

Realtors® Report

May, 2008



It's coming!! It's coming!! MLS Conversion—May 6

On Tuesday, May 6, MLXchange will be live and access to InnoVia will be suspended. Because members have been able to use the new system for 60 days, we hope the change will be smooth. **If you have not already used the new system, please do so very soon!** The address is <http://ranww.mlxchange.com>—your user name and password are the same as in InnoVia. Please remember that prospects, Agent's contacts, saved searches, prospect searches, and CMAs from the InnoVia system will NOT migrate over to MLXchange and need to be exported to MLXchange before May 6.

If you were unable to attend one of the classes offered in March or if you would like to attend a refresher, take advantage of one of these offerings on May 5. These classes will not be as in depth as the March classes but will focus on the basics.

EAU CLAIRE: Association's Education Center, 1903 Keith Street, 12:30 to 2:00 **OR** 2:45 to 4:15

SPOONER: NW Sports Complex, 301 Walnut Street, Spooner, 9 to 10:30 **OR** 1:00 to 2:30

Please register me to attend MLS training on May 5:

Eau Claire _____ 2:45 to 4:15 **Spooner** _____ 9:00 to 10:30 _____ 1:00 to 2:30

Name _____ Email _____

Complete this form and fax to 835-4621 or register online at ranww.org

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT. . . . *Mark Fouts* and his Nominating Committee will be meeting on May 9 to prepare a slate of candidates for officer and director positions. The Committee will be nominating candidates for two positions on the Board of Directors plus an alternate. In addition, the Committee will be looking for candidates to serve as Treasurer and President-elect. If you are interested in being considered as a candidate or would like to nominate someone, please contact Joan at the Association office for a form. Members will also have an opportunity to nominate candidates from the floor at the June 19 membership meeting at Turtleback Conference Center. The online elections will take place July 15-25. This Committee is also charged with selecting recipients of the Association's special awards—please be thinking of members you think may be eligible for those awards.

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. . . .MEMBERSHIP NEWS. . . .

The following people have made application for Realtor® membership; in accordance with the bylaws, written comment, which shall be kept confidential, is invited.

Wayne Brenholt
Jeanne Button
Michael Elkins
Bryan Schroeder

ReMax Lake Country **April Sell**
 United Country/BRF
 Halvorson Appraisals
 Connect Realty.com

J. Theisen, Inc.
 Welcome to **Sherry Stabenow** of Edina Title, our newest affiliate member!

Congratulations to **Al Widiker** who was recognized by the DNR with a special award for 25 years as a hunter education instructor! Al received the coveted “watch” award and a 25 year rocker for his instructor plaque. . . .Congratulations, too, to **Butch Flor** for being elected to serve a two-year term on the NAR Board of Directors.

Do you know the affiliate members of our Association? Like you, they pay dues, participate in Association events and serve on committees. In addition, our affiliates generously sponsor educational opportunities, golf outings, and Christmas parties. You can find contact information for our affiliates on our association website (ranww.org). In addition to being able to search the website by individual or company name, you can also find a list of affiliates by business type. Our affiliates support our Association and are our partners in real estate transactions —please support them by making them your first business contact when possible!

David Anderson 834-3425
 Louie Andrew 235-3393
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 Tamara Axtman 800-8880
 Gerald Bauer 830-9375
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 Jenny Ebert 831-2244
 Charlotte Ellison 720-0525
 Kelly Englant 233-9311
 Linda Erickson 839-6307
 Julie Flor 736-3000
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 Marge Geissler 726-7993
 Matt Gerber 836-1451
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 Keith Hallum 833-7700
 Stan Hawkins 838-2800
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 Kenneth Holm 833-7700
 Gary Holt 834-3953
 Rene Ippolite 834-8210



**Affiliate members—
 our business partners**

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 Scott Jarvis 833-2309
 Mike Johannes 635-9467
 Karen Johnson 834-1111
 Mark Kalscheur 235-2144
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 Todd Kobielush 234-0096
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 Lisa Stelter 833-8261
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 John Torgerson 834-5551
 Nancy Tubbs 635-6550
 Suzanne Twite 833-8261
 John Vinopal 831-0880
 Melissa Zander 834-8871



Our Foundation recently awarded grants of almost \$12,000 to individuals and families in north-western Wisconsin for home repairs and renovations. The grants were used for a variety of different projects, including installing a handicap access ramp and updating electrical service that was a safety hazard for children in the home. Recipients of these awards are very grateful and recognize the grants are made possible through the generosity of our members. Please continue to show your support for the Foundation (and have fun, too) by attending the fundraiser on May 16.

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Talent

**Register
Now!!**

**Join us for an Evening of Dinner and Entertainment on
May 16 at Turtleback Conference Center in Rice Lake
Social at 5, buffet dinner at 6, program at 7**

Menu includes:

- *Roast beef with burgundy & mushroom sauce
- *Chicken breast with alfredo sauce
- *Mixed green salad, Sweet kernel corn
- *Potato salad, steamed baby red potatoes, Au gratin potatoes
- *Dessert table

*\$25 per person
to benefit the
RANWW
Foundation*

NAME: _____

COMPANY: _____

PHONE _____ NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

Registration due by May 12, 2008

Make check payable to RANWW

Send form and check to:

Margo Katterhagen, CB Brenizer

237 S. Main St., Rice Lake, WI 54868

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- ♦ . . . The Member Benefits Committee has negotiated for members to receive from 10-30% discount on purchases made at OfficeMax. To take advantage of these savings, contact Bryan Horner at (888) 512-6473x6586. Bryan will work with members to set up a Retail Connect Card, (not a credit card) which takes a couple of weeks. Be sure to identify yourself as a member of RANWW to qualify for the discount.
- ♦ . . . If you haven't already applied for a Kwik Trip credit card, you can still take advantage of their offer to save you 3 cents per gallon **PLUS** give you an initial credit of \$25 on your account. You must complete an application stamped with our Association name to be eligible for the program—contact the Association office for one.
- ♦ . . . Looking for a gift for a new homeowner? The Association has 25 certificates for a specially selected plant in a seven-inch pot (\$10.99 value) compliments of Chippewa Valley Growers in Eau Claire. Certificates, which are limited to one per household, may be redeemed May 15-June 8—no purchase necessary! If you'd like to present a new homeowner with one of these certificates, contact our office.
- ♦ . . . "What a great benefit we, as Realtors®, have with the TechHelpline! Just today they helped me reinstall drivers to get my sound back since putting in the new hard drive and changed my e-mail spell check from the locked-in French to English. This is just on my call today—I've used them many times. What a great job they do! Thanks for this valuable benefit." Take advantage of this membership benefit as Kathleen Beilfuss of Jump River Realty does. Like the Legal Hotline and ZipForms, it's another one of your membership benefits—contact them at 866-414-7387.

The Association will not be renewing its lease on the classroom and will sell some of its furniture and equipment to the highest bidder. If you're interested in bidding on any of these items, which are all about ten years old, please send your bid to the Association office no later than May 15. The members with the winning bids will be notified on May 16 and must pick up the item no later than May 23. You can look at the equipment during normal business hours or call Joan with questions.



- ♦ Charcoal gray upholstered stacking chairs (10 available)
- ♦ 6'x2' gray collapsible tables with 3 charcoal gray chairs (4 table/chair sets)
- ♦ 25" televisions with wall brackets (2 available)
- ♦ 10' x 5' gray conference table with teal trim on large pillar bases
- ♦ 7' x 18" collapsible seminar tables on heavy duty wheels (2 available)

BYLAW REVISIONS PROPOSED. . . . In accordance with our bylaws, notice is hereby given that at the April 10 meeting the Directors approved revisions to our bylaws. Within thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, these amendments shall automatically go into effect provided no petition from the membership has been received.

Delete: Section 3 and 4 of Article XI:

Section 3: Dues payable. Dues for all members shall be payable in advance of the first day of October. Dues for new members shall be computed from the date of application and granting of provisional membership.

Section 4: Nonpayment of dues: If dues are not paid within one (1) month after the due date, the Member is subject to a \$25 late fee. Two (2) months after the due date, membership of the nonpaying Member may be terminated at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Three (3) months after the due date, membership of the nonpaying Member shall automatically terminate unless within that time the amount is paid.

Add:

Section 3: Dues Payable. Dues for all Members shall be payable annually in advance of the first day of October. Three (3) months after the due date, membership of the nonpaying Member shall automatically terminate.

(All sections following Article XI, Section 3 will need to be renumbered since we're combining sections 3 and 4.)



Realtors® Association of Northwestern Wisconsin Golf Classic 2008
Thursday, August, 7 at Wild Ridge Golf Course

- Golf** Morning golf will be for those “serious” golfers who want to play for individual scores. Afternoon golf will be a five-person, best ball/scramble. Golfers may choose their own five-person teams or may register as an individual, requesting to play with any other team that is short of five players.
- Tee Times** Morning golf tees off at 10:00 a.m. Afternoon scramble players should be at the club house by 12 noon. Shotgun start will be at 1:00 p.m. Afternoon golf is limited to the first 180 golfers and is expected to sell out quickly so sign up early!
- Lunch** A soup and sandwich buffet lunch will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m.
- Refreshments** A cash bar will be available throughout the day and each player will receive two complimentary drink tickets. Complimentary soft drinks and snacks will also be available on the course during the afternoon.
- Dinner** A dinner buffet including chicken and BBQ ribs will be served at approximately 5:30 p.m. with a short program and prizes to follow.
- Sign-up** All golf and dinner fees MUST be paid with your reservation by 4:00 p.m. on July 7. Late reservations and reservations without payment will **NOT** be accepted.

*****THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS! ACT TODAY!!*****

2008 RANWW GOLF RESERVATION FORM

Choose One of the Following:

INDIVIDUAL (will be placed with team) **OR** **TEAM** (if short of 5 players, individuals will be assigned)

Name _____

Captain _____

Players _____

Choose One of the Following:

_____ Morning and Afternoon golf (18 Holes), cart, lunch and dinner, prizes - \$90.00 per person

_____ Afternoon golf Only (9 Holes), cart lunch and dinner, prizes - \$75.00 per person

___ Lunch, dinner, 2 drink tickets, prizes— \$30.00 per person

___ Dinner, 2 drink tickets, prizes— \$20.00 per person

Send reservations **WITH PAYMENT** to:

RANWW, 1903 Keith Street.
Eau Claire, WI 54701