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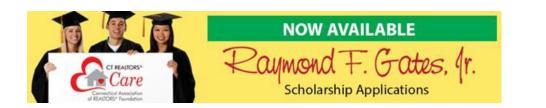
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# **GBBR MID-MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER**



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- CTR Ray Gates Scholarship
- GBBR Scholarships Available Soon!
- Broker CEs for 2024
- NAR Code of Ethics Requirement
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#### GATES SCHOLARSHIP - APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

2024 Raymond F. Gates, Jr. Memorial Scholarship applications are now available. **The application deadline is Wednesday, April 10.** 

If you have a child/stepchild who is a high school senior or full-time college/vocational-technical/graduate student with at least 1 remaining term left to complete and you meet the membership requirements - they are eligible to apply. A few important things to note:

• Grandchildren are **not** eligible to apply unless the legal ward of the grandparents (documentation required).

 $\cdot$  When creating an account in the online application system, it must be in the name of the STUDENT, not the parent.

• If you have previously created an online account, you do not need to create a new one. You can use your existing account to apply again this year, just be sure to check that the email on the account is up to date.

 $\cdot$  2024 membership dues must be paid in full no later than 3/1/24 to be eligible.

**Click here** for further information and to access our online application system. **Be sure to check out the "What's NEW" section and the Important Note for College Students on the site.** 

### GBBR 2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON!

Each year the Greater Bridgeport Board of REALTORS offers scholarships to any child, stepchild, grandchild or child in guardianship of an active GBBR member.

Look for the Applications for the 2024 Scholarships to be available soon!

### CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BROKERS FOR THE 2024 RENEWAL

Every two years CT Real Estate brokers and agents must complete twelve (12) hours of continuing education to renew their CT real estate licenses. This year the 12 hours includes the mandatory class of **Agency Law for Real Estate Licensees** and 3 elective courses.

#### **BROKER CONTINUING EDUCATION MUST BE COMPLETED BY:**

 August 31, 2024 for Brokers Licenses (yearly renewals are in November each year) The Greater Bridgeport Board of REALTORS is offering CE Classes for the 2024 Renewal Cycle, including the **Mandatory Agency Law for Real Estate Licensees.** 

(Salespersons should have completed their CE Requirements before March 1, 2024 - and MUST be completed before their license expires in May 2024)

#### FOR A FULL LIST OF CURRENT CLASSES BEING OFFERED GO TO THE GBBR WEBSITE AT:

| CE Courses – REAL ESTATE TRAINING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (RETES) (gbbrealtors.com)

#### NAR MANDATORY CODE OF ETHICS REQUIREMENTS

ALL REALTORS® are required to complete ethics training of not less than 2 hours, 30 minutes of instructional time within a **three-year cycle**. The current Cycle 7 ends **December 31, 2024**.

## For more information Click Here

## **RPAC ADVOCACY**



Political advocacy and grassroots efforts are a large part of CTR's services. We work hard year-round to ensure that the REALTOR® voice is heard in Washington, DC and at the state level to ensure issues affecting the real estate industry are either supported or defeated.

It is vital for our members to participate in this process. "If real estate is your profession, then politics is your business!" Some of the legislative and RPAC information will require your ctrealtors.com username and password in order to access.

#### Click here to login, sign-up, or retrieve a lost password >

Feel free to contact one of the CTR staff members if you have

questions or need assistance with any of our legislative programs or events.

### **ANTITRUST COMPLIANCE VIDEO**

CT REALTORS® has created a short antitrust compliance video that they required members to watch prior to January 1, 2024. There's also a companion antitrust FAQ document for you to separately review as well. An email from CTREALTORS has gone out to anyone who has not viewed the video.

It is important that ALL REALTORS view the video as the Connecticut Association of REALTORS will take action to suspend any Connecticut REALTOR that has not viewed the video.

If you have not completed this requirement, please go to the **CTR website** for more information and to watch the video.

For more information visit our website at:

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