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President's Message, Cindy Ulsrud

Happy New Year - I hope you are ready to make this the best year ever in Real Estate!! There will be many great opportunities for you to be the source of information, get the knowledge you need to grow and build your business, and make connections to improve relationships with peers as well as customers and clients, all you need to do is go for it and grab it.

Let me take a quick minute to introduce myself as your 2020 RASCW President, Cindy Ulsrud of the Ferraro Real Estate Team-EXP Realty

LLC. This is my 20th year in Real Estate and I am very honored and blessed to be in this position. I have been volunteering with RASCW and RRC (Residential Real Estate Council) for many years in helping with New Member Orientation, Professional Standards, RASCW Board of Directors, holding various positions including the 2014 and 2019 President for Wisconsin CRS (Council Residential Specialists). The networking, resources and relationships I have been exposed to and built are and continue to be great tools for my business as well as for me personally. Please feel free to reach out to me anytime if you need anything or any connections in business, I am here for you!

I encourage you in 2020 to take time and think outside of the box to grow your business and learn new paths. Real Estate as a business has transformed in my 20 years of practice, but the one thing that remains constant are the wonderful people you meet along the way. I hope this year you will embrace NAR's National Campaign "That's Who We R", and work towards treating your colleagues kinder and with the utmost in professionalism. I also encourage you to get more involved with networking, training and education. You are never to old to learn something new!

Let's take a minute and mark a few dates in your calendar right now! February 5th is REALTOR® and Government Day, February 12th Saul Klein will come and talk about the Future of Real Estate Technology and March 23, the Wizard of NAR Economist Lawrence Yun will be in Madison. Don't miss out on these amazing events.

I hope you will also take time this year to come and play and have some fun with your fellow REALTORS®. There will be Euchre, Golf, Bocce Ball, Trivia, Soccer, Lunch & Learns, Bagels & Banter and more. Get to know the folks you work with without a contract in your hand and have some fun and enjoy downtime in this stressful business we work in at

Speaking of having some fun, I hope you will join everyone on Wednesday January 29 for the RASCW and SCWMLS Installation Dinner at Nakoma Golf Club. We will have the installation of myself for RASCW President as well as Devery Cash as SCWMLS President as well as new Board members, Officers and Directors for RASCW and SCWMLS. Thank you for everyone who has served in the past, are serving in 2020 and will be considering serving in the future. A very special thank you to Scott Walker our outgoing RASCW President for everything you have done, your time and leadership. You are fantastic and I am once again honored you chose me for 2020.

Finally, in closing, I want to thank Kevin King our past CEO of RASCW and SCWMLS. You are amazing and I am very blessed to have worked with you. I will miss you my friend. Your wealth of knowledge, your steady course you gave everyone, and your wonderful smile will be missed.

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A new app lets you quickly and easily personalize a selection of content from the National Association of REALTORS®' popular "That's Who We R" advertising campaign to share on social media. The campaign uses the iconic block R logo, representing membership in the National Association of REALTORS®, to differentiate REALTORS® from non-member agents.

Assets can be customized with your photo, name, and contact information.

NAR partnered with the content creation app Photofy, to create a custom version of the app that is already pre-loaded with "That's Who We R" social media graphics and videos, and will be updated as new content becomes available for REALTORS® to share.

"It takes literally seconds to personalize and post, making it easy for all our members to be a part of the campaign." Says Cindy Ulsrud, RASCW President.

Get the app: Sign up at Photofy.com/NAR. Use your NRDS ID to sign up for this free, members-only benefit.





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MLS Database Changes

The following changes/additions have recently been made to listing data we collect:

- The size of the public remarks field was increased from 650 to 800 characters.
- The size of the Items Included field was increased from 150 to 275 characters.
- For Single Family listings, we have added a required field for Total Full Garage Stalls.
 We have automatically filled this field for all Active, Pending, and Delayed listings from data in the Garage feature. If your listing has a single feature selected for 1 Car, 2 Car, or 3 Car, that data was automatically copied to this new field. If your listing has no garage, more than a 3 car garage, or multiple garages, you will need to enter this data manually.
- Garage was added to the Other Room pick list. This will allow you to include garage dimensions if you would like. This will be a great way to bring attention to oversized garages, but will not require an entry if your listing has a standard garage.
- An additional field has been added for a second unbranded virtual/video tour.
- Aquaculture has been added as an option under the Farm Feature pick list.

Agent Profile Changes not picked up by Realtor.com

When an agent joins the MLS, a very basic agent profile is set up on Realtor.com. Realtor. com relies on agents to claim and maintain their profiles, and therefore does not pull any agent changes from the MLS. If you register a new email address or phone number with the MLS, Realtor.com does not update your profile with these changes automatically. Agents need to login to their profile to make any agent changes, including adding a photo. Here are 2 links that will help you maintain your Realtor. com profile.

Associated Document Reminder

When adding an associated document to a listing in Paragon™, your document will automatically be 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™, 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.

Five key facts about using the REALTOR® Trademark

1. REALTOR® = Member of NAR

A REALTOR® is a member of the National Association of REALTORS®. The term REALTOR® should never be used as a substitute for "real estate agent."

The REALTOR® trademarks include:

- REALTOR®
- REALTORS®
- REALTOR-ASSOCIATE®
- the REALTOR® block "R" logo
- The REALTOR® marks let people know that you are more than just a real estate practitioner: you adhere to a strict Code of Ethics that protects clients, the public, and other real estate agents.

2. Members can use the REALTOR® trademarks, with limitations

Members may use the REALTOR® marks only in the context of identifying themselves as members of NAR. To maintain the value of the marks, it's important that they be recognized by the public as identifiers of NAR members, and never used generically to denote a vocation or a business.

Members are licensed to use the marks only in connection with their real estate business and in connection with the place of business with which their membership is associated.

3. Non-members may not use the REALTOR® marks

Non-members are not allowed to use the REALTOR® trademarks in reference to or in connection with their businesses or themselves.

Newspapers, magazines, radio or television programs may use the marks to accurately identify an individual as a member of NAR or in reference to a Member Board.

4. Design standards for REALTOR® marks must be followed

The preferred form of the term is REALTOR®—in all caps and using the registered trademark symbol. If using the symbol isn't possible, then the next best form is in all caps: REALTOR.

5. The REALTOR® marks can be used on the internet and in marketing

In usernames, members are allowed to use the REALTOR® marks only to indicate membership in NAR by using the marks with a member's name or with the legal name of a member broker's real estate business.

The marks may be used on merchandise such as T-shirts and ball caps, as long as the item includes the member's name or firm name. However, the marks may not be used in institutional advertising by franchisors.

To learn more and download the marks, click here: https://www.nar.realtor/logos-and-trademark-rules



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Watch for details coming on Social Media and Emails

Green Lake Holiday Party
January 16th

Installation Dinner
January 29th

WRA REALTOR® & Government Day
February 5th

2nd Annual Euchre Tournament February 20th

Upcoming Professional Development Offerings

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2020 FHA Loan Limits Published

As expected, FHA published its 2020 loan limits on December 3, 2019. Nationwide, the high-cost limit is the same as the GSE limit at \$765,600. The FHA floor rose to \$331,760. Nearly every county in the country saw an increase in their loan limits.

The way that loan limits are calculated, all counties within the same Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) benefit from the highest limit in that MSA. Over the last year, the government changed some definitions of MSAs. The result is that 11 counties, who were removed from their nearest MSA, will see decreases in their loan limits. None of those counties are in Wisconsin.

Communities that wish to contest their loan limit only have 30 days to do so by contacting the Santa Ana Homeownership Center with sufficient housing sales price data, listing one-family properties sold in an area within the look-back period, January through August of the previous year. Requests should differentiate between single-family residential properties, and condominiums or cooperative housing units. Ideally, the data provided should also distinguish between distressed and non-distressed sales. Requests for a change will only be considered for counties for which HUD does not already have home sales transaction data for the calculation of Mortgage limits.

Look up your 2020 loan limit (be sure to specify 2020). These limits are effective from January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2020. https://entp.hud.gov/idapp/html/hicost1.cfm



Upcoming Professional Development Offerings



Future of Real Estate Technology

Wednesday, February 12, 2020 • 8:30-11:30 a.m. Promega - BioPharmaceutical Technology Center (BTC)

Speaker - Saul Klein, Realty Times Executive Editor

Saul Klein is known as the Grandfather of Technology Adoption in the Residential Real Estate Industry. He is generally recognized within the industry, as a technology pioneer and evangelist.

Over the last 25 years, he has introduced the real estate industry to the Internet and email, listings on the WWW, online education and certification, and listing data syndication. He is one of the few visionaries who paved the way for real estate's transition to technology.

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Monday, March 23, 2020 • 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Promega - BioPharmaceutical Technology Center (BTC)

Co-sponsored with RASCW, WCR Madison Metro and WMBA Madison Chapter

Speaker - Lawrence Yun, NAR Chief Economist and Senior Vice President, Research



Lawrence Yun is Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of Research at the National Association of REALTORS[®]. He oversees and is responsible for a wide range of research activity for the association including NAR's Existing Home Sales statistics, Affordability Index, and Home Buyers and Sellers Profile Report. He regularly provides commentary on real estate market trends for its 1.3 million REALTORS®.

Dr. Yun creates NAR's forecasts and participates in many economic forecasting panels, among them the Blue Chip Council and the Wall Street Journal Forecasting Survey. He also participates in the Industrial Economists Discussion Group at the Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University. He appears regularly on financial news outlets, is a frequent speaker at real estate conferences throughout the United States, and has testified before Congress. Dr. Yun has appeared as a guest on CSPAN's Washington Journal and is a regular guest columnist on the Forbes website and The Hill, an "inside the beltway" publication on public affairs.

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New Member Orientation 9:00 am - WRA Education Center

MLS Board of Directors 11:00 am - MLS Conference Room

Thursday, January 16

Green Lake Ripon Chapter Holiday Party 5:30 pm - Mr & Mrs P's, Ripon

Thursday, January 23

Paragon™ Basic Class 9:00 am - MLS Training Room

Wednesday, January 29

RASCW/SCWMLS Installation Dinner 5:00 pm - Nakoma Golf Club

Thursday, January 30

RASCW Board of Directors
9:00 am - RASCW Conference Room

Wednesday, February 5

Membership Networking Committee 9:00 am - Preferred Title

Thursday, February 6

Paragon™ Basic Class 9:00 am - MLS Training Room

Friday, February 7

MLS Committee 8:30 am - MLS Conference Room

Thursday, February 13

Home Buyers Round Table 8:30 am - The Village on Park

New Member Orientation 9:00 am - WRA Education Center

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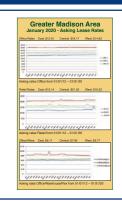


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Sign Up Today for REALTOR® & Government Day!

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! Sign up for REALTOR & Government Day scheduled for February 5, 2020 in Madison.



What is REALTOR® & Government Day? It is your opportunity to help shape laws that affect you and your business. Through lobbying efforts at the Capitol, you'll meet state lawmakers and have a unique opportunity to advocate for issues like property taxes, land use, property rights, regulations, and more.

Registration is free again this year for the first 300 members. You may register by going here: https://www.wra.org/RGDay/

2020 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. Keynote speaker
1:45 - 2:45 p.m. Issue briefing
2:45 - 3:00 p.m. Move to the Capitol
3:00 - 4:30 p.m. Capitol visits

4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Reception (Madison Concourse)



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Keith was a RASCW Member for over 30 years and broker owner of BAAL Real Estate LLC.

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