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October 2, 2019

President's Message

Dear NCBR Members,

It's amazing to think that a year has passed since I took my position as president of NCBR. The friendships I've made and travels that were had all come together for some great experiences and memories. I encourage you all to get involved and make your own!

We all have talent and experience to bring to the table. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned REALTOR [®], you have something to offer which will keep our Board strong. Get involved, you will receive more than you give! As I did, you will find out that Board participation provides great experiences and life-long memories.



Best wishes for a great year to Noelle and her new team! I feel confident that NCBR's 2020 leadership will do a great job.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to myself, members of the Board of Directors or Hannah with any questions or suggestions that you may have.

Sincerely, Bill Sizeland

Cyber Security & eClosings

Wednesday, October 16 9:00 - 2:00 PM



RI REALTORS [®] and the Newport County Board of REALTORS [®] has partnered with CATIC School of Real Estate to bring you two back-to-back CE offerings!

Instructor Brad R. Pelletier, Esq of Pelletier Marshall & Clark, LLC., will update you on cyber-attacks affecting the industry and ways to minimize your risk. Then, enjoy lunch sponsored by CATIC before learning everything you need to know about eClosings (Electronic Real Estate Transactions) and remote online notarization (or "RON")! Space is limited, register now!

Watch your email for NCBR annual dues bill

In the coming week, NCBR members will receive their annual dues billing via email. Please be sure to pay your bill by November 15th to avoid a late fee of \$25.

We also encourage you to invest in the real estate profession by clicking on the REALTOR [®] Political Action Committee (RPAC) link when paying your dues online. RPAC plays an important role in preserving the rights of home ownership and advancing the role that REALTORS® play in fulfilling the American dream. Investments in RI RPAC help us fight for legislation that benefits our industry and ultimately, our clients. Therefore, your contributions are critically important and most appreciated.

Questions about RPAC? Visit RIRPAC.org.

Disclaimer – Contributions are not deductible for income tax purposes. Contributions to RPAC are voluntary and are used for political purposes. You may refuse to contribute without reprisal and the National Association of REALTORS® or any of its state associations or local boards will not favor or disfavor any member because of the amount contributed. Seventy percent of each contribution is used by your state PAC to support state and local political candidates. Until your state PAC reaches its RPAC goal, 30 percent is sent to National RPAC to support federal candidates and is charged against your limits under 52 U.S.C. 30116; after the state PAC reaches its RPAC goal, it may elect to retain your entire contribution for use in supporting state and local candidates.

Stay up-to-date with NAR's Members Edge E-newsletter

The National Association of REALTORS®' Member's Edge (formerly Weekly Report) is a customizable e-newsletter containing articles, updates, information, and special offers to help REALTORS® in their business.

Choose the kind of news you want to receive, and stay up-to-date with news and events that impact your industry.

Subscribe or update your preferences here!

Upcoming events and classes



Join Us for Wine & Whine! Friday, October 4 | 4:30-6:30 pm

Valley Inn 2221 W Main Rd, Portsmouth, RI

Have a drink, enjoy tasty appetizers and network with local REALTORS®! You could also win a generous door prize, all while supporting a local venue!

No RSVP required. A \$2 entry fee supports the President's Charity.

October 16th #510 Cyber Security (2 CE) & 9:00 am - 2:00 pm #511 eClosings (2 CE) Register

NCBR Classroom

Instructor: Brad R. Pelletier, Esq Lunch Provided by CATIC

October 21st #128 LEAD PAINT HAZARDS 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm (3 CEHs, CORE, & GRI 302)

NCBR Classroom
Instructor: Steve Antoni

October 28th #444 Negotiating to Win (3 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm CEH) Register

NCBR Classroom

Instructor: Dean deTonnancourt

November 4 #428 REALTOR's Guide to 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Social Media (3CEH) Register

NCBR Classroom Shalimar Albanese

Nov 14,15 - 9-4 pm GRI-101 Skills for Success

Nov 18 - 9-12 pm (15 CEHs)

NCBR Classroom

Instructor: Kevin Dumont

Dec 4 #300 Mortgage Seminar 1:00 pm-4:00 pm NCBR Classroom Register

Instructor: Ann Sabbagh

ALERT - Fund transfer frauds escalate

CATIC has received an increased number of calls over the past couple of weeks from businesses affected in one way or another by a fund transfer fraud.

Be sure to continually review and update your processes and plans with your experts. Attacks

change, security initiatives and resources change, etc., so we all have to stay on top of this and modify accordingly!

Consider using the <u>wire transfer checklist</u> offered by the American Land Title Association's Information Security (ALTA) to help verify outgoing wire information.

<u>Click here</u> to access ALTA's Information Security web page for more information.



In the news...

Newport council OKs North End moratorium as businesses plead against measure

Newport Daily News, Sept. 26, 2019 -- The City Council meeting Wednesday night showed a deep polarization in the city, with residents strongly supporting an ordinance imposing a moratorium on development in the North End and the business community just as strongly opposed to it. More...

You could be missing important updates!

NCBR's new Simple Texting platform will send you important texts including updates, reminders and links to timely information or data. We will text you a *maximum* of one time per week. You can only receive the updates if you OPT IN. Please text the key word " NCBR" to 1-833-369-2975 to sign up!

Questions about regulations in your city or town?

Curious about rules and regulations in your municipality? The following Newport County municipal websites will provide you with appropriate contact information and/or documents: <u>Jamestown</u>, <u>Little Compton</u>, <u>Middletown</u>, <u>Newport</u>, <u>Portsmouth</u>, <u>Tiverton</u>.

Also watch for the RI REALTORS® end-of-session legislative wrap up coming soon!

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