



# Staying Appraised

## FLORIDA CHAPTER CLINCHES CHAPTER OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR THE 19TH TIME

Well, we did it again! We are now the chapter with the most wins in this category...19. Of course, we know we are the best, however, it is always nice to get recognition for the hard work our chapter board and members put in each year. Thank you to our members who are always pushing us to be better!

We also had several IAAO Certificates of Excellence in Assessment Administration (CEAA) conferred at the conference to jurisdictions in Florida. St. Lucie County, Osceola County and Alachua County were all recognized for this distinction. This was St. Lucie's first time receiving this recognition, and Osceola's second time receiving the honor. Alachua County has now been recognized three times for this accomplishment. Alachua County was the first jurisdiction in Florida to earn this honor from IAAO.

IAAO recognizes governmental units involved with assessment that integrate best practices in the workplace. If interested in pursuing this award, jurisdictions should review all of the materials on the website at [www.iaao.org](http://www.iaao.org) and direct questions to [excellence@iaao.org](mailto:excellence@iaao.org).



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



*Brian Loughrey, CFE*

Now that the TRIM calls have waned, we all have just enough time to catch our breath before the VAB season begins. At least we have the NFL to keep us going on Sundays.

I hope you had a chance to attend the IAAO conference in Tampa recently. Hon. Bob Henriquez and the entire Local Host Committee were wonderful stewards of this annual event. The conference featured an excellent educational program with many great speakers; the committee held a social event on the Yacht Starship and by all accounts a good time was had by all. As I have said before, the peers you meet at these conferences will help you the rest of your career. I really encourage all to attend educational conferences for this reason. I know there are professional networks online like LinkedIn, but nothing can substitute face-to-face meetings.

At the Awards banquet, I had the privilege of accepting the Outstanding Chapter/Affiliate award on behalf of the Florida Chapter. It marked the 19th time our Chapter has won this award; by far the most of any other chapter or affiliate. Several of our Executive Board members also took home awards. Our Vice President, Tracy Drake, was awarded the Member of the Year award, and Board Member Pat Alessandrini was awarded the John C. Donehoo Award along with his co-author, Chapter member Tim Wilmath.

Next up for the Florida Chapter is the Tangible Personal Property Seminar in Lake Mary. This event has been held in December in recent years, but this year the TPP Committee polled their constituents and they voted to move the seminar to January to better accommodate schedules at work and around the holidays. Our annual conference will be at the Hutchinson Island Marriott Beach Resort & Marina, April 26-28th. The Board decided to alter the educational

track schedule slightly by shortening each session and adding more topics.

We would love to have new members step up and assist our membership by speaking on the topic of their expertise. Several members expressed interest in exemption related topics, appraisal of land, agriculture, emerging appraisal technologies and office procedures (among others). Please contact anyone on the Executive Board or a committee to express your interest in these areas or any other topic you feel our members would be interested in.

Respectfully,

Brian Loughrey

FCIAAO President, 2016-2017



## IAAO EDUCATIONAL CALENDAR

IAAO 101 Fundamentals of Real Estate Appraisal	Lake Mary	December 5-9
IAAO 300 Fundamentals of Mass Appraisal	Lake Mary	December 5-9
IAAO 311 Residential Modeling Concepts	Lake Mary	December 5-9
IAAO 500 Assessment of Personal Property	Lake Mary	December 5-9
FACM 01 Mathematics for the Cadastralist	Lake Mary	December 5-9
IAAO Workshop 552 Basic Personal Property Auditing	Lake Mary	January 23-25

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT....

If you were not able to attend the IAAO Annual conference this year in Tampa, you missed an award-winning piece of film. Click the link below to enjoy!

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4aR\\_verXhE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4aR_verXhE)



## FROM THE PEANUT GALLERY

GUEST COLUMNIST BRUCE STRENGTH, CFE

I remember when I was a child we sang a song that included the words—"the more we get together the happier we will be." As I think about the Florida Chapter of IAAO I realize that the song has certain implications for all of us. The more we get together the better we become. As professionals it is always good to meet and share with others who face the same daily challenges in the workplace as we do. If you have heard a presentation or had a conversation with someone, the answer you need may be one you already have. I know people in Property Appraiser's Offices all over the state and a lot of them know me. When questions or situations arise I can always call someone I know for help and some of them call me. The bottom line is that education is always a good thing. If you can educate yourself and have a little fun at the same time; then that is a win-win situation.



It has been over ten years since I wrote those words for the FCIAAO newsletter. The beard is whiter and the head is balding, but the truth of those words is still there. The world we live in has become smaller, the news is on 24 hours a day and a lot of people spend their time keeping up with somebody or something "electronically". Do not misunderstand; I am happy that we live in a day and time of great scientific, medical and technological advancement. I am also aware that the human, person to person contact is vitally important as we go about our personal and professional lives. Remember that the next great idea that you need may already exist in one of your colleague's head.

So, where does that leave us? This time next year I will be among the "baby boomer" retirees. However, most of you will still be preparing a tax roll, working with taxpayers and doing the other things that are required of you. I urge you, as you go along to take the opportunity to attend some of the conference or seminar offerings from Florida Chapter. Get to know and appreciate those who are in effect your co-workers in our chosen profession. Pick their brains and then let them pick back.

## 30TH FLORIDA CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING – HUTCHINSON ISLAND

Mark your calendars for the 2017 Florida Chapter IAAO Annual Conference taking place on **April 26-28, 2017** at the Marriott Hutchinson Island. We will be celebrating our 30th Anniversary, so you will not want to miss what we have in store. Keep watching your e-mail for more info!



**2017 FCIAAO TPP Seminar**



The TPP Seminar will be held at the Westin Lake Mary, Orlando North, January 23rd through the 27th. This year we will offer a 2 ½ day educational seminar with sessions provided by our Tangible Personal Property Steering Committee. Topics will range from industry updates to office best practices to our always informative round table discussions.

	<b>TPP Workshop 552</b>	<b>FCIAAO –TPP Seminar</b>
<b>When:</b>	January 23-25,2017	January 25-27,2017
<b>Cost FCIAAO Member</b>	\$275*	\$55
<b>Cost Non-Member</b>	\$305*	\$85
<b>Deadline to Register:</b>	January 2, 2017	January 2, 2017
<b>Late Registration:</b>	\$10 additional fee	\$10 additional fee

*\*Cost includes price of any materials for Workshop 552*

**Hotel Info:**

The Westin Lake Mary, Orlando North  
 2974 International Pkwy  
 Lake Mary, Florida 32746  
 (800) 937-8461

Please click link below for Reservations or call (800) 937-8461 and reference the "TPP Seminar Room Block" <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1607293108&key=1262846F>

**Hotel Room Rate:**

\$119 Single - includes breakfast voucher \*  
 \$131 Double - includes breakfast voucher \*

There are a limited number of rooms available at the discounted rate when reservations are made by January 2, 2017.

\*Rates include one hot breakfast voucher per registered guest per day. Breakfast will be served daily in Shula's 347 Grill. Breakfast vouchers will be provided to each guest at check-in. Each guest must present their voucher in the Shula's 347 Grill at the time of ordering. Lost vouchers will not be replaced.

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: MIKE RUSSO, RES, CFE

**Name:** Joseph "Mike" Russo

**County:** Monroe

### **What do you do for the PA?**

Mike is the Appraisal Supervisor overseeing the field appraisers throughout the county. In addition he assists in valuation and Value Adjustment Board Hearings.

### **How long have you been employed by the PA?**

Almost 7 years. Mike Started in the Key West Office in January of 2010 as residential appraiser. He was promoted to a supervisory position in 2013.



*Mike Russo, RES, CFE*

### **What do you like most about your job?**

There are so many things Mike states he likes about this job. "I suppose the main thing I like is how much I am growing and learning with my current position. I have been in the appraisal field for over 20 years now, with about 15 of those on the "fee" side. There are many parallels but, just as many differences. I find mass appraisal a bit more challenging, yet more rewarding."

### **What do you find challenging about your job?**

Appraising 91,000 parcels, through a chain of islands connected by a single highway, 45 bridges which spans about 105 miles long and about a half-mile wide....all with handful of appraisers.

### **Where were you born?**

Mike was born right in beautiful Key West, Florida where he has spent all but 10 years of his life.

### **What was your first job?**

Mike's first job was as a "Dinnerware Sanitation Engineer" at the Black Angus restaurant in Key West. He stayed in the restaurant industry for years, including managing establishments. He decided he needed a career change and became an independent appraiser prior to being hired by the Property Appraiser's Office.

### **What was your best vacation ever?**

About 28 years ago, Mike's family and his ex-wife's family all took a trip to the Smokey Mountains and needless to say, it was a chain of disasters! It culminated with an encounter with a pretty insulting and disrespectful Inn Keeper. "We can't go back to Maggie Valley. We have laughed quite a bit over the years reflecting back on it."



In more recent years, he spent a week on the Big Island of Hawaii with his better half. He definitely would like to do that trip again.

### What are your hobbies?

There is no surprise Mike is an avid boater, fisherman, diver and kayaker having the beautiful waters of Key West in his backyard. He also enjoys biking and running (knee permitting). He has competed in numerous marathons, triathlons and Iron Man competitions over the years. This year he has embarked on becoming a referee for youth sports in Key West.

### Do you have any advice for new Property Appraiser employees?

If you do not enjoy what you are doing, get out and find something you do enjoy. If you do enjoy what you are doing, immerse yourself in it. Make a point to learn all you can in manners which will help you improve your skills. Join IAAO and pursue designations. Never stop learning and advancing yourself.

### What do you plan to do when you retire?

Formula for retirement:  $R=(H+3)X 4.75$ . Where R=Retirement and H=Hobbies.



## APPRAISAL TERMINOLOGY 101

**SUPERADEQUACY**— A feature of a property exceeding in quality or amount the corresponding feature in a typical property of the same use. Superinsulation is one example. Superadequacies fall into the larger category of functional obsolescence.

Source: Glossary for Property Appraisal and Assessment.

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**TRACY DRAKE, CAE, RES, AAS, CFE RECEIVES IAAO MEMBER OF THE YEAR**



*Honorable Roger Suggs presents Tracy Drake with the IAAO Member of the Year Award at the 82nd International Association of Assessing Officers Annual Conference in Tampa. Congratulations, Tracy!*

**CEAA RECIPIENTS– IAAO CONFERENCE TAMPA 2016**



St. Lucie County Property Appraiser



Osceola County Property Appraiser



Alachua County Property Appraiser





## IAAO CONFERENCE: TAMPA 2016



(Left) Honorable Bob Henriquez, Hillsborough County, addresses the attendees at the Opening Session.



Members of the FCIAAO Executive Board with the Chapter of the Year award. (Director Ken Pennington, President Brian Loughrey, 2nd Vice President Katie Casey, Director Dee Dee Harnish, Treasurer Justin Edwards, Past President Todd Finlayson and Vice President Tracy Drake)



Tim Wilmath & Pat Alessandrini, Hillsborough County, won the John C. Donehoo Essay Award for their article titled "Thinking Outside the Big Box". [http://www.iaao.org/media/Topics/HBU/FE\\_Nov\\_Big\\_Box.pdf](http://www.iaao.org/media/Topics/HBU/FE_Nov_Big_Box.pdf)



Honorable Katrina Scarbrough & Honorable Bob Henriquez, were presenters of "A Tale of Two Counties", one of the many education sessions during the conference.



Tim Wilmath & Michael Chaves enjoy the Welcome Reception at The Florida Aquarium.

# DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TOOLS- GIS/IT COMMITTEE



**ARE YOU READY?**

**Get a Plan!**

**Lake County Property Appraiser uses App for Damage Assessment Data Collection.**

Article by: Michael Prestidge, CCF, CFE, Chief Deputy  
Representing the Honorable Carey Baker, CFA, Lake County Property Appraiser



## Background Information

The State of Florida's 67 Property Appraisers are not only responsible for the fair and equitable ad valorem assessment of all property within their counties, most play a critical role whenever a man-made or natural disaster occurs by performing the Initial Damage Assessment in accordance with Florida's State Emergency Response Team (SERT) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) guidelines pursuant to FEMA's Individual Assistance (IA) program.

The Property Appraiser fulfills this role as part of an Emergency Support Function (ESF) with their county's Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The Lake County Property Appraiser (LCPA) is responsible for ESF Station 19: Damage Assessment.

To complete the Initial Damage Assessment, the Property Appraiser's staff coordinate with EOC staff to canvass the geographical area of the event and record specific information about the affected (and sometimes unaffected) properties.

Until recently, the Initial Damage Assessment had been performed manually, for each property, using a paper form. (If you've ever tried it, you know that paper doesn't work too good in heavy rain bands following some events.)

**Example: Old Paper Damage Assessment Form**

**TORNADO DAMAGE RATING, SCALE AND PERCENTAGE OF BUILDING VALUE**

PERCENTAGE IS OF THE IMPROVEMENT OR BUILDING'S REPLACEMENT COST NEW

0 = NO DAMAGE	0%	Example: 150,000 FCIM building value
1 = AFFECTED	25%	37,500 for minor damage
2 = MINOR	30%	45,000 Estimated damage loss
3 = MAJOR	70%	
4 = DESTROYED	100%	
5 = LEVELED	100%	

**DEFINITIONS:**

- NO DAMAGE** - Property inspected from 1000 to have been touched or affected in any way but is located in or near the path of the storm.
- AFFECTED** - Property visited by the tornado and is located (one driven damaged roof dangle, damage shed, lawn, etc) but number of small repairs is more. The loss is trivial and can not have been damaged but a marked affected because of possible further serious damage requires.
- MINOR** - Home has minor damage to roof or structure and/or is undamaged. Minor repairs are needed before home can be occupied.
- MAJOR** - Home has structural damage and is undamaged. Structure has collapsed areas and is has been protected through the roof or walls with extensive structural damage. Home is temporarily not livable. May or may not be repairable.
- DESTROYED** - Home is total loss. Structure is lost but repairable.
- LEVELED** - Home is gone and is not repairable. Not able to identify what was lost.

Please use this rating of 1, 2 or 3 may have more damage than could be seen unless of inspection and a complete building inspection is required to determine damage if find the home total. This is especially true for mobile homes.

## PAPER - - NO MORE!!! We Got a Plan!

In late 2014, the LCPA conducted extensive research into field data collection apps. We chose a product called Fulcrum and developed, in-house, a custom web-based Damage Assessment Data Collection App based on SERT and FEMA requirements. The initial development was accomplished in a couple of days by one of our GIS Cadastralist/Analysts. We chose to have a cadastralist handle the development because of the need to use a third party product called "TileMill" to "tile" and cache our aerial imagery and parcel line data at different scales within Fulcrum.

Fulcrum is a map-centric multi-platform app created by Spatial Networks in St Petersburg, Florida. Fulcrum allows the individual creator/programmer to easily create customizable forms for field data collection and capture on iPhones, iPads, or Android devices. We desired a map-centric product with geo-location features (it "pings" your location in the field) rather than a "form" based product.

Fulcrum is also easily affordable - even for a small assessment agency's such as the LCPA.

Fulcrum runs in both a wi-fi or disconnected mode (for when no field connection is available following a storm).

Fulcrum can run on top of your own imagery or on Mapbox or Google Earth Imagery.

The Property Appraiser can upload parcel shapefiles and selected CAMA data elements directly into the custom forms.

## Mobile Data Collection Made Easy



And, unlike some apps, additional Esri ArcGIS licenses are not needed.

## Here's How It Works (for the Administrator)

First, create the FORM.

We created a customized Damage Assessment Report with Fulcrum's drag-and-drop form builder.

Next, we added categories for: parcel, Occupant, Structure, and Damage

The form must then be "pinned" to each parcel via a common identifier such as a parcel ID. Other CAMA data is uploaded into Fulcrum's cloud and is pre-populated into each form for each parcel in the county.

The initial development took only a couple of days.

Our project developer worked very closely with the app's development staff at Fulcrum to enhance the app's capabilities such as the ability to manipulate PIN colors.

## DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TOOLS (CONTINUED)

### Here's How It Works (for the Administrator)

Damage Assessment Report

Status: Major

Parcel Information

Alternate Key  
3797213

Occupant Information

Occupants Name  
STERLING SMITH

Situs Address  
4285 FAWN MEMORIES LANE

City  
CLERMONT

Phone Number  
407-592-5556

Email

Occupancy Status

Insurance Status

Structure Information

Structure Name

Structure Type  
Residential

Structure Quality  
Good

Type of Damage  
Hurricane

Damage Categories

Levels of Damage

Estimated Override Building Value

Photos

Structure Type

- Residential
- Commercial
- Multi-Family
- Mixed Use
- Mobile Home
- Other

Types Of Damage

- Fire
- Fire & Wind
- Flood
- Flood & Wind
- Wind
- Sinkhole
- Hurricane
- Tornado
- Other

The top of the form contains a drop-down menu for Status: Destroyed, Major, Minor, or Affected. The status is color coded to FEMA colors. Parcels not visited remain unchecked. (This is a feature resulting from our collaboration with Fulcrum)

The form displays the pre-populated CAMA data such as the situs address and city. Other information can be entered by typing directly into a field.

The appraiser can tap the form to open a drop-down menu. Tapping a descriptor in the drop-down adds it to the form.

For visual documentation, the appraiser can add a single photo, multiple photos, video, an audio narrative, or all.



With an exported parcel shapefile, we use Fulcrum's Import Wizard to pin the newly created forms to each individual parcel. Data can be pre-populated according to the users needs.



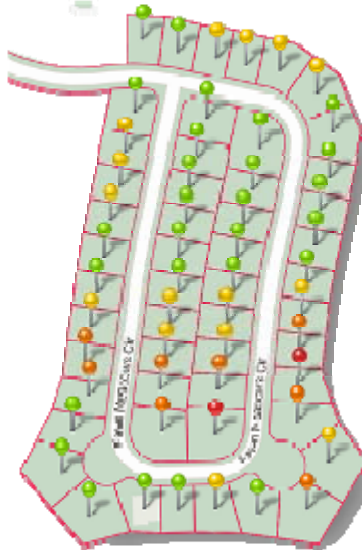
This is a map view once the forms are pinned to each parcel in the county.

Fulcrum has a variety of basemaps available for use in 'ON' or 'Off-line' modes. We created our own basemap displaying Lake County's parcel outline that works in conjunction with Fulcrum's basemaps. (This is a feature resulting from our collaboration with Fulcrum.)

Google Imagery



Street Layer

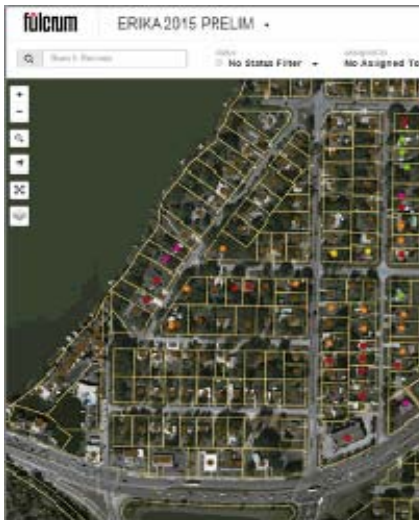


Lake County's 2014 Imagery



Through Fulcrum's web dashboard, using any web browser, we can filter and view assigned rolls in real-time. As the field appraisers collect the data and refresh their iPads, the administrator immediately views the pin 'status color' change on the website from Unchecked, to either Affected, Minor, Major, or Destroyed, or Inaccessible.

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## DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TOOLS (CONTINUED)

### Here's How It Works In the Field – Easy Peasy



When responding to an event, the appraiser taps the Fulcrum icon on the iPad to open the map with all parcels and pins. The imagery layer can be turned on separately.



The appraiser taps the pin for the subject property. This opens the form for that property. From here, the appraiser simply completes the form by using the pop-up menus or by typing data directly into the form.



Take photos and SAVE.

Once saved, the status of the pin changes color and the appraiser moves on to the next parcel.

### Calculating the Initial Damage Estimate

As noted, CAMA data is uploaded into Fulcrum's cloud. One piece of that data is the Replacement Cost New (RCN) for each improvement. All of the collected data can be exported out of Fulcrum into a variety of data formats, including Excel. This export is extremely fast.

To calculate the Initial Damage Estimate, the data is exported into Excel. Then, a percentage of the RCN is applied depending on the damage status; for example, 5% for Affected, 30% for Minor, 70% for Major, and 100% for Destroyed. The percentages can be adjusted on-the-fly if desired by the Property Appraiser. (The Fulcrum app can handle mathematical calculations "inside" the app as well!) The Damage Estimate is summed for all parcels. This process allows for quick reporting to EOC authorities, FEMA, the media, etc.

#### Results:

It is important to note that although our Damage Assessment App has not been put to the test in a real-life scenario, we have conducted three live field drills in which staff were dispatched to various neighborhoods for simulations. The data was collected in both "wi-fi connected" and "disconnected" modes. The disconnected data was uploaded into Fulcrum as soon as the appraiser arrived back in the office. Uploads were quick. Once all data was uploaded, the raw data was exported from Fulcrum into Excel and the calculation for the Initial Damage Estimate was performed. The test have been successful. (Note: Data can be exported out at any time during an event.) The Lake County EOC has also been pleased with the results and recently funded the purchase of 12 more iPads for the Property Appraiser with grant funding.

### Glitches and New Enhancements:

We have encountered a few glitches along the way. It's to be expected. After all, we are using the app in a little different manner than most – we're bringing a lot of our data to the party. Plus, Fulcrum recently implemented some new restrictions on their data uploads that are causing some current headaches; and, TileMill is no longer supported. This means we will have to study how we move forward using Fulcrum. However, as a company, Fulcrum has been great to work with in overcoming obstacles.

Fulcrum recently released a new enhancement called "record linking" which could be total game changer in how we have structured our app. Record linking would allow us to have a mini-database in their cloud. We could then create different apps for different uses which "hit" the data and link the records. We will explore this in the very near future.

Learn more about the Fulcrum app at: <http://www.fulcrumapp.com>

Please feel free to contact Michael Prestridge at 352-253-2153 [mprestridge@lcpafll.org](mailto:mprestridge@lcpafll.org) with questions regarding Lake County's use of this app.

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## COUNTY SPOTLIGHT: HAMILTON COUNTY

Hamilton County is located in the northern part of Florida adjacent to the panhandle with Georgia forming its northern border. It is conveniently located halfway between Jacksonville and Tallahassee. Hamilton was founded on December 26, 1827 and was named for the Alexander Hamilton, the first United States Secretary of the Treasury. The county seat for Hamilton is Jasper which is also the largest city in the county. The county has a total area of 519 square miles of which 514 is land and 5 is water.



*Honorable David  
Goolsby, Jr., CFA*

Hamilton County has often been called a peninsula within a peninsula as it is separated from the rest of Florida by the Withlacoochee River on the West and the beautiful Suwanee River to the East and South. The Jewel of the Suwanee is a rural area which is rich in history and loaded with Southern charm. While there is only 5 square miles of water, that packs in many crystal clear springs and numerous lakes. There is a wide variety of water sports available including fishing, boating, swimming and snorkeling. Hamilton County is the home of Big Shoals Rapid which is the only Florida Class 3 Rapid. This is part of the Big Shoals State Park and is a beautiful spot to enjoy all the nature that you would like to encounter, from wildlife to hiking trails and 80 ft. limestone bluffs. You won't be disappointed with this trip.

Another special water find is located in the middle of the county (almost splitting Hamilton in half) is the fascinating Alapaha River which disappears underground during certain parts of the year leaving a dry, sandy riverbed...and often called the "River of Sand". This natural wonder is 202 miles long and travels down from Georgia, into the Suwannee River.

For those history buffs, Hamilton County has over 90 sites and structures on the National Register of Historic Places. It is believed to also be the home to Florida's oldest cemetery.

The three major areas are the city of Jasper and the towns of Jennings and White Springs, all three give visitors the small town charm that you would look for in a relaxing vacation or even retirement house. When in Jasper, if you are looking to visit a jail built in 1893, well you would be in luck. This jail was operational for more than 91 years and you can tour where the sheriff and his family lived. If you wished for a more exciting evening, then head over to the Jai-Alai and Poker room. Jennings is the northernmost town and is the heart of the agricultural area. This area is rich in history regarding its cotton, lumber and turpentine industry. Jennings would be the town to visit to try to catch that mysterious Alapaha River. White Springs is the location of Florida's very first tourist attraction. In the early 1800's pioneers and settlers discovered the healing properties from the water boiling from sulfur springs of the Suwannee. Looking to find the oldest Folk Festival? Since 1953, White Springs plays host for 3 days to the Florida Folk Festival drawing in over 300 performers over 12 stages.

If you are looking at kicking back and being spoiled in the southern charm, or going out for a little adventure....Hamilton County is where you need to visit.

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Hon. David Goolsby, CFA | First elected in 1989 | Web: <http://www.hamiltonpa.com>

## COUNTY SPOTLIGHT: HAMILTON COUNTY (CONTINUED)

2016 Preliminary Tax Roll At-A Glance	
Real Property Parcels	13,035
Tangible Accounts	688
Just (Market) Value	\$1,250,692,601
Taxable Value	\$734,347,460
Employees:	6



## SCHOLARSHIP THANK YOU

September 19, 2016

Dear FCIAAO-Board Members and Directors,

I would like to thank all of you for so graciously awarding me a scholarship to attend this year's annual International Conference in Tampa, FL. I will continue to reap the benefits from attending long after the conference has ended. The education sessions and inspirational guest speakers are a testimony to our organization. I count myself lucky to be able to learn from those who have pioneered and succeeded in our industry. I have to give BIG Kudos to this year's host's-Hillsborough County Property Appraiser Office. The Honorable Bob Henriquez and his staff did an outstanding job providing a conference environment that was filled with opportunities to learn, grow and share!

Again, thank you to FCIAAO for allowing me to be a part of something so great!



Warmest Regards,

Angela M. Paulauskas, CFE

Appraisal Consultant, II

Alachua County Property Appraiser Office



## PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION COMMITTEE NEWS

It's never too early to start planning for the 2017 FCIAAO Annual Conference; it will be here before we know it! If you would like to give a presentation and/or suggest a presentation or topic, please contact the appropriate FCIAAO Committee Chairs. They would be happy to hear your thoughts.

**Exemptions Committee:** Joeylynn Clayton ([jclayton@pcpao.org](mailto:jclayton@pcpao.org))

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*Tracy S. Drake,  
CAE, RES, AAS, CFE*

### PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION UPDATE

In our Spring newsletter, I provided a summary of some exciting news regarding the IAAO's Professional Designation Program. To recap, the IAAO Professional Designation Subcommittee (PDS) proposed procedural rule changes to allow educational equivalencies and demonstration appraisal report waivers to certain appraisal organizations. I also provided an update on the revisions and release dates of case of study review workshops, case study master and comprehensive exams, and new courses.

In 2014 and 2015, the IAAO began requiring CAE and RES candidates to obtain a Bachelor's degree prior to sitting for the comprehensive or master exam. This requirement was viewed (by many) as an unnecessary and irrelevant impediment to the designation process. Therefore, the PDS has recently proposed amendments to the CAE, RES, PPS and MAS procedural rules to allow for **relevant appraisal and/or assessment administration experience or a combination of experience and education** in lieu of the Bachelor's degree. The PDS believes these changes will provide more flexibility and applicability to candidates while maintaining the integrity of the designation process.

It is my understanding that all of the above-referenced items will be reviewed by the IAAO Executive Board in November. As always, I will keep you apprised of the progress. Please contact me at [tdrake@ccpao.com](mailto:tdrake@ccpao.com) with any questions, comments or suggestions.

### IAAO Virginia Cup

Congratulations again to the 2016 IAAO professional designation recipients. At the IAAO Annual Conference in Tampa, it was announced that 72 IAAO members received a professional Designation! The Virginia Cup was awarded to Arizona (15 designees), Florida was second (9 designees), Arkansas and Virginia tied for third (6 designees each).

### Attention IAAO Professional Designation Candidates/New Designees!

Don't forget ... the Tony Hodge Educational Award is now \$500! At the 2017 Annual Conference in Hutchinson Island, the Executive Board will recognize the hard work of new designees. To be eligible, new designees must be a FCIAAO member in good standing for 12 months prior to being awarded their IAAO designation. New designees must provide a copy of IAAO's letter conferring designation, or a copy of the designation certificate to [tdrake@ccpao.com](mailto:tdrake@ccpao.com).



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## IN MEMORIAM

Recently we learned of the passing of Anthony (Tony) Hodge, Sr., ASA. Tony was a former employee of the Florida Department of Revenue and served as the Chief Deputy of the Broward County Property Appraiser's Office until his retirement in 2005.

Tony was a former member and past president (1993) of the Florida Chapter who continuously promoted IAAO membership, education and designations. In 1993 and 1994, Tony received the IAAO's Kenneth J. McCarren Award for recruiting the most new members during the previous years. Since 1999, the Chapter has awarded new IAAO professional designees with the Anthony Hodge, Sr. Educational Award.

Tony was also a designated member of the American Society of Appraisers (ASA) and served as a Governor on the Board of Directors. He was active in the South Florida Atlantic Chapter.

According to his friend, Mike Pratt, Tony loved to visit Key West and enjoyed listening to the local bands and attending Fantasy Fest each October.

Tony – thank you for your service and dedication to the IAAO, the Florida Chapter and the ad valorem profession.



***Mike Pratt (left) and Tony Hodge (right) in 2013***



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