2016 Education Events Open for Registration!

Don’t miss your chance for these classes in Anchorage and Fairbanks!

Condemnation Appraising: Principles & Applications
March 28-30
Best Western Golden Lion Hotel, Anchorage

Effective Appraisal Writing
April 15
Best Western Golden Lion Hotel, Anchorage

7hr USPAP Update 2016-17
April 18
Best Western Golden Lion Hotel, Anchorage

This event will feature a chapter lunch meeting. Lunch included with your class registration. To RSVP for LUNCH ONLY please email the chapter office.

FHA Appraising for Valuation Professionals: FHA Single Family Housing Appraisal Requirements
April 19
Best Western Golden Lion Hotel, Anchorage

Unraveling the Mystery of Fannie Mae Appraisal Guidelines
April 20
Best Western Golden Lion Hotel, Anchorage

7hr USPAP Update 2016-17
April 21
Hampton Inn & Suites, Fairbanks

FHA Appraising for Valuation Professionals: FHA Single Family Housing Appraisal Requirements
April 22
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CLICK HERE TO VIEW FULL INFO AND REGISTER FOR CLASSES
**Nominations Sought for 2017 Leadership Positions**

Nominations are open for election to leadership positions in 2017. Open positions are as follows:

- Director (2017-19) – Must be Candidate or Designated
- Secretary/Treasurer (2017) – Must be Candidate or Designated
- Vice President (2017) – Must be Candidate or Designated
- President (2017) – Must be Designated

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Nominating Committee Chair Jolynne Howard, MAI at jhoward@alaska.net or (907) 561-1170. Nominations due no later than April 29.

**Title 21 Commercial Land Use Map and Focus Group**

The draft Title 21 Commercial Land Use Map is being released by the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) on February 29th for a 60-day comment period. Chapter President Per Bjorn-Roli, MAI, would like the Alaska Chapter to put together a "focus" group to review the map and provide comments to the local chapter at the April 18 meeting (to be held during the lunch hour of the 7hr USPAP Update in Anchorage), as well as to the MOA as part of the comments period. We will need a chair person to coordinate the efforts of the participants and provide a consolidated report. **If you are interested in participating, please email ai-alaska@qwestoffice.net.**

Visit [http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.muni.org/Departments/OCPD/Planning/Projects/AnchLandUse/Pages/default.aspx) to view the website for the project which includes FAQ, the project timeline, the public involvement plan, and will link soon to the studies that were completed to update the map.

**Chapter Lunch Meeting April 18**

The April 18 USPAP offering in Anchorage will feature a chapter lunch meeting during the 12:00pm lunch break. Lunch is included automatically for those registered for the class. To RSVP for the LUNCH ONLY, please email the chapter office at ai-alaska@qwestoffice.net.

**Demonstration of Knowledge Applications**

General Candidates who wish to submit a Demonstration of Knowledge application can now do so via the AI website, as all applications for the Demo option are online at: [http://www.appraisalinstitute.org/demomai/](http://www.appraisalinstitute.org/demomai/)

**Capstone 2016 Offerings**

[Registration for 2016 Capstone offerings is open](http://www.appraisalinstitute.org/capstone/). If you’re planning to take the Capstone this year, make your arrangements soon – offerings are selling out.
Al Board of Directors Approves 45-Day Notice Item

The Appraisal Institute Board of Directors voted during its February 18-19 meeting in Chicago to approve the agenda’s only 45-day notice item, which included proposed amendments to Regulation No. 2 regarding a residential comprehensive exam.

The Board voted to require individuals who become residential candidates on January 1, 2018, or later to pass a residential comprehensive examination. This residential comprehensive examination requirement had applied to individuals who became residential candidates on January 1, 2016, or later. The 45-day notice was shared with Appraisal Institute professionals on January 4.

Learn about the Board of Directors’ other actions at the meeting.

Al Releases Mobile App for Lum Library

The Appraisal Institute announced Feb. 3 that its Y.T. and Louise Lee Lum Library’s online catalog is available through the universal app called, “Library Link.”

The app operates on both iOS and Android mobile devices. The “Library Link” app provides basic search capability of the Lum Library’s online catalog, and allows documents to be opened and read.
Download the app from iTunes or Google Play. Find instructions on using the app on the Lum Library’s homepage under the “Instructions” option.

Please contact the library with any questions, 312-335-4490.

**Al Education Trust Scholarship Opportunities**

The Appraisal Institute Education Trust offers options to Candidates for Designation to assist them in completing their education deadlines.

Upcoming scholarship deadlines:

**April 1**
- Appraisal Institute Education Trust AI Course Scholarship
- Appraisal Institute Education Trust Minorities and Women AI Course Scholarship

**July 1**
- Appraisal Institute Education Trust AI Course Scholarship
- Appraisal Institute Education Trust Minorities and Women AI Course Scholarship
- Appraisal Institute Education Trust Candidate for Designation Scholarship
  - Note: While the other scholarships only pay for one course, this scholarship pays for ALL advanced level education needed for Candidacy. Candidates are eligible to receive one scholarship per calendar year.

Please note: It is recommended that, prior to submitting a scholarship application, applicants attend a minimum of two Appraisal Institute chapter meetings annually.

**The Appraisal Institute Education Trust also offers college scholarships!**

AIET offers scholarship opportunities to undergraduate and graduate college students studying the real estate industry. Applicants do not have to be affiliated with the Appraisal Institute but must have a major concentration in real estate.

The deadline for the college scholarships is April 15.
- AIET Undergraduate Scholarship
- AIET Graduate Scholarship
- AIET Minorities and Women Education Scholarship

Learn more about AIET Scholarship options - Click here or email educationtrust@appraisalinstitute.org
**Agencies Alert Banks to Rising CRE Lending Risks**

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Federal Reserve and the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency on December 18 issued a statement to reinforce prudent risk-management practices related to commercial real estate lending.

Appraisal Institute professionals should pay close attention to the statement, as Designated members, given their training and resources, are in a special position to assist regulated financial institutions. AI recommends that appraisers doing work for regulated financial institutions pay special attention to market analysis and include appropriate disclaimers in appraisal reports. In addition, the Appraisal Institute encourages appraisers to review AI’s “Guide Note 12: Analyzing Market Trends” and to take the [Advanced Concepts and Case Studies course](https://www.appraisalinstitute.org).

**AI Opens Process for 2017 Committee Service**

The Appraisal Institute welcomes AI professionals interested in serving on a national committee in 2017 to complete the Leadership Resource Registry no later than September 2, 2016.

In order to be considered for national committees, AI professionals must express their interests in the [Registry](https://www.appraisalinstitute.org) (AI log-in and password required).

Even if your name was submitted last year in the Registry and there are no changes to your preferences, you will need to log back into the Registry and enter your information. If your preferences are the same as 2016, you may need to check a box to have your interests moved into the 2017 Registry. You also may change or express new interests.

**AI Accepting Nominations for Two Annual Awards**

The Appraisal Institute is accepting nominations for the Lifetime Achievement Award and the Outstanding Service Award. Nominations for both annual awards are due May 27. The announcement and award presentations will take place at the Appraisal Institute’s 2016 Annual Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, July 25-27.

The Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to the individual who best demonstrates high ethical standards; contributes to the Appraisal Institute at the chapter, regional, national and/or international level(s); provides service to his or her community; and contributes to the appraisal profession. A minimum 20 years of service is recommended to be eligible for this award.

The Outstanding Service Award is presented to an individual who has contributed ideas, service hours and dedication to ensure that a specific program or effort is implemented at either the chapter, regional, national and/or international level(s). This Designated member must be instrumental to the success of the program or effort, which also must be far enough along to measure and provide proof of success. Additionally, the program or effort must be beneficial to chapters, regions, national and international Designated members, Candidates for Designation, Affiliates, Practicing Affiliates and/or the profession.
Be Sure Your Contact Information Is Up To Date

Please take a few moments to log into your Appraisal Institute account and check that all your contact information is up to date. The Alaska Chapter pulls its email list directly from the national office's database, so help us make sure that you’re not missing any news from the chapter.

Have Something to Contribute?

Do you have an idea for an article you’d like to contribute to the next newsletter? A news item to cover, topic to suggest, pictures from an Alaska event? Send them our way! E-mail content and ideas to the Chapter Office at ai-alaska@qwestoffice.net.

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