



the REALTOR[®] Report

News for you from the ND Association of REALTORS[®]

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REALTOR[®] Emeritus Candidate Forms Due

April 3 is the deadline to complete certification forms for REALTOR[®] Emeritus status, which recognizes REALTOR[®] and REALTOR[®]-Associate members with 40 years of continuous membership and who've served on committees. Members will be recognized at the NAR Midyear Legislative Meetings in May if eligible applications are submitted by the deadline. Forms and eligibility requirements [are online](#). For more info contact [Mary Glick](#), 800/874-6500, ext.8831.

FAA Proposes Commercial Drone Rules

The Federal Aviation Administration has issued proposed rules for the commercial use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), or drones. Once implemented, the long-awaited guidelines will allow property owners and real estate professionals to use drones to shoot aerial photos and video footage of buildings and land for use in marketing campaigns. NAR applauds the proposed rules and will submit comments to the FAA, but reminds real estate professionals that the commercial use of drones without an FAA exemption remains illegal.

Applications Accepted for Good Neighbor Awards

REALTOR[®] Magazine is now accepting nominations for the 2015 Good Neighbor Awards, which honor NAR members who dedicate themselves to volunteer service. Five winners will be announced in the November/December 2015 issue of REALTOR[®] Magazine. Each winner will be recognized at the 2015 REALTORS[®] Conference & Expo in San Diego and will receive a \$10,000 grant for his or her charity. Visit www.realtor.org/gna for more information about the Good Neighbor Awards program and to submit nominations. Entries must be received by May 15, 2015.

Register for REALTORS[®] Legislative Meetings

[Registration is open](#) for the 2015 REALTORS[®] Legislative Meetings & Trade Expo, May 11-16 in Washington, D.C. Sign up early for the best hotel options. Registration is free for NAR members.

Changes Coming to HUD-1, Closing Process

The days of filling out the HUD-1 settlement form and getting a Good Faith Estimate (GFE) from the lender are winding down. Starting Aug. 1, members will have to work with two new forms, the Closing Disclosure and the Loan Estimate. Also, members will have to get their transaction paperwork finalized three days before closing. Your members can learn about these changes [in a five-minute video](#) with NAR Government Affairs.

2015 Broker Summit Events Announced

Following the success of last year's Broker Summit, NAR is planning three summits for 2015. Two of the summits will focus on business management issues, and one will focus exclusively on technology trends that impact brokers. [Visit the Broker Summit page](#) for dates, locations and other details

Voice for Real Estate: Closing Changes, Drones

The Federal Aviation Administration has released a proposed rule on commercial drone use but until the rule takes effect, real estate professionals still need to apply for a permit if they want to use the technology to take aerial photos of their listings. That's one of the top stories in the latest [The Voice for Real Estate](#) news video. Other stories: The HUD-1 and other long-used closing documents are going away on August 1 and new reports say 2015 will be good for commercial real estate.

CE Credit Available for Discovering Commercial Real Estate

Encourage your members to [register](#) for the Discovering Commercial Real Estate course online. The course now offers 3 CE hours in 27 states. It is approved for CE in ND.

NAR Taking Recommendations for 2016 Committees

NAR is taking recommendations for 2016 committees and has [an online form](#) on REALTOR.org that members can access from March 9 to May 22. Your members can recommend themselves or others.

2015 REALTORS® Conference & Expo “BE HERE: San Diego...It’s your time to shine!”

This year, we’re expecting 20,000 REALTORS® and guests and will plan for 100 education sessions and nearly 400 exhibitors at the expo.

April 21, 2015, 12:00 pm CT: 2015 REALTORS® Conference & Expo website opens at www.REALTOR.org/Conference - check out the temporary site page now!

April 29, 2015, 12:00 pm CT: 2015 REALTORS® Conference & Expo Official Family registration opens

May 6, 2015, 12:00 pm CT: 2015 REALTORS® Conference & Expo General Attendee registration opens

Spring Education Caravan Set! Multiple Locations & Dates

Real Estate Safe Practices: Work Safely & Protect Your Clients
Mandatory Safety Topic-Covers the 3 ND Mandatory hours for 2015

Technology, Social Media and Smartphone Safety

3 hours CE

CSSS (Consumer Safety & Security Specialist) certification given if both classes are taken.

Fargo—Ramada Plaza Suites—1635 42nd St. S 701-277-9000

- Real Estate Safe Practices—Tuesday, April 7 (8:30 -11:30)
- Tech, Soc. Media & Smartphone Safety—Tuesday April 7 (1:00 - 4:00)
- Real Estate Safe Practices—Friday April 10 (8:30 -11:30)

Grand Forks—Canad Inn—1000 S 42nd St. 701-772-8404

- Real Estate Safe Practices—Wed, April 8 (9:00 -12:00)
- Tech, Soc. Media & Smartphone Safety—Wed, April 8 (1:30-4:30)

Jamestown—Quality Inn—507 25th St SW 701-252-3611

- Real Estate Safe Practices—Thurs, April 9 (1:00 -4:00)

Williston—Grand Williston—3601 2nd Ave W 701-774-0241

- Real Estate Safe Practices—Monday, April 20 (8:30 -11:30)
- Tech, Soc. Media & Smartphone Safety—Monday, April 20 (1:00-4:00)

Minot—Grand Hotel Minot—1505 N Broadway 701-852-3161

- Real Estate Safe Practices—Tues, April 21 (8:30 -11:30)
- Tech, Soc. Media & Smartphone Safety—Tues, April 21 (1:00-4:00)

Bismarck—Ramada—1400 E Interchange Ave. 701-258-7000

- Real Estate Safe Practices—Wed, April 22 (8:30 -11:30)
- Tech, Soc. Media & Smartphone Safety—Wed, April 22 (1:00 - 4:00)
- Real Estate Safe Practices—Friday April 24 (8:30 -11:30)

Dickinson—Elks Lodge—501 Elks Drive 701-483-1137

- Real Estate Safe Practices—Thurs, April 23 (8:30 -11:30) mst
- Tech, Soc. Media & Smartphone Safety—Thurs, April 23 (1:00-4:00) mst

Download the registration form <http://ndrealtors.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/2015-Flyer-caravan.pdf>

Register & Pay Online at <http://www.realtor.org/ecat0866.nsf>