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ASSESSING INFO

April 3, 2014

RIPPED FROM THE HEADLINES

OREGON — [Oregon's complicated property tax rates favor higher-valued houses](#)

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA — [Ways and Means Chairman outlines plan to move ahead on tax reform](#)

ILLINOIS — [Mayor to seek \\$250 million property tax hike to address pension debt](#)

TEXAS — [Rally at downtown hotel to protest property tax system](#)

NEW YORK — [NY budget details: Erases manufacturers tax, creates property tax credit](#)

MINNESOTA — [Property tax proposal introduced in House](#)

ALBERTA — [Town introduces 2014 Property Tax Bylaw](#)

MISSOURI — [Property tax rebates fall out of favor](#)

NEBRASKA — [Bill to give property tax exemptions to veterans, spouses passes](#)

ONTARIO — [Native occupation payoff lands in tax court](#)

MARYLAND — [Living near the dump \[Editorial\]](#)

WISCONSIN — [Dozens of rural school districts put high-stakes tax hikes to voters](#)

NOVA SCOTIA — [CBRM mayor urges provincial government to be reasonable](#)

NEW YORK — [Lawmakers, Cuomo near deal on property-tax freeze](#)

FLORIDA — [Judge rules military properties are tax exempt](#)

WISCONSIN — [County nets \\$1M in delinquent taxes through state refunds](#)

ALBERTA — [Alberta Liberals push property tax shake-up](#)

[Ten critical leadership battles \(And how you can win them all\)](#)

LATEST & GREATEST

Hotel Valuation Survey



The IAAO Research Committee is conducting a survey for the purpose of compiling information on hotel

valuation, specifically regarding the valuation of the intangible component/going concern (Rushmore Method, Business Enterprise Valuation/Lennhoff Method) to be presented at the 2014 annual conference in Sacramento, California. Anyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in this survey. All answers are anonymous. To participate, click [here](#).

Who Should Attend Conference? Everyone!

Registration for the 80th Annual International Conference on Assessment Administration is now open. The conference, "The Gold Standard for 80 Years," will be held **August 24-27, 2014, in Sacramento, CA**. You can register online [here](#) and find general information [here](#).



Research Grants Available

The Academic Partnership Program invites applications for research grants from students and faculty of accredited colleges/universities. The APP's goal is to encourage and financially support research on the property tax. Benefits to faculty and students include:

- Funding for 1 year of \$2,500 to \$5,000.
- Free IAAO membership with the award.
- Published article in the JPTAA
- Opportunity to present at an IAAO professional conference.
- Facilitated access to assessment

AROUND THE CORNER



What You Don't Know Can Hurt You: Online Branding Webinar

Wednesday, April 16, 2014
12:00 pm–2:00 pm CDT

Presented by Tina Morton and Tiffany Seward

This Webinar examines how and what customers find when they search online for information about the assessment office and demonstrates how to leverage mobile communication services for the purpose of establishing and protecting the assessment office brand. **Note: Two CEUs are given for participation in this webinar.**

Preparation and Trial of the Property Tax Assessment Appeal Seminar

June 5 - 6, 2014
University of Missouri - Kansas City (UMKC) School of Law
Kansas City, MO



The Legal Committee is presenting a new format for the 2-day training that will include sessions on trial advocacy, deposition techniques, making the decision to go to trial, implications of *Daubert & Frye*, electronic evidence and the use of technology at trial. Training will include presentations, mock trial vignettes, video demonstrations, and panel discussions.

In honor of IAAO's 80th anniversary, check out a timeline of our history!



FUN WITH FRIENDS

The Appraiser Practices Board (APB) has issued the following document for comment.

The next contest is coming soon.
Keep an eye on our social media sites for all the details!




Have you won an award? Changed jobs? Accomplished something of interest to our readers?
TELL US ABOUT IT!



AROUND THE WORLD

- [SLOVENIA — Slovenia to hike VAT after property tax setback - minister](#)
- [INDIA — India: A property tax proposal](#)
- [EGYPT — Egypt's amended property tax law to take effect in July: Finance ministry](#)
- [RUSSIA — Mounting rental prices put burden on small businesses](#)
- [UNITED KINGDOM — It's time to ditch the unfair council tax](#)
- [KENYA — Counties property taxes hurt builders](#)
- [ESTONIA — Land tax rates may go up sharply in a couple of years](#)
- [JAMAICA — Preserve forest cover, get property tax relief](#)
- [NEW ZEALAND — Disquiet at plan for 'significant' rates rises](#)
- [NAMIBIA — Farmers welcome land tax breather](#)
- [INDONESIA — Residents may ask for property tax reduction](#)
- [UNITED KINGDOM — High street minister insists deferral to revaluation was 'right thing'](#)
- [IRELAND — Anti-austerity protesters occupy Revenue offices in Dublin city](#)

data.

Research grants are available for students and faculty for the 2014-15 school year and the application deadline has been extended to April 15, 2014.

Please review the application guidelines and cover sheet on our [web site](#) and distribute these to students and/or faculty who might have an interest.

[Student Application](#)

[Faculty Application](#)



Awards, anyone?

IAAO wants to recognize the best in the industry! Submit an award nomination by **May 1, 2014**, to ensure that you and your colleagues are honored for professional achievements. See [IAAO.org](#) for more information, or review the [Awards Brochure](#).

Scholarships Available

IAAO offers a wide variety of scholarships for members. The [IAAO Scholarship Fund](#) is available for members looking to pursue IAAO educational opportunities. Need help renewing your membership? The [Hardship Grant](#) can provide assistance. For more information about the scholarships available, click [here](#).



Reviewers Needed



IAAO is seeking qualified individuals to review Assessment Administration Specialist (AAS) case study examinations and master examinations. Two reviewers are needed for this project and reviewers **must** hold an AAS designation. Proposals must be received by **April 18, 2014**. Please submit your proposal to Wanda Musick Witthar, IAAO, 314 W. 10th St., Kansas City, MO 64105 or email to witthar@iaao.org. For more detailed information, click [here](#).

NEWBIES & NOTABLES

[Second Exposure Draft – Valuation of Green Buildings: Background and Core Competency](#). Written comments are requested by **May 30, 2014**.

The IVSC Standards Board is inviting comments on proposed changes to the International Valuation Standards, IVSs, that will be of particular interest to those involved in the real property markets. The Board has approved the issue of two [Exposure Drafts](#). Comments on both drafts are invited by **April 30, 2014**.

The next public meeting of the Appraiser Qualifications Board will be held **Friday, April 11, 2014**, from 9:00 am–12:00 pm in **San Francisco, CA**. Click [here](#) for more information and to register online.



The 2014-15 USPAP is now available to IAAO members by clicking [here](#).

The Appraisal Practices Board (APB) of The Appraisal Foundation is seeking valuation professionals for a national talent pool to serve as a resource to the Board as it develops future voluntary guidance on generally recognized valuation methods and techniques. **The recruitment program has been changed from project specific solicitations to a more general call for developing a broad pool of Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)**. If you are willing to share your expertise, be part of a broader conversation, and receive recognition for your contributions, click [here](#) for an application.

[Introduction to Regression and Spatial Analysis used in Mass Appraisal](#)

April 28–29, 2014

Sheraton Fort Lauderdale Airport Hotel
1825 Griffin Road
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

This seminar is approved for **16 hours** of continuing education credits with IAAO.

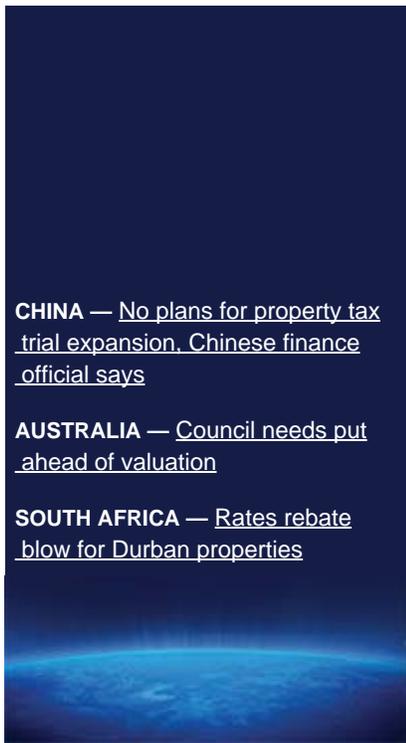
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The Appraiser Qualifications Board (AQB) has issued an [Exposure Draft of a Proposed Revision to the 2015 Real Property Appraiser Qualification Criteria](#). Written comments are requested by **April 9, 2014**.

[9th Annual Mass Appraisal Valuation Symposium](#)

June 18–19, 2014

Calgary Marriott Downtown Hotel



[CHINA — No plans for property tax trial expansion, Chinese finance official says](#)

[AUSTRALIA — Council needs put ahead of valuation](#)

[SOUTH AFRICA — Rates rebate blow for Durban properties](#)



Tax Judge of the Year!

The Lincoln Institute of Land Policy presents an opportunity annually for the National Conference of State Tax Judges. Glenn Newman, President, New York City Tax Commission and Tax Appeals Tribunal, at the annual National Conference of State Tax Judges presented the Tax Judge of the Year Award to the first non-attorney member. This year that honor went to IAAO member Victoria Enyart, Judge, Michigan Tax Tribunal. **Congratulations!**

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