THE GREATER BRIDGEPORT BOARD OF REALTORS

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## GBBR MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER



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#### **GBBR 2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**

#### **ARE NOW AVAILABLE**

#### **GBBR SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP**

Scholarship Applications are now available for any child, stepchild, grandchild or child in guardianship of an active GBBR member attending an accredited *College or Vocational-Technical School* subject to the following:

\*The GBBR membership must be in good standing for at least 1 year prior to the application;

\*The applicant must be a high school senior going full time to college or currently enrolled in an accredited college/vocational-technical school program.

\*The applicant must have a least a 3.0 GPA or better. \*Prior recipients are not eligible.

The Member Scholastic Achievement Application is located on the link below

#### 2024 Scholarship Application Form -Scholastic Achievement

### Application postmark deadline is Friday May 17, 2024

#### **GBBR EMERGING LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**

#### In addition, the GBBR has set aside one scholarship for a Bridgeport high school senior going on to attend an accredited college/vocational-technical school.

\*The applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA or better. \*The applicant must demonstrate need \*Applicant must be a high school graduating senior entering an accredited college/vocational/technical school \*Membership children are permitted to apply. \*Prior recipients are not eligible.

# The Emerging Leadership Application is located on the link below

#### 2024 Scholarship Application Form -Emerging Leadership

These awards were designed to assist as many children as possible and while a 3.0 GPA is required for consideration we seek to recognize distinction in many levels.

### Application postmark deadline is Friday May 17, 2024



Salesperson License Renewals must be done by May 31, 2024 date is coming up soon. The Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) sends out emails to all Licensees with instructions on how to renew their Licenses. The Expiration date for Salesperson Licenses is 5/31/2024. The requirements for licensing has changed and renewals will be for 2 years on the even years.

The completion date for completing your 12 hours of Continuing Education classes for Salespersons was February 29, 2024. That's 3 months PRIOR to your license renewal. If you did not complete your CE's you must do so before May 31, 2024 or when you renew your license.

Check our the Continuing Education Classes we are offering **CLICK HERE**.

To find out more information about your Salesperson License Renewal go to the DCP website at **Department of Consumer Protection Salesperson Licenses**, or contact the DCP directly at **dcp.licenseservices@ct.gov**.



#### 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. Please note the DCP has changed License Renewals to a two (2) year renewal due in November on the even years

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 REQUIREMENT

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 ran from January 1, 2022** 

and ends December 31, 2024. Emails will be going out to remind our members that they need to complete this requirement. Failure to comply with this NAR requirement can result in suspension of your membership.

#### For more information Click Here

## **GBBR SHOWCASE OF REALTOR ART**



The GBBR is holding a Showcase of REALTORS (R) Art Featuring pieces by our extraordinary members, Kimberly Levinson and George Alberto, on <u>Friday, May 31, 2024</u>. There will be two Sessions:

> Session 1 - 4:00-6pm Session 2 - 6:30 - 8:30pm

Wine, Cheese and Crackers will be served and 10% of all proceeds will be donated to <u>The Thomas Merton House in</u> <u>Bridgeport</u>, which provides permanent supportive housing for homeless women and children.

To reserve your spot in one of the sessions, please call The Greater Bridgeport Board at 203-880-5661

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## **Event Flyer**

## **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.

For more information visit our website at:

#### Welcome (gbbrealtors.com)

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