



Ozaukee REALTORS® Association, Inc.

The Voice for Real Estate™ in Ozaukee County

Benefits of ORA Membership

Communication: Keeping on top of what's happening in our industry, training requirements, and events at the local, state and national level can be challenging. That's why ORA communicates regularly via email, but only twice a week (most weeks!) so please try to read them. Adding us a contact can help to receive it in your inbox. Our email is ozra@att.net or erin@ozaukeera.com.

ORA Weekly News Update: on Mondays you will receive an email from us with helpful and important information about events, registration forms and things to help you in your business.

ORA Association newsletter, *The ORATOR*: is emailed monthly at the end of the preceding month. The newsletter usually contains articles to help you in your business, items from The National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), The Wisconsin REALTORS® Association (WRA) and the President of The Ozaukee REALTORS® Association (ORA). There is also an events calendar that shows upcoming events and submissions from one of our Affiliate members. I've attached our latest issue of *the ORATOR* for your convenience and reference.

Calls To Action: On an as-needed basis, we send out National and State Calls to Action to help ensure our legislators know where REALTORS® stand on issues of importance to them and homeowners.

Networking: we hold one meeting/event on the first Thursday of every month with networking time for REALTORS® and our Affiliate members before the program. Our meetings take the format of roundtable discussions, industry relevant speakers and quarterly Thirsty Thursdays, a social time to network and get to know your fellow members in a more relaxed atmosphere.

Member Meetings: For morning meetings, networking is generally from 8:30-9:00am with the main program running from 9-10:15am. Once per quarter we have a Thirsty Thursday as our general meeting typically 4:30-7:30pm at an Ozaukee County restaurant/bar. Appetizers are sponsored by one or more of our Affiliate members. For a list of upcoming events go to the Association website at www.ozaukeera.com and upcoming events are directly on the homepage.

Professional Services: Enforcement of Professional Standards rests on the local association. ORA is committed to having trained peers to help should you need mediation or arbitration assistance.

Leadership Opportunities: All members are encouraged to use the various experiences they have to contribute to the Association and its activities by helping with a workgroup or be serving in leadership on the Board of Directors.

Advocacy: The ORA Board of Directors and membership advocates in Ozaukee County for the rights of home ownership and your business as a real estate professional.

On-site training: ORA holds instructor-led classes for Continuing Education using some of the WRA's most highly regarded trainers. We also offer MLS classes sporadically for your convenience.

Real Estate Store: ORA also has a **store** that sells the most commonly used/needed **real estate supplies**.

REALTOR® Resource Center: Located at the Association Office, the resource center contains information about designations, upcoming events and our affiliates including any specials that the affiliates are currently running for our members.

Community Service: ORA's mission is to be the Voice for Real Estate™ in Ozaukee County and part of how we do that is to serve the residents of our great communities! Watch for opportunities to serve in weekly emails and the *ORATOR* eNewsletter.

Outings: Each year we try to do at least one or two fun social events, such as a golf outing, in addition to our Holiday party in December. Our major social events are designed as fundraisers to support non-profit organizations in Ozaukee County.

In addition to the above benefits, you also become a member of the Wisconsin REALTORS® Association (WRA) and the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR) which both provide many great benefits such as the WRA Tech Helpline, the WRA Legal Hotline, Education and Events, and company discounts through NAR. To learn more about these additional benefits, select the WRA Benefits document or go to nar.realtor/member-benefits