



PAAR March 2026 NEWSLETTER



A Message from the PAAR President

There was encouraging news recently as the U.S. Senate passed the bipartisan 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act, one of the most significant federal efforts in decades aimed at addressing housing supply and affordability. While there is still work ahead, it's a positive step toward expanding housing opportunities and helping more families achieve homeownership.

Closer to home, our community is also leaning into solutions. Through the Parkersburg Housing Think Tank, local leaders and housing professionals are collaborating to explore ways to help lower-income buyers with a home purchase. It's exciting to see this level of cooperation, and we look forward to sharing more details as those ideas continue to develop.

As we enter our busiest season, please remember to keep REALTOR® safety top of mind. Tools like the Tether app, a benefit available through the West Virginia Association of REALTORS®, allow you to share your location with trusted contacts, alert them if you feel unsafe, and even research information about individuals you may be meeting before an appointment.

Wishing all of our REALTORS® a productive, safe, and busy spring season. May your listings be plentiful, your inspections uneventful, your closings right on time—and your coffee strong enough to keep up with it all.

Sincerely,

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Be sure to register for your CE classes for the PAAR 29th Annual Ed Fair on April 29th at the Grand Pointe Conference Center in Vienna. Early registration must be received by April 13th to take advantage of the discounted rate of \$70. After April 13th, registration will increase to \$85. You can obtain your registration form by visiting the PAAR website at <https://www.parkersburgareaassociationofrealtorswv.com/current-events>.

Welcome new members: Coldwell Banker-Patricia Tennant
Coldwell Banker-Eric Corder

Upcoming Events

April 29th-Ed Fair at Grand Pointe

Save the Dates

June 7th-PAAR Annual Cruise-In-Spencer Park in Vienna-4PM

June 25th Quarterly Luncheon at Grand Pointe-12PM



INSTANT REACTION

Jobs, March 6, 2026

Dr. Lawrence Yun

Chief Economist & Senior Vice President of NAR Research

“Jobs in the private sector, along with ongoing reductions in federal government staffing, led to lower payroll employment in February. But the unemployment rate remains low because of the southern border shutdown. That is why the wage growth remains healthy with a 3.8% rise.

The big question going forward is whether a recent rise in oil prices could push the economy into stagflation. The ugly combination of low economic growth and elevated inflation will also mean higher mortgage rates.

If a major ramp-up in U.S. oil production and the export of liquefied natural gas takes place amid geopolitical uncertainty, then inflation need not rise, and mortgage rates can reach multiyear lows.”





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