

REALNews from NOMAR

February 20, 2009

NOMAR & GSREIN Offices Closed

Tuesday, February 24th for Mardi Gras. We wish everyone a safe and Happy Mardi Gras!!!

Pathway to Homeownership Soft Second Loan Program

Remains within the Housing Opportunity Zones. Please continue to encourage first time homebuyers to look at home purchase opportunities within the Zones. A limited amount of funds are available from the First Time Homebuyer Fund to be used to finance the purchase of a residence outside of the City's Housing Opportunity Zones. For more information please log on to www.financeauthority.org or call 504-524-5533.

Put Your Car Keys Beside Your Bed at Night

If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies. This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain. If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break in your house, odds are the burglar/rapist won't stick around... after a few seconds all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that! And remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there.

Be a Part of Our Permanent History! The "Friends of NOMAR" House

was constructed by a local artist and is installed in the reception area of our new building. Your permanent advertising may display your name, company name, or may be a memorial in the name of a deceased member of our REALTOR® family. Information and offer prices on house components are on the home page at www.nomar.org.

Board Store Featured Item

NAR's "*Code of Ethics & Arbitration Manual*" – the must have reference manual that every office needs! \$15.00 plus tax

Please Support Our NOMAR Affiliates

Click on following link to access their businesses and names.

<http://www.nomar.org/affiliates.html>

EVENTS

LR Legislative Outreach

Please remember to make your reservations for the 2009 Legislative Outreach. You will get two (2) hours of CE and lunch with your State Legislators. Some of the Legislators that you will have an opportunity to network with are:

Senator Cheryl Gray, Conrad Appel, and Edwin Murray. Representatives Cameron Henry, Jeff Arnold, Tony Ligi, Gary Smith, Joe Lopinto and others.

The Annual LR Legislative Outreach Luncheon will be **March 5, 2009** at NOMAR 3645 N. I-10 Service Road. The cost for this event is \$22.00. LR will be conducting a 2 hour CE Class from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. The topic for the CE Class is "Survival in the Real Estate World". Immediately following the class will be a legislative luncheon, this will be a great opportunity to network and discuss issues affecting our industry with your legislators.

Please fax or mail your registration for Luncheon to NOMAR Attn: Tranell Barton, Diana LeBlanc or Letitia Clark George! <http://www.nomar.org/pdfs/Events/2009%20Legislative%20Outreach.pdf>

Registration for the CE Class will be handled through LR, call 1-800-266-8538 or go to http://www.larealtors.org/pdf/outreach/09nomar_survival.pdf

LA Chapter CCIM Presents CI-103 March 9-13 in New Orleans

Leases are the engines that drive the value of commercial real estate. Keeping this concept at the forefront, this course explores all pertinent aspects involving the valuation and costs of commercial leasehold interests from the user's perspective. Common terminology involving lease preparation will be defined, and negotiation tactics will be discussed. Participants will also learn strategies needed to counsel clients on the critical decision of leasing versus owning, building versus buying, as well as alternative strategies to a conventional lease. Examples of lease options will be addressed through several real-world case studies. For information and registration go to

http://www.ccim.com/education/ccim_education/controller?action=viewCourseFlyer&mid=13C9105

REALTOR® Mixer at Andrea's

Enjoy luscious free food and great atmosphere **Friday, March 20th** 5:30-7:30pm at Andrea's. Please RSVP to margo@nomar.org by Monday, March 16th so there will be enough food.

MARPAC Annual Crawfish Boil

Hold this date!!! **Thursday, April 23, 2009, 5:00pm-8:00pm at NOMAR.** Cost is only \$30.00 per person and children under 10 eat for free. This includes all you can eat crawfish, corn, potatoes, hotdogs and drinks. Call Diana Leblanc, Tranell Barton or Letitia-Clark George for more information. **Tickets now on sale.**

NOMAR is Rocking Around The World!!!

That is our theme for our 22nd annual **Bowling Tournament.** Join us Friday, **June 12th** at the AMF All Star Lanes in Kenner. More details to follow, but hold that date.

EDUCATION

Northwest Louisiana Association of REALTORS® Presents

Ninja Selling I & II, Wednesday April 22nd and Thursday, April 23rd. Will be held at 2036 East 70th Street, Shreveport, LA 71105. For more information on fees and registration go to www.nwlar.org, call (318)797-0090 or email lindam@nwlar.org. Continuing Education credit applied for.

3 Month CE Credit Class Schedule (*"Residential Agreement to Buy or Sell" is the 2009 mandatory class*):

NOTE: 12 hours are required this year. [Click Here for 2009 Continuing Education Requirements](#)

Date	Class	Time	Location/Provider
Thurs. Feb 26	"Res. Agreemt to Buy or Sell"	1:00am-5:00pm	Founders Title-Metairie
Fri. March 6	"Fundamentals of Commercial RE"	9am-1pm	NOMAR-CID
Mon. March 16	"Res. Agreemt to Buy or Sell"	8:15am-12:15	NOMAR

Thurs. March 26	<i>"Res. Agreement to Buy or Sell"</i>	8:15am-12:15	NOMAR
Mon. April 6	<i>"Res. Agreement to Buy or Sell"</i>	8:15am-12:15	NOMAR
Fri. April 24	<i>"Res. Agreement to Buy or Sell"</i>	8:15am-12:15	NOMAR

Founders Title Classes-Contact Jennifer Fandal at (985)373-1911 or (504)838-6070. For February 18th class registration must be received no later the February 16th.

To Register Online for NOMAR's classes go to www.nomar.org and look at the menu on the left. Under "Member Services"

1. Click on "Member Accounts"
2. Click on "**NOMAR**"
3. Input your "Logon ID" (letters) and your "Password" (numbers)
4. Click on "Register for CE Classes"
5. To register for a class click on the "Course ID", then the "Class ID", then "Register For This Class".

Non-members of NOMAR are charge \$10.00 per credit to attend our classes. This must be paid upon registration.

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NOMAR Staff Directory: <http://www.nomar.org/Staff%20Directory.pdf>

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