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Alberta Assessors' Association 55th Annual Conference April 20-April 24, 2015

Sharing Solutions

Sheraton Cavalier
2620 32nd Avenue NE
Calgary, Alberta T1Y 6B8
Phone: 403-291-0107



To make your guest room reservation(s) [click here](#)

At publication time, we continue to finalize details for the educational offerings. Following is a list of planned courses/subject matter at this time:

Pre-Conference

Mon., Apr 20
Valuation of Big Box Properties
Residential Modelling (2-day course)
Tower Assessment 101
Tues, Apr 21
The Asset Life Cycle, Cost Estimating
and the CCRG 2005
Development of Cap Rates
Worksafe III

Conference

Thurs, Apr 23
COPTER
GIS Integration
Time Adjustments
Fri, Apr 24
Introduction to Farmland
Dealing with Difficult People
Worksafe I
Compliance Reviews 299/300

Changes may occur as confirmations occur on additions.

Retirement Celebration for Suzette DeMott



**Thursday, February 19, 2015
3:00 to 6:00 P.M.
City of Airdrie Council Chambers
400 Main Street S.E.**

Please join friends and colleagues in celebration of Suzette's retirement after 28+ years in the Assessment profession. She was employed from 1986 to 1998 with the City of Calgary, and from 1998 to 2014 with City of Airdrie as the City Assessor. Come and share some stories and laughs and wish her well as she begins the next chapter of her life.

Call for Nominations

The Nominating Committee (NC) has been busy these last few weeks putting names together for a slate for the upcoming Executive Committee. Vacancies to be filled for the 2015/16 Executive are the Rural Director (a two year term); the Vice President (a one year term); and, President-Elect (a three-year commitment, one year as PE, one year as President and one year as Past President). While nominations from the floor are welcome, the Nominating Committee does like to have a full slate of officers to "advertise" and report to the Executive prior to the Annual General Meeting. The Committee has advised that nominations for President-Elect are proving a wee bit of a challenge and the Committee wishes the membership to know all suggestions are welcome - even if a member wants his or her own name to stand.

Contact Angel, Past President and Chair at asvennes@mdtaber.ab.ca or NC members Alison (alison@aag-gis.com) or Terry Willoughby (t.willoughby@telus.net) with questions or suggestions.

The Executive Committee meets about twice every quarter (about 8 times per year). Two meetings are in-person, but most are by teleconference. The President and President-Elect share "official" appearances as well and the Vice President fills in where or as needed. All members of the Executive Committee have an equal voice at meetings.



CPTA Educational Seminar

Presentations include Ethics in Business as it relates to Valuation (with real-time interactive polling), Western Canada Legal Updates, MGB Function and Current Training Guidelines, City of Edmonton Downtown Redevelopment Plan, Provincial Government Updates, Marine Safety (relating to the proposed O&G pipelines), and more.

Venue: Bankers Hall in downtown Calgary

Date: March 9 & 10, 2015

For more information please contact Darla Lowe at (403) 766-4882 or Trevor Selanders at (403) 514-6554.

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Upcoming Events

Feb 10 - Oral Examinations

Feb 16 - Family Day

Feb 28 - Rolls In (for 418 of 420 jurisdictions with approximately 50% of the population of Alberta)

Mar 1 - New Membership Year - Just a reminder, dues have increased for some membership categories

Mar 2 - GIS/CAMA Technologies Conference, Oklahoma City

Mar 9 - CPTA Western Chapter Educational Seminar, Banker's Hall, Calgary

Mar 10 - Unconfirmed Oral Examination Date

Welcome New Candidate Members

(November 2014)

New Candidates

- ⇒ with the City of Edmonton: Vinicio Bazzaglia; Amish Anand; Stephanie McDonnell; Robert Sher; Justin So; and, Ezekiel Jolowo
- ⇒ With the City of Calgary: Jonathon Chu; Donald Bruno; Mark Trimble; Dallas Eng; Thomas Ludlow; Ray Lee
- ⇒ With Accurate Assessment: Josh McMillan (a returning member)
- ⇒ With Red Deer County: Tricia Ploc

(January 27)

New Candidates

- ⇒ With the City of Calgary: Kristen Ivinne, Scott Sample
- ⇒ With RM Wood Buffalo: Holly Stinson
- ⇒ With the City of Airdrie: Larry Laverty (a former member now back in the fold)

Congratulations Newly Accredited Members

(November 2014)

- ⇒ With the City of Calgary: Kristine Haut, AMAA
- ⇒ With the Town of Cochrane: Maureen Cleary, AMAA

(January 27)

- ⇒ With the City of Calgary: Shelly Turner, AMAA; and Dan Satoor, AMAA
- ⇒ With the City of Red Deer: Stephen Beveridge, AMAA
- ⇒ With Lac Ste Anne County: Ryan Sweeney, AMAA
- ⇒ With Mountain View County: Michael Krieger, AMAA

New and Noteworthy

The Practice Review Committee (PRC) has approved the reviews of two Practicing Assessment in Alberta (PAAH) modules. Apartment/Multi-Res and Manufactured Homes/Communities are now current and available to members on the secure Documents page.

PRC and reviewers are planning to have an “Updates” session at the Fall Symposium.

End of Membership Year

Is your profile up-to-date on the website? If you’ve changed jobs and have a new email and haven’t updated, you won’t receive your membership renewal notice! We still see so many blank profiles or blanks in profiles. Employers often remove email addresses as soon as a resignation becomes effective, so the “click here” prompt for forgotten passwords won’t work. This happens often and we understand everyone has a lot to think about when they make professional and personal changes, but we encourage you to include this on your list of things to do when you move (work or home).

Just a couple reminders:

Accredited, Candidate and Associate membership dues will increase effective March 1, as follows:

Accredited.....	\$450.00 (effective Mar 1, 2015)
Candidate.....	\$375.00 (effective Mar 1, 2015)
Associate	\$375.00 (effective Mar 1, 2015)

(all others remain the same).

This is the last year of the re-certification cycle for Accredited members. Please review Policy 60-3, Mandatory Re-Certification for information. Newly accredited members do not have to fulfill the full 50 credit requirement; they have pro-rated requirements. Finally, the 2014 audit found some minor errors in reporting and members have or will be notified.

Employment Opportunities

New postings since the last eClipboard

- ⇒ **Chief Assessor** - Saddle Hills County
- ⇒ **Assessor II** - City of Grande Prairie
- ⇒ **Assessor III** - City of Grande Prairie

For links to postings, please visit the Association website **Employment** page.

Did you know...

Family Day 2015 in Canada

Here’s how to write Legislation:

FAMILY DAY ACT R.S.A 2000 Chapter F-4

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

Family Day

1 In recognition of the importance of the family, the 3rd Monday in February in each year shall be observed as a public holiday and known as “Alberta Family Day”.

1989 cF-1.5 s1

According to website “daveberta.ca” *The annual Family Day long-weekend is something that many Albertans look forward to. The many Albertans who take the holiday on the third Monday of February for granted may be surprised to know that the idea of creating Family Day generated some controversy when it was first introduced in 1989. It may be his greatest legacy as Premier, but when **Don Getty** introduced the **Family Day Act** on June 1, 1989, it generated some intense debate on the floor of the Legislative Assembly.*

<http://daveberta.ca/2010/02/albertas-great-family-day-debate-of-1989/>