

MORBANPAC Raises Generous Amount at Summer Conference

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At this year's summer conference we were able to raise over \$5,000.00 for MORBANPAC. This was a great effort contributed by many at the conference. MORBANPAC donations help with our efforts to combat arduous legislation that inhibits fair protections for the lending industry and the customers we serve.

At Monday nights Presidents dinner we had a silent auction and a live auction. Both of these generated a lot of excitement. Many donors graciously donated items that were auctioned off. Golf clubs, Tiger tickets, dinner out and jewelry were just a few of the great items we had for the silent auction. The live auctions showed a LeBron James signed basket ball, a Justin Verlander "No Hitter" jersey and a 7 night stay in Orlando. The excitement rose as our Auctioneer (volunteer) Jeff Weisserman worked the crowd taking bids from the nearly 120 people present. Excellent job Jeff, thanks for helping out. It should be noted that Jeff did a fabulous job setting up the auction by getting donations. He has done this for several years.

Another exciting part of the MORBANPAC fundraising was the "Bucket of Booze". Each MMLA board member donated a bottle of booze. All 12 bottles were put into a beverage bucket along with various snacks we added. This made for an exciting prize. We sold out a whole roll of tickets! The drawing was Monday night at the Presidents dinner, along with the auction. Murray Brown won the cooler this year and generously donated it back and we auctioned it off! Thank you Murray!!

What is MORBANPAC?

MORBANPAC or MORtgage BANkers Political Action Committee is the non-partisan political action pac of the Michigan Mortgage Lenders Association. It operates at the state level to support elected officials and candidates whose philosophies and positions support the real estate finance industry. We work very closely with Karoub Associates to ensure our dollars are hard at work. A donation to MORBANPAC shows Politian and government groups that we are united in protecting our industry.

We still need your help. \$5,000.00 is certainly a good sum to raise but it is only part of what we need. We have a goal this year to raise over \$25,000.00 for MORBANPAC. We still have a ways to go. With our current political climate in the state of Michigan, the pressure on our industry is huge. We have had numerous members contribute this year already. If you haven't yet, please consider making a contribution today. Everyone who is in the industry is touched by the activities in Lansing. We need to unite.

Contributions are accepted big and small, and they are all appreciated. The MMLA must only accept contributions from individuals. We are not allowed to receive contributions from organizations or companies. If you would like additional information on MORBANPAC please contact me.