

REALTOR® RAP

News You Can Use

From the Bismarck Mandan Board of REALTORS® - July, 2009

Mission Statement: The purpose of the Bismarck Mandan Board of REALTORS® is to unite members by providing resources and promoting ethical standards, integrity, and professionalism.

Who is the Next REALTOR® of the Year? How About the Next Affiliate of the Year?

Nominations for the annual awards are due by July 17—but don't wait—your nominee is required to complete a detailed packet of information and these packets are due by July 31. Give your nominees extra time to prepare by nominating them today! E-mail the name of the person and the reason why you are nominating them to brenda@bmbor.org.

Board of Directors will have vacant seats

Why would you want to serve on the Board of Directors? Here are just a few reasons: 1) you will be a more informed member; 2) you will be involved in providing direction for your REALTOR® Association; 3) you will develop new skills; 4) you will gain a broader understanding of your REALTOR® associations on the local, state and national levels; and 4) you will have fun doing it!

Five positions will be filled during this year's election. The Nominating Committee is seeking members to fill the following seats:

- 2 Director Seats—3-year terms
- 1 Director Seat—1-year term
- 1 NDAR Director—3-year term (serves on our Board of Directors and the NDAR Board)
- 1 Vice President (progresses to president)

If you're interested in any of these positions, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee: Vicki Roller, Chair; Jerry Janz, Sally Zimny, Lavata Becker, and Jim Isaak; or Nancy at the Board Office.

San Diego Will Host NAR Convention

Plan a trip to San Diego November 13-16 for the National Association of REALTORS® Convention. This is always an outstanding event with excellent education, networking, trade expo, entertainment and so much more. For a schedule and more information, go to <http://www.realtor.org/convention.nsf/>

State Convention in September

Top-of-the-line educators and entertainment are on tap for the ND/SD REALTOR® Convention of the Dakotas. The State Convention is in Watertown from September 16-18. For more information, go to www.sdrealtor.org or go to www.ndrealtors.com and choose "2009 REALTOR® Convention of the Dakotas" on the left side. Register early to get the best rate!

Annual Golf Tournament Scheduled at Hawktree

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 11! The REALTORS® and Homebuilders will be holding the annual golf event at the Hawktree Golf Club. The flyer was e-mailed last week and the registration form can be found on the Bismarck Mandan Board website. This event has been a sell-out event so sign up early!

**There will be NO General
Membership Luncheon
in July!**



Calendar of Meetings & Events

- July 3 — Board Office closed in observance of Independence Day
- July 7 — Nominations for Board Seats Due
- July 9 — 8:30 a.m., MLS Committee
- July 16 — 8:30 a.m., Board of Directors
- August 11 — Golf Tournament, Hawktree
- August 13 — 8:30 a.m., MLS Committee
- August 20 — 8:30 a.m., Board of Directors
- August 20 — Annual Banquet—REALTOR® of the Year and Election of Officers, Radisson
- September 10 — 8:30 a.m., MLS Committee
- September 16-18 — ND/SD REALTOR® Convention of the Dakotas, Watertown, SD
- September 24 — 8:30 a.m., Board of Directors

Affiliates Appreciate Your Generosity

Thank you to everyone who donated door prizes for the Affiliate Appreciation Luncheon. Your generosity was greatly appreciated and made the event especially enjoyable for our Affiliate members.

Congratulations Are in Order...

New Member — Kathleen Maas has joined Stroup Ins. & Realty located in Beulah.

Life Membership —The Board of Directors has approved Life Membership for Don Allmendinger, Trademark Realty.

10 Years and Counting —Glen Naumann, Private Home Inspections, has been recognized for 10 years of membership in the American Society of Home Inspectors.

REALTOR® Transfers

Candace Christianson, Chris Conley & Eric Telenga have transferred to Century 21 Morrison Realty.

ActiveKey Manual is Online

Need some reminders about how to assign a lock-box? How to set up and provide showing feedback? Take a quick look at your Supra key manual. Can't find your manual? It's available to you at supraekey.com Sign into www.supraekey.com and choose "Active Key" (3rd option from the bottom), from the next menu choose 'ActiveKey User Manual'.

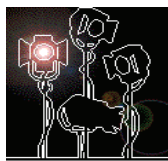
Wells Fargo Contributes to Habitat for Humanity on Behalf of REALTORS®

Habitat for Humanity is the recipient of a \$500 contribution made by Wells Fargo on behalf of the Bismarck Mandan Board of REALTORS®. The contribution came as a result of the registration fees collected from members for a Wells Fargo-sponsored CE course.

Door Prize Sponsors for Affiliate Appreciation Luncheon

Thank you to these members for providing door prizes to thank our affiliate members at the June luncheon/picnic. (Note: this list includes those door prizes that were signed in at the event.)

Dave Hoerner — 2 Bottles of Wine
Pam Oase — \$20 Pizza Hut Gift Card
Amy Hullet — \$25 Captain Jack's Card
Aladdin Realty — 3 Variety Boxes
Assist 2 Sell — \$20 Famous Dave's Certificate
Aspen Group — 1 Bottle of Wine
Jim Isaak — Rabbit Corkscrew
Lisa Waldoch — 6 passes for Four Seasons
Arlene & Ron Volk — \$25 Gas Card
Dennis Kaiser — Horseshoe Lawn Game
Vicki Roller — \$25 Kirkwood Mall Certificate
Keller Williams Roers — Movie Theme Gift Basket
Karin Haskell — \$20 to T.G.I.F. & a 2 Pack Picture Frame
Coldwell Banker Realty Group — Minerva's Gift Certificate



Spotlight on MLS

As introduced previously, we are featuring small doses of the MLS Rules and Regulations each month in this special section called "Spotlight on MLS".

This month let's take a look at some of the paperwork requirements, and also at Duplicate Listings...

Paperwork Required by Board Office for New Listings – MLS Participants who Broker Load their listings need only submit a copy of the Listing Agreement with the MLS number indicated at the top of it. (04.30.07)

Time of Day to Submit Board Load Information – Information that is to be entered into the MLS database by the Board Office is to be submitted by 11 a.m. if it is to be entered in the system that same day. (04.30.07)

Duplicate Listings

Duplicate listings will be allowed for multiple-use properties only, with an assessment of \$25/duplicate listing for each MLS number. Duplicate Listings will be entered by the Board Office staff only. (Examples of multi-use properties would be a listing that could be shown as a single family home and as a duplex in the MLS program; or lots that might be appropriately entered in both residential and commercial areas of the program.) (02.28.07)

Fine for Entering Duplicate Listings

Members will be assessed a \$50 fine for entering a duplicate listing into the MLS database. The Board Office will enter eligible properties as a duplicate listing for members. The \$25 fee applies for each MLS number. Duplicate listings are allowed for multiple-use properties only (as an example: a property that could be used as a single family home or a duplex; or lots that could be entered in both residential and commercial.) (03.24.08)

Janice Stein — \$25 Gas Card
Lynnell Strothman — 4 Freezer Mugs
J Fischer — Diffuser Scent Kits
Greg Larson — Butcher Block Gift Certificate
Connie Oksendahl — Bottle of Wine & Glasses
Bitz Realty — Gas Card Certificate
Karen Fleck — 2 \$20 Gas Cards
C21 Landmark — 2 \$25 Carino's Gift Certificates
Bianco Realty — 2 \$20 East 40 Gift Certificates
Diana Bossert — \$30 Seven Seas Gift Certificate
Bob Johnson — 2 \$10 Starbucks Certificates
Arlean Balkowitsch — 1 Bottle of Wine
Alliance RE — 1 \$25 Applebees & 1 \$25 T.G.I.F. Certificate