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Realtors® Association of
Northwestern Wisconsin

Making Your Membership Work For You

2026 Dues renewal statements will be emailed again this year.

No paper statements will be sent.

Take advantage of the quick and convenient online payment system.

September Newsletter

Mark your Calendar

September

REALTOR® Safety Month

September 6

2nd Annual RANWW ATV/UTV Ride

September 25

RANWW Mixer at Sand Bar

September 29-October 1

WRA Annual Convention

MLS

- Reminder: Unauthorized Use of Listing Photos and Media

ADVOCACY

- Are you an RPAC Major Investor?
- Do you know of something RANWW should be made aware of?

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

- Make professional growth a priority

UPCOMING EVENTS

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- RPAC Cornhole Event, October 24
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ASSOCIATION UPDATES

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EMPOWERING REALTORS®, BUILDING COMMUNITIES.



Welcome Our Newest Members

Colton Franks

Badger State Realty

Colleen Jeffrey

Coldwell Banker Spooner

Quinton Klammer

Coldwell Banker Brenizer

Megan Adams

Symple Real Estate

Gary Bergman

Dane Arthur-Birchwood

Carrie Bateman

Janke Premier Properties

Graham Barnes

Epique Realty

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Visit our [EVENTS CALENDAR](#) to learn more and register.

Get Ready for the 2nd Annual RANWW ATV/SXS Ride!

We had an absolute blast last year, and it's time to hit the trails again! Join us for the Second Annual RANWW ATV/SXS Ride in Rice Lake for a day full of adventure, fun, and camaraderie.

New Date: Saturday, September 6th, 2025

(Previously scheduled for September 13th — mark your calendars!)

No ATV or SXS? No worries!

Rent a machine from Trailhead Adventures at 50% off and enjoy a late return at no extra charge on the day of the ride. Just use code HALFDAY2025 at trailheadadventure.com to reserve your ride.

Whether you're a seasoned rider or trying it for the first time, this event is all about having fun on the trails and making memories with your fellow REALTORS®!

Don't miss out — we can't wait to see everyone out there!

Second Annual RANWW No Frills ATV/SXS Ride

September 6, 2025



No machine? No problem!
Get 50% off your rental with code **HALFDAY2025**
visit www.trailheadadventures.com

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You're Invited: RANWW Monthly Mixer – September 25th

Mark your calendars! Our next RANWW Monthly Mixer is happening on Thursday, September 25th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Sand Bar in Chippewa Falls.

This casual after-hours event will feature a special safety presentation by Lieutenant Jesse Henning, along with a free gift for all attendees. September is REALTOR® Safety Month!

Enjoy appetizers, networking, and the chance to win a gift card giveaway!



No registration is required—just stop by and say hello! We look forward to seeing you there.

Win a FREE Registration to the 2025 WRA Annual Convention!

The Wisconsin REALTORS® Association is awarding one FREE registration to the 2025 WRA Annual Convention, taking place September 29–October 1, 2025, at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells!

Are you a full RANWW Affiliate or REALTOR® member? **Want to attend for FREE?** Enter

the drawing by contacting Laura at [715-835-0923](tel:715-835-0923), or laura@ranww.org.

Deadline to enter is 4:30 p.m. on Friday, September 5, 2025.

The winner will receive complimentary convention registration. (Ticketed add-ons are not included and can be purchased separately.)

Go to [WRA.org](https://wra.org) for all the details about this year's incredible convention!

Don't miss out on the networking, education, and fun—enter today!



☐ **Save the Date: 2025 WRA Annual Convention**

Sept. 29–Oct. 1

Kalahari Resort, WI Dells

Get ready for the largest REALTOR® event in Wisconsin! The 2025 WRA Annual Convention is happening September 29–October 1 at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells—and you're invited to join REALTORS® from across the state for three unforgettable days of learning, networking, and fun.

☐ **Why Attend?**

- Top-notch speakers & CE sessions
- Industry insights & professional development
- Inspiring keynotes and energizing events
- Connection with fellow REALTORS®
- And, of course... the famous convention party!

Don't wait—secure your spot today!

☐ Rooms at the Kalahari fill fast, so book your stay early!

☐ Learn more and register at wra.org/convention

October 24th

RPAC Cornhole Event

Buck N' Beams in Cameron, WI

Starting at 5pm, Cornhole, Contests, Silent Auction, and so much more!

THEME: HALLOWEEN Prizes for 1st, 2nd Cornhole
& Best Dressed Halloween Costume



RPAC Halloween Cornhole Event

Join us Friday, October 24 at Buck 'N Beam's, Cameron for a fun night of cornhole, costumes, and camaraderie!

- \$50 per team (2 players; 1 must be an RPAC contributor)
- Registration: 5 PM | Bags Fly: 6 PM
- Prizes: 1st, 2nd & Best Dressed Costume
- Extras: Silent auctions, pizza & drinks

Don't miss this spooktacular event—[register your team today!](#)



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☐ **Reminder: Unauthorized Use of Listing Photos and Media**

NWWMLS is **DMCA certified**, and all listing content — including photos, virtual tours, and videos — is protected under **copyright law**. These materials belong to the broker or agent who created or contracted for them.

Per **MLS Rule 9.3**, you may not use another participant's photos or media without written authorization. If a complaint is filed, you will be required to **remove the content within 10 days** or **provide proof of authorization**.

Unauthorized use is both an **MLS violation** (subject to fines and sanctions) and may also be considered **copyright infringement under the DMCA**, which could carry legal consequences.

Government Affairs

RPAC

REALTORS® Political Action Committee



For all those who have become Major Investors in 2025 don't miss the \$99 RPAC Reception during the Convention!

Date: Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Time: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Location: Redd's Piano Bar (inside the Kalahari Resort)
1350 Kalahari Drive, Wisconsin Dells, WI

If you plan on being a Major Investor in 2025 and would like to be recognized at the WRA Convention, please make sure your commitment is paid in full by September 15. Recognition after this deadline cannot be guaranteed.

Major Investors are those who invest \$100 or more into their Direct Giver Account. Please use the QR code below to invest today!

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Ian Gauger at ian@ranww.org

Thank you,

Ian Gauger
RANWW Advocacy Coordinator

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Professional Growth

For the Early Birds... Self-Study CE Now Available!

Why wait? Get a head start on the 2025-26 CE biennium with the Wisconsin REALTORS® Association's Self-Study CE course!

The printed book is available now—and when you order, you'll also receive a complimentary electronic PDF version so you can study anytime, anywhere.

Wisconsin licensees are required to complete 18 one-hour CE courses to renew their real estate license. Don't wait until 2026—knock it out early with content that's fresh, relevant, and tailored to today's market.



□ [Click here to learn more and order your materials.](#)

On-Demand CE options coming soon—stay tuned!



Association Updates

Nominate a Colleague for RANWW's Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) is the REALTORS® Association of Northwestern Wisconsin's most prestigious honor. While it recognizes sustained, high-quality service to RANWW, it is not an “end-of-career” or lifetime achievement award.

Who can receive it? Members or staff.

How often? Awarded only once per recipient.

Nominees should demonstrate:

- Active participation in RANWW activities
- Extraordinary dedication through volunteer work
- Leadership, expertise, and teamwork

- Commitment to RANWW objectives and ideals
- (For employees) Work ethic far exceeding expectations

What sets DSA recipients apart?

They've contributed significant time, effort, and creative imagination; built a record of effective participation in RANWW affairs; and set a standard worthy of emulation across our association.

How to nominate (due Sept. 30, 2025):

1. Download and complete the [nomination form](#)
2. Email the completed form to Brenda brenda@ranww.org by September 30, 2025.

Shine a light on someone who consistently goes above and beyond for RANWW—send in your nomination today!

Nominate a REALTOR® for the Good Neighbor Award!

Do you know a fellow REALTOR® who goes above and beyond to make a difference in their community? □ The REALTORS® Association of Northwestern Wisconsin Good Neighbor Award celebrates members who embody the REALTOR® spirit by giving back and creating a lasting, positive impact where they live and work.

From volunteering time and talent to leading charitable initiatives, this award shines a spotlight on the REALTORS® who are making our communities stronger, brighter, and better for everyone.

How to Nominate:

- Complete the nomination form: [Good Neighbor Award Nomination Form](#)
- Postmark Deadline: October 31, 2025

Don't miss the chance to honor a REALTOR® who exemplifies compassion, generosity, and service beyond the transaction!

Earn Your Fair Housing Challenge Emblem!

Take the lead in building a more inclusive and equitable real estate industry. By completing the Fair Housing Challenge, you'll expand your knowledge of fair housing history, laws, and ongoing issues — benefiting your clients, communities, and the profession.



Fair Housing Challenge

Complete all three steps to earn your emblem:

1. Fairhaven 2.0
2. Commitment to Excellence (C2EX)
3. One course of your choice: At Home with Diversity (AHWD) or Bias Override: Overcoming Barriers to Fair Housing

Display your emblem proudly next to your name in emails, online profiles, and marketing materials — a visible mark of your leadership and commitment to fairness in every transaction.

[Take the Challenge & Learn More](#)

Help Your First-Time Homebuyer Clients Build Wealth Through Homeownership

Do you have clients dreaming of homeownership but unsure if it's financially possible? Encourage them to attend Wealth Building: Homeownership Options for First-Time Buyers, a free workshop designed to guide first-time buyers—including those living with disabilities—toward affordable homeownership opportunities.

Topics Include:

- ☐ Homebuyer Education
- ☐ Housing Counseling
- ☐ Downpayment Assistance Programs

Two Workshop Options to Choose from:

- Wednesday, October 8 | 5:00 – 7:00 PM
- UW-Stout Memorial Student Center – Cedar/Maple Room
- 302 10th Avenue East, Menomonie

-OR-

- Thursday, October 9 | 5:00 – 7:00 PM
- Colfax Library Auditorium
- 613 Main Street, Colfax

These workshops are supported by a grant from the Community Foundation of Dunn County. Learn more at www.movin-out.org.

Stay Informed with NAR's Consumer Guide Series

Empowering Homebuyers & Sellers

The Consumer Guide Series offered by NAR, is a valuable resource designed to help homebuyers and sellers navigate key real estate topics with confidence. Each guide provides expert insights from REALTORS® and industry professionals, ensuring consumers have the knowledge they need to make informed decisions.

The latest guide in the series focuses on how the [VA Home Loan](#) offers a great path to homeownership for current and former military service members.

These guides are free and available to the public, making them a great tool for REALTORS® to share with clients.

Check out the full series [HERE](#)

Upcoming FOREWARN Safety *Online* Training Sessions

Agent safety is always a priority! To support increased activations and usage of FOREWARN, we're offering monthly **online** training sessions to help agents get the most out of this valuable tool.

September Online Training Session:

- September 3 at 9:00 a.m. CST
- September 17 at 1 p.m. CST

Join us as we demonstrate how to effectively use FOREWARN, share insider tips and tricks, and hold a live Q&A session.

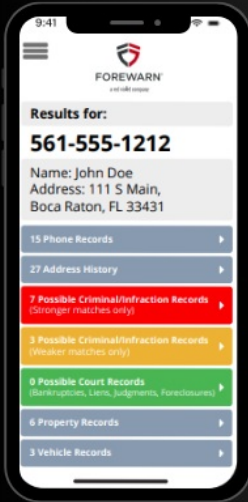
Registration: To sign up, please visit our [registration page](#).



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1 Receive a call



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Affiliate Connection

SAVE THE DATE!

10:00 a.m. at Holiday Inn
Eau Claire - South

orders@legendstitleservice.com



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NEW FEDERAL REPORTING RULES ARE COMING

ARE YOU PREPARED?

Starting December 1st, 2025, new reporting requirements from the US Department of Treasury, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) will impact real estate transactions in your market — especially for brokerages and agents working with legal entities.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:

- Which transactions are affected
- Who is responsible for reporting
- What information must be collected
- Penalties for non-compliance
- How Knight Barry can help you stay compliant

LET'S TALK

Get your office ready for these sweeping changes. Contact your local Knight Barry office to schedule a session today.

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15-30 minutesession.
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law firms, larger brokerag
offices, and lenders.

Your Business HERE



Are you an RANWW Affiliate who wants to shine a little brighter? We'd love to feature you in an upcoming Affiliate Spotlight!

If you're interested, just email me at kristyn@ranww.org. I'll get you on the schedule and follow up with the details on what I'll need and when you'll be featured.

We love showing off the amazing businesses that support our Association—don't miss your chance to be in the spotlight!

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