5 - BOG meeting

May - MADRP Spring Conference - details to be announced

June 7 - BOG meeting

July 12 - Networking and Continuing Education Opportunity - Speaker and Topic to be announced

August 2 - BOG meeting

September 6 - Networking and Continuing Education Opportunity - Speaker and Topic to be announced

October 4 - BOG meeting

November - MADRP Fall Conference - details to be announced

December - BOG Planning Retreat

* Membership Meetings will now be called Networking and Continuing Education Opportunities.

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Submissions Wanted!

Have an opinion you want to express? An insight? A musing?

Share your perspective and inspiration with everyone in MADRP.

Send your work to tobey@bartongingold.com



If you would you like to sponsor an issue of the Bulletin, Contact John Alfano at jalfano1@maine.rr.com

If you have already renewed your membership and you have any changes to your MADRP.org practitioner listing, please email them to Lisa Levinson at LisaL595@adelphia.net.

If you need to renew your membership, please make the changes on your membership form. Questions? Contact Lisa!



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2005 MADRP Officers

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2006 Committee Chairs Events - Conference and Annual Meeting: Facilitator Section: Pam Plumb and Bill Van Twisk Tobey Williamson Practice Quality: Paul Charbonneau

ME Residential Real Estate Mediation Program (MRREMP): John Alfano Bulletin: Tobey Willamson Nominating Committee Chair: To be appointed by President in March 2006 **At-large Board members:** Kim Vogel, Jane Clayton Program Liaison: Diane Kenty (CADRES), Community Mediation Center

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