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November 2014 Member News

President's Message

Greetings,

As the weather turns colder, at least in Bennington, the buyers seem to be heating up ! I hope that you are seeing good activity in your areas as well. We have some exciting plans for the end of the year, and I hope that you can be a part of those plans.

First, SVBR will be conducting a Strategic Planning Session in early December. Be sure to take part of our member survey so that we can take your feedback into account during our Strategic Planning session.

Second, The Hermitage is offering us a very special opportunity to have our Holiday Lunch in their new Clubhouse and is offering a very special meal that will showcase their culinary capabilities for us. A tour of the facility is also being offered. More details to come, but register early using the link in this newsletter.

Troy Richardson
SVBR President

SVBR Holiday Luncheon

December 18, 2014
11:30am

Members Clubhouse
Hermitage Club
Haystack Mountain
West Dover, VT

[Register](#)

Local Market Statistics October 2014

Vermont Realtors has published its monthly market statistics reports for October 2014. A full review of the statewide market report can be seen at VermontRealtors.com.

To see the activity in our area click on these links:

2015 Officer and Director Nominations

The following individuals have been nominated to serve as SVBR 2015 officers and directors.

President: John McPherson

President-Elect: Jennifer Armstrong

Treasurer: Kathy Sollien

Secretary: Patricia Fitzpatrick

Immediate Past President: Troy Richardson

Local Board of Directors (3-year terms)

Jim Belville (2015 – 2017)

VR Director 2015-2106 John Hatton

NNEREN Director 2015-2016: Jim Belville

NNEREN Alternate Director 2015-2016: Larua Iezzi

NNEREN Shareholder Representative: 2015-2016 Laura Iezzi

Note: The following individuals also serve on the SVBR Board of Directors but are not up for election this year.

Leslie Fraser: (2013-2015)

Ann Cummings (2014-2016)

Per the bylaws additional candidates for the offices to be filled may be placed in nomination by petition signed by at least 15 % of the REALTOR® Members eligible to vote. The petition shall be filed with the Secretary at least two (2) weeks before the election. The Secretary shall send notice of such additional nominations to all Members eligible to vote before the election. Please direct all petitions for candidacy to [Jennifer Armstrong](#).

The election of officers and directors shall take place at the SVBR Holiday Luncheon, December 18, 2014 at Hermitage Club, Haystack Mountain, West Dover, VT,

[Bennington County](#)

[Windham County](#)

Have you taken the SVBR Member Survey?

Recently you were sent an email asking for your input for the upcoming SVBR Strategic Planning Session. Please look through your email folder for the survey. The link is specific to your email. If you have not received it please contact admin@svtrealtors.com and we'll send you another survey.



Call to Action!

The income tax exemption on mortgage debt forgiven in a short sale or a workout for principal residences expired at the end of 2013. Without immediate action by Congress, distressed homeowners will have to pay tax on "phantom income" from forgiven debt. Please urge your representative and senators in Congress to extend this tax relief

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