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PASS Honors Peter Ruffini, Yvonne Price and Jim and John Harrington at 2009 Awards

Reception

Pembroke, MA] (June, 2009) — The Plymouth and South Shore Association of REALTORS® (PASS) held their 9th Annual REALTOR® Awards Reception at The Plimoth Plantation on June 16th. PASS members nominate fellow members for an award in one of three categories and applications are carefully reviewed by a committee to select the winners. Winners are not disclosed prior to the reception. Guests from PASS, the Cape Cod & Islands Association of REALTORS® and the Massachusetts Association of REALTORS® (MAR) were in attendance to hear, first hand, who the 2009 recipients were.

Peter Ruffini, Broker/Owner of Options 153, Mullen & Partners Real Estate in Plymouth was awarded the REALTOR® of the Year award. This award is the highest honor that PASS bestows upon one of its members. In receiving this prestigious award, Peter joins an elite group of professionals who have made significant contributions to the advancement of the real estate profession and the betterment of the communities they serve. Peter joined the REALTOR® Association in 1996, holds designations of GRI, CBR, RECS and e-PRO and achieved the position of President of the PASS Board of Directors while still in his 30s. He is a person that truly exemplifies what it means to be a REALTOR® by always practicing real estate with the highest standards and ethical integrity. Peter has, and still does, serve on many local, state and national association committees, boards and task forces. Peter far exceeded the requirements to receive the award.

The REALTOR® of Outstanding Service award was presented to Yvonne Price of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Scituate for her outstanding service to the REALTOR® Association and the community. Yvonne is a licensed broker, a Certified Massachusetts Real Estate Instructor and holds the designations of GRI, CBR and SRES. She serves on the PASS Board of Directors as Secretary and on numerous committees and task forces. On the state level, Yvonne serves as a Dean for the MAR Graduate REALTOR® Institute courses. She volunteers her time in many capacities for Habitat for Humanity, is a member of the Advisory Board for the Town of Marshfield and is active in local elections and community organizations.

The Affiliate of the Year award is presented to a PASS affiliate member that has shown commitment to PASS through his/her participation in the Association. Jim Harrington and John Harrington of First Eastern Mortgage Corp., in Plymouth were chosen as this year's recipients for their commitment to the PASS Community Service, Government Affairs, Membership and Networking committees. The two affiliates have raised awareness of Association issues, as well as, funds for worthwhile charities.

PASS is the second largest professional REALTOR® trade organization in Massachusetts and consists of 2,300 members covering 18 communities from the Neponset Bridge down to the Cape Cod Canal. PASS members are united in purpose and dedication to providing knowledgeable and ethical real estate services to consumers and fellow members. For more information on PASS, please visit the PASS website at www.PassRealtors.com or call 781-826-5139.