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Hello North Star Members,

As we move into late June, I thought it best to provide an update on events that impact our Chapter. The most notable has been the approval for the creation of a new Appraisal Institute Chapter, which will combine North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming. In early 2023, after much consideration of member surveys, including emails and phone calls, the North Star Executive Board and Board of Directors voted to approve North Dakota and portions of South Dakota leaving to join the new Wyoming, North Dakota, and South Dakota Chapter. Members who live within the former North Star territory will be given the option to either remain with North Star or join the new chapter. For those members, please watch your emails for instructions from National.

As usual, both Byron Miller, SRA, AI-RRS and Brett Hall, MAI, SRA, have been providing excellent education for our Chapter. Byron especially has been presenting the Bias in Appraising course, which meets the Minnesota requirement for bias class hours. I strongly encourage our members to sign up for this class; the next available offering is July 14, 2023.

On June 9, we held the 24th Annual Real Estate Trends Seminar at Midland Hills Country Club in Roseville. We had a strong turnout with attendees receiving appraisal, real estate, assessor, and legal continuing education credit. Special thanks should be given to all the team members who helped coordinate speakers, submitted information, and organized the venue. I want to highlight Andrew Totzke, MAI and Byron Miller, SRA, AI-RRS who both spent countless hours making this year's Trends a success!

Continuing from 2022, the North Star Chapter sponsored three members to attend the Leadership Development and Advisory Council (LDAC) meetings in Washington DC in May. The members who attended, Sam Adesiji, SRA, Solomon Akanki, and Erin Waytas, MAI, discussed a wide variety of appraisal topics with National Appraisal Institute leadership and met with Congress representatives' support staff to express and explain the ever-changing needs of the appraisal industry as it relates to government oversight. If any members would like to attend LDAC, please reach out to Sam, Solomon, Erin, or Doug for more information.

Finally, I would like to encourage our members to consider volunteering in our Chapter! There are many opportunities that allow for service to the Appraisal Institute from being on the Board of Directors, serving on the Executive Committee, or becoming an education instructor. If any members would like to become more involved, please reach out to myself or Doug for more information.

I hope everyone's summer is going well; make sure to get outside and enjoy the weather!

Ethan Waytas, MAI

2023 North Star Chapter President

Upcoming Chapter Education and Meetings

- * July 10-13: [Basic Appraisal Principles](#)
- * July 14: [What's Your Slant - Bias in Appraising](#)
- * July 14: [82B & Me](#)
- * August 7-10: [Basic Appraisal Procedures](#)
- * July 28: [Business Practices and Ethics](#)
- * September 8: [Supervisory Appraiser/Trainee Appraiser Course](#)
- * December 15: [Supervisory Appraiser/Trainee Appraiser Course](#)
- * February 5-8, 2024: [General Appraiser Cost Approach and Site Valuation](#)
- * February 9: [Inconsistency: It's Hiding in Plain Sight - Commercial Appraisal](#)
- * February 26-March 1, 2024: [Advanced Income Approach](#)

Additional classes are added throughout the year.



AI News

Congratulation to our new designees for 2023!

- Kari Rageth, MAI
- Eric Nycklemoe, MAI

[Fed Chair Powell sees progress on inflation, though not quickly enough: AP](#)

[White House Unveils New Tactics to Address Appraiser Bias: White House](#)

[Home Values Decline in April, Redfin Reports: REDFIN](#)

Job Opportunities

Check out available positions at our [Career Opportunities](#) page with one new posting.
