



# RANWW

Realtors® Association of  
Northwestern Wisconsin

Making Your Membership Work For You

## April Newsletter

### Mark your calendar

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RPAC Bowling Event

#### May 1

Matrix Essentials Online Training

#### May 1

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When REALTORS® Come Together, Good Things Happen



**Fair Housing Month**

# OPENING DOORS TO OPPORTUNITY

## NAR Fair Housing Microcourses



Be an Inclusion Warrior:  
Working with the Sight  
Impaired Community in  
Real Estate with Sarah  
Taylor

Be an Inclusion Warrior: Resources to  
Work with Buyers to Close the  
Homeownership Gap in your  
Community with Matt Difanis



Mark Kitabayashi

Equal  
Professional  
Service Model

and

Love Letters,  
Love Videos &  
Fair Housing

Fair Housing: Understanding  
Accommodations &  
Modifications with Robert  
Morris



**Complete 1 up to 5 courses during the month of April &  
RANWW Members will receive a reimbursement. Email receipt  
and proof of completion to [whitney@ranww.org](mailto:whitney@ranww.org).**



Scan QR Code to access courses



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courses



**RANWW CARES**  
volunteer opportunities

Thank you to everyone that volunteered at the Chippewa Valley Habitat for Humanity Women's Build in Menomonie.





## Upcoming Events



### Do you want to become an RPAC Direct Giver? Or just have a fun time bowling?

Thursday April 18th | Rand's Bowling Lanes | Rice Lake, WI

Get your team together for a **FUNdraising** event. In combination with your REALTOR® Action Assessment paid with your annual dues, your event registration will make you eligible to be a **DIRECT GIVER** with RPAC (must be a member of WRA to be eligible).

#### **Bowling**

Bowling will be a 4-5 person teams. Bowlers may choose their own 4-5 person teams or may register as an individual, requesting to play with any other team short of bowlers. Play will consist of 8-pin bowling for 4 games. (8-pin bowling is a variation of bowling where you get a strike if you knock down at least 8 pins on your first roll).

#### **Cost**

\$55 per bowler. Includes 4 games of bowling, shoes, bucket of beer split with team and pizza throughout the night. Payment by check can be mailed to: RANWW, 3460 Mall Drive Suite 5A, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

#### **Theme**

Come dressed in your best patriotic attire. Prize awarded for best dressed.

#### **Registration**

Registration will begin at 5:00p.m. and bowling will start at 5:30 p.m.

#### **Prizes**

Awarded for best individual bowler, best team score and best dressed.

### Food

Pizza will be served during the evening.

### Refreshments

Refreshments will be available throughout the event and each team will receive a bucket of beer. There will also be a signature RPAC SHOT available for purchase with a portion of the proceeds going towards RPAC.

### Networking

Networking, food, beverages and socializing will commence throughout the event. This is a great time for non-bowlers to get together and mingle!

### Sign-up

All bowling and food/beverage fees MUST be paid with your reservation by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 15th, 2024.

### Cancellations

All cancellations must be received on or before April 15th for a refund, minus a \$15 surcharge.

\*An RANWW staff member will follow-up on your registration to see if you would like to become a **DIRECT GIVER** (if not your funds will go into the general RPAC fund). If you have questions, please contact riley@ranww.org or call the RANWW office at 715-835-0923.

There will be opportunities during the event to make additional contributions towards RPAC.

Let's go bowling  
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Thank you to our RPAC Bowling Night Sponsors



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**Professional Growth**

**REALTOR® CE Courses – deadline Dec 14th, 2024**

# CE ON DEMAND

Watch and read entirely online

For the 2023-24 biennium, the 18 hours of required credits include the completion of 18 one-hour course topics, comprised of 12 mandatory courses and 6 elective courses. Coursework must be completed by December 14, 2024.

## Don't wait. Start your courses today!

Learn More & Get Started Today  
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The ABR® Course continues to be offered for FREE from NAR and WRA.

Register today:  
[NAR Virtual Schedule](#)  
[WRA Virtual Class](#) | May 16-17

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**MLS**  
recent updates & info



## NEW: Monthly Matrix Online Training Classes

Training #1: Matrix Essentials - Understanding the Fundamentals of Your MLS System

*Keith Hensley, Sr. Trainer with CoreLogic, will provide you with a great foundation on using Matrix, your MLS System! As a REALTOR® and/or Broker... even as an assistant to one of them, Matrix is a major tool for you. Knowing such important aspects as searching effectively for listings, emailing and printing listings, and saving searches as a Saved Search or as an Auto*

*Email, is vital! Would you rather spend your way through learning Matrix by yourself or spend an hour learning the fundamentals of Matrix from a seasoned expert? As a new user of Matrix, or even as a veteran, this webinar will be a great resource to show (or confirm) how to use Matrix the way it was designed.*

Wednesday, May 1st starting at 2pm CST  
[Register for the training link](#)

RANWW in conjunction with CoreLogic will be offering a series of 1 hour trainings for NWWMLS users to **UNLOCK THE POTENTIAL WITHIN**. Additional topics & trainings will be added every month. \*Recordings will be available.

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**\*Don't forget to put your MLS invoice number on checks\***  
**\*\*Reminder: MLS billing is now quarterly\*\***

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**Advocacy**

## Thank you to everyone that attended Broker Brews & Breakfast



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**Do you invest in RPAC?** When you invest in **RPAC**, your money is pooled together and contributed on a nonpartisan basis to candidates who support housing and real estate interests. If



## Upcoming opportunities to join the conversation

**District Discussions** with City Council President Emily & City Manager Stephanie

Those who live in the areas listed below are highly encouraged to attend.

At each District Discussion they'll:

- Share citywide and neighborhood-specific updates on topics such as zoning, development, street repair, public safety, parks, and more.
- Ask for your opinion through a resident survey.
- Try to answer any question you can think of...see if you can stump them!
- Share how residents can join an existing neighborhood association or form a new one if their block isn't part of one already.

Remaining meeting:

**April 18** | 6 - 8 p.m. | North High School Commons - 1801 Piedmont Rd.

North: Airport, Dells Park, North Side Hill, Princeton Valley, Sundet Park, Wells/Riverview, Pinehurst, Abby/Zephyr Hills

[Learn More](#)

**The City of Eau Claire's Plan Commission** is seeking volunteer applicants to serve on the board. The work of the Plan Commission is to make and adopt a master plan for the physical development of the municipality. The Plan Commission may recommend to the City Council programs for public improvements, as contained in the Capital Improvement Plan, and the financing thereof, exercise final review and approval of site development plans and requests for conditional use permits among other duties. For a complete description of duties, additional information and to apply, visit: [EauClaireWI.gov/BCC](http://EauClaireWI.gov/BCC) and click "Plan Commission".



**Take Action**





# WHEDA

## WHEDA Administers New Loan Products to Increase Affordable Housing Options

On March 28, 2024, WHEDA opened the spring application process for three loan programs: **Infrastructure Access Loan**, **Restore Main Street Loan** and **Vacancy-to-Vitality Loan**. The application deadline is April 30, 2024. Before submitting your application, all units intending to apply must complete [this form](#) and submit it to WHEDA tech team at [CLproductsupport@wheda.com](mailto:CLproductsupport@wheda.com) by April 19th, 2024. Visit the [WHEDA website](#) to learn more, get the application and apply.

If you have questions, please contact Riley at [riley@ranww.org](mailto:riley@ranww.org) or call 715-835-0923.

You may also contact our Northwest Region Community and Economic Development Officer: Mai Xiong at [mai.xiong@wheda.com](mailto:mai.xiong@wheda.com).



## Legal Update

### WRA Legal Update

Did you miss WRA's Legal Update Live covering the **Antitrust Lawsuits Updates**? **Watch the March 27 Legal Update Live and unlock one hour of CE credit! (WRA members only.)** There are also additional resources available for members to learn more.

[WRA Antitrust Resources](#)  
[Downloadable WRA Consumer Brochures](#)  
[facts.realtor](https://facts.realtor)  
[competition.realtor](https://competition.realtor)



"From the start of this litigation, we knew we had a profound obligation to reach a resolution that's best for not just the National Association of REALTORS® but for our members and our industry."

Kevin Sears, President of the National Association of REALTORS®

[Learn more](#)

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## Save the Date

### May

- Golf Outing Registration Opens: Wednesday, May 1st (SOLD OUT last year)
- New Member Orientation: Tuesday, May 14th

### June:

- RANWW Annual Meeting: Wednesday, June 26 (location & time TBD)
- Express Baseball Game with Chippewa Valley Home Builders Association: Thursday, June 27, 2024 (5:30pm)

### August:

- RANWW Annual Golf Outing: Thursday, August 22, 2024 (registration opens May 1, 2024)

### October

- RANWW CARES: Community Table: Wednesday, October 9, 2024

### December

- REALTOR® Ring Day: Friday, December 6, 2024 (multiple locations & times)

**WRA Member  
Benefits**

**NAR Member  
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