

SOUTHERN IDAHO CHAPTER OF THE APPRAISAL INSTITUTE

Newsletter

President's Letter

Annual Meeting Discounted Registration Ends Soon

There's less than a month left to receive the best available registration rate for the Appraisal Institute Annual Meeting, to be held July 27-29 in Dallas.

The 2015 AI Annual Meeting will feature a wide variety of panel discussions and will provide opportunities for networking, continuing education (with the chance to earn Appraisal Institute and state continuing education credit), an awards dinner, vendor exhibits and plenty of options to explore Dallas.

Learn more about the [2015 AI Annual Meeting](#) and [register](#) by May 22 to receive a special discounted rate. Also, be sure to follow the Annual Meeting conversation on Twitter (#AIConnect15).

Photographer Dewitt Jones to Keynote AI Annual Meeting

The Appraisal Institute announced February 18 that Dewitt Jones, a *National Geographic* magazine photographer, author and Academy Award-nominated film director, will be the keynote speaker at its 2015

Annual Meeting, which takes place July 27-29 in Dallas.

Jones will talk about the creative process and how it helped shape his professional career, including 20 years at *National Geographic*, shooting advertising campaigns for such clients as United Airlines and Dewar's Scotch, earning two Academy Award nominations and authoring nine books.

The Appraisal Institute Annual Meeting will feature a wide variety of panel discussions, and provide opportunities for networking, continuing education (with the chance to earn Appraisal Institute continuing education credit and state CE credit), an awards dinner, exhibits and numerous options for exploring the city of Dallas.

Registration will open March 3 and there's a special rate in effect through March 30. Also, be sure to follow the Annual Meeting conversation on Twitter (#AIConnect15).

Learn more about the [AI Annual Meeting](#) and register.

EDUCATION

Upcoming Meetings & Events

7-Hour National
USPAP Update Course

January 12th, 2015

Only \$149 for members.

Washington Group Plaza
Boise, Idaho

It helps the Chapter to have members sign up early for local education.

If you are interested in attending this class please register as soon as possible.

Please contact:

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for 2015 at:**

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Designations

Congratulations to
Drew Owen, MAI
for receiving his
Designation.



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AI Political Action Committee Contributions Expand Significantly

I am pleased to report that changes to the annual dues invoice approved by the AI Board of Directors - and AI professionals' generosity - have resulted in a sizable increase in contributions to the Appraisal Institute Political Action Committee.

For the first four months of the 2015 invoice cycle, the Appraisal Institute PAC has raised more than \$93,000. Compared to two years ago, contributions have almost quadrupled. And the greatest growth has been in individual donations, which can be used directly for political campaign contributions.

Thank you for your generosity! The Appraisal Institute PAC is a key element of AI's government relations activities, helping our organization support candidates for federal elected office who understand our profession's importance. I also would like to thank those who are participating in the [AI PAC Presidential Club](#), a recognition program for individuals who have contributed at least \$500 to the Appraisal Institute PAC during the two-year congressional cycle (2015-16).

Appraisal Institute Publishes New Book

The Appraisal Institute announced April 23 that it had published "Review Theory and Procedures: A Systematic Approach to Review in Real Property Valuation." The book provides practitioners with a comprehensive model of the review function and describes how to integrate and organize the various tasks involved in a review assignment.

The 132-page, softcover book is available for \$60 (\$45 for AI professionals) plus shipping. [Order your copy today.](#)

AI Expands 'Green' Education Offerings

The Appraisal Institute on April 14 announced that it has extended its partnership with Build It Green, a California-based "green" building organization enabling more valuation professionals to take relevant education courses.

Learn more about [this partnership and AI's other green initiatives.](#)