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## SVBR Member News - October 2015

### President's Message

Greetings SVBR Members,

I hope you are enjoying the great fall weather we've been having. It doesn't last long, but it certainly is beautiful!

We have a great Membership Meeting planned for October 22nd. Bring your questions about challenges you face in real estate transactions for a panel discussion with attorneys and lenders. We're looking forward to an active presentation with our Members.

I also wanted to let you know that we have been diligently working on bringing all forms current in zipLogix. As of now, all but a few forms are updated and uploaded in the Library. We continue to approve updated forms and will have all forms and clauses current very soon.

Finally, SVBR needs you! Soon we will be voting on officers and directors for 2016. Please let me know if you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors. You can help to shape the future of SVBR!

John McPherson, Berkley Veller Greenwood Country  
SVBR President

#### October 22

SVBR Membership Meeting  
Hermitage Club  
Wilmington, VT

8:30am  
SVBR Breakfast Meeting

9:30am  
Panel Presentation

#### Register

#### 2016 Membership Renewal Due by November 1

Please note that all SVBR Membership Dues must be paid by November 1st or late fees will be assessed.



**Local Market  
Statistics  
September**

## SVBR Membership Meeting October 22, Hermitage Club, Wilmington

### "Ten Things You'd Like to See Work Better When Dealing with Lenders and Attorneys"

The SVBR Membership Meeting will feature a panel discussion of attorneys and lenders talking about issues of interest to Realtors. Discussion will feature how Realtors interact with lenders and attorneys on contract matters.

Panelists include:

Chris Cady, Cady & Dugan, PC, Brattleboro

Bob Fisher, Fisher & Fisher Law Offices, West Dover

Tom Dailey, Cummings & Daily, LLP, Bennington

Barbara Yanke, Peoples United, Brattleboro

Dwayne Coneeny, Guaranteed Rate, West Dover

The meeting is free to SVBR members, however, pre-registration is requested.

[Click here](#) to register for the Meeting.



### John McPherson Named SVBR Realtor of the Year

John McPherson has been named Realtor of the Year for the Southern Vermont Board of Realtors. John has been the leading force in implementing SVBR's Strategic Plan and insuring that the association is in compliance with the National Association of Realtors (NAR) Core Compliance. In addition, prior to being named SVBR President, John was instrumental in

bringing quality continuing education classes to our area.

## 2015

Vermont Realtors has published its monthly market statistics reports for September 2015. A full review of the statewide market report can be seen at [VermontRealtors.com](http://VermontRealtors.com).

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

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John was honored with all the local Realtors of the Year at the State Awards and Installation, October 6 at the Hilton Hotel in Burlington. Congratulations John!



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## 2016 Membership Dues Invoices Are Now Due

By now you have received your SVBR Membership Renewal. You'll notice there is an increase in the State Dues portion of your membership. This dues increase was passed by the VR Board of Directors in August.

It's important to note that all of the increase goes to enhanced member programs for all VR members. This includes an upgrade to Dotloop Premium (savings of \$360/year), a subscription to Inman Select (\$190 value). None of the dues increase goes to administrative or operational costs. It all goes to member benefits.

All dues must be paid by November 1 or late fees will be assessed. If you are experiencing any problems logging in to pay your dues please call the SVBR office at 802-862-6407.

## News from NEREN

As you may have read in the latest NEREN news, the name of the MLS has been changed to the New England Real Estate Network (NEREN). This name change more accurately describes the region that covers the MLS.

The Board of Directors continues to analyze competing MLS systems that may be an improvement over the current vendor InnoVia. Detailed comparisons of InnoVia, Matrix and Paragon are being done. More details on that as the analysis is completed.

Finally, the NEREN leadership continues its conversation with MLSPIN in Massachusetts to improve cooperation among the neighboring MLS.

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