BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY LANDLORD ASSOCIATION <u>This Saturday</u>: Sept 8, 9-10 am Columbus Indiana Airport, Meeting Hall (downstairs) \$1 per person to pay for the room.

**<u>Urgent!</u>** Mark your calendar and phone reminders for BCLA on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month. We have not missed a session in over 20 years! You can count on it! I cannot tell you how many times I meet a fellow Landlord in Lowes and they say "Are we still meeting?" Or "I forgot". Then they ask me for advice on the very topic we discussed at the meeting!

### <u>Saturday's Agenda:</u> Dave Rosenberger Top 5 Things to Inspect Before You Buy

Dave is a Professional Licensed House Inspector

landlord, BCLA landlord, rehabber, and licensed home inspector will show us things an investor should inspect before buying, and learn when to call the pros. When selling a property, most retail buyers order an inspection. Knowing Dave, how inspections work, and the "lingo" will help you work with the inspection report and the buyers to get to the closing table. Dave has inspected and reported on hundreds of homes.

Dave has an Engineering degree and an excellent mechanical aptitude. Dave was once an accomplished automotive technician, and continues to own and work on high-performance cars, enjoys fine craftsmanship woodworking in his basement woodshop. Throughout his career, Dave has held positions including auto technician, skilled trades technician, engineering associate, purchasing manager, and finance executive. Dave's credentials include:

- Completion of the AHIT (American Home Inspectors Training) master inspection course, scoring nearly 95% on the exam
- Licensed home inspector in Indiana
- Licensed termite inspector in Indiana
- Licensed radon tester
- Mechanical Journeyman's card

# Last Month: Brad Grayson

# 5 Things You're Doing Wrong

(and creating your own problems!) Traditional landlording is dead. It leads to frustration, stress, and lost income. People have changed and we must adapt. Brad's maverick methods have increased income and reduced stress. Brad taught how to add \$800-1,000 cash flow per year per home By simply adjusting management and lease.

## Previous Month: Lew Wilson – Assessor

Lew explained how the re-assessments are done and what they mean to the property owner. He explained how to appeal your assessment but that deadline has now passed. Also the latest info on taxation of non-profit agencies in the home rental business. He has spent a lot of time, energy, and resources to have each property owner pay their fair share which helps keep everyone's bill lower.

## **Big News!!**

In our continuing effort to bring value and quality (and discounts!!) to your membership in BCLA we (that's YOU!) are now part of the brand new Indiana State Real Estate Investors Assoc. **INstateREIA** and was formed to focus on laws and lobbying at the state level. Example: the recent Landlord Registration passed in Columbus was based on a new state law passed by our state legislature. Your BCLA dues are now supporting lobbying at the state level AND bringing us more discounts! www.indianastatereia.org INstateREIA has already been active helping LLs

In Morgantown with the new utility rule which holds LLs responsible for the resident's bills.

## Support the Vendors who Support US!

Special thanks to, and please support those who support us: Assessor Lew Wilson and Ginny Whipple **Burt's Termite and Pest Control Ceraland Family Park Direct Concepts Flooring Brad Grayson Seminars** Hallmark Mortgage Dave Seiwert Home Depot- Art Slike Love Chapel MRC Managed Rent Collections - Chuck Doup NTN Online Screening, Credit Reports - John Spafford **Old National Bank** Peters' Heating and Cooling Repp Accounting –Sue Repp Rumpke **RWS Rose & Walker Supply** Sherwin Williams State Farm Dave Dailey Wayne Meyer Electric Window World

## Coming up:

(no date) John Spafford of NTN-Online Credit Reports and Screening
(no date) Aida Rameriz explaining Service and Support Animal laws
(no date) Mike Todd of IRA Innovations – Tax free rental or flip income

## **Big change!**

Community Buying Group is now part of Think Realty To get your discounts you MUST opt in by calling 816-398-4130 Your discounts are gone until you opt in. Our group code is **BCLA109** BCLA pays for a group membership so no additional cost to you. **Sherwin Williams** – HUGE discount nationwide, locally just show your BCLA card **84 Lumber** (new!) **Sunbelt Rentals** – discounts on equipment and tools **SimpliSafe** – group pricing on security systems And many more

<u>JCPI</u> Johnson County Property Investors ("Franklin LL group") are welcome the same as BCLA members.

### **BCLA**

"Working together to provide quality housing & protect our investments." President: Brad Grayson 812-376-3500 gmoffice@comcast.net. <u>www.BartholomewLandlords.com</u> 3129 25th St #202, Columbus IN 47203

## What you DON'T know CAN hurt you

- Handbook with Forms: Application, Lease, Late Letters, Inspections, Court, etc
- Online Court eviction records, (Doxpop) at no charge worth \$300-500 per year
- Credit Reports, online, \$6. Criminal, Sex Offender reports available
- Buying Group 10%+2% at Lowes, huge discount at Sherwin Williams, and more
- Learn how to be increase profits, reduce turnover, reduce headaches!
- Learn about tax advantages, extra deductions, rental bookkeeping
- You are not alone. Meet other local landlords facing the same issues
- Learn about court: eviction, garnishments, body attachments (warrant for their arrest)
- Learn about collections, finding skips
- Learn from speakers local CPAs, attorneys, furnace repair, pro painters, etc.
- Swap names for contractors, suppliers
- Strength in numbers: representation on Housing Task Force, etc.
- Tenants can get free attorneys. What are you doing to stay ahead of them?
- Many laws are not logical; some are urban legends. Fines are huge.

- Ignorance of the law is not an excuse. Fair Housing laws, lead based paint laws, Flood Disclosure, building codes, and health codes apply to landlords with 1 or 1,000 units.

**Membership:** \$75 per calendar year (deductible business expense), made out to BCLA, and a completed registration form. New members joining midyear receive a large notebook of forms worth more than the membership fee, full of info geared to Bartholomew County, Doxpop online court records, \$6 credit reports, attorney program, discounts on paint and materials, contractor referrals, mailings, and email updates. New members joining in Oct, Nov, Dec automatically roll to the following year. Family members or legitimate business partners are included in a business's membership. Mid-year renewals are not discounted because BCLA must pre-pay for the services offered whether you used them or not.

Enroll online at <u>www.BartholomewLandlords.com</u> Heavy Doxpop users may see additional cost. <u>Monday lunch:</u> Sirloin Stockade, Hwy 31 next to old Kroger. 11:30, every Monday even most holidays. Come as you are! This is an open forum business session, to network, listen, learn, ask question, share experience. Newbies and questions welcome!

Spend a little time with local landlords who have 20, 30, 50 years of experience.

Ya gotta eat! We're in the side room to the left of the food bars.

**Monthly Meeting:** We meet on the second Saturday of each month, 9-10am, with guest speakers, demonstrations, or topical discussions. Please mark your calendars. Work clothes are OK. Learn how to protect your RE investment and improve your profit. Door charge \$1. Guests welcome!

**Location:** Columbus Municipal Airport, Large Meeting Hall (downstairs). Fully accessible via elevator. 4770 Ray Boll Blvd, Columbus, IN 47203

Or drive north on Central Ave, follow the bend to the right, then left on Ray Boll Blvd. Next to the jet on display.

**About BCLA:** Bartholomew County Landlord Association is the largest and oldest local organization of housing providers supplying related information. Our aim is to help landlords and property managers get the information they need to serve the community's housing needs and to protect their own investments. BCLA has been meeting every month for over 20 years to address these issues. Members include private landlords, property managers, realtors, suppliers, and more. Your membership is vital as we work with community leaders to address housing concerns.

#### BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY LANDLORD ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

#### Or Register with check or credit card at www. BartholomewLandlords.com

The Bartholomew County Landlord Association is only an information gathering tool and an educational organization. All information compiled or distributed is based strictly on statements from other landlords, public record, or contributions from speakers on a voluntary basis.

I understand that as a member of the Landlord Association that any information obtained for me will be used strictly by me and that I will not discuss or inform other persons in regard to that information.

I understand that all information I supply the Landlord Association is to be submitted in writing and signed and dated by me.

I understand that all information submitted to the Landlord Association by me is true and accurate with the necessary proof to withstand legal action. I also understand that I am personally responsible for any fictitious or deceptive information supplied by me.

I understand that it is my responsibility to inform the Landlord Association of any change in status of information submitted by me. The right to rent/lease property is strictly the landlord's or property manager's option and should not be affected by information from the Landlord Association.

I understand that I may not in any way represent the Landlord Association without official consent of the Board of Directors. Members shall be in good standing with the community.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Owner/Landlord	or Property Manager	Number of units	
Personal Name(s)			
Business Name			
Mailing address			
City	State	Zip	
Email(s)			
Phone Number to give out for	eferrals, etc		
Home Phone	Cell	Fax	
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