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News & Views

April 2022

President's Message

The Spring Market is here and we are starting to see its positive impact in our inventory numbers. In the last couple months we have seen a net increase of 400+ single family homes on the market. As we continue to see increased opportunity for buyers, I recommend touching base with lenders to make sure recent changes in interest rates haven't affected any existing preapprovals. As our mortgage partners will share, the current market makes consistent financing review the best opportunity for client success!

I want to thank everyone who made our recent Blood Drive such a great success! The staff with Mass General thoroughly enjoyed their day with us and hope we will have them back again soon!

Up next on our community involvement calendar is our Annual Meat Raffle on April 22nd to support the Simonds Sinon Cancer Center and fight back against cancer! If you haven't been to this event yet I highly recommend it!

2022 Premiere Sponsor



I'm also excited to have started the process of rolling out our NCMAR Ambassador Program! April is Ambassador



Awareness Month. The ambassadors of each office will serve as key partners in increasing engagement with our members and I look forward to seeing it continue to expand! As always if there is anything I can do to help let me know!





Friday, April 22nd 6:00 pm doors open Acadien Club 193 Parker St. Gardner

Join us for a fun time on Friday Night! Get ready for all the many summer outings and BBQ's!!

Proceeds to benefit the Simonds Sinon Cancer Treatment Center in Fitchburg

Meetings

April 2022

Board of Directors Meeting

March 29, 2022 Minutes

Members in attendance: Nick Pelletier President; Jean Rubin President elect; Shauna Roberts Treasurer; Darlene Rossi, Past President; Sophia Bell, Business Partner Director, and Kathy Lore Executive Officer Absent: Linda Lee Secretary, Denise Wortman Director at Large

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 am

The Association Executive Evaluation Team gave an update and recommendation of a pay increase. AE was absent from discussion. Past President will meet with the Association Executive to discuss after the BOD meeting.

MOTION: It was moved, seconded and carried to grant the Association Executive a pay increase of 3% beginning July 1, 2022.

MOTION: It is moved, seconded and carried to approve the February 2022 BOD Minutes.

MOTION: It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the February Membership Report as presented.

MOTION: It was moved, seconded and carried to approve the February Financials subject to review.

MOTION: It was moved, seconded and carried to approve entering into a new copier lease with Toshiba as described in the lease contract.

The draft proposal from MAR for Professional Standards Administration was discussed.

The open position of MAR Central Region VP was discussed.

The Member Services/Events Committee meeting minutes were reviewed.

The Community Involvement Committee meeting minutes were reviewed.

The following events are being planned: Bowling Scholarship Fundraising event May 12th at Gardner Ten Pins.

Next BOD Meeting April 26th at 9:30 am.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am

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Notes from the MAR Legal Hotline

April 2022

Justin Davidson, MAR General Counsel Catherine Taylor, Associate Counsel Jonathan Schreiber, Legislative & Regulatory Counsel.

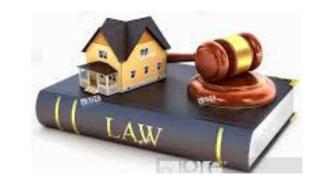
Q. There has been a lot of discussion about website accessibility lately. Is there anything that I need to do?

A. Over the last several years there have been a few notable cases across the country addressing the issue of website accessibility under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), but the Department of Justice (DOJ) was slow to provide specific guidance or regulation on this topic. On March 18, 2022, the DOJ published new guidance on website accessibility, offering some much-needed clarity in this arena. As the DOJ did not provide a regulation with detailed standards for accessibility, businesses will continue to have some flexibility in how they comply with the ADA requirements.

REALTORS® operating a website for their businesses should work with their website vendors to conduct an accessibility audit of their sites and develop a plan for any identified deficiencies. In the continued absence of specific regulation, the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) is an excellent tool to assist in achieving accessibility on the web.

Some of the most common accessibility failures found on websites are:

- Poor color contrast
- Missing "alt text" for images
- No captioning for videos
- Mouse-only navigation



Q.

What happens if my relationship changes with a person after the first personal meeting?

A. It depends on how the Mandatory Massachusetts Real Estate Licensee-Consumer Relationship Disclosure was completed at the first personal meeting. If the disclosure was completed as a facilitator, the relationship may be modified to Buyer's or Seller's Agent; however, the converse is not possible. Once a licensee has entered into an agency relationship with a buyer or seller, they may not later become a facilitator in the course of the same transaction.

If a licensee and a client part ways after entering into an agency relationship, that terminates the agency relationship and most of the fiduciary duties thereunder. Regardless, the fiduciary duties of confidentiality and proper accounting of funds remain indefinitely.

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Membership

April 2022

Welcome New Members!!

REALTOR Members

Name Rudolph Baldarelli Emily Chapdelaine Vincent DeSalvo Gail Frigoletto Melanie Grey David Nault Ann Ricciardi Nicole Riel Hajar Slaoui Darlene Theriault Tammi Wayman Office Baldarelli Realty Group Coldwell Banker Realty Keller Williams Realty North Central Baldarelli Realty Group Coldwell Banker Realty Central Mass Real Estate Foster-Healey Real Estate Hometown REALTORS Foster-Healey Real Estate Real Estate Exchange Keller Williams Realty North Central

March Membership Numbers

New REALTORS	12
Resignations	27
Secondary Broker	0
Association Transfers	1
Business Partners	3
As of February 2022	
REALTORS	512
Business Partners	76
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	588

Business Partner Spotlight

Brian Moore of Fairway Independent Mortgage



Brian has been in the mortgage industry since 2003, with a background in finance. In 2011, Brian launched the Holden branch of Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation with the goal of bringing diverse financial experience to clients throughout central Massachusetts. He prides himself on delivering customized, one-on-one service ensuring each client has the options to maximize their purchasing power.

His team in Holden is passionate about educating homebuyers and ensuring a licensed professional is always available to answer questions. Brian and his team have a reputation for always going the extra mile, and for being a trusted, knowledgeable mortgage resource. They are aways eager to find more opportunities to give back and get involved with the local community. While at Fairway, Brian has repeatedly been recognized as part of Fairway's Chairman's Club, closing more than \$60 million annually.

Brian grew up on the north shore of Massachusetts, and met his wife, Julia at Bridgewater State University. They lived in Idaho for a short time and filled their days with snowmobiling and skiing. They moved back east to raise their family and have loved central Massachusetts ever since. In his spare time, Brian enjoys reading, hiking in the Adiron-dacks, and spending time with his wife, two daughters, and his hiking buddy, Tammy. Brian holds himself and his team to high standards of customer service and considers referrals the highest compliment.



Brian Moore, Senior Loan Officer NMLS#441882

You can contact Brian directly via call or text at 508-250-1376, or by email at <u>brianm@fairwaymc.com</u>

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Connect with Brian and the team: Instagram: @bmooreteam Facebook: @brianmooremortgage LinkedIn: Brian Moore (https://www.linkedin.com/in/brian-moore-6aa68059)

Head Shot Event for all NCMAR Members

April 2022



You're invited to our Headshots Event!

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THURSDAY APRIL 14, 2022 4:00PM-7:30PM



AT THE FAY CLUB 658 Main Street Fitchburg, MA 01420

Madore Photography will be on site to take professional headshot photos that you can use on social media, email signatures, websites, or any other place you wish to market or share your professional image.



THE COST IS \$15 (Includes your digital photos)

Join us for networking, food and drinks!

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PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 12

Email **kstone@bayeq.com** or scan the QR code.

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Continuing Education Opportunities



Need to know how many CE classes that you have attended at the NCMAR Real Estate School #1164?

Log on to www.ncmar.com

Click on the Member Login button on the right top of the web page.

Login in credentials are your NRDS# and password is your last name (Case sensitive).

Click on the blue link that says View Education Records.

Your CE's will be listed there. This list will not include classes that you took at other schools.

Do you have suggestions for **CE Classes or Lunch and** Learn Topics?

Please email suggestions to kathylore@ncmar.com.

We are looking for member input on topics for continuing education classes and lunch & learn topics.

Lunch and Learn's are one hour classes on any topic pertaining to real estate, personal growth, marketing, tax preparation, etc.

CE Classes are from a list of classes provided by the Board of Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons and can be found on mass.gov.

2022 Continuing Education Classes In Person and Via Zoom

Tuesday, April 12th 10 am to Noon Via Zoom	Protecting the Protected Taught by Isabell Perkins
Thursday, April 14th	Residential Mortgage Loan Market
10 am to Noon	Taught by Brian Cormier
At the NCMAR Office, 40 Summer	St Fitchburg
Thursday, May 12th	Due Diligence in Sellers Representation
10 am to Noon	Taught by Attorney Craig Reynolds
At the NCMAR Office, 40 Summer	St Fitchburg
Wednesday, May 18th 10 am to Noon Via Zoom	Understanding Title and Title Concerns Taught by Attorney Thalheimer
Wednesday, June 8th	Residential Inspections
10 am to Noon	Taught by Andy Consoli
At the NCMAR Office, 40 Summer	St Fitchburg
Tuesday, June 21st 10 am to Noon Via Zoom	21E for Residential Real Estate Taught by Andy Consoli
Thursday, July 14th	Financing
10 am to noon	Taught Kim Stone/Niles Busler
At the NCMAR Office, 40 Summer	St, Fitchburg
Monday, July 18th 10 am to noon Via Zoom	Lead Paint Andy Consoli
Tuesday, August 16th 10 am to noon Via Zoom	Offers Attorney Craig Reynolds
Thursday, August 18th	Brokerage Relations
10 am to noon	Taught by Paula Savard
At the NCMAR Office, 40 Summer	St, Fitchburg

Good News About NCMAR's 2022 Continuing Education!

1. Our goal for 2022 is to have live in person classes that are also broadcast via zoom for members who prefer to attend virtually. We hope to maximize accessibility to all our CE offerings.

- 2. Continuing education classes in 2022 will generally be held twice a month, typically Tuesday and Thursday.
- There are 7 classes in 2022 that are eligible for both MA and NH credit, classes taught by Andy Consoli.
- 4. We have 25 free continuing education classes scheduled for 2022, and we will advertise them in future emails.

Register for classes at www.ncmar.com

CE Class -Protect the Protected in Real Estate (RE111RC20)

TAUGHT BY ISABELLE PERKINS

This class will help REALTORS better understand the impact of human behavior when interacting with other people, as to prevent them from unintentionally discriminating against a protected class.

Though we may not realize it, our reactions, assumptions, and unconscious thought processes can lead us into treating people differently.

To help prevent discrimination agents must be fully familiar with the protected classes, but also understand the impact of implicit bias and disparate impact on their behavior and activities.

Only then can they provide equal service, equal treatment, and equal access to all.



Tuesday, April 12th, 2022 10 am to Noon via Zoom Register at www.ncmar.com



Register at www.ncmar.com

CE CLASS - (RE47R05) RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOAN MARKET & CREDIT TODAY

THURSDAY, APRIL 14TH, 2022 10AM TO NOON AT THE NCMAR OFFICE

This course is designed to take the licensee through all of the dynamics of today's residential mortgage financing market including the important aspects of credit reports and credit scoring, the changing nature of the Primary mortgage loan market and the broad variety of lenders and products available to all.

- The Primary Market and Secondary Mortgage Market
- Interest, Points and APR
- Why is credit critical and what has changed?
- Consumer Rights and Permissions
- What factors make up s credit score?
- Loan products like Straight, Amortized, Adjustable Rate, Negative Amortization Loan
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Lunch and Learn Condos

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Noon to 1 pm

Class and Lunch Hosted by Kim Stone BayEquity Home Loans

Register at www.ncmar.com

The lunch and learn will cover:

- Overcoming Condo obstacles
- FHA Condo Approvals
- The Condo Questionnaire
- Condo Budgets
- What's an HO6 and why does my client need one?
- Financing Warrantable or Non-Warrantable Condo's
- The Condo Approval Process: Conventional and FHA
- Small Unit Condo's, Conversions, Co-ops and Timeshares and more

Connect and Engage with your fellow NCMAR colleagues



NCMAR NIGHT OUT

Thursday, April 21st, 2022 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Sponsored by Reynolds Law Offices

Oak Hill Country Club 840 Oak Hill Rd, Fitchburg, MA 01420

CALENDAR

Tuesday, April 5th Member Services/Events Committee 9:30 am via Zoom

Thursday, April 7th Government Affairs Committee Meeting 9:30 am via Zoom

Monday, April 11th Community Involvement Committee Meeting 10 am via Zoom

Tuesday, April 12th Protecting the Protected CE Class Taught by Isabell Perkins 10 am to Noon Via Zoom

Thursday, April 14th Residential Mortgage Loan Market CE Class Taught by Brian Cormier/Niles Busler 10 am to Noon At NCMAR Office, 40 Summer St Fitchburg

Thursday, April 21st NCMAR Night Out Networking event 5:30 to 8:30 pm Hosted by Reynolds Law Offices Oak Hill Country Club, Fitchburg

Friday, April 22nd Meat Raffle 6:00 pm doors open Acadien Club, Gardner

Wednesday, April 26th Board of Directors Meeting 9:30 am at the NCMAR Office

Friday, April 29th Scholarship Application Deadline

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