# april 2025

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Buffalo Niagara Association of REALTORS®

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## NOTE:

All Classes Are Held Hybrid In Person In The BNAR Training Room And Live Distance Via Zoom Unless Noted

No Shows will be charged a fee of \$25.00

BNAR EDUCATION Class Schedule All BNAR Gourses are Free

# BNAR CAREER CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT

All BNAR Courses are free to BNAR members for 2025

APRIL 7 @ 9:30AM-12:30PM Introduction to Real Estate (Orientation) New Members - will be held in person ONLY in the BNAR Training Room)

Elective Instructors: James Knight 3 Hours CE Credit

The "Orientation Course" is a part of the requirement for membership in the Association of REALTORS<sup>®</sup>. This course will enlighten the agent to the importance of being a "REALTOR<sup>®</sup>" and what other benefits membership offers. Other topics are also covered that relate to the real estate business such as Realtor Safety, Antitrust Issues, Ethics, Arbitration & Mediation, MLS Regulations.

#### APRIL 8 @ 09:30AM-10:30AM Recent Legal Matters 2.0 DOS Required

Instructor: Matthew Laufer, Attorney 1 hour CE Credit

Overview of the presentation includes: 1) Property Condition Disclosure and Buyer Beware 2) Fiduciary Relationships 3) Exceptions 4) Due Diligence Responsibilities

# APRIL 8 @ 1:00PM-2:30PM

Matrix 1 - Introduction Elective

#### Instructor: William Roesser 1.5 Hours CE Credit

Getting started with Matrix, one of the most important tools in your real estate toolbox! This class will give you a general overview of the layout of the system and where to find the functions you will be using. Most importantly you will learn how to effectively search for listings which will lead to printing and emailing of those listings. You'll discover the ability to map properties and display overlays that identify flood zones, tax information and school districts. We will cover how to add and categorize your client database. You will also learn how to personalize your Realtor information that will be public facing such as your email signature, photo and custom branding of the client portal. Formal training in Matrix will save you time and frustration.

# APRIL 9 @ 9:00 AM-11:00AM

Embracing Fair Housing: What You Need to Know?

Moderator: John Leonardi, BNAR Chief Executive Officer

No CE Credit

Todd Vaarwerk, WNY Independent Living Daniel Corbitt, Esq. - HOME Edwin Negron - US Bank Harold Cardell, Jr. - Buffalo Urban Renewal Agency. Join a lively panel discussion on how you can understand and use fair housing practices to help your business. Our panel of experts will discuss individual rights, rights of persons with disabilities, enforcement, and training. Learn how fair housing relates to mortgage lending and how lenders are regulated, how to avoid steering, violations and more.

# APRIL 10 @ 9:30AM-1:30 PM

### **Fair Housing Plus One Hour**

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DOS Required Instructor: Margaret Hartman 4 Hours CE Credit

This Fair Housing course describes discriminatory housing practices, List of protected class: The American Disabilities Act, Fair Housing Advertising. Recognize words and phrases in ads that violate the Fair Housing Act. Protected class-sensitive advertising Enforcement by HUD, Department of Justice.

# **APRIL** 025

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#### APRIL 11 @ 9:30 AM-11:30AM **Cultural Competency, Why It Matters to You**

DOS Required Instructor: miriam treger 2 Hours CE Credit

Understand how other cultures make decisions and how to better communicate for business, negotiation, and conversation. Recognizing one's own cultural beliefs, values and biases is also part of developing cultural competency.

# APRIL 11 @ 12:30PM-2:30 PM

Why Does It Feel Icky? Implicit **Bias** 

**DOS Required** Instructor: miriam treger 2 Hours CE Credit

Explore the bias theme and how bias affects our brains and hearts. How can we take a breath and make good choices in learning about ourselves and others. What is the danger of closedmindedness and a lack of understanding of others.

# APRIL 15 @ 1:00PM-2:30PM **Matrix 2: Advanced**

Elective Instructor: William Roesser 1.5 Hours CE Credit - Matrix 1 Required

Matrix 2: Auto E-Mails and Customization Save time by customizing your listing information displays and automating your client searches. Here we will focus on setting up the Auto email functions. You will use the Hit Counter display to see the number of times your listings have been emailed by other agents and the number of times your listings have been looked at the recipients. Reverse prospecting will also be covered. Additional function enhancement and display customizations will be demonstrated as well as tax data base mailing label

creation. Auto email is crucial in a fastpaced hot market.

# **APRIL 22** @ 1:00PM-2:30PM

**Matrix 3: Comparative Market** Analysis (CMA) Elective Instructor: William Roesser

1.5 Hours CE Credit

How much should your client list their house for in their area? You will help by creating a detailed and accurate CMA. This class will focus on locating the best comparable listings for your subject property. We will look at the factors that help you make the best choices for the selected comps. Also covered is the adjustment function that will allow you to adjust for comp features that are inferior or superior to your subject property.

# APRIL 29 @ 9:30 AM-1:00 PM

**Code of Ethics with One Hour** 

Agency **DOS Required** 

## Instructor: Margaret Hartman 3.5 hours CE Credit

The Code of Ethics class is a detailed document that spells out the professional responsibility of every **Realtor consisting of 17 Articles. This** class fulfills the NAR Ethics Cycle 8 and DOS requirements.

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