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President's message: Say goodbye to summer

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Say goodbye to summer. I hope you all had some time off and feel energized to make the final run to the end of the year. September and October are my favorite months weather-wise. I love those sunny 70-75 degree days with no humidity. They make me want to play golf!

Speaking of golf, take some time to sign up and play at the McKenny-Kinsella Memorial Golf Tournament on Monday, September 29. This is always a fun networking event and net proceeds go toward scholarships for candidates seeking designation.

This year's event is being held at Stow Acres Country Club in Stow Mass. Get your foursomes together or sign up individually and we'll pair you with a group. We are also looking for tournament sponsors. Contact me if you have any questions.

September and October are a very busy time for the Chapter. Your volunteer chapter committee members have been very busy developing interesting programs and educational offerings for you.

Join us for our fall chapter meeting on September 16 at the Save the Bay facility in Providence. The event titled "High Performance Energy Efficient Residential Construction: Industry Perspectives" will feature a panel of respected industry professionals. The program will be followed by a cocktail reception.

October 2 we co-sponsor with the Commercial Brokers Association (CBA) our annual Commercial Real Estate Forum - Economic, Capital Markets, and Investment Outlook program in Boston. The insightful, witty and humorous William McCall, Jr. will once again moderate a high-powered panel of Boston-based industry experts.

October 6 we jointly sponsor the New England Appraiser Expo (The Expo) with the MBREA. We have a joint morning session followed by residential and commercial afternoon sessions. Take a minute to checkout our website to view the program offerings. This is a perennial favorite networking event.

In addition to these programs we have a number of seminar offerings in September and October. Be sure to check the website for details.

Candidates Corner: I want to take a minute to remind our candidates that you have minimum annual progress requirements. The summer passes quickly and there is a small window of opportunity in the early fall before we go full bore into the crazed holiday season. Take a minute to review your plan and make adjustments. Don't let up. Contact your advisor if you have questions. Completing your designation requirements is hard work but with the right plan you will achieve success and earn your designation.

That's all I've got for now. I need to go find my golf clubs and get ready for the tournament. I hope to see you there!

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