A MESSAGE FROM OUR BOMA BALTIMORE PRESIDENT

The BOMA Baltimore Board and Committees have been working very hard over the past few months to adjust our ways of doing business in order to meet the new demands placed on our industry. I would like to thank all the BOMA Baltimore board members and committee chairs for staying engaged during these times and being committed to keeping our members and associates connected.

We know that our members are under additional stress due to the virtual nature of how we now need to manage our buildings and interact with our tenants. This extends to our associate members, who are having their own set of challenges during the pandemic. Although the time when we can fully re-open may not be soon, the Board and Committees will continue to do our best to meet our members’ needs.

Look for more fun and educational virtual events in the coming weeks, there are details below on what we have planned.

Lastly, we hope you like the new look and functionality of our website. The enhancements changed the appearance and makes the webpage administration easier for the staff.

Continue to stay connected to your friends and let BOMA Baltimore know if we can be of service. Stay safe everyone!

Robert Shovan
President
RECENT EVENTS

BOMA BALTIMORE MEMBER VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

BOMA Baltimore members celebrated July 4\textsuperscript{th} with a special Independence Day themed networking happy hour featuring July 4\textsuperscript{th} trivia, show and tell, and a scavenger hunt. It was a fun way for members to get to know each other a little better.

Our trivia champion was Crews Keen of PCM Services, and we had a tie for the most festive red, white, and blue outfit between Rene Carter with Unlimited Restoration, Inc., and Jennifer Dunstone with Cushman & Wakefield.

Thanks to all who participated!

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE VIRTUAL TRIVIA HAPPY HOUR

In lieu of the Annual Day of Service, BOMA Baltimore’s Community Service Committee hosted a night of trivia and cocktails for 40 members and friends on August 12. $2,080.00 was raised from the event to benefit The Weinberg Housing and Resource Center. Ingredient baskets were delivered to participants and Brian Acquavella from Black Eyed Suzie’s in Bel Air taught the group to make some true Maryland cocktails sure to impress! After that, our friends at Simpli ran a terrific trivia event.

Thanks to our sponsors below and all participants for supporting this great cause.
TIPS AND TRICKS

If you are ready to get back to the workplace, partitions offer an easy solution to help enforce Social distancing and make your employees feel safe.

COVID-19 meeting protocol for various settings.

**COVID-19 CONFERENCE CENTER PROTOCOL**

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR CONFERENCE CENTER**
- Distance chairs 6 ft apart
- Remove extra chairs, tables
- Provide hand sanitizer stations at the door
- Provide social distancing measures for the waiting area
- Door open at all times to reduce the amount of people touching the handles
- Remove or limit snacks to eliminate sharing
- Masks to be worn
- One event per day

**COVID-19 FITNESS CENTER PROTOCOL**

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR FITNESS CENTER**
- Equipment: spaced 6 ft apart
- Provide wipes to wipe down equipment after use
- Provide soap and hand sanitizer
- Conserve hand sanitizer
- Sanitize all surfaces
- Provide hygiene wipe
- Masks to be worn
- All exercise equipment should be wiped down before use

**COVID-19 EVENT PROTOCOL**

**CONSIDERATIONS FOR ALL EVENTS & GATHERINGS**
- Place 6 ft floor markers around the venue, separating guests by 6 ft (floor markers and mobile sneeze guards)
- Masks will be mandatory for all guests and staff working the event
- Swag items will be individually packaged so no guest touches an item that another person has already come in contact with
- All food items will be individually packaged/bagged
- 3-4 stations (based on how many people are in attendance) will be spaced out for food, snack, and information
- Hand sanitizer at every station around the venue
- After discussing, decide on a space for the community space that will keep everyone attending safe
- Invitation will be sent out with times and dates depending on management specification so we can manage the people attending
UPCOMING EVENTS

Don’t miss our **August 25** webinar from 9:00 – 10:00 am on **De-Escalating Confrontational Interactions: Tools & Techniques for Your Team**. Free for members and employees of member companies. $10 for all others.

Coronavirus-related restrictions are creating new workplace challenges as businesses and organizations re-open. Staff and customers may have differing views on the importance of personal space and safety, leading to an increased risk of confrontation. Prevent and de-escalate conflict before it turns into violence by learning strategies, tools, and resources to use to create a safe space for all.

Presenters include:

- Scott Kuhlman - CEO, Heart to Beat LLC
- P. Marc Fischer, CPM®, RPA®, CCIM®, LEED® Green Associate, BOMA Fellow – Inspire University
- Lt. Gene Paluzzi - Instructor and Law Enforcement Veteran, Heart to Beat LLC

[REGISTER HERE](https://bomabaltimore.org/meetinginfo.php?id=207&ts=1598280462)

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On top of the pandemic, you may have heard we have an election coming up. Join BOMA Baltimore and CREW as we present **Return of the Economist: COVID-19 and Post-Election Economic Update** on November 19 from 9:00 – 10:00 am. Speaker: Anirban Basu – Chairman & CEO of Sage Policy Group, Inc.

COVID-19 has rocked what had appeared to be a nearly invincible economy; one associated with substantial job growth, multi-decade lows in unemployment, sturdy compensation increases, robust retail sales, low inflation, and strong financial market performance. Underneath that strong performance, however, was a set of fragilities that have been exposed by the pandemic. This webinar speaks to our current economic circumstances, how difficult things are likely to become over the foreseeable future, and the contours of the brisk recovery to come thereafter. There will also be a discussion of the likely implications of presidential and congressional election outcomes for real estate and the broader economy.

The registration fee is $20 for members of BOMA or CREW (register on your respective website) and $40 for non-members.

UPCOMING DATES

Stay tuned for more details about our virtual reverse trade show and our golf outing!

BOMA SPOTLIGHT-

Thank you to our BOMA members for participating in our monthly Spotlight Newsletter. Keep an eye out for our upcoming members below.

August: Stephanie Andrews, JLL
September: Kathleen Bands, My Cleaning Service, Inc.
October: Kevin Bauer, First Industrial
November: Jessica Cremen, American Office

If you would like to be considered for BOMA Spotlight, please reach out to a committee member.

CORONAVIRUS RESOURCE: Please continue to follow the link below for updated information on Coronavirus.
https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/

NEXT BOMA BALTIMORE ISSUE: NOVEMBER

BOMA Baltimore Communications Committee is always looking for feedback. If you have any comments or suggestions regarding information in the newsletter please email Liane Reese lreese@sjpi.com.