

Play, learn, and win!

The Friends of the IAAO Paul V. Corusy Library Trust are inviting all members of IAAO to a game of Words with Assessors.

Follow the clues and complete the search. While participating, you will learn more about the library and the resources it has to offer.

There will be drawings for gift cards during the 2021 IAAO Annual Conference for those members who find the most words and complete the game board.

The IAAO Paul V. Corusy Memorial Library has a collection of over 20,000 books, articles, government documents, reports, and conference proceedings as well as various directories and subject guides on appraisal and assessment.

Library materials are free to IAAO members, and to get members better acquainted with the library, IAAO will be posting words on library pages on the IAAO website over the summer, and members can use the game board to track the words.

There are 12 words to discover. The first is **LIBRARY** and the remaining 11 will be posted on a library page each week, beginning June 1. The last word will be posted on Aug. 10.

Completed game cards should be sent to Toni Eichholz at eichholz@iaao.org or may be submitted at the Library booth at the Annual Conference in Chicago. Emailed entries must be submitted by Aug. 17



Click the above image on IAAO's Library web pages for clues. See the game card for dates.

and winners will be announced at the Annual Conference.

Members have used the library materials for research on a variety of assessment topics, and in 2020 IAAO members saved over \$97,000 on research materials obtained from the library that they would have otherwise had to buy elsewhere.

"We were working on developing a new department within our office to work on more specialized assessment issues, and reached out to all the other counties in our state," said Carol Gordon, Special Assessment Supervisor with the Jackson County (Missouri) Assessment Department about a past search.

"We quickly learned that we needed to research a much broader area.

"The library was the perfect resource to find information.

"With guidance from the IAAO librarian, we were able to focus our research areas and get any materials we needed quickly," she said. "The fact that the IAAO Library is focused on Assessment topics is a huge asset. We would have searched a lot longer using a larger library and not found all of the information we quickly received using IAAO."

The library can also help on issues involving legislation.

"The state legislature was looking for information on how other states handled the assessment and construction in progress and knowing time was short, with the help of the IAAO library and our librarian, Mary Odom, I was able to provide the information to the committee within 30 minutes of the request," said Friends of the Library Trust Chair Stuart Topliff, Assessor for the Town of Rocky Hill, Connecticut.



Stuart Topliff

"The information provided by the library was instrumental in the defeat of the proposed bill," he said.

"Don't miss out on learning more about this fantastic resource you have available as a member of IAAO and join us in Words with Assessors."

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