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### February 2019

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**RASCW Euchre Tournament** Wednesday, February 20 Click here for details.

> Safety First! Tuesday, February 26 Click here for details.

Wisconsin Real Estate Thursday, March 14 Click here for details.

Be a Hero Thursday, March 21 See page 4 for details.

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RASCW Member Event Hosted by the Membership Networking Committee

WHEN: FEBRUARY 20, 2019 2PM - 5PM WHERE: THE BRIDGES GOLF COURSE

# SAFETY FIRST!

# Protecting Yourself in the Physical and Cyber World

FREE Training to Help You Plan and Prepare

Co-sponsors REALTORS® Association of South Central Wisconsin and WMBA Madison Chapter

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Program 1:30-4:30 p.m. • Networking 4:30-6:00 p.m. **Complimentary Snacks and Cash Bar** 

> **Bridges Golf Course** 2702 Shopko Drive, Madison



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# **Wisconsin Real Estate:** What Does the Future Hold?



RASCW

Thursday, March 14, 2019 8:00-9:00 a.m. - Registration & Breakfast 9:00-11:00 a.m. - Program

**Harley Davidson Banquet Room** 6200 Millpond Road, Madison

> Cost: \$25 **Includes Continental Breakfast**

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# REALTOR® REVIEW

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#### President's Message: Scott Walker

We seem to have made it out of the polar vortex and I have it on good authority from the prognosticator of prognosticators (and almost as accurate as Tony Romo) Punxsutawney Phil that spring is just around the corner. For some of you the leads have already started trickling in, while for others of us there is a little battle with cabin fever as we await the thaw to extend to our business as well.

At times like this we can all use a little nudge to do those things we know we should be doing. For example, if you haven't already done so you should be setting goals for your business in 2019 and work out the strategies that will

get you there. There are many ways the REALTORS<sup>®</sup> Association can help with this. One thing to consider is pursuing one of the many designations offered through the WRA like ABR, CCIM, CRS or GREEN just to name a few. Go to www.WRA.org to see details of how to get started.

As I will continue to remind you, RASCW also provides many opportunities to brush up your skills and increase your knowledge. By the time this message reaches you we will have just put on the *Life Cycle of a Listing* Lunch & Learn. Up next is <u>Safety First! Protecting Yourself in the Physical and Cyber World</u>, to be held February 26, 1:30 – 4:30 pm at the Bridges Golf Course co-sponsored with the WMBC Madison Chapter. These very relevant topics promise to be engaging and informative. Josalyn Longley, Dane County Deputy, will be speaking about Preparedness for an Active Shooter and Violence within the Community. Rick Corey, RASCW Membership Engagement Director, along with Jason and Brenda Hortsman, owners of <u>Horstman Networks</u>, will be talking about Protecting Yourself and Your Business in the Digital World. And don't forget to treat yourself to some networking, complimentary snacks and a cash bar afterwards.

RASCW is also co-sponsoring a program with WCR Madison Metro on March 14, 8:00-11:00 a.m. – <u>Wisconsin Real Estate: What Does the Future Hold?</u> This program features two industry leaders - Mark Eppli, Director of the James A. Graaskamp Center for Real Estate, UW – Madison; and, Cori Lamont, Director of Corporate and Regulatory Affairs, WRA.

Along those same lines, I hasten to add that the <u>2019 RASCW Euchre Tournament</u> is scheduled for February 20, 2:00 – 5:00 pm, also at the Bridges Golf Course. Seating is limited so sign up today! And do I need to say it? Complimentary snacks and cash bar!

Lastly, I would suggest reaching out to your sphere of influence. Most people are facing similar challenges at this time of year. One thing to consider is sponsoring a fun event, like a movie night, for your past clients and friends. Everyone deserves to treat themselves to a bit of fun to ward off those seasonal blues.





It's time to lobby! The WRA's annual lobbying event, REALTOR<sup>®</sup> & Government Day, is your chance to shape the laws that affect you and your real estate business in Wisconsin.

The event includes an issue briefing where you'll learn about pending laws and how they impact real estate. Next, you'll move to the Capitol for lawmaker visits. You'll have the unique opportunity to meet in person with your state lawmakers to lobby for or against these laws.

This is your chance to advocate for issues that impact the real estate industry, homeownership and property rights in Wisconsin. Your voice will be heard, and a better Wisconsin real estate market will follow.

#### 2019 tentative event schedule

12:30 - 1:00 p.m.	Registration
1:00 - 1:15 p.m.	Welcome and Overview
1:15 - 1:45 p.m.	Address by Gov. Tony Evers (invited)
1:45 - 2:45 p.m.	Issue Briefing
2:45 - 4:30 p.m.	Capitol visits
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Reception (Madison Concourse)

#### Registration

This event is free for WRA members with advanced registration. Registration at the door is \$25/person for WRA members and nonmembers. To register: www.wra.org/RGdayRegistration/



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#### New Supra eKEY app

Supra is incrementally releasing a new eKEY app this quarter. You will know you have received the update, as your eKEY icon will change. Besides a more user friendly design, the new app will allow access to showing data for boxes you have assigned, and include access to some MLS listing data when opening a box. In addition, an option has been added to set a safety alert. <u>Click here</u> for more detailed information.

Even though the release notes from Supra indicate you will not need an authorization code, we have had reports that some have needed one. If you are prompted for an authorization code: Call the MLS office (608-240-2800 option 3) OR Call Supra Tech Support (877-699-6787) OR Logon to SupraWEB (desktop) if you have that set up to generate your own Code. Also, you must have location services turned on.

#### Easy Access to Integrations via Listing Maintain

The ability to assign and unassign keyboxes to listings is easily accessible via Paragon<sup>™</sup>. Within Listings - Maintain - Select an Action, there is a link titled Supra Lockbox. Click the Assign link in the upper left corner and enter the keybox serial number and shackle code. Other than being a good way to keep track of where keyboxes are, once you assign a keybox to a listing, you will see the MLS number and address on Supra reports and notifications instead of the keybox serial number.

Quick links to add information for ShowingTime, share to Facebook, and share to Twitter can also be found within this same Integrations section under maintain listing.

#### **Updated Resources**

<u>Click here</u> for updated 2018 Tax/Mill Rates. <u>Click here</u> for a copy of the 2019 Gregorian Calendar.

#### Associated Documents - Make Sure Public Docs are Marked Public

When adding an associated document to a listing in Paragon<sup>™</sup>, your document will be automatically set as a private document unless you select the Public check box. Public associated documents are available for the public via e-mailed listing links sent to clients. Private documents are not included when listings are emailed from Paragon<sup>™</sup>, but SCWMLS members have access to them via the Documents link on a listing.

We do not send private documents to other MLSs as some other MLSs do not distinguish between public and private, and include all documents with e-mailed listing links to the public. Please make sure to mark your public type documents (i.e. condition reports) as public so agents in other MLSs have access to them.

#### **REALTOR® Safety: 2018 NAR Member Safety Report**



<u>Use of Smart Phone Safety Apps</u>: Forty-seven percent of members use a smart phone safety app to track whereabouts and alert colleagues in case of an emergency, up from 44 percent in 2017. The most commonly used apps listed are similar to 2017, with the exception of Life360:

•	Find	My	iPhone	feature	30%
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- GPS Phone Track for Android 6%
- HomeSnap Pro 3%
- Life360
- SentriSmart<sup>™</sup>

Other less commonly used apps mentioned: See Something Send Something, Guard Llama, Agents Armor, Wearsafe, People Smart, React Mobile, Safe Fi, Trust Stamp, Bmonitored, CurbCall, bSafe, Find My Friends, Google location sharing, and Real Safe Agent.

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As a safety precaution, many members listed notifying a spouse, friend or family member of their location before showing a home. Females are more likely to use apps or a safety notification procedure at 56 percent compared to 35 percent for males.

# **BEAHERO**, HELP YOUR BUYERS WITH DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE!

Join us for FREE training on Down Payment Assistance and How to Write the Offer to Purchase for them.

Thursday, March 21<sup>St</sup>, 2019 8:30 am Registration & Networking; Session 9 am-11 am

#### WRA Education Center (4801 Forest Run Road, Madison, WI)

Help your buyers with their down payment. This session will allow you to be more confident when discussing options with your buyers. You will learn directly from industry professionals about housing updates and gain tips to help you with your business on programs such as:



#### In Memoriam

Our condolences to the family and friends of **Dan W. Berry** of Ripon, WI. Dan was a member of the RASCW Green Lake County-Ripon Area Chapter as an appraiser. Memorials may be made to Peace Evangelical Church in Green Lake, WI or the Green Lake Willis-Chapel Legion Post #306, Green Lake, WI.



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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Watch for details coming on Social Media and Emails/Etc

#### **February:** Wednesday, February 20th • 2 pm - 5 pm <u>Euchre Tournament at Bridges Golf Course</u>

April: Thursday, April 11th • 2 pm - 5 pm Bags Tournament at The East Side Club

**May:** Wednesday, May 8th Brewer Game at Miller Park

July: Wednesday, July 17th Cindy Strange Golf Outing at University Ridge Golf Course

August: Bocce Ball and Backpacks

**October:** Wednesday, October 16th Trivia Extravaganza at Vintage Brewing

December:

Monday, December 9th Holiday Party/Toys for Tots at Beacon Lounge

#### **GREEN LAKE COUNTY-RIPON CHAPTER EVENT**

Wednesday, April 10th • 11:30 am – 1:00 pm Program: Cyber Security Rick Corey, RASCW Director of Membership Engagement Christiano's Pizza, Green Lake *Registration Details Coming Soon* 

## **Upcoming Professional Development Offerings**

Mark Your Calendars and Watch for Registration Details!

# Safety First! Protecting Yourself in the Physical and Cyber World

Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 1:30-4:30 pm Networking, 4:30-6:00 pm, Snacks and Cash Bar Bridges Golf Course, Madison <u>Click Here for Full Details</u> <u>Including Registration Information</u>

#### Wisconsin Real Estate: What Does the Future Hold?

Thursday, March 14, 2019, 8:00-11:00 am, Includes Breakfast Harley Davidson Banquet Room, Madison <u>Click Here for Full Details</u> <u>Including Registration Information</u>

## Lunch & Learn:

New Dane County Zoning Ordinances Wednesday, April 3, 2019, 11:45 am -1:00 pm

WRA Education Center, 4810 Forest Run Road, Madison

Presenters: Majid Allan, Senior Planner, Dane County Robert Procter, Axley Brynelson, South Central Wisconsin Government Affairs Director

#### **New Construction Panel**

Wednesday, April 17, 2019, 9:00-11:00 a.m. WRA Education Center, 4801 Forest Run Road, Madison

A panel of local experts to include builders, an appraiser and a lender will help you navigate the building process.

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#### **RASCW Commercial Corner**

#### As the World Turns: RPR Commercial Keeps Getting Better

2018 was mixed with messages and milestones of all sizes. RPR is no stranger to this trend of piquing interest for a variety of reasons. In fact, here's a list of the 2018 enhancements that grabbed commercial member's attention throughout the year:

#### Custom Trade Area Reports

We started the year with some subtle tweaks to the labeling of the custom areas. But we ended it with a bang, making huge improvements by giving you the opportunity to create reports that show trade area data for a 3, 5, and 10 min drive time, and a 1, 3, and 5 mile radius around your subject property.

#### New Datasets for Attribute Site Selection

In addition to the refresh of the more than 900 demographic and economic attributes, you have the ability to glean market intelligence using new attributes that include daytime population, loan debt (education, credit card and vehicle), online spending and more.

#### Traffic Counts in Reports

In the past, traffic flow around a property was strictly a feature within the RPR maps. Now you can print a property or trade area report, and like magic, the nearest counts appear beautifully within your presentation.

#### Land Development BOTE's

BOTE's, or back of the envelope analysis tools, were introduced in 2017 for multifamily use. In 2018, the team at Valuate<sup>®</sup> added calculators for condominiums, office and industrial developments. This tool can now help developers analyze three fourths of the major commercial property product types with more to come!

#### Next Level Analysis for Multifamily

The largest improvement the team at Valuate<sup>®</sup> made was expanding the capabilities when doing a multifamily analysis. With one giant release, users were to provide unit-by-unit rent roll detail for apartment properties, and analyze the renovation of units and raising of rents, along with a refinancing analysis after the property's rents are re-stabilized at the higher rates.

#### Persistent Display of Returns

Few things are more annoying than making a change to something and then having to scroll to the top or bottom of a screen to see the affect. Maybe this isn't on the top of your annoyance list, but it does bother plenty of users. Now when you change an assumption affecting your investment in Valuate<sup>®</sup>, you will see the affect instantly on a levered and unlevered basis.

#### RPR Mobile

Mobile added a bunch of general improvements, from making it easier to toggle from residential to commercial mode to improved maps functionality. However, the biggest thing for commercial users was incorporating tenant data. Now when you are looking at a commercial property, you can create a tenant report for any property when tenant information is available.

#### All this with Improved Performance

With each release we conduct performance improvements to ensure the site does not slow down as we add new enhancements. On commercial you may have noticed improved run times when doing a market analysis on large geographic areas, with fewer timeouts as well. Our team also squares bugs in each release that can range from data corrections or recalculations, to malfunctioning UI features.

#### Looking Ahead

Your feedback is key! We will be reaching out for your thoughts on RPR website improvements. Our goal is to create a closer relationship between your evolving needs and enhancements that quickly supply you with the right solution. The name of the game is help us, help you! We're continuing our mission of collaborate and listen, as we aim to add many more improvements and updates in 2019.









#### Calendar: February 15 - March 15

Friday, February 15 Commercial Services Committee 8:30 am – Oakbrook Corporation

Paragon<sup>™</sup> Basic 9:00 am – SCWMLS Training Room

#### Wednesday, February 20

MLS Board of Directors 11:00 am - RASCW/SCWMLS Conference Room

> RASCW Euchre Tournament 1:30 pm – Bridges Golf Course

Thursday, February 21 New Member Orientation 8:30 am – WRA Education Center

Tuesday, February 26 Safety First! Program with WMBA 1:30 pm – Bridges Golf Course

#### Thursday, February 28

RASCW Board of Directors and Committee Chairs 8:30 am – Holiday Inn – American Center Friday, March 1 MLS Committee 8:30 am – RASCW/SCWMLS Conference Room

> Wednesday, March 6 Membership Networking Committee 9:00 am – Preferred Title

Professional Development Committee 10:00 am – Preferred Title

Thursday, March 7

Affordable Housing Equal Opportunities Committee 9:00 am - RASCW/SCWMLS Conference Room

Wednesday, March 13 Green Lake County-Ripon Area Chapter Committee 9:00 am – Guaranty Title, Green Lake

> Thursday, March 14 New Member Orientation 10:00 am – WRA Education Center

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Almost all communities regulate signage. Ordinances determine where signs can be placed and where they cannot. They determine the allowable sizes, height from the ground, the number of signs allowed on one property, what materials they can be made of and how they are placed in the ground or affixed to buildings. Ordinances even determine how much of a window can be obscured by signs and advertisements.

Statewide, signs are not allowed in public right-of-way. This primarily relates to road right-of-way, but we have seen signs placed in parks and other public places. This prohibition is especially enforced when the signs appear permanent, when they block the view of pedestrians and drivers, and when they are placed in the median of boulevards.

You may say that you see many signs in the right-of-way for garage sales, rental signs, campaign signs, offers of business opportunities or for contractors working on a house. Of course, you will also be familiar with OPEN HOUSE signs which are an important tool for our Members.

In most communities, it is understood that OPEN HOUSE signs are important marketing tools as well as information tools to get people to their destination – BUT - there is also an expectation that such signs will be placed right before an event and removed immediately after, and that such signs will be temporary. Most REALTORS<sup>®</sup> are very good about policing themselves. However, officials will respond to complaints of abuse.

Other factors to be aware of include:

- In many instances, only one real estate sign is allowed per property.
- Real estate signs can only be placed on properties in which there is a unit for sale or rent.
- There is an expectation that real estate signs will be kept in good condition and will be reasonable as to subject and style.

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#### Mandatory Courses

- Course 1 Wisconsin Listing Contracts
- Course 2 Wisconsin Offers to Purchase
- Course 3 Wisconsin New Developments
- Course 4 Wisconsin Real Estate Ethics and Consumer Protection
- Course 5 Wisconsin Real Estate Law and Practice
- Course 6 Wisconsin Real Estate Transactions

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March 7 Course 1 8:30 am March 7 Course 2 1:00 pm

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