

February 2021 Newsletter

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

24 - <u>Registration opens for NAR'S</u> **Legislative Conference & Trade Expo**

MARCH CALENDAR

3 - <u>Business In Transition: Topics &</u>
<u>Trends for 2021 ZOOM Lunch & Learn</u>
11:30AM - 1:00 PM

17 - **ZOOM 101 with Kim-Marie Mullin Lunch & Learn 11:30AM - 1:00 PM**

19 - 10:00 MFCAR BOD Mtg.

22 - 24 - AEI Conference - Zoom Mtg.

25 - CTR BOD Mtg/Hartford

MFCAR Office Visit Guidelines

January New Members

2022 CE Classes Requirements

Ethics Corner

FAST Stats

MFCAR Board Stats Report January 2021
Fairfield January 2021
Norwalk January 2021
Weston January 2021
Westport January 2021
Wilton January 2021

Carol's News

NAR announced the release of a new interactive training platform designed to help combat discrimination in America's real estate



market - made available at no cost to real estate professionals throughout the country. Check it out on NAR's website - Fairhaven.

Congratulations to Nadine Tanen our 2021 MFCAR President, was one of the 76 REALTORS® in Connecticut for completing the new fair housing training simulation for

President's Update

Thank you to those who attended the MFCAR's first General Membership Meeting on February 17th with guest speaker and facilitator, Kim-Marie Mullin



highlighting the "Top Ten ways to not waste time and money in 2021".

On March 3rd at noon join our FREE lunch and learn program "Business in Transition – topics and trends for 2021" featuring nationally recognized speakers Adorna Carroll, Marki Lemons Rhyal, Job Hammond & Richard Silva. In this environment of "Business Unusual" what has emerged are new and innovative methods, techniques, tools and strategies to get our work done.

Looking ahead to Continuing Education requirements: "Understanding and Preventing Racial Bias in Real Estate" - This is a three-hour mandatory course to meet a continuing education requirement for real estate license renewal in Connecticut. The course will provide you with the racial history of what has taken place within the real estate industry - with insights into where we have been, where we are now and the work we have yet to accomplish. The course covers implicit bias, microaggressions, important lessons from real estate testing on Long Island and Boston, and exercises to assist you with fair housing conversations with buyers and sellers.

Remember to use #mfcarmovingtogether for all of your social media postings and show your commitment to being a local REALTOR® in our area – whether it is a contribution to the community or helping clients.

Nadine Tanen 2021 MFCAR President

2021 Gates Scholarship
Applications

REALTORS®.

MFCAR 2021 Membership Dues
Invoices were emailed to all MFCAR
members in early December. They were
sent from Anissa@MFCAR.com. Payment
was due by 1/31/2021.

MFCAR COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITY

Join one of our committees and help us plan a fantastic 2021! Volunteers are needed for the following committees:

- Affiliate
- Communications
- Education
- Giving Back
- Grassroots/Legislative/Political Affairs
- Grievance
- Membership
- Professional Standards
- Program/Hospitality
- RPAC (Political Fundraising)
- Social Media
- YPN (Young Professionals Network)

If you are interested in serving on a committee, please <u>click here for our 2021</u> <u>Committee Application</u>. Please email Carol if you have questions, return completed forms to <u>carolheins@mfcar.com</u> or fax to 203-226-7390.

Important Reminder Re: Complaints

If you have a complaint about another agent please email or call me to discuss. MFCAR has a complaint process which we have outlined on our website.

https://mfcar.com/complaintprocesses/

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The 2021 Gates Scholarship applications are now available online! Get more info on who is eligible, additional qualification criteria and access the online application system at www.ctrealtors-care.org/scholarships. The application deadline is April 12.

Attention Connecticut REALTORS®

There are hundreds, if not thousands, of bills CTR reviews annually and many can impact real estate. Please take a moment if you are not already registered for



CTR's text alert system. Get real time, breaking news of legislation needing your immediate action, you can sign up by texting CTR to 52886 or sign up at ctrealtors.com/text (then respond to the text verification).

Regards, CT REALTORS®

Thank you to everyone who joined us on February 17th, for our first Zoom General Membership Meeting of 2021. Our guest speaker and facilitator, Kim-Marie Mullin presented "Top Ten ways to Not Waste Time and Money in 2021".

Click here if you'd like to view the meeting powerpoint.

MARCH ZOOM LUNCH & LEARNS

Business In Transition: Topics & Trends For 2021

Wednesday, March 3rd 11:30AM - 1:00 PM

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ZOOM 101 with Kim-Marie Mullin

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Do you have Zoom anxiety? Don't worry, you are not alone. Being forced to work remotely, due to the pandemic, has had it's pros and cons for real estate agents. One of the drawbacks was that you were expected to know how to use video

Adorna Carroll is the moderator for this timely discussion of new and creative ways to do business in the Covid 19 era. Adorna is a Broker, educator, speaker and course author who delivers leadership programs and advanced skill courses all over North America.

We invite you to sit in as Adorna moderates this recorded discussion featuring 3 leaders in the real estate industry, Marki Lemons Ryhal, Job Hammond and Richard Silver.

Click Here to Register

conferencing platforms that you may never have used before. With no training offered, it could become confusing and overwhelming. MFCAR recognized this and designed a special Lunch & Learn to help you get a better understanding of how to use Zoom. Join KMM on March 17th to learn how to properly navigate Zoom so you will be more confident and comfortable in meetings and trainings going forward.

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NAR President Charlie Oppler Covers Highlights of New RPR

For just over a decade, REALTORS[®] have relied on RPR to give them access to real estate data, powerful tools, and client-friendly reports. The new, "refreshed" version, going live on February 24, offers the same excellent features REALTORS[®] have come to expect, but with many new elements and enhancements. And it's all been created with one user in mind-the REALTOR[®].



IMPORTANT LINKS

Department of Consumer Protection
Connecticut License Verification
CTR Attorneys
Code of Ethics Cycles
Check Your Code of Ethics Status

NAR REALTOR® Membership Card

CTR REALTOR® Member Benefits

NAR REALTOR® Benefits Program

Emeritus Status Application Process

CTR Text Alerts

NAR Text Alerts

REALTOR® Party Mobile Alerts

RPAC

Documents/Forms/Links

MFCAR Website

MFCAR Complaint Process





