Dear MSAA Family,

I hope that you are all feeling blessed. This is a time of year for rejoicing and being thankful for all the blessings that have been bestowed upon us. This is also the time of year that we all start getting excited to see our Auction Family at our annual Conference and Show. It is with deep disappointment that I have to convey to you that we must cancel our "Family Reunion" for 2021. Governor Walz has extended the Executive Order 20-99 which restricts social gatherings.

The Board of Directors had planned a most awesome event filled with fun, education, networking and fundraising and more fun! No need to feel dismayed because we will DOUBLE it all up in 2022!

We will keep you informed in the coming days of our election process, the by-law change and addressing the proposed Diversity Statement. We intend to move forward with giving you all your voice in the election and the opportunity to throw your hat into the ring for a seat on the Board of Directors.

A hybrid Bi-Annual meeting will take place January 16 via Zoom or in person at:

Frank and Peg Imholt's Farm - 8160 County Road 138, St Cloud, MN

We need 3 of you to serve on our team as Directors. We also are looking for that special someone to step up to the plate for the office of Vice President (must have served a full term as director previously). And we need all of you to support Judd Grafe as our new President. Our Election Committee may reach out to some of you to give that nudge to step forward, but please don't wait for the invitation. Maybe you have served a term in the past and feel that "ping" to serve again. Please do! Your past leadership is very welcome. If you are a member that hasn't stepped up yet and have ignored that "ping" in the past, it's time to answer the call!

FYI: For those of you who are planning to do the 15 hours of Real Estate CE, Mike Brennan is still planning to teach his course on January 13 and 14 as scheduled, only virtually. Just fill out your registration that is included in your magazine or contact Frank Imholte for other instructions. If you haven't taken his course before, this is an excellent time to get on board. He is a very informative and quite entertaining speaker/instructor. He makes the "dry stuff" fun.

The fundraiser event that is in process now will continue on. We are selling tickets for the brand new Polaris side by side. For those of you that are selling, and don't plan to be in person on January 16th please make sure you have your tickets and funds in the mail by January 1 to:

Jim and Ericka Connolly

320 N Oak Street

Belle Plaine, MN 56011

Their phone is: 507-351-1885

That covers it for now. Stay Safe. Stay Healthy. Many Blessing to All of You!

Respectfully

Tammy Tisland

MSAA President