

# Newsletter

The United Voice for Real Estate in Frederick County

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# **Meet the Board:**

# Hanna Houck, Director



Frederick County native and REALTOR® since 2018, Hanna Houck has a family background in real estate and construction.

With a Bachelor's in Economics from Mount St. Mary's, she's passionate about homeownership, especially for underserved communities. She is active in several FCAR committees, our board of directors, and the Women's Council of REALTORS®, focusing on advocacy and inclusive leadership. Hanna aims to increase multicultur-

al representation, support dual-career agents, and improve the REALTOR® public image. Certified in PSA, AHWD, C2EX, and RENE, she is dedicated to helping others achieve the dream of homeownership.

# LAST CALL for FCAR Award Nominations: Due This Friday, March 28

**Do you know a colleague who knocked it out of the park in 2024?** These awards honor association members who have gone above and beyond in one of thirteen categories.

SEND US YOURS

# Membership

# March YPN Happy Hour: Bushwaller's Pub









The luck of the Irish flowed at this month's Young Professionals Network (YPN) Happy Hour. Around 50 REALTORS® and other real estate industry professionals packed out Bushwaller's Pub in Downtown Frederick for their monthly dose of low pressure networking.

Congratulations to Blake Gatewood for winning the gift card giveaway courtesy of our your local team at **Edge Home Finance**. *Photos courtesy* Paul Barrios - Lifestyle Media.

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# News You Can Use

# Big Dates & Deadlines

Friday, March 28: Deadline **FCAR Award Nominations** 

**Tuesday, April 8** 

Maryland REALTORS® **Regional Roundtable** 

Hilton Garden Inn, Frederick, MD

**Wednesday, April 9** 

2025 FCAR Trade Show

Showcasing the services of our Strategic Partners with the theme "Camp FCAR"

Friday, April 18

**FCAR Office Closed** 

Wednesday, May 7

**FCAR Awards Ceremony** 

Monday, May 26

**FCAR Office Closed** 

May 31-June 5

**NAR Legislative Meetings** 

Trade Expo: June 2-3 (Mon-Tue)

# **Housing Market Statistics**

More market statistics are available on our <u>housing statistics</u> page.



Bright MLS service area

Week ending: March 23, 2025



	Week ending 3/23/2025	Compared to a year ago	Compared to a week ago
Showings	94,816	+ 2.6%	+ 1.6%
New purchase contracts	6,298	+ 0.8%	+ 3.2%
Median time to contract	19 days	o days	+ 1 day
New listings	6,353	+ 9.9%	÷ 4.4%
Median list price	\$449,000	+ 6.9%	0.0%
Active listings	33,238	+ 22.8%	+ 1.9%
% active listings w/ a price decrease	8.3%	+ 0.9 pp	+ 0.2 pp
Canceled listings	347	+ 3.6%	+ 0.9%

VIEW BRIGHT MLS WEEKLY STATS



# News You Can Use

# **Maryland Piedmont Reliability Project (MPRP)**

If you are looking to keep up with the controversial Maryland Piedmont Reliability Project (MPRP) power lines, we can help! Click the button on the right to view the presentation shared by Mark Faris, a representative from **Stop MPRP**, at our March Membership Meeting.



# Licensed after October 2023? You need specific CE for your first license renewal.

Did you receive your initial license on or after 10/1/2023? Is this the first time EVER that you are renewing your license? If so, you will need specific CE for that first renewal. The good news is that both FCAR and The CE Shop can help you.

**Professionalism as It Relates** to MD Code of Ethics\*

Tue., Apr. 22 | 1-2:30PM at FCAR with Marie Lagos, Brianne Paugh **Contract Writing for the** Newly Licensed\*

Tue., May 6 | 1-4PM at FCAR with Marie Lagos

OR do it online at: go.fcar.org/ce-new



# FCAR.ORG/EVENTS

### Commercial Development Seminar Thursday, Apr. 3 | 1-3 PM at FCAR

Catch the vision for "Frederick County into the next 50 years" with local development experts.

### Maryland REALTORS® Regional Roundtable Tuesday, Apr. 8 | 10 AM-2 PM

Join your state association for a day of conversation, networking, and industry discovery. (Hilton Gardon Inn, Fredrick)

### Camp FCAR: The 2025 Trade Show Wednesday, Apr. 9 | 11 AM-2 PM

Showcasing the best of our Strategic Partner services. **REALTORS**° **attend free!** RSVP today for Mission BBQ, giveaways, over 60 exhibitors worth of networking, and a best-dressed prize for the theme "Camp FCAR."

# Trade Show After Party Wednesday, Apr. 9 | 3-5 PM at Idiom Brewing

This month's happy hour networking event is sponsored by Town & Country Movers and Staged & Sold LLC.

## **Homebuying Assistance Programs** Thursday, Apr. 10 | 6:30-7:30 PM at FCAR

Attendees will learn about the local, county, and state programs that can help with down payment and closing costs.

# Lunch & Learn: Affordable Housing Wednesday, Apr. 16 | 12-1 PM at FCAR

Attendees will learn about the local, county, and state programs that can help with down payment and closing costs.

#### **Bring a Broom** Saturday, Apr. 26 | 8:30-11:30 AM in Downtown Frederick

FCAR's Community Service Committee has created a team for you to join so our members can serve together.

### FCAR Awards Ceremony Wednesday, May 7 | 4-6 PM at Dutch's Daughter

## Frederick Center Site Visit Wednesday, May 14 | 10-11 AM

Join the FCAR Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee to tour The Frederick Center.



# FCAR.ORG/CLASSES

#### In-person classes are noted with an asterisk(\*) and all other classes are virtual.

Please use your Membership Portal to sign up. Visit fcar.org and click the login button or visit **go.fcar.org/login**.

For virtual courses, Zoom links will be sent out the day before the class to the registered e-mail address.

#### **MREC RE Brokerage Relationships & Disclosures**

Tue., Mar. 25 | 10AM-1PM on Zoom with MD REALTORS®

#### **Legal & Legislative Update**

Thu., Mar. 27 | 9AM-12PM on Zoom with MD REALTORS®

#### **Fair Housing**

Thu., Apr. 3 | 10AM-12PM at FCAR with Beau Pichon

#### **Professionalism as It Relates** to MD Code of Ethics\*

Tue., Apr. 22 | 1-2:30PM at FCAR with Marie Lagos, Brianne Paugh

#### **Preparing Buyers and Sellers** for Home Inspections\*

Tue., Apr. 29 | 1-3PM at FCAR with Dan Deist

#### Maryland Mortgage Program\*

Wed., Apr. 30 | 10-11:30AM at FCAR Hybrid with Latova Harris

#### **Contract Writing for the** Newly Licensed\*

Tue., May 6 | 1-4PM at FCAR with Marie Lagos



**REGISTER ONLINE** 

#### **EVERY MONDAY & WEDNESDAY**

**SentriLock Lockbox** | 11 AM-12PM or 3-4 PM on Zoom

#### **EVERY TUESDAY**

**SentriKey Showing Service** | 11 AM-12 PM on Zoom



## MARYLAND REALTORS® **GRI 400 SERIES DATE**

GRI 400 April 1 | Details



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