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Last Day to Pay Annual MLS Dues?

Tuesday June 30th. Current dues billed are for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010; dues are \$298.00. **Please note: Payments are due by June 30th and are considered delinquent on July 1st.** After June 30th there is a **\$75.00 delinquent fee** that must be sent in with payment. On July 1st, the user's MLS services will be discontinued for nonpayment. You can pay your dues on-line by Telecheck (with Visa or MC). Go to our website at www.nomar.org and select the link "Member Accounts" located under "Member Services" then "GSREIN". Type your Login ID (MLS User ID) and Password (Original Member Number) to access your account

Passing the Torch

After 16 years of hard work and dedication to NOMAR as the 1st Governmental Affairs Director, Diana LeBlanc decided to retire and pass on the torch. With faith that the Governmental Affairs Department maintain its' strength and continue to serve as a benefit to the members, Diana has entrusted this position to one of the newest faces of the NOMAR staff, Letitia Clark George.

Letitia's background is firmly based in Government and Community Affairs. As the former Councilmanic Aide to the New Orleans City Council, a Legislative Aide to the Speaker of the House of the Georgia House of Representative and as a Government/Community Liaison for the American Red Cross Hurricane Recovery Program, Letitia offers a tailored line of experience that is an asset to maneuvering successfully in this position. Her Master's in Public Policy from New England College and Bachelors in Political Science from Xavier University of Louisiana contribute to her knowledge and passion for Governmental Affairs. With extremely large shoes to fill and a steep learning curve, Letitia is ready for the challenge and hopes to carry on the successes of the Governmental Affairs Department as it's new Director.



Please join us in welcoming Letitia to the team!

LR Director or Officer Nominations

If you are interested in running for LR Director, NAR Director, LR Region IV RVP or LR Officer please email Missy at missy@nomar.org .

The LR Standardized Forms Workgroup

will meet in September to look at the current state wide purchase agreement and review any potential changes or suggestion brought from the Local Association/Boards. If you have any comments or suggestions please forward them to margo@nomar.org

REALTOR® QUIZZES

We've created more than a dozen interactive quizzes on hot topics that affect your business, from fair housing laws to office organization. Please click on link below.

In February 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which granted an \$8,000 tax credit to qualified first-time buyers purchasing a residence that year.

With this credit, you can help first-time home buyers get off the fence and buy a house. Before you start sharing this perk with your clients, though, make sure you know enough about it to answer their questions. Take this quiz to test yourself.

<http://www.realtor.org/RMOQuiz2.nsf/2009HomeBuyerTaxCreditQuiz?OpenForm>

Board Store Featured Item

REALTOR® Flashlight only \$13.05.

EVENTS

Home Buying - Spanish Course June 27-28

Sulli Educational Services, Inc. is offering two 12-hour certified homebuyer programs in Kenner. The program is **\$75** per family.

Completion of the course could provide access to grants that help with down payments or closing costs. Call (504)464-6224 for information and pre-registration. Email sullieducationalservices@conchitasulli.net

REALTOR® Mixer

Friday, July 17th at Southport Hall, 5:30-7:30pm. The Best Atmosphere in Town!!! Come and visit Southport's mascot, Roy the Fox. Enjoy great food and drink specials. Please RSVP to margo@nomar.org by Monday, July 13th.

EDUCATION

The CE Schedule

will no longer be included in the weekly *REALNews*...but will be sent separately on Mondays. It will also be posted weekly on Mondays on www.nomar.org under "Education". Click here for the latest schedule <http://www.nomar.org/coned/2009/ceschedule.pdf>.

OTHER

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

Was created by a local artist and 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 our home page at www.nomar.org.

Did you miss an issue of the REALNews... or forget to note an important date?

Need information on an upcoming event? If so, the weekly updates are archived at www.nomar.org on the left side menu under “NOMAR News...”

Condolences to

...Louis Lederman, of Prudential Gardner REALTORS® Maple St. office, whose mother, Thelma (Toby) Lederman, died last week.

...Patricia Peyton of Keller William Realty 4550100, whose mother, Josephine Andracchio Zinsel, passed away Friday, June 19.

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