# MAAO MiNute



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Dear MAAO membership,

I am looking forward to the amazing opportunity to serve as president of the MAAO. It's an incredible honor for me to lead and serve this great association of ours. Our continued success as a preeminent leader in assessment administration and education requires significant engagement of members through committees, working groups and volunteerism. My first priority is to fill the recently vacated Education Committee-Conference Content chair position. Other committee positions that are equally important are adding 1-2 members to the Education Steering Committee and a future Assistant Conference Coordinator when Tami Paulsen steps down in 2018-2019.

MAAO's U40/10 professional group was a huge success in 2017 and I'm hoping to continue this success but, I'll need your help. Please send me your ideas. The activities need to be fun, promote team-building and scalable for either a small or large group.

The 2017 IAAO Annual conference in Las Vegas was a incredible. Minnesota was well represented at the conferenced with 34 MAAO members at-

tending. There were 67 educational sessions offered over the course of three days. Instructors presented current trends or best practices in areas like Technology, Residential, C/I, Agriculture, International Issues, Management and Personal Development or Personal Property. I left each session having learned at least one new tip to bring back to Minneapolis!

At the conference closing ceremony, the Las Vegas Host Committee handed over the ceremonial "Key" to Rebecca and myself to symbolize the transfer of conference location. We are officially on the clock! Mark your calendar, the 2018 IAAO conference is coming to Minnesota next September 23-26, 2018.

In closing, the future is bright and this year is going to be exciting. There's so much to do and so many opportunities to get involved and be involved. What's your passion? Is it a Committee, a Conference, Legislation or Education? Get involved. Be the Change, Lead the Change!

Cheers!

Patrick Todd, MAAO President, Minneapolis City Assessor

# Sign up for the Basic Apartment Valuation Course Today!

### **Basic Apartment Valuation**

Monday, November 20 - Tuesday, November 21 in St. Cloud, MN

The MAAO Curriculum Committee along with a few other assessors have worked hard to update and enhance the current course to make sure the learners spend two days engaging in real world apartment data and develop practical skills they can use back in the office.

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## **Congrats Designees!**

#### **CMA**

Jacob Barvels, Kandiyohi
Eric Beier, Clearwater
Alex Bersie, Wright
Peter Blomquist, Isanti
Michael Czech, Kandiyohi
Rachel Espe, Cook
Gregory Hawkinson, Waseca
Alisa Jacobsen, Lake of the Woods
Christopher Larson, Murray & Pipestone
Brice Nelson, Wright
Pamela Reese, Douglas
Lynn Shuldes, Kandiyohi
Nicky Strain-Fillion, Mille Lacs
Greg Strauss, Washington
Krista Thoe, Sherburne

#### **CMAS**

Joel Dulski, Otter Tail

#### **AMA**

Thomas Brandt, Ramsey Steve Christenson, Douglas Braden Johnson, Hennepin Kent Smith, City of Bloomington Matt Tikkanen, Douglas

## **New PTCO Supervisor**

The department is pleased to announce that Justin Massmann filled the position of Property Tax Compliance Officer Supervisor! Justin's first day was September 1st!

## Ideas for the next Newsletter?

### Contact us at:

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## Write an article for Equal Eyes

Equal Eyes is always looking for a fresh perspective on topical items.

Submit your article to <a href="editor.mnmaao.org">editor.mnmaao.org</a> by December 1.

Need help getting started? The editorial committee is more than happy to help you each step of the way!

Contact <u>Jason Jorgensen</u> or <u>Lori Thingvold</u> with questions.

\$200 stipend for writing an article!

## **Help Wanted**

The **CIA Valuations and Tax Court Committees** are looking for members! Sign up and get involved today!

Contact Ann Miller for the Tax Court Committee and Brian Kieser for the CIA Valuations Committee today!

The Assessor Development Group needs

Form Report Mentors! Assist and encourage fellow assessors obtain their next license level!

Contact <a href="mailto:amy.rausch@state.mn.us">amy.rausch@state.mn.us</a> to become a mentor! Find more information at MAAO's <a href="mailto:Member's Home">Member's Home</a> page.

# **New Committee Chairs and Region Directors**

Residential Committee: Daryl Moeller, Chisago CIA Committee Chair: Joshua Johnsen, Olmsted Editorial Chair: Jason Jorgenson, Meeker Region 7 Director: Chris Odden, Todd Region 8 Director: Terrie Johnson, Mahnomen

Next MAAO Executive Board Meeting November 2 & 3

in St. Cloud