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Michelle Drum
NCBR President



President's Message

Dear Fellow Realtors:

I decided this month that the focus of my "President's Message" would be to share with you a sample of relevant Rhode Island Board of Realtors news and that I would present my message more informally in a bullet format .

-) The Rhode Island Association was recognized as one of the few states to meet their RPAC fundraising goal by the time of the NAR midyear meetings. This was quite an accomplishment for a small state with a still recovering real estate market.
-) Due to the success of the Rhode to Recovery Summit held last year, this year the event will be repeated at the Rhodes on the Pawtuxet on October 6,2011. This is a free all day event for Realtors.
-) The Education Department of RIAR has partnered with the New England Institute of Technology to have some real estate credits serve both for licensure and towards an Associate's degree at NEIT. (Hopefully some of you participated in our last monthly meeting where we have a representative from NEIT come speak to us.)
-) RPR is live for all Realtors. Please take an opportunity to go to NARRPR.com and register to see what this powerful application can do for you and your business model.
-) In June, State Wide MLS settled a potential patent infringement suit on behalf of all members, brokers, real estate firms and local boards in Rhode Island. This is as happy a resolution as we could have anticipated.
-) RIAR Education offers Affordable Housing Course at 50% discount. At this time, there have been 6 graduates of the program earning the HOPE (Housing Opportunities Partnership Education) designation.
-) Thanks to the persistence of NAR, the FTC announced in a press release that it will not enforce all of the controversial MARS regulations against real estate professionals.
-) RI living is due soon for a new and improved version including a more streamlined by detailed property search and Rate Plug integration.
-) And, for Mac users Fusion MLS is due to be released in the 4th quarter of 2011.

As you all are aware, knowledge is power and in environment it is crucial that you keep current on real estate changes both locally, state wide and nationally. Our Statedwidemls.com site is extremely informative as is Realtor.org.

May your fall season be successful.

Respectfully,

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