



NORTHEAST NEWS



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As President of the Northeast Regional Association of Assessing Officers, I would like to extend to all my friends and colleagues an invitation to the 2007 Annual Educational Conference.

It is with great pride and joy that we ask all our friends of the NRAAO to join us in **Newport, Rhode Island from April 29th to May 3rd, 2007.** This year's home site for the conference will be the historic Hotel Viking located at One Bellevue Avenue in Newport.

The Rhode Island Association of Assessing Officers and Host Committee has been hard at work to make this a memorable conference for all. This year's conference theme "*Explore the World of Taxation*" will feature many educational opportunities for all attendees. The RIAAO is also excited about the fact that we have put together forty-five total hours of continuing education. Included in the educational offerings are two IAAO one-day workshops as well as the USPAP renewal class.

Monday afternoon will feature an NRAAO first as we will be hosting a global web cast on the topic of "*Hotel Valuation*". This session will be given by a panel of some of the most renowned speakers on hotel valuation in all of North America.

Many vendors will also be present at the conference to talk

about their products & services and to display to you their newest systems. Sunday night and Monday morning are dedicated times to meet with our vendors.

A Rhode Island conference would not be complete without an outstanding social calendar. Rhode Island is happy to announce that the Lobster Bake will be once again available to the first 150 people to sign up. The Annual Golf Tournament will take place at the Green Valley Country Club, a site that has served as a PGA qualifying course that has many breathtaking and challenging holes.

This is just the tip of the iceberg of what is being planned for the Spring Conference. Mark your calendars and fill out your registration forms today for a great educational experience in a social networking environment.

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RI 2007 Host Committee:

- Conference Chair - Linda L. Cwiek
- Registration - Kenneth M. Mallette Jr.
- Vendors - Suzanne Kogut
- Education - Linda L. Cwiek
- Golf Committee Co-Chairs -
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- Program Booklet - Karen S. Beattie
- Hospitality - Patricia Acquaviva-Aubin
- Lobster Bake Co-Chairs - Julie Coelho
& Evelyn Spagnolo

October 27, 2006 BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The NRAAO Board of Directors and Committees met at the Radisson Airport Hotel in RI to discuss the Association's business. Here are some highlights from that meeting:

Membership Committee Dottie Krietz (NJ) reported 26 new active members and 2 new subscribing members since the spring conference. Total membership is now at 397 members. After discussion it was decided to ask NRAAO Representatives to assist the Membership Committee with contacting unpaid members. Annual dues notices will be mailed out in January.

Budget Advisory - Audit Committee Tom Glock (NJ) gave a detailed report regarding the Association's operating budget. A proposal to increase annual dues by \$5 for regular members and \$10 for affiliates was approved in order to help bring the budget in balance. Some of the estimated budget expenditures were adjusted to reflect actual expenses, which brought the remaining projected deficit in balance.

Education Committee Linda Cwiek (RI) reported that her committee is working on the Spring Conference Classes, but the final schedule was not available yet. There will be an offering of two IAAO Workshops, the USPAP renewal class, and a web-cast panel discussion on Hotel Valuation.

Awards Committee The Past Presidents were asked to meet and discuss the *Kay Pardee Award* to be presented in

the Spring. They will also need to submit nominations for the *Richard Prendergast Lifetime Achievement Award* and a bio of the nominated recipients to Donna Ralston (CT) for review by her committee.

Scholarship Committee Viviane Valentine (RI) reported that the ten 2006 scholarship recipients and two alternate winners have been notified. All full conference registrants that are also NRAAO members in good standing are eligible for the annual random drawing.

Newsletter Karen Beattie (RI) will work with the Association's Webmaster, David McMullen (NH), to get the past and future newsletters archived on the website. They will also work on getting the newsletter into a paperless format.

Conference Advisory & Subcommittees

New York 2008 - Tom Frey introduced Larry Quinn, who will be nominated as NRAAO Vice President at the Spring Conference. The New York Conference dates are May 4th to the 8th, 2008 at the Lake Placid Hilton.

Maryland 2009 - Jim Soresi reported that the 2009 Conference will be held in Ocean City. More information will be presented in the Spring.

Maine - 2010 - Paul Lesperance reported that a conference site has not been determined yet, but Maine is pleased to host the 2010 Conference.

NEWPORT 2007 EDUCATION:

Monday, April 30th

- Hotel Valuation Seminar
- Public Relations and Customer Service

Tuesday, May 1st

- IAAO Forum 907 - Valuation of Wireless Communication Towers & Sites
- USPAP - Appraisal Foundation Renewal Class
- Public Relations and Customer Service
- Valuation of Properties with Unique Problems

Wednesday, May 2nd

- IAAO Forum 932 - Restructuring Income & Expense Statements
- Wind Farm Valuation in the Northeast, Early Stages of an Evolving Technology
- Practical GIS for Assessors
- Measuring Accrued Depreciation - Physical, Functional & Economic
- Personal Property Assessments - Basics of Personal Property

Monday, April 30th Two afternoon sessions will run concurrently from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. Choose from the Hotel Valuation session which will be broadcast live over the internet and will feature a panel of the hotel industry's leading professionals on the subject. Or, attend the Public Relations class, focusing on why good PR is necessary in the Assessor's Office, how to develop a PR plan, and public speaking.

Tuesday, May 1st Two all-day workshops are being offered from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm with a 1-hour break for lunch. IAAO Forum 907 will be given by Mr. Gary McCabe, CAE while the USPAP renewal class will be taught by Mr. Les Pruitt. If you didn't catch Monday's PR Class, here's your chance to learn about Public Relations in the Assessor's Office on Tuesday morning from 8:30 am to noon. One afternoon session will round out the day on the topic of Valuing Properties with Unique Problems, such as mold or other contaminants, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm.

Wednesday, May 2nd One all-day IAAO workshop will run from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm on Income & Expense. Two morning sessions will run concurrently from 8:30 am to noon on the topics of Wind Farms and GIS. After the lunch break, two final sessions are scheduled from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm on Measuring Depreciation and also on Personal Property.

Northeast Regional Association of Assessing Officers
April 29-May 3, 2007 at the Hotel Viking in Newport, RI
Registration Form

Please type or print clearly, the information supplied will appear on your name badge:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Title: _____

Community/Business: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Business Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Fax Number: _____ Email: _____

Companion/Spouse Registration Information:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Hotel Registration is separate! – For Room Reservation Contact the Hotel at 1-800-556-7126
Mention NRAAO 2007 for conference rate \$149.00/night (plus tax)
Full registrations please include sweatshirt size: S M L XL XXL

CONFERENCE FEES:	Early Registration Before 3/23/2007	Registration 3/24/2007 and after
FULL REGISTRATION (includes all Regular Classes, Opening Reception, Post Webcast Reception, Awards Breakfast, Coffee Breaks, and Wednesday Cocktail Party & Closing Banquet)	\$195	\$225
COMPANION REGISTRATION (includes same as above)	\$115	\$125
MONDAY (includes Awards Breakfast, Regular Classes, and Post Webcast Reception)	\$100	\$125
TUESDAY (includes Regular Classes, Coffee Breaks)	\$75	\$75
WEDNESDAY (includes Regular Classes, Coffee Breaks)	\$75	\$75
IAAO CLASSES (for materials) Tuesday - Forum 907 Wednesday - Forum 932	\$50 \$50	
USPAP CLASS (for materials) - Tuesday	\$55	
RHODE ISLAND LOBSTER BAKE - Tuesday PM	\$75	
GOLF TOURNAMENT - Tuesday AM	\$85 separate form	
EXTRA BANQUET TICKET - Wednesday PM	\$50	
BOOSTER AD	\$10	

Make Checks payable to **“RIAAO/NRAAO 2007”**
 and return by **March 23, 2007** to:
 City of Warwick Assessor’s Office Attn: Kenneth M. Mallette, Jr.
 3275 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886

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and conference info!**

2007 NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND
April 29 to May 3 - Conference At A Glance

Sunday 4/29/2007

Registration, Board of Director's Meeting
Opening Reception With our Vendors

Monday 4/30/2007

Annual Meeting & Awards Breakfast
Vendor Booths & Demonstrations
Educational Session & Hotel Valuation Webcast
Post-Webcast Reception

Tuesday 5/1/2007

Golf Tournament at Green Valley CC
Educational Sessions
IAAO Workshop & USPAP Course
*R.I. Lobster Bake by McGrath's
at the First Beach Rotonda*

Wednesday 5/2/2007

Educational Sessions & IAAO Workshop
Pre-Banquet Cocktail Party
Closing Banquet & Installation of 2007/2008 Officers
"The Studio C Band"

IAAO IN NEWPORT, RI APRIL 29-MAY 3, 2007

Mr. Marion R. Johnson, CAE will be the Keynote Speaker at our Monday Annual Meeting and Awards Breakfast. Mr. Johnson is the County Appraiser of Douglas County, Kansas and the President of IAAO.

Featured Instructors: Mr. Rick Stuart, CAE and Mr. Gary McCabe, CAE are both active members of IAAO and contributing members of various IAAO Committees.

Mark your Calendars!
Future NRAAO Conference Sites and Dates

2008 - NEW YORK
May 4 - May 8
Lake Placid Hilton

2010 - MAINE

2011 - CONNECTICUT

2009 - MARYLAND
May 17 - May 21
Ocean City

2012 - MASSACHUSETTS