

the REALTOR® Report

News for you from the ND Association of REALTORS® June 24, 2015

NDAR June Meetings Update

Nominating Committee interviewed candidates for NDAR offices for 2016 and forwarded the following for election (with Board of Directors ratification) in September: For Vice President: Lorrie Nantt and Ben Schroeder and for President Elect: Lyn Dwyer. Watch for absentee ballots coming out mid-August or inperson voting at the General Membership Meeting in Watertown, SD on September 17.

Several Taskforces were created that include:

- *looking at a new logo for the Association
- *helping in the creation of three hour classes that are designed for those entering the real estate business
- *looking at the purpose of the Membership Committee as well as the name
- *working on creation of a Desktop Reference Guide for members to use

Technology and Membership Committees introduced new member benefit program, an app "TaxBot" for tracking expenses related to real estate. By buying the app through the association you can get it half price. See more information in this report. The Technology Committee also held an "Appy Hour" with appetizers and drinks and exchanged useful apps for real estate and life in general.

Those in attendance also heard presentations from ND Compass regarding the data website they are creating on North Dakota, ND Indian Affairs Commissioner, Scott Davis and 1st Tribal Lending, Juel Burnette spoke on lending programs available to Native Americans. Realtor.com rep, Don Flynn, was also in attendance and presented a short program for agents on the changes to the program. Many questions and inquiries were made.

Other: NDAR will be a Golden Investor in Issues Mobilization; CEO Jill Beck was recognized for 25 years of service to NDAR; Dewey Uhlir, Fargo will be running for Region 8 Regional Vice President at the NAR Convention in San Diego in November and NDAR will help with expenses incurred for a campaign up to \$3,000.

Are You Registered for the 2015 REALTOR® Convention of the Dakotas?

"REALTORS® The Crystal Clear Choice" September 16-18, 2015 – Watertown, South Dakota Reduced registration expires on July 31st! Register today and save \$45!

- Convention kick off with Riedel wine tasting at the Redlin Art Center Pavilion
- Top notch education including a REALTOR® safety and self-defense class
- Golf at the Prairie Winds Golf Club
- Entertainment by two of Minneapolis' best bands!

For all registration, hotel, and event information please visit http://www.sdrealtor.org/realtorconventionofthedakotas/

Share the Message of Safety

The <u>REALTOR® Safety Program</u> is posting weekly safety tips on NAR's Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts to help share the message of safety. Watch for these tips every Monday. Visit <u>realtor.org/safety</u> for details.

TAXBOT- NDAR Provides Special Offer for REALTOR® Members

The North Dakota Association of REALTORS® is excited to announce our partnership with Taxbot. Taxbot is an expense tracking system designed to save THOUSANDS every year. NDAR members get a huge discount on the service. Try it now. Guaranteed to save you at least 20 times your investment in your first 30 days or your money back! Members get these premium features...

- ❖ Track your mileage with the Taxbot integrated GPS system on your smartphone
- * Take pics of receipts
- ❖ All your records stored in the cloud
- Integrates with your bank or credit card
- ❖ A full training library

For detailed information please visit http://ndrealtors.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/nd-partnership.pdf

BE HERE San Diego- It's Your Time to Shine (November 13-16)

The <u>REALTORS® Conference & Expo</u> is the largest meeting exclusively for real estate professionals. It's where like-minded top producers come together to learn, share and network. Be here this November in sunny San Diego, and see how one long weekend can make a year-long impact on your business. This year's event includes:

- 100 <u>education sessions</u> led by industry experts
- 400 <u>exhibitors</u> in real estate's largest marketplace
- Four affordable registration options
- 20,000 REALTORS® and guests to network and idea share with

Broker Summit & Class to be Held in July (Bismarck & Fargo Locations)

Brokers and Designated REALTORS® are encouraged to attend a Broker Summit and Class from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. either on Tuesday, July 7 in Fargo at the Hilton Garden Inn or Wednesday, July 8 in Mandan at the Baymont Inn & Suites (formerly Seven Seas). Casey Chapman will present a class in the morning entitled, "Issues for the Broker" which has been approved for 3 hours of continuing education credit. **Anyone is welcome to attend this class.**

The lunch and afternoon program is limited to Brokers, REALTORS® on Record and Sales Managers. Information will be provided about the Broker Involvement Program, the NAR REALTORS® Property Resource database and NDAR member benefits. Attendees also will get updates of NDREC rules and regulations, federal legislation and state legislation.

Fees are \$25 for member Brokers, Designated REALTORS® and REALTOR® on Record and \$35 for member Sales Managers. These fees cover the full day. Fees are \$50 for members that are not designated REALTORS® or REALTOR® on Record or Designated REALTOR® and \$75 for non-members, no matter what their designation. These fees cover the morning CE only.

For more information or to register go to www.ndrealtors.com

When, Where, & How Can I Use My Drone?

There will be a time when REALTORS® can legally fly an unmanned aerial system, or drone, around property listings to capture images for marketing purposes, but that time has not yet arrived, at least not completely. That's according to Federal Aviation Administration officials who told REALTORS® on May 15 during a session at the REALTORS® Legislative Meetings & Trade Expo. For more on what was said, <a href="mailto:click.click.com/c

Frequently Asked Questions on Big RESPA/TILA Changes

Watch for updates as they come available at http://www.realtor.org/topics/real-estate-settlement-procedures-act-respa

Frequently Asked Questions with Answers - http://www.realtor.org/topics/real-estate-settlement-procedures-act-respa/respa-faq

NDAR Leadership Training October 13

NDAR will be holding a leadership training with Adorna Carroll in Bismarck. This training will be for state and local board incoming leadership, chairs, and chair elects. Mark your calendars to save the date, but there will be more detailed information to come at a later time.

Live Webcast on Closing Process Changes

Save the date. REALTOR® Magazine is hosting a live webcast on what you need to know about the closing process changes coming later this year and how to help keep transactions on track as the new process and forms take effect. The webcast will be Thursday, July 16, at 2 p.m., Eastern Time, and will feature Phil Schulman of K&L Gates, an expert on federal closing rules, and Finley Maxson, NAR Senior Counsel. Look for details on joining the event shortly.