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**ALASKA** — [Gas line property tax deal worth billions faces questions, criticism](#)

**VERMONT** — [Vernon to bill Vermont Yankee for statewide property tax](#)

**WEST VIRGINIA** — [Panel revisits dropping personal property tax for businesses](#)

**NEW JERSEY** — [Glen Rock moves ahead with local property tax reward program](#)

**ONTARIO** — [Judge rules in favor of US Steel Canada](#)

**TEXAS** — [Valero, BASF, Total protest in 'ongoing' property tax battle](#)

**TENNESSEE** — [Mayor: City of Jackson may owe taxpayers ten years of property tax discounts](#)

**CALIFORNIA** — [Monte Sereno, Saratoga, Cupertino: Property tax problem solved, and that means cities will share \\$2.5M](#)

**MINNESOTA** — [Property tax break may bring St. Paul soccer, but what's the cost?](#)

**NEW BRUNSWICK** — [Energy East project could net Saint John \\$5M in annual taxes](#)

**FLORIDA** — [Property tax appeals process needs improvement, IG finds](#)

**KENTUCKY** — [Ballard County puts property tax vote for ambulance service on ballot](#)

**OREGON** — [County, city agree to triple property tax break for affordable housing](#)

**MICHIGAN** — [Bills target property tax cuts for 'big box' stores](#)

**CALIFORNIA** — [Property tax payment enabled via mobile says San Diego County Treasurer](#)

**TEXAS** — [Prop 1 would raise property tax exemption \(OpEd\)](#)

**LEADERSHIP SKILLS** — [Bad hires affect everything—or, the Matt Williams story](#)

### LATEST & GREATEST



## Changes Coming to Assessing Info

Starting in November, *Assessing Info* will have a new look. The new format will still feature national and global news stories, as well as IAAO news and upcoming events. Once you've seen the new look, please feel free to give us your feedback about the changes. Our goal is to provide the best electronic newsletter possible and in order to do that we need to hear from you. Thanks!



## Conference Photos Available

Photos from #IAAO2015 are now available. Visit the [website](#) and click on "Buy Images" to access photos. You'll be able to enjoy great moments again (like finding out IAAO Executive Director Ron Worth is Superman)!

## Exposure of Proposed IAAO Constitutional

### AROUND THE CORNER

#### 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!](#)

#### New IAAO Pilot Offerings

Attend the pilot offerings of these new courses and workshops and be one of the first to experience the improved educational opportunities that IAAO has to offer. Once the pilot classes have been conducted and evaluated these courses and workshops will be made available for scheduling in your continuing education program. [Read more...](#)

#### Upcoming IAAO Seminars in Bangkok

**Course 300—Fundamentals of Mass Appraisal**  
January 20–24, 2016

**Course 331—Mass Appraisal Practices and Procedures**  
January 27–31, 2016

IAAO, in conjunction with the Thai Appraisal Foundation and the Thai Real Estate Business School, will be presenting two courses on mass appraisal in January 2016 at the Arnoma Hotel in Bangkok. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.



Have questions?  
Find the answers on AssessorNET!

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AROUND THE WORLD

INDIA — Segregate waste to avail property tax rebate, says Haryana CM

UNITED KINGDOM — Chancellor unveils 'devolution revolution'

NEW ZEALAND — New Zealand enacts property tax changes

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO — Return of property tax nothing to fear, says PM

GREECE — Greece to tax overseas property

AUSTRALIA — Max Light Rail project should be built by the private sector, say public transport advocates

SOUTH AFRICA — Staggering rates hike for mines

ITALY — Renzi receives support for Italian property tax cuts

NEW ZEALAND — Auckland woman refuses to budge from house sold to pay rates

FRANCE — Tax skyrockets for some landowners

UNITED KINGDOM — Are we killing the High Street with kindness? Review of rate relief for charity shops in west Suffolk

AUSTRALIA — Australia needs more tax, lower interest rates: International Monetary Fund

PROUD PARTNERS

Changes

2015 IAAO Election



View all candidate profiles

Remember to vote November 1-30, 2015!

Candidate Campaign Messages:

Dorothy Jacks, AAS for Vice President

David McMullen for Vice President

L. Wade Patterson for Region 1

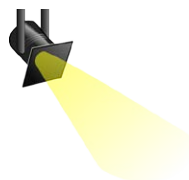
Raymond Beattie, Jr., for Region 2

William A. Birkle, AAS, for Associate Member

Candidate messages do not constitute a specific endorsement by IAAO.

Check Your Mail!

2016 membership dues invoices will be sent out next week. Be sure to watch for it! If you have any questions about your dues, please contact the Membership Department.



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.

- New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials
New York State Assessors' Association
New York State Association of County Directors of Real Property Tax Services
North Carolina Association of Assessing

Twentieth Anniversary GIS/CAMA Technologies Conference

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



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Looking for more online news and information?

Check out the digital edition of Fair & Equitable magazine!



FUN WITH FRIENDS

Cook County, Illinois, Signs \$30 Million Contract with Tyler Technologies for Integrated Property Tax Solution

The Appraisal Practices Board (APB) has issued the following exposure draft: Exposure Draft: The Measurement and Application of Market Participant Acquisition Premiums.

Valuing Automobile Dealerships Brings Challenges

The Appraisal Standards Board (ASB) invites you to its upcoming Public Meeting on November 20, 2015, in Cincinnati, Ohio, where potential changes for the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) will be considered. Click here to register.

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.

**[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.

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[North Central Regional Association of Assessing Officers](#)

**NEWBIES & NOTABLES**



**New Professional Designees**

IAAO offers five professional designations, intended to increase the professional competence of assessment personnel. [Check out](#) the latest class of new IAAO Professional Designees!



**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.

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