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July 2, 2015

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**WASHINGTON** — [Property taxpayers would foot the bill for \\$930M transportation levy](#)

**ILLINOIS** — [The 'shouse' movement—How Illinois' high property tax is driving the American dream underground \(OpEd\)](#)

**NEVADA** — [Las Vegas jails strained by billions in property tax giveaways](#)

**NEW JERSEY** — [Ruling could put nonprofit hospitals on hook for millions in property taxes](#)

**NEW YORK** — [Five ways New York tries to curb high property taxes](#)

**NOVA SCOTIA** — [From \\$250K to \\$1: Seaside Nova Scotia home declared worthless following discovery of Mi'kmaq artifact](#)

**PENNSYLVANIA** — [Vocal crowd in Pottstown pushes property tax elimination](#)

**OHIO** — [Property tax relief program could help homeowners with storm damage](#)

**KANSAS** — [New Kan. property tax 'lid' could affect county health departments](#)

**NEW BRUNSWICK** — [Canaport LNG gets first property tax hike since 2006](#)

**MICHIGAN** — [His mission: Stamp out property tax scammers in Detroit](#)

**NATIONWIDE** — [Now's the time to end tax exemptions for religious institutions \(OpEd\)](#)

**NORTH CAROLINA** — [Lawmakers moving toward tax break for home builders](#)

**SASKATCHEWAN** — [Regina curling clubs get two-year tax break from city](#)

**CALIFORNIA** — [California lawmakers propose property tax reform for commercial and industrial properties](#)

**MONTANA** — [City Hall project doesn't increase property taxes \(OpEd\)](#)

**NATIONWIDE** — [Big-box retail offers property tax lessons for industrial owners](#)

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## LATEST & GREATEST



IAAO 2015

## Early-Bird Deadline Approaching!

The early-bird deadline for the 2015 Annual Conference is July 17! Make sure to register, either [online](#) or via the [paper form](#), before that date and save some money. Here are some other things you don't want to overlook:

- You can book your hotel [online](#) or by phone at 877-303-0104 or 866-704-6162. If registering by phone, please mention IAAO for the group rate of \$169/night. If you'd like to check out the hotel, click [here](#).
- You absolutely won't want to miss the Welcome Reception, Sunday, September 13 from 6:30–8:30 pm. This year it is taking place at the [Indiana State Museum](#), a fabulous venue that offers something for everyone!
- Discover more information about some of the education sessions that will be offered at conference. The new [IAAO Conference Blog](#) will be featuring highlights from several sessions over the next few months leading up to conference.
- Get all the details about the [2015 Charitable Activity](#). *Rev up the fun and make it a competition among jurisdictions!*
- Is this your first conference? Check out the First-Time Attendee Orientation, Sunday, September 13, 3:00–4:30 pm, JW Grand Ballroom, Section 4.
- One-Day Forum 917—[How to Critique an Appraisal](#), will be offered September 16 from 1:00–4:30 pm and September 17 from 8:00 am–12:00 pm. **A minimum of 20 registrations must be received by the early-bird deadline of July 17.**

Visit the [conference website](#) for more detailed information.

## AROUND THE CORNER

### Reviewer and Developer's Workshop

September 12–13, 2015  
8:00 am–5:00 pm

IAAO is constantly looking for new developers and reviewers to help with the ongoing improvement of our education products. To that end, a seminar has been developed to train members who are new to course development or want to sharpen existing skills. Future developers and reviewers will be drawn from the pool of members who attend this seminar.

Our workshop will be available Saturday or Sunday, September 12 and 13, from 8:00 am–5:00 pm, preceding our annual conference in Indianapolis. Each session will be limited to 25 persons to facilitate interaction with the instructor, so sign up quickly! If interested, please contact [Willa Jessee](#), with your name and e-mail address.



### 36th Annual Legal Seminar

December 10-11, 2015  
Hyatt Regency  
Boston, MA

The Legal Seminar offers the unique perspective of members who are primarily involved in legal issues. The seminar presents substantive and procedural developments in law that affect assessments and valuation. [Register now!](#)





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AROUND THE WORLD

SCOTLAND — Retail body warns of possible consequences for businesses of changes to council tax

AUSTRALIA — Scrap stamp duty? Yes, then tax the family home (OpEd)

SOUTH AFRICA — Joburg takes pity on pensioner ratepayers

BERMUDA — House: Tax Amendment Act approved

BELGIUM — Belgium to face ECJ on property tax rules

IRELAND — The old reliable—local property tax (OpEd)

NEW ZEALAND — NZ consults public on property tax measure

CHINA — China's plan to extend VAT to property leaves players bracing for impact

GREECE — Property in Greece? Tempting, but buyers are holding back

INDIA — EDMC to collect house tax in unauthorised colonies

UNITED KINGDOM — Charities urge government to extend mandatory business rates relief to 100 percent

KENYA — Bill proposes higher land rates for Nairobi

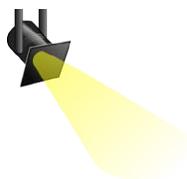


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IAAO's CAE designation is a mark of distinction that aids your career, informs your daily work and elevates your profession. If you have the CAE, you can also assist current CAE and RES candidates in demonstrating their aptitude, earning that mark for themselves.

IAAO is currently seeking demonstration appraisal report graders. Graders use their knowledge and experience to constructively critique candidates' reports, helping candidates advance in our profession.

Training and support is provided. Graders are compensated for each report completed. If you are interested, please contact Jarron Paronto, Designation Program Manager.



Chapter and Affiliate Spotlight

In order to increase awareness about the Chapters and Affiliates that are so important to the success of IAAO, the next several issues will include links to information about some of IAAO's Chapters and Affiliates. If your area is interested in starting a new Chapter or Affiliate, please email Hayley Rees.

- Pennsylvania Chapter
South Central Kansas Chapter
Southwest Missouri Chapter
St. Louis Regional Chapter
Tennessee Chapter
Texas Association of Appraisal Districts Chapter

Need Help with IAAO Educational



Opportunities?

Check out the various scholarship options IAAO has to offer.

Enter Now: Residential Valuation Model Contest

Twentieth Anniversary GIS/CAMA Technologies Conference

Savannah, Georgia, USA • February 22-25, 2016

FUN WITH FRIENDS

The Appraisal Qualifications Board (AQB) of The Appraisal Foundation has issued the following: June 2015 Q&As

2015 IVSC Annual General Meeting

The 2015 IVSC Annual General Meeting is to be held in Paris on October 15. The IVSC Board of Trustees, Professional and Standards Boards and Advisory Forum are also meeting during the week.

F&E July Digital Edition Available Now!

Looking for more online news and information?

Check out the digital edition of Fair & Equitable magazine!



9th International Conference on the Valuation of Plant Machinery and Equipment

The 9th International Conference on the Valuation of Plant Machinery and Equipment is taking place October 26-28, 2015 in Tokyo, Japan.

Valuing Excess Land Creates Challenges for Appraisers: The Appraisal Journal

FGDC Seeks Nominations for National Geospatial Advisory Committee

The Department of Interior and the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) announced on June 8 that they are seeking nominations for appointment to the National Geospatial Advisory Committee (NGAC). Nominations received through this call for nominations may be used to fill vacancies on the NGAC that will become available in 2015 and 2016.



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[New Appraisal Institute Book Cites Unique Demands for Valuing Auto Dealerships](#)

[The GIS Guide for Elected Officials](#)

A new Esri-ICMA publication helps executives and elected officials learn how GIS technology is being used by governments across North America.

**Tech Tip: Having issues printing from our website in IE?**



To print IAAO website pages in Internet Explorer without the background photo go to File > Print Preview > ALT + U and click the checkmark in the box by "Print Background Colors and Images." Click OK then click the print button. The image may show up on a second page so just print the pages you need.

NEWBIES & NOTABLES



**Business Lessons We've Learned from Dogs**

For those of us under stress this morning as we struggle to get our work done before the 4th of July weekend, I wanted to share with you a little humor from *MyBUSINESS Magazine* on secrets your dog won't tell you: [Read more...](#)



**IAAO Seeks Full-Time Research Manager**

This person plans, implements, and continually evaluates a research program to serve the association, its members, and the assessing profession, in accordance with the current IAAO Strategic Plan. [Read more...](#)

[The International Valuation Standards Council and The Appraisal Foundation Collaborate to Bring Greater Consistency to Appraisal Standards](#)



**Fannie Mae to Introduce Collateral Underwriter™**

[Collateral Underwriter \(CU\)™](#) is a proprietary model-driven tool developed by Fannie Mae that provides an automated appraisal risk assessment to support proactive management of appraisal quality.

The Appraisal Foundation is pleased to announce that the Appraisal Practices Board (APB) has adopted the following Valuation Advisory: **APB Valuation Advisory #6: [Valuation of Green and High Performance Property: Background and Core Competency](#)**



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

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