



Newsletter

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Join us this Saturday for the Mental Health Awareness Walk

We can't avoid it any more: now, more than ever, **mental health matters**. You're invited to help us raise awareness and support the Mental Health Association of Frederick.

YPN and the FCAR Community Service Committee have organized a one mile course in Baker Park this **Saturday, May 8 from 8:00-9:30 am**. Even if you can't attend the event in person, virtual participation is encouraged! Participants can walk on their own, share a picture with us on social media tagged with #WalkingIntoTheLight, and share the [Facebook event](#).

To donate directly to MHA for this worthy cause, [click here](#).

We also had the pleasure of sitting down to chat with **Mental Health Association CEO Shannon Aleshire**. Discover the vital resources MHA contributes to Frederick County by [watching the interview](#) on our YouTube channel. If you appreciate these community spotlights, let us know by liking, subscribing, and sharing our content!



FCAR Social Shortcuts



[Click here for our COVID-19 Info Page](#)



May 6 Membership Meeting

Join us tomorrow as **Richard Griffin** and **Beth Woodring** discuss Economic Development in Frederick County. We'll have the committee reports and lender updates you expect. [Register now!](#)

Volunteer Feature

Get to Know Dan Cumberland



Dan Cumberland
Community Service Committee

“The Community Service Committee allows me to do two things I love: meet amazing people and give back to the community!”

Dan’s motto in life has always been simple “be honest, be happy, and be yourself.” This way of thinking has led him into the marketing world, where his goals are to find fun and interesting ways to spotlight the world of moving. Since joining lifelong friends at Moyer & Sons Moving & Storage in 2017, Dan is most proud of all amazing relationships he has formed with our community partners.

Dan was born and raised in Montgomery County, MD and graduated from University of Maryland. After many years of being a proud Frederick resident, he lives with his family in Gaithersburg. In his free time Dan co-hosts “The Cult of Colt” Podcast for Hogs Haven, watching the O’s play, and participating in the non-profit haunted attraction: Markoff’s Haunted Forest.

Virtual Event

We’ve lined up a value-packed speaker duo for tomorrow’s Membership Meeting.

Membership Meeting

**Thursday,
May 6 at 10:00 am**

**ALSO:
Committee Reports & Lender Update**



Richard Griffin

Director of Economic Development, Frederick City



Beth Woodring

Director of Business Attraction and Marketing, Frederick County Office of Economic Development

Register now through your [membership portal](#).

News You Can Use

Your Association Needs Your Expertise

Your direct involvement in FCAR committees, classes, and functions not only helps better connect you to fellow members, but also raises the bar for value for everyone else involved. Please consider volunteering your time to help in one of the listed areas. If you're ready to help, contact Hugh Gordon at hugh@fcar.org.

COMMITTEES

- Budget & Finance Committee
- Community Service Committee

EDUCATION

- Monitors for virtual and in-person classes

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

- Legal Updates
- Lender Updates

Invest and Win: The Spring 2021 RPAC Raffle runs through May 31

Kickstart your RPAC support!
Enter to win your choice of one of three great prizes:



Cuisinart Air Fryer Solo Stove Fire Pit Vineyard Gift Certificate

The winner will be announced at our June 3 Membership Meeting.

Enter today to invest in RPAC! The winner will have their choice of one of three great prize packages valued at \$300.

The raffle winner will have their choice of a Cuisinart Air Fryer, Solo Stove Fire Pit, or a gift certificate for Big Cork Vineyards.

Tickets may be purchased through May 31 and the results will

be announced at our June Membership Meeting. Visit our [raffle page](#) for full details. Note: Purchasing tickets requires entering your NRDS ID. Forgot your ID? Click [here](#) to recover it.

SentriLock Agent Safety



Agent Safety is a feature included in the SentriKey Real Estate app. To enable this feature, follow these simple steps:

1. Open the SentriKey Real Estate app
2. At the top left, tap the menu > My Settings > Agent Safety > Enable Agent Safety
3. Accept the Release Agreement
4. Enter your four-digit PIN or use Touch ID or Face ID to confirm identity
5. To allow access to your contacts, tap + (next to Safety Notification Contacts) and select OK
6. Select at least one contact from the list
7. Tap continue to cycle through confirmations

News You Can Use

License Renewals & CE due June 15



If you're currently practicing with your license on extended status, your updated renewal date is coming up on **June 15, 2021**.

For more information and additional resources, view the Maryland Real Estate Commission's [licensing page](#) or their [latest update](#) on COVID-related license extensions.

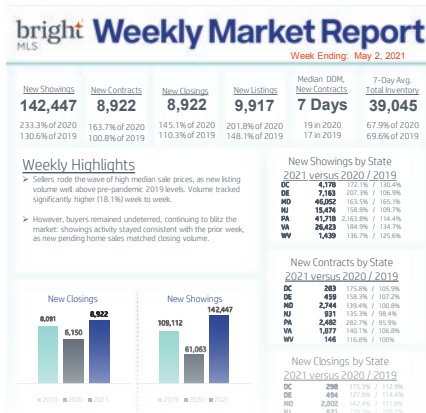
If you would prefer to speak to someone at FCAR with questions about your license or the requirements, please contact Hugh Gordon at the FCAR Office (301-663-0757) or email hugh@fcar.org.

PPP Loans Still Available through May 31



If you could benefit from Paycheck Protection Program assistance, there's still time! Reach out to your financial institution for more information or view the read more on the SBA's [PPP site](#).

Bright Steps Weekly Market Update



Click the image above to view the summary, or [view the full report](#) on the [Bright Steps](#) site.

Community Service Opportunity



Did you know that the Frederick Community Action Agency's **Soup Kitchen Program** has been serving meals every day since 1984? If you're looking for a way to help county residents in need, schedule a time with Chris Bard (301-600-3972) or simply [show up](#) (with a mask) at 3:40 pm. The program runs daily, but help is especially needed on Friday evenings.

Realtor Party Mobile Updates

Text **REALTORS** to #30644 and get alerts to support a legislative effort. As easily as that, you can stay up-to-date on the legislative topics that matter to you as a REALTOR®.

FCAR Calendar

Sign up for these upcoming events using your FCAR Member Portal. Please note that **all of our meetings are being held virtually** until further notice. The Zoom links will be listed on the FCAR Calendar at www.fcar.org.

Membership Meeting

TOMORROW, May 6

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Richard Griffin, Director of Economic Development of Frederick City and Beth Woodring, Director of Business Attraction and Marketing, Frederick County Office of Economic Development, will provide insight into Economic Development planned for the area.

Mental Health Awareness Walk

This Saturday, May 8

8:00-9:30 AM

You're invited to join us in raising awareness and supporting the Mental Health Association. You can RSVP and share the [Facebook event](#) or [click here](#) to donate directly to MHA.

New Member Orientation

Tuesday, May 11

9:00-10:30 AM

Commercial Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, May 12

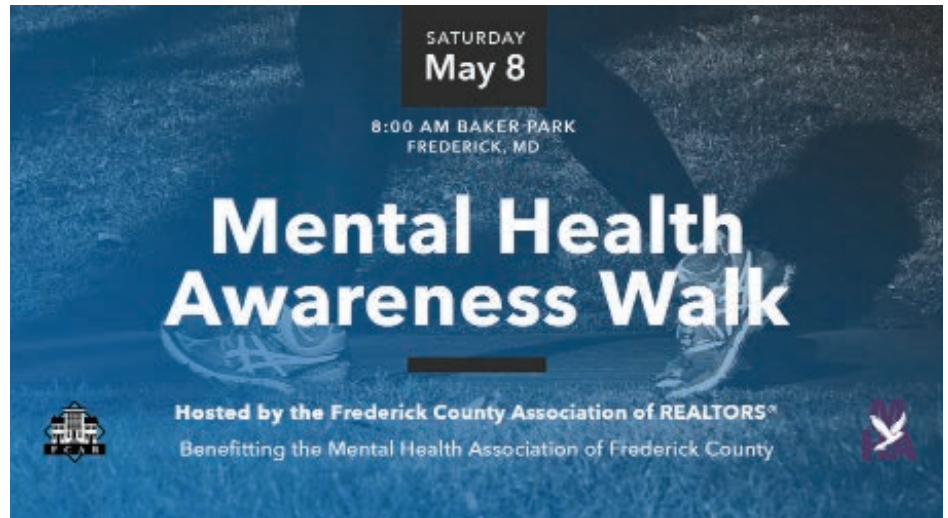
12:00-1:00 PM

Commercial transactions with Seamus Fitzgerald. All residential & commercial agents are welcome.

Informed Professionals Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, May 19

12:00-2:00 PM



Continuing Education

We have transitioned from 100% virtual classes to a hybrid model.

MREC Agency-Commercial

Tomorrow Thursday, May 6

1:00-4:00 PM

Instructor: Ed Stanfield

Knowing what to disclose, when to disclose it, what to keep confidential, and all the other detailed requirements built into agency relationships are crucial for a successful, legal real estate practice.

Historic Homes from 1780-1980

Thursday, May 20

9:00-10:30 AM

Instructor: Kevin Bradley

Come dig into the details of historic homes, why they are historic and why some are not. This class counts as 1.5 Elective credits (F).

Mental Toughness for Agents

Wednesday, June 2

1:00-2:30 PM

Instructor: Eric Rittmeyer

Mental Toughness trains you how to control your thoughts, feelings and attitudes, before, during and after a performance. Especially under pressure.

You now have the option to come in to the FCAR Classroom or stay at home and attend via Zoom. Please use your [FCAR Membership Portal](#) to sign up and choose which method you prefer.

Monitors will be present but will also be monitoring any students online. Instructors will have the option to teach in person or virtually. Virtual instructors will be displayed on our classroom projector screen. For live teachers, we will have a video camera facing them so virtual students will still be able to watch. For virtual classes, a Zoom link will be sent to your registered e-mail address the day before the class. Pursuant to DLLR authorization for online continuing education during the pandemic.

VIRTUAL CLASS INFORMATION

- Please arrive early to check in. The Zoom will open 15 mins. prior to class start time.
- Be prepared to show your license to enter the class.
- For safety purposes, absolutely NO driving is allowed while participating in virtual classes.
- Virtual classes should be attended with the same respect as in-person education. Please do not take other phone calls, browse other websites, or be moving around.
- At the time the meeting begins, the meeting will be closed and no one else will be able to enter.
- Monitors will still be present and all virtual classes will be recorded.
- All students must have their cameras on the entire class (no camera, no class credit).
- Current class time duration standards remain in force. There will be no quiz or exam required at the end of the class.
- The Zoom meeting link will be sent to your e-mail one day before your class. You can also find the Zoom meeting links for all the classes on the FCAR calendar at www.fcar.org. For any additional questions, contact Natalie at 301-663-0757.

IN-PERSON CLASS PROTOCOLS

- A face mask must be worn the entire duration of the class.
- There will be a limit of 15 students who can be in the classroom.
- Tables will be set up so students will be 6 feet apart.
- To accommodate instances where the instructor is teaching virtually, please bring in your laptop or tablet, if possible.



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