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# The GAD Report

## SIGN UP NOW AND ATTEND REALTOR® AND GOVERNMENT DAY IN MADISON

Welcome to 2022!

It's January in Wisconsin. It snows. It's cold. It's frigid. COVID is still with us. Despite all of that, housing continues and now election season is in full swing.

First thing on your to-do list for 2022 is to look at your budget for the new year and set dollars aside to invest in RPAC. For as little as \$100 this year, you can support legislators in Madison that are hard at work for you, passing legislation that is REALTOR® friendly, consumer friendly, and preserves and protects the rights of private property owners. The amount of asks to support RPAC will only increase this year because the need is great. Costs to run a campaign are increasing (along with most everything else). Every legislator has been vetted by WRA...you will NEVER be asked to support a candidate on either side of the aisle that does not support your industry, it's as simple as that.

Lawmakers that have supported bills that are favorable to consumers, protects the rights of private property owners and real estate interests deserve to be supported by your Direct Giver investment. These races become more expensive every cycle and for us to have a seat at the table when legislation is discussed, bills are being drafted and proposed and acted on, legislators on both sides of the aisle need to know that REALTORS® will be there to support them.

Please make your Direct Giver investment using WRAs secure website:  
<https://secure.donationpay.org/wra/directgiver.php>

REALTOR® & Government Day is Wednesday, February 9th in Madison. As of press time, it will still be an in person event. We have a motorcoach reserved and lunch will be served on the way. This is your opportunity to be in "The Chair", and discuss legislative issues with our elected officials. This is a free event and is perfect for new REALTORS® to get a better understanding of the legislative process and discover for yourself why we keep asking you to support RPAC thru Direct Giver.

Need more information. Please watch this video and let your fellow REALTORS® explain why this day is so important:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tYskX5c3AKo>

Make 2022 your best year yet!

***This edition of the GAD Report will have a look at the spring election and candidates running for local offices, and your opportunity to register for REALTOR® & Government Day.***

***As always, please support RPAC so we always have a seat at the table.***



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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Invest in RPAC
- Eau Claire Elections
- Single Family Zoning's End?
- Capitol Insights
- R & G Day
- Area Spring Elections

## SPRING ELECTION 2022: SCHOOL BOARDS

The Eau Claire school board will see a total of six candidates for three open seats on its board. Incumbents Tim Nordin and Marquell Johnson are running for re-election. Aaron Harder is not running for re-election.

The other candidates running for three-year terms on the board are Melissa Winter, Stephanie Farrar, Nicole Everson and Josh Ingersoll.

In Chippewa Falls, it's the same story. There are six people running for three open seats on the board. Two incumbents, Sherry Jasper and David Czech are running while board clerk Kathy Strecker is not running again.

The other candidates are James Ledebuhr, Den-

nis Fehr, Kate Bushman and Sarah Hanson.

In Altoona, there are three seats open and three people running. Richard Hager and Nicole Breed filed to run as did Jeremy Zook who is the only incumbent running. Dan Gluch and David Rowe are not running for another term.

In Menomonie, seven people will run for three seats. Board President David Styer is running along with Rachel Henderson, Scott Parker, Jennifer Sakry, Abraham Smith Brittany Welker and Dominique Stewart.

Chris Freeman and Clint Moses did not file to run for another three year term.

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*“Just Because You Do Not Take An Interest In Politics, Doesn’t Mean That Politics Won’t Take An Interest In You.” –Pericles (430 B.C)*

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The state of Washington is joining Oregon and California in taking steps to end single-family zoning.

Housing supply has failed to keep up with growth in population because many municipalities only allow single-family homes.

The plan allows development of 50 or more residential units per acre if it is located within half mile of fixed transit, one duplex, triplex or courtyard apartment in one or more area zoned for single-family, and accessory dwelling units on all parcels in areas zoned for single-family housing.

## SPRING ELECTION 2022: EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL AND COUNTY BOARD

Two of five incumbents to the Eau Claire City Council are running again. Kate Beaton and Roderick Jones are running. REALTOR® John Lor, Dave Klinkhammer and Catherine Emmanuelle are not running again. New candidates include Joshua Miller, Brian Trowbridge, Bob Carr, Mark Richter, Charlie Johnson and Larry Mboga are on the April 5 ballot.

Most of the 29 county board seats are being contested for the first time in years. In District 1, Courtney Kneifl and Todd Meyer. In District 2, Mary Catherine Partlow, Amanda Babb and Brent Knutson. In district 3, Joe Knight and Gaary Mizer. In District 4, Stella Pagonis. In District 5, Carl Anton and Larry Hoekstra. In District 6, Diane Zook. In District 7, Steve Chilson. In District 8, Kevin Stelljes and Cory Sisk. In District 9, Donald Mowry, Allen Myren and Thomas Mastin. In District 10, Nancy Coffee and Dori Pulse. In District 12, David Lehmkuhl and Brett Geboy. In District 13, Connie Russell. In District 14, Judy Gatlin and Wayne Peters. In District 15, Nick Smiar and Joshua Naponiello. In District 16, David Hirsch and Benaiah Stanley. In District 17, Thomas Vue and Mary Sommerfeld. In District 18, James Dunning, Matthew Lehner and Robert Amelse. In District 19, Gerald Wilkie and Kathleen Kivlin. In District 20, Nathan Anderson and John Folstad. In District 21, Mark Beckfield. In District 22, Katherine Schneider. In District 23, Robin Leary and Don Zwicker. In District 24, Heather DeLuka and Lewis Titus. In District 25, Jodi Lepsch and Brian Bauer. In District 26, Tami Schraufnagel. In District 27, Trudy Grill and Kyle Johnson. In District 28, Kimberly Cronk. In District 29, Missy Christopherson and Josh Stanley.

**RANWW Members: Please watch this YouTube video on why your attendance is needed this year:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tYskX5c3AKo>



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PROTECT.**

**MARK THE DATE**

FEBRUARY 9, 2022 | MADISON CONCOURSE HOTEL  
OFFICIAL DETAILS COMING FALL 2021

VISIT [WRA.ORG/RGD/](http://WRA.ORG/RGD/)



### Episode 35: "The Price Is Right"

State Sen. Dan Feyen (R-Fond du Lac) and the WRA's Tom Larson discuss legislation that updates state appraisal practices to ensure fair and equal property tax assessments in Wisconsin. You can find it here:

<https://youtu.be/tu8xdSW3CUA>

## SPRING ELECTION 2022: CITY OF CHIPPEWA FALLS AND CHIPPEWA COUNTY BOARD

There will be three seats up on the Chippewa Falls City Council and the same people that are currently there will occupy them. Rob Keifer, Chuck Hull and Paul Nadreau will return for another two years. In Chippewa County, the board is expanding from 15 to 21 members.

In District 1, Janice Morrow and James Flater. In District 2, Harold Steele and Pamela Guthman. In District 3, Ken Schmitt and Duane Shoebridge. Currently, there are no candidates for District 4. In District 5, Dean Gullickson and Darren Kirby. In District 6, Glen Skiorski. In District 7, Jason Bergeron, In District 8, James Erickson. In District 9, Joel Seidlitz, Lucas Kohls and Bob Sworski. In District 10, Tammy Tom Steinmetz and Matthew Peterson. In District 11, Roger Calkins and David Anglemyer. In District 12, Charles Bomar and Lisa Mancini. In District 13, Charlene Kervina and Caden Berg. In District 14, Benjamin Anglemyer and Robert Tueteberg. In District 15, David Eisenhuth. In District 16, Ronald McGill. In District 17, George Rohmeyer, Jr. In District 18, Annette Hunt. In District 19, Chuck Hull. In District 20, Mechele Pitt Shipman and Dean Mueller and in District 21, Kari Ives and Tara Perez.

Lee McMenamain, James Mickelson and Don Hauser are not seeking re-election.

### RPAC AND YOU

Did you know that you can make your RPAC investment securely online using your Visa, Mastercard and now American Express card? And, you can set up monthly payments!

Go to <https://www.wra.org/dgcontribution/>

If REALTORS® do not speak out, get involved and help shape the discussion, someone else will.

Nobody knows a community better than a REALTOR®. You are on the front line as defenders of real estate issues.

Investing in RPAC assures you a seat at the table when critical decisions are made for homeowners and private property owners.

Supporting vetted candidates and incumbents at all levels of elective governance is part of what RPAC is about.

Now more than ever, we need your financial investment in RPAC thru the Large Donor Council or Direct Giver.



## SPRING ELECTION 2022: RICE LAKE

In the City of Rice Lake, both Mayor Michael Diercks and REALTOR® Dan Lawler have filed declarations of non-candidacy. Currently, the other three at-large alderpersons are all running again. They are Cory Schnacky, Todd Larson, and Mark O'Brien.

At the Rice Lake School District, there are three seats up for election this spring. All three at-large members have filed non-candidacy declarations. Deanne Aubart, Joshua Estreen and Gary Spear are not running, but up to ten people have taken out papers but have not returned them as of January 3rd.



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*“We in America do not have government by the majority, we have government by the majority who participate” - Thomas Jefferson*

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## SPRING ELECTION 2022: BARRON AND DUNN COUNTY BOARDS

Three supervisors are not running again. They are Steve Johnson, Tod Gerland and Bert Skinner.

In District 14 there are three candidates, Carol Moen, Noah Marach and Pattie Greene.

In District 3, Paul Poppe and John Banks. In District 12, Ron Fladten and Peter Olson. In District 5, Carolyn Bartlett and Angela Young. In District 15, Eric Pannier and Fran Langman. All other candidates are running unopposed.

In Dunn County, only seven of the 29 district seats will have contested races.

In District 1, Brian Johnson. In District 2, Dave Bartlett and Patrick Breslin, In District 3, Vaughn Hedlund. In District 4, Ronald Score, In District 5, Gene Stene, In District 6, Jim Zons, In District 7, Gary Bjork, In District 8, Charles Maves and

Luke Wilsey. In District 9, Thomas Quinn and James Chich. In District 10, Michael Rogers and Pilar Gerasimo. In District 11, John Quilling. In District 12, Michael Kneer. In District 13, Monica Berrier and Jody Kromrey. In District 14, John Calabrese. In District 15, Donald Keuther and Greg Rugland. In District 16, Ann Vogl. In District 17, Kelly McCullough. In District 18, Sean Breslin. In District 19, Carl Vandermeulen. In District 20, Hilary Robinson. In District 21, Laurie Christianson and Diane Morehouse. In District 22, Andrew Hagen. In District 23, Mark Thomas. In District 24, Randy Prochnow. In District 25, no candidates. In District 26, Larry Bjork. In District 27, Robery Bauer. In District 28, Tim Lineau and in District 29, Jerry Joe Hartung.

*In Altoona, Mayor and REALTOR® Brendan Pratt is running for re-election as are council members Dale Stuber in District 1, and Timothy Lima in District 2 Maria Guzman in District 3 decided to not to seek re-election, allowing anyone interested in that seat until 5pm on Friday, January 7 to file nomination papers with the City of Altoona clerk's office.*

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## RANWW GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

The REALTORS® Association of Northwestern Wisconsin is the largest association in terms of area, stretching from Millston, Whitehall and Fountain City to the south all the way to central Bayfield, southern Ashland to the north. We are the fourth largest of the 19 Associations in terms of membership. Your Association covers 395 units of local government, monitoring a wide variety of issues that can and do affect you. In addition to local government, your GAD also monitors issues at the state and national level that will have a direct or indirect impact on housing and the industry, as well as legislation that can affect the consumer. Your Government Affairs Director works with members and affiliates to raise investment dollars for RPAC that help to support elected officials that support your business. RANWW is one of only three REALTOR® Association’s in Wisconsin that have their own PAC, which was started 42 years ago to support candidates at the local and state level. We maintain a Facebook page, called “The GADabouts”, that aims to keep you up to date on political issues that will affect your business. Your GAD also produces a periodic government affairs program posted on our YouTube channel, RANWWTV. And be watching for a podcast coming soon.

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