

MARCH CALENDAR

**17 - TODAY - [ZOOM 101 with Kim-Marie Mullin Lunch & Learn 11:30AM - 1:00 PM](#)
REGISTRATION IS STILL OPEN**

19 - 10:00 a.m. MFCAR Board of Directors Meeting

22 - 24 - AEI Seminar – Zoom Meetings

25 - 10:00 a.m. CTR - VIRTUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

31 - 11:30 a.m. Zoom Lunch and Learn -[MORE INFORMATION TO COME](#)

APRIL CALENDAR

2 - MFCAR – Office Closed – observe Good Friday

16 - 10:00 a.m. MFCAR Board of Directors Meeting

20 - GM Meeting - Lawrence Yun -[MORE INFORMATION TO COME](#)

[MFCAR Office Visit Guidelines](#)

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FAST Stats

[MFCAR Board Stats Report February 2021](#)

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[Norwalk February 2021](#)

[Weston February 2021](#)

[Westport February 2021](#)

[Wilton February 2021](#)

Carol's News

Remember to Sign Up for Text Alerts

President's Update



One year ago, we entered an unprecedented time in our personal and professional lives. REALTORS® in Connecticut were deemed essential and were able to service those who wanted to make the dream of home ownership a reality. As we enter the next phase of the pandemic and look forward more of a “normal” future – we see increased hope with a ramp up of vaccinations being offered to all residents 16 and up starting April 5th. Our local market is incredibly robust despite the low inventory. We are thankful for our clients who want to make Connecticut their home. Nationally, a few overall trends have emerged, according to NAR’s REALTOR®’s Confidence Index Survey.

- Buyers competed more intensely for fewer homes
- More first-time buyers
- More vacation home buyers and sales in suburbs, rural, small towns, resort areas
- Buyers looked for bigger homes and home features to support working from home
- Rise, then decline, in the fraction of buyers purchasing a property based on virtual showing only

View the full article at:

<https://www.nar.REALTOR®/blogs/economists-outlook/five-housing-trends-in-a-pandemic-year>

Norah O’Donnell of CBS News summed up the last twelve months in a very beautiful way (summary):

“A year ago, our world was turned upside down but our perspective turned right side up. The things we took for granted we won’t take for granted again. A year ago, began this year of loss. How much we miss hugging our parents and grandparents. How much we

Lawmakers are still considering a proposed new buyers conveyance tax. [Listen](#) to how and why this issue matters. CTR will alert you when additional action is needed. If you haven't already, register for the CTR Text Alert System at ctrealtors.com/text.



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The National Association of REALTORS® announced that its **REALTORS® Legislative Meetings & Trade Expo will be held virtually for the second straight year from May 3-14, 2021**. Registration is open. While approximately 9,000 REALTORS® typically descend on Washington, D.C. for the conference every year in May, over 28,000 NAR members and real estate professionals participated in the first-ever virtual REALTORS® Legislative Meetings in 2020.

[Click to Register](#)

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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 [click here for our 2021 Committee Application](#). Please email Carol if you have questions, return completed forms to carolheins@mfc.com or fax to 203-226-7390.

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#### **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://mfc.com/complaint-processes/>

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miss school and miss sports and work. A year of learning and discovering what truly matters in life. That we must celebrate our health care workers as heroes and workers who harvest produce and deliver our food are the backbone of this country. And science saves lives. That inequality requires justice. But most of all we learned that by missing human connection hearts open to offer help, donating generously to those in need because this year we also learned the most valuable of all lessons, that kindness is everything."

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.

Stay safe and healthy,

Nadine Tanen  
2021 MFCAR President

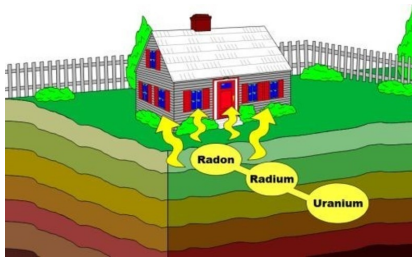
### **2021 Gates Scholarship Applications**



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](http://www.ctrealtors-care.org/scholarships). The application deadline is **April 12**.

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](http://ctrealtors.com/text) (then respond to the text verification).





**Join Tiger for FREE Virtual Lunch & Learn  
Wednesday March 24th, 12:00pm-1:00pm**

[Understanding Radon](#)

Properties, Testing, and Remediation Methods

- What is Radon?
- Why should we be concerned about Radon?
- Real Estate Transaction Testing Protocols
- How do Radon Mitigation Systems work?
- What is Radon Resistant New Construction?
  
- Presented by Bill Rourke

You bring your lunch, and we'll raffle a \$25 Panera Gift Card!

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**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](#)
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