



## Member Benefits

It is simply part of human nature to occasionally ask “What’s in it for me?” Here is just a sampling of what’s in it for you as far as membership in the Brunswick County Association of REALTORS® is concerned.

**LOCALLY:**                      [www.bcarnc.com](http://www.bcarnc.com)

**MLS:** The BCAR MLS is more than just listings, it is also a statistical reporting system (TRENDS) and a tax info/parcel mapping system (iMapp). Sure, it’s a large part of why you joined, but it isn’t the only thing we have to offer. With this in mind, however, we do have to remember what a valuable tool it is and how lost we would be without it.

**Data Share:** The ability to view all listings entered in Wilmington’s MLS! More property to show & sell and more agents and buyers looking at your properties, too.

**SUPRA:** A state-of-the-art lock box and key system. Leasing your lock box key through BCAR allows access to not only BCAR listings but Wilmington listings, too!

**Membership Meetings:** It’s where you head to meet and greet. We also try to find Educational, Political and Inspirational speakers to teach you, get you thinking, and make you laugh.

**Association Insights:** Our monthly newsletter keeps you in the know. Always available online, it is there whenever you need it. The back-issues are all there as well.

**Continuing Education:** We’re offering more courses than ever because we know how much education means to you. Continuing Education courses are offered at discount prices for members and MANY times during the year. Seminars and “How to” sessions are offered frequently and usually at no cost to you! Most ½ day and full day courses include lunch for free!

**Committees:** Go ahead, get involved! Whether you want to help plan the membership meetings or work with the MLS, we have plenty of choices available to you. Involvement in committee work really gets you involved in the inner-workings of the Association. Your knowledge and expertise are a value to your Association and your fellow members.

**Dispute Resolution:** Whether it is a violation of the Code of Ethics or commissions, we are here to help!

**Governmental Affairs:** Our Governmental Affairs Director keeps pace with what is going on locally, state wide and even at the national level and ensures that the voice of REALTORS® is being heard! RPAC (REALTORS® Political Action Committee) is the #1 trade association political action committee in the Nation and raises money through contributions to elect candidates who understand and support YOUR interests!

**E Communication:** Broadcast emails designed to keep you up to date on meetings, educational courses, luncheons, and other essential information. E-Billing and invoicing, both convenient and eco-friendly. BCAR Facebook group page, too!

**Member’s Only Web Site:** Sign up for a class or event, pay your bills, view and print your past bills, read the Policy Manual, check out the BCAR Financials, and MUCH MORE – for member’s only though!

**Web Site:** Here you can find our By-Laws, Policies & Procedures, MLS Rules & Regulations, Affiliate Member Roster, Calendars, Course Information, Online Membership Forms and more. Plus there are links to other sites that are important to your business.

**MLS Training:** These *FREE*, informative, beginner and advanced classes are available to all on every aspect of the MLS.

**101 Stone Chimney Place:** The newest banquet center in Brunswick County, centrally located and elegantly appointed. Help spread the word. On-site there is a 20 seat Board Room, a 30 seat education classroom, and a 5,600 square foot ballroom. All available to members at a discounted rate!

**Professional Staff:** Always here to help you get to where you need to be.

**REALTOR® Store:** Stocked with reasonably priced signs, riders, flyer boxes, and more.

**Notary Services:** FREE to members!

**At the STATE LEVEL:** [www.NCREALTORS.org](http://www.NCREALTORS.org)

**Contract Forms:** RealFast contract forms are available in desktop or web versions. These are the same contract forms jointly approved by NCAR and the NC Bar Association that we all know and love. Plus, they are included in your NCAR dues. Why not use them?

**Savings:** Offered on products and services through the REALTOR® Partner Program from home improvements to cell phones to insurance. There's something for everyone.

**Convention:** Annual state convention for networking, education and fun.

**Legal:** Risk-Watch Service for fast, accurate information from NCAR's in-house attorney.

**Education:** REALTOR® Institute, professional standards workshops, and designation courses.

**Influence:** The state's oldest and largest association with 42,000 members from 66 local boards and associations.

**NATIONALLY:** [www.REALTOR.org](http://www.REALTOR.org)

**REALTOR®:** The right to use title, trademark and logo provides benefits from value of the brand. It's also the largest trade association in the nation.

**Web:** Your listings posted free on [www.REALTOR.com](http://www.REALTOR.com), the most visited home buyer website there is.

**Code of Ethics:** Assures the public of honesty, fairness, competence and professionalism. This is what sets you apart as a REALTOR®.

**REALTOR® Magazine and e-Publications:** The magazine is free to members (\$56 value) and over 25 email publications to choose from.

**REALTOR® Benefits:** From Lowe's, Entertainment Book, major rental car services, FedEx, Dell, Sprint, Xerox and more.

**Image:** Public Awareness Campaign creates a positive REALTOR® image with consumers.

**Resources:** Latest industry news and a wide array of invaluable resources available online at [www.REALTOR.org](http://www.REALTOR.org). This site is also home to the world's largest real estate library which is readily available to you anytime, anywhere. Right Tools Right Now contains cutting edge products and resources at cost (or free) to members only.

**Law News:** Subscription to *Letter of the Law* newsletter.

**Influence:** The largest professional trade association with more than ONE MILLION members strong.

**Advocacy:** With US government on issues important to REALTORS® and owners of real property.