

the REALTOR® Report



News for you from the ND Association of REALTORS®
August 17, 2016

Official Notice of Meeting

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF MEETING

All REALTOR® members of the NDAR are hereby notified of the Annual General Membership Meeting as follows: Thursday, September 15, 2016 – Holiday Inn, Fargo ND

Any REALTOR® member who will **not** be able to attend the General Membership Meeting on September 15, 2016 at 2:45 pm may vote by Absentee Ballot.

Election of Officers Absentee Voting Ballot [click here](#)

Official Bylaw Change Proposal Absentee Voting Ballot [click here](#)

NDAR Good Neighbor Award Entries Due By August 22

The North Dakota Association of REALTORS® will present one Good Neighbor Award at the REALTOR® Convention of the Dakotas when held in North Dakota. A cash contribution of \$500 will be made to the charity of the winner's choice.

The NDAR Good Neighbor Award is to recognize North Dakota's REALTORS® for their efforts in community and charitable service in helping to make their communities a better place for all citizens.

Please complete and submit this entry form no later than August 22, 2016. <http://ndrealtors.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Good-Neighbor-Application.pdf>

E-Mail completed form to NDAR at Info@ndrealtors.com or mail to NDAR, 318 W. Apollo Ave., Bismarck ND 58503.

North Dakota Association of REALTORS® RPAC Trustees Endorse Candidates

The North Dakota Association of REALTORS (NDAR) REALTOR Political Action Committee (RPAC) Trustees held federal and statewide candidate interviews on July 23, July 25 and August 1 and voted to endorse the following candidates for office:

For U.S. Senate - John Hoeven
For U.S. House of Representatives - Kevin Cramer
For ND Governor - Doug Burgum
For ND Auditor - Joshua Gallion
For ND Treasurer - Kelly Schmidt
For ND Insurance Commissioner - Jon Godfread
For ND Public Service Commission - Julie Fedorchak
For ND Superintendent of Public Instruction - Kirsten Baesler

All candidates, Republican, Democratic and Libertarians were invited to interview.
All those who set up interviews were interviewed.

You Can Still Get Your 2016 NAR Membership Card

Visit the NAR Member Center to download your free membership card or order a plastic card for just \$5. Customize it with your name, credentials/designations and your NRDS ID #. Use your card to take advantage of great member benefits like those offered through Hertz® (a REALTOR Benefits® Program partner) and .REALTOR, the official 2016 membership card sponsors.

Get your card here:

http://membercenter.realtor.org/?cid=MC00126&om_rid=AACsWD&om_mid= BXseOEB9ROU5eh&om_ntype=RESMonthly

Short Term Health Insurance Options Available to REALTORS®

REALTORS® Insurance Marketplace has special enrollment options for brokers and their agents who may be in need of health insurance coverage before open enrollment begins November 1. The SMART Short Term Medical temporary health insurance plan is designed to be an affordable medical policy which can last from 30 days to 6 months. Next day coverage is available if approved, and qualification for coverage consists of only a few questions.

http://www.realtorsinsurancemarketplace.com/temporary-health-insurance-up-to-6-months-of-medical-coverage/?cid=RH0191&om_rid=AACsWD&om_mid= BXseOEB9ROU5eh&om_ntype=RESMonthly

How Brokers and Agents Can Share HomeOwnershipMatters.REALTOR Content

Share the link or specific content from the HomeOwnershipMatters.REALTOR website in emails, newsletters or through social media. This consumer-facing website is used by NAR, states and national REALTOR® Associations to inform consumers of public policy issues of interest to them at all levels of government. NAR is sending monthly emails to 7.6 million consumers who have previously shown interest in our issues. By sharing the site with consumers, we can continue to build our database for future Consumer Calls for Action on issues important to both consumers and REALTORS®. For more information on how brokers and agents can share [HomeOwnershipMatters.REALTOR](#) content.

<http://ndrealtors.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/consumer-advocacy-outreach-1.pdf>

Wire Fraud Notice Template Available

The following is an example of a notice you may wish to consider adding to your email signature line. This notice should not serve as a substitute for educating your clients and other participants in your real estate transactions about email wire fraud. The template of a notice you can add to your email signature regarding ways to avoid email wire fraud is available on [REALTOR.org](#).

For more information about best practices to avoid victimization by cyber criminals, see <http://www.realtor.org/law-and-ethics/protecting-your-business-and-your-clients-from-cyberfraud>

Licensing Renewal Reminder

Please remember that November 15 is the deadline to renew your real estate license for 2017. The Real Estate Commission will be mailing out the renewals this fall. You must have nine hours approved CE to renew. Please remember that the education must be completed by November 15 and that you can only take 8 hours of CE per day to qualify.

October CE Reminder

The last live courses to be sponsored by NDAR will be held on October 18-19 in Bismarck. Nine hours of CE will be offered including the Code of Ethics class on October 19. This is the course that all members must have by December 31 to retain their membership in the REALTOR® organization. It must have been taken from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2016 - if you aren't sure if you have taken the course please contact your local board who is responsible for tracking this. If you have taken it from another entity than NDAR you will need to submit proof to your local board AE to enter into your member record.

EVOLVE: 2016 REALTOR® Convention of the Dakotas

Don't forget to register for the 2016 Convention of the Dakotas in Fargo! You won't want to miss it!

To register by credit card, please do one of the following:

- Go to www.fmrealtor.com and click on the Convention Tab
- Scan and email registration to patti@fmrealtor.com
- Fax the registration form to FMAAR at [701-232-1831](tel:701-232-1831), attention Patti

To register by check please:

- Make check payable to FMAAR
- Mail to: Fargo-Moorhead Area Association of REALTORS® - 813 N University Dr, Fargo ND 58102

Full registration includes all convention activities and education. Additional events are available for sign-up, including the Tuesday night "Downtown Experience", Wednesday "Creatively Uncorked" painting event and Wednesday Golf Outing at Oxbow. **Space is limited for additional events and are limited to members registered for convention.**

"Educate. Innovate. Celebrate!" – Orlando 2016 (November 4 – 7)

If You Don't Go, You Won't Be in the Know!

The REALTORS® Conference & Expo is the largest meeting exclusively for real estate professionals. In 2016 the REALTORS® Conference & Expo will be held at the Orange County Convention Center West in Orlando, FL. This year's theme is "Educate. Innovate. Celebrate!", and, indeed, the event will help REALTORS® get EDUCATED on future market trends and provide them the chance to test out all the new INNOVATIONS changing real estate, as well as CELEBRATE the industry.

<http://www.realtor.org/convention.nsf/pages/homepage?opendocument>

This year's event includes:

- 100 education sessions, featuring nationally recognized speakers, trainers, and industry experts, who discuss timely topics and critical issues of value to REALTORS®
- Nearly 400 industry vendors at the expo, who present the latest innovative tools
- Many affordable registration options
- 19,000 + REALTORS® and guests to network and idea share with