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### FEBRUARY CHAPTER MEETING & SEMINARS

Our February Chapter Meeting is at 11:30 am, Thursday, February 13th at the William S. White Building, University of Michigan-Flint. There is more information on page 3.

Also, that day we are having a 3 hour seminar "Limited Appraiser Liability", from 8:30 a.m. —11:30, and from 1:00 p.m. —4:00 p.m. we will be having another 3 hour seminar "Great Lakes Chapter 2020 Flint Economic Summit". Attendees are eligible to receive continuing education credit, for each seminar, towards the Appraisal Institute, and State of MI Appraisal License. **That's 6 Hours of continuing education!!\_** you will find the information on page 3.

### NEW DESIGNATIONS

Sarah Jane VandenBerg, SRA, AI-RRS  
Gregory P. Laikind, MAI  
Michael Monahan, MAI

Congratulations! Great Job!!

### NEW MEMBERS

Chetanbir Kaur—Practicing Affiliate—Detroit  
Brian Mullaly—Practicing Affiliate—Brighton  
Delbert Denkins—Practicing Affiliate—St Joseph

### AI VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

#### Service Opportunities

The Leadership Resource Registry is closed for expressing interest for 2020. It will open in January, 2020 for service starting in 2021.

#### [AI Candidate Advisor Program!](#)

Become an AI Candidate Advisor! The Appraisal Institute is seeking Designated members to serve as AI Advisors for Candidates for Designation. You can choose how many Candidates you'd like to advise. Each Candidate will require a minimum of just four phone calls, emails or visits per year.

By encouraging AI Candidates for Designation and monitoring their progress as needed -- encouraging Candidates to manage their own learning and guiding them to appropriate resources -- you will help secure the future of the Appraisal Institute and will help elevate the professionalism of other appraisers.

***You could earn up to 125 points of AI CE credit!***

## **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS:**



I'm humbled and excited to help guide the Great Lakes Chapter of the Appraisal Institute this year. The Board of Directors and the Executive Board have been working hard over the past couple of years to be able to provide an exciting slate of classes and opportunities this year. I hope all of you are ready to take this exciting ride with us.

For our chapter, the year will officially kick off with our first USPAP/MI Law offering in January. This is a busy year for USPAP/MI Law and we're fortunate to have some of the best instructors teaching us all over the state. However, we have much, much more to offer this year.

In February, the chapter will also be holding our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Flint Economic Summit. In March, will be our first social event at Top Golf in Auburn Hills. In April, we will have our first Lobby Day in Lansing. Our chapter officers will be heading to Washington D.C. in May, and we'll have our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Economic Summit in Grand Rapids "featuring Dr. Paul Isley". Then in June our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Detroit Tour will be walking through a 15,000 sf home in historic Indian Village, followed by a boat cruise/luncheon along the Detroit River.

The second half of the year is yet to be set in stone but will include our annual golf outing, Lansing Chapter Meeting, a west side social event, our 8<sup>th</sup> annual Detroit Economic Summit, a class taught by Randall Bell "The Real Estate Appraiser of the World's Most Gruesome Murder Sites-Rolling Stone Magazine," and will finish at our chapter meeting in downtown Detroit at the famed Renaissance Center.

Lastly, be on the lookout for more content with our social media and our new "Featured Member" being included in our quarterly newsletter. This is an ambitious and exciting schedule but there's always room for new ideas, so please reach out to me or any Board of Director/Executive Board member if you'd like to help out. I look forward to seeing all of you this year.

*"It is wonderful how much may be done if we are always doing."- Thomas Jefferson*

Dan Bittner, SRA  
2020 Chapter President

**\*Limited Appraiser Liability**

**Chapter Meeting (Lunch)**

**\*Great Lakes Chapter 2020 Flint Economic Summit**

\*These programs were developed and are administered by the Great Lakes Chapter. Attendees are eligible to receive 3 hours (A.M.) and 3 hours (P.M.) of Appraisal Institute continuing education credit and also continuing education credit for the State of MI Appraisal License.

**Thursday, February 13, 2020**

**8:30 am –4:00 pm**

**William S. White Building  
University of Michigan-Flint  
509 Harrison Street  
Flint, MI 48503**

**8:30 am—11:30 am**

**Limited Appraiser Liability**

**Special Speaker: Craig Capilla, Attorney at Law**

**Link to register: [https://ai.appraisalinstitute.org/eweb/DynamicPage.aspx?](https://ai.appraisalinstitute.org/eweb/DynamicPage.aspx?webcode=AIChapterRegistration&Reg_evt_key=4293516F-D25F-46AB-BFEE-8CA6F541895D)**

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**3 Hours CE**

**11:30 am-1:00 pm**

**Networking**

**Chapter Meeting Lunch**

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**1:00 pm—4:00 pm**

**Great Lakes Chapter Flint Economic Summit**

**Special Speakers: Wayne Hoffman– President and Co-Founder-Infuse Great Lakes Bay,  
Tyler Rossmassler-Director of Economic Development-Flint & Genesee Chamber of  
Commerce**

**Commercial & Residential Panel.**

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**3 Hours CE**

**If you register for both AM and PM, the Chapter lunch is free! But you have to call Joan at (810) 364-5640 for a promo code.**

## FEATURED MEMBER

We see each other at events, we call each other for comps, yet we may be missing the bigger picture. Our new “Featured Member” section will highlight a chapter member and provide some interesting details beyond life as an appraiser.

The first Featured Member is:

*Christopher Grajek, MAI*



What is your favorite meal? *Grilled steak and veggies.*

What is your favorite '90s jam? *Sorry, the 90's just didn't cut it for me. Classic Rock: Aerosmith, Led Zeppelin, Queen, Bob Seger and the Silver Bullet Band or some Old School Blues.*

What were you like in high school? *An all sports athlete. Rule follower.*

What do you like to do outside of work? *Spend time with family, household projects, maintain our 1979 Mastercraft Ski boat (my baby).*

What do you think about when you're alone in your car?

*What is the H&BU of that site and why did they build that building?*

What inspires you? *People reaching out to help others.*

If you were an animated character, who would you be and why? *Fog Horn Leg Horn. I say boy!-- I'm generally just a big softy.*

What is the one word that best describes you? *Integrity*

What is one thing that would surprise us to know about you? *I understand Figure Skating and Rugby. We raised two daughters that were competitive Figure Skaters over a 20-year period and one daughter who played Rugby for six years spanning high school and college.*

## DECEMBER CHAPTER MEETING



Jim McNair presents Christopher Grajek, MAI with his MAI certificate.



Ryan Lake, MAI presents Matthew Brown, MAI with his MAI certificate.



Eric Schmitt, MAI receives his MAI Certificate from Joe Torzewski, MAI



Kevin Kernen, MAI presents Mike Clifford, MAI with his MAI Certificate

## DECEMBER CHAPTER MEETING



Chapter President, Ryan Lake, MAI presents Jim Hartman, MAI with the Connie Vickroy Distinguished Service Award.



Jack Parr, SRA receives the Volunteer of Distinction Award from Sharon Harbin, MAI, SRA, AI-GRS.



A Great turnout for our end of the year meeting.

## DECEMBER CHAPTER MEETING



Jeff Sherman, MAI, AI-GRS, 2020 President of the Appraisal Institute, swearing in our new Board of Directors.



2013 Chapter President Micheal Lohmeier, MAI, SRA  
and 2015 President Patrice Uhnavy, SRA



Ryan Lake, MAI receives the 2019 Presidents plaque  
from 2020 President Dan Bittner, SRA.

## Calendar of Events 2020– Great Lakes Chapter A.I.

**CALL: (810) 364-5640**

February 13, 2020	<b>Limited Appraiser Liability</b> Instructor: Craig Capilla, Attorney at Law 3 Hours CEC	William S. White Building U of M Flint Campus
February 13, 2020	<b>Chapter Meeting (Noon)</b>	William S. White Building U of M Flint Campus
February 13, 2020	<b>Great Lakes Chapter Flint 2020 Economic Summit</b> 3 Hours CEC	William S. White Building U of M Flint Campus
March 6, 2020	<b>7 Hour National USPAP Update 2020-21</b> Instructor: Micheal Lohmeier, MAI, SRA 7 Hours CEC	Flagstar Bank Troy
March 6, 2020	<b>Michigan Laws and Rules</b> Instructor: Micheal Lohmeier, MAI, SRA 2 Hours CEC	Flagstar Bank Troy
March 19, 2020	<b>TOP GOLF</b>	Auburn Hills
April 21, 2020	<b>The Cost Approach: Unnecessary or Vital to a Healthy Practice?</b> 7 Hours CEC	Detroit Marriott Livonia Livonia
May 7, 2020	<b>West Michigan Economic Summit</b> 4 Hours CEC	Atwater Brewery Grand Rapids
May 7, 2020	<b>Chapter Meeting (Noon)</b>	Atwater Brewery Grand Rapids
May 8, 2020	<b>7 Hour National USPAP Update 2020-21</b> Instructor: Terry Oetzel, MAI 7 Hours CEC	Thousand Oaks Golf Club Grand Rapids
May 8, 2020	<b>Michigan Laws and Rules</b> Instructor: Randy Davis, SRPA, SRA 2 Hours CEC	Thousand Oaks Golf Club Grand Rapids
May 8, 2020	<b>7 Hour National USPAP Update 2020-21</b> Instructor: Bruce Closser, MAI, SRA 7 Hours CEC	Landmark Inn Marquette
May 8, 2020	<b>Michigan Laws and Rules</b> Instructor: Bruce Closser, MAI, SRA 2 Hours CEC	Landmark Inn Marquette
May 27, 2020	<b>Land Values In Transition – Michigan</b> Instructor: David Rice, MAI 7 Hours CEC	Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Grand Rapids
May 28, 2020	<b>Contemporary Highest and Best Use Issues</b> Instructor: David Rice, MAI 4 Hours CEC	Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Grand Rapids
June 5, 2020	<b>Detroit Building Tour</b> Detroit Princess Riverboat 4 Hours CEC	Detroit



## Calendar of Events 2020– Great Lakes Chapter A.I. Cont'd

June 11, 2020	<b>7 Hour National USPAP Update 2020-21</b> Instructor: Rachel Massey, SRA, AI-RRS 7 Hours CEC	Holiday Inn Gateway Centre Flint
June 11, 2020	<b>Michigan Laws and Rules</b> Instructor: Randy Davis, SRPA, SRA 2 Hours CEC	Holiday Inn Gateway Centre Flint
June 12, 2020	<b>Business Practices and Ethics</b> Instructor: Micheal Lohmeier, MAI, SRA 6 Hours CEC	Holiday Inn Gateway Centre Flint
June 19, 2020	<b>“Alphabet Soup”- The Income Approach Unraveled</b> Instructor: David Rice, MAI 7 Hours CEC	Flagstar Bank Troy
September 9, 2020 8:30am-12:30pm	<b>Branch Bank Valuation Issues</b> Instructor: David Rice, MAI 4 Hours CEC	Okemos Conference Center Okemos
September 9, 2020 1:00pm-5:00 pm	<b>Contemporary Highest and Best Use Issues</b> Instructor: David Rice, MAI 4 Hours CEC	Okemos Conference Center Okemos
September 10, 2020	<b>Risk Management for Real Estate Appraisers (LIA)</b> Instructor: Peter Christensen 7 Hours CEC	Okemos Conference Center Okemos
September 10, 2020	<b>Chapter Meeting (Noon)</b>	Okemos Conference Center Okemos
October 9, 2020	<b>Detrimental Conditions</b> Instructor: Randall Bell 7 Hours CEC	Marriott Detroit/Livonia Livonia
October 2020	<b>Rural Valuation Basics</b> 7 Hours CEC	Flint
November 2020	<b>Michigan Tax Tribunal</b> 4 Hours CEC	Detroit
December 3, 2020	<b>Great Lakes Chapter Detroit Economic Summit</b>	Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center
December 4, 2020	<b>Chapter Meeting (Noon)</b> Installation of 2021 Officers Special Speaker: Rodman Schley, MAI, SRA	Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center

**WATCH FOR ADDITIONAL CLASSES TO BE ADDED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**  
**DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!**



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