



I recently opened my email to see that another County Assessor has announced his retirement. Rob Wagner will have retired from Polk County by the time you read this. His departure will leave an opening for the next person to move up, which will allow someone else to fill that position and so on. This is not only happening at the higher levels of the Assessor's office but throughout our ranks. By the end of the year, my office will have lost a collective 65 years of residential appraisal experience over the last two years.

During the 2014 Summer Seminars opening session I asked all those in attendance, who planned to retire in the next 5 to 10 years to stand. Then I asked those with 5 to 10 years of experience to stand. There were more people standing from the first group than the second. The retirements will lead to great opportunities for those in the second group over the next ten years.

Assessing is a career that can take you as far as you want to go. For those who have not achieved your AMA or SAMA Designation, complete them soon and see how far you can grow.

Marvin Anderson, Past President, SAMA
Brooklyn Park City Assessor

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Personal Ad- Seeking

Energetic, ambitious and hard-working male or female to spend some quality, productive time with.....Now that we have your attention!!

The Nominating Committee is seeking a metro-area Candidate for 2nd Vice-President of the MAAO Executive Board for 2018. If you are interested in working with an organization that provides education and information to promote excellence in property appraisal and assessment administration through professional development with the highest ethical standards, then you are who we are "seeking".

Anyone from the metro-area interested in being a Candidate for 2nd Vice-President of MAAO Executive Board should contact:

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Department of Revenue Updates

Education Information

Ethics:

- All licensed MN assessors must attend one Ethics training **before July 1, 2020.**
- Multiple sessions will be offered over the next three years.
- MAAO will take registration and collect the \$75.00 fee.

PACE:

- New Format - 2 day, 15 hour offerings!
- PACE 1 will be offered in 2018
- PACE 2 will be offered in 2019
- AMA's and SAMA's **must complete both** PACE 1 and PACE 2 to receive full credit
- **Important:** assessors who were licensed at the AMA or SAMA level **on July 1, 2016** are required to take PACE

For more information, please review the May 5, 2017 memo that was sent to all assessors.

Education Highlights

[Instructor Training Workshop!](#)

For Current and Interested MAAO Instructors. May 31 and June 1 in St. Paul.

Other upcoming courses:

- Basic Ag - June 5th & 6th, 2017 in St. Cloud
- Advanced Ag - June 7th & 8th, 2017 in St. Cloud
- ALP - July 10-13, 2017 in St. Cloud

Ideas for the next Newsletter?

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Congrats Designees!

CMA

Roy Levitt, St. Louis County
Derek Lunser, Koochiching County
Lisa Olmen, Hennepin County
Jacob Packer, City of Brooklyn Park

CMAS

Kim Kirchoff, Renville County

AMA

Patricia Ecker, Ramsey County
Timothy Berggren, Washington County
Michelle Benson, City of Bloomington
Amy Weber, City of Minnetonka
Shane Larsen, Hennepin County

SAMA

Kristina Botzek, Sherburne County
Gianna Olson, Hennepin County
Scott Schutz, Anoka County
Jay Sowieja, Le Sueur County
Craig Swanson, Stevens County

Message from the State Board of Assessors

The board does not know what the fees will be for the license applications and renewals this year; the board will communicate the license costs as soon as they can, following legislative action.

Do you have ideas for
webinar topics? Send your
ideas to:

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Did you check out the Spring
Edition of [Equal Eyes](#) Yet?