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THE SURGE

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Welcome to the SURGE - A supplement to the VAAO NETWORK. This newsletter is used to fill-in the gaps between the quarterly issues of the NETWORK. Items for inclusion in the SURGE should be emailed to bgordineer@hampton.gov. Please continue to send items for the NETWORK to paul.bidanset@norfolk.gov.

In Memoriam - John Kiger

[John Matthew Kiger](#) died peacefully on October 1, 2016, in Staunton at the age of 61. John was employed by the City of Waynesboro, most recently as the Real Estate Assessor. He was an active member of the Virginia Association of Assessing Officers and a former member of the Waynesboro Kiwanis Club. A funeral service will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. Friday, October 7, 2016, at Christ Lutheran Church. Burial will follow in Thornrose Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 7 until 9 p.m. Thursday, October 6, 2016, in the Henry Funeral Home and from 10 until 11 a.m. Friday, in the church. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to make donations in memory of John may consider Blue Ridge Community College Educational Foundation (P.O. Box 80, Weyers Cave, VA 24486), the Staunton-Augusta YMCA (708 N. Coalter Street, Staunton, VA 24401), or the Augusta Health Foundation (P.O. Box 1000, Fishersville, VA 22939).



Bruce Woodzell Receives IAAO Rosalyn Johnston Award

IAAO & VAAO Past President Bruce Woodzell was awarded at the IAAO Annual Conference. The award is granted to those who have advanced the IAAO Mission through contribution of time, effort, talent and resources.

Workshop 851 - Residential Case Study Exam Review

The Regional Seminar Committee is presenting this three-day program October 24-26 at the Comfort Suites, 14525 Gideon Dr., Woodbridge. David Cornell, MAI, CAE will instruct the 18.5 hour class. [Workshop registration](#) is \$295 and space is limited to the first 30 registrants. Lodging is not included, but can be arranged by calling 703-490-4100 or visiting the [website](#) and using the code VAAO. For further information you may also contact Tammy Carroll, CAE, RES.

VAAO Annual Conference November 15-18 Registration Open

Plans are complete for the Annual Conference program at the Kingsmill Resort in Williamsburg. The program will include USPAP and an 8-hour offering on Tuesday, preceding the Opening Session on Wednesday. The Annual Meeting will assume a new place in the schedule, on Wednesday at lunchtime, rather than Friday morning. The program will also include a 3-hour CE offering on Thursday evening and 7 hours of CE on Friday. Lodging reservations should be made by calling 800-832-5665 or 757-253-1703. Identify yourself with VAAO and be sure to indicate if you want to be near another attendee, as rooms are located in numerous buildings at the resort.



President's Reception at the Williamsburg White House



You will not want to miss the President's Reception at Colonial Williamsburg's Providence Hall. This eighteenth century home is tucked away on the edge of the Historic Area, adjacent to the Williamsburg Inn. The building was constructed in New Kent County and in 1947 rescued from demolition when Route 60 was being expanded as a divided highway. For a week in 1983 Providence Hall served as the Williamsburg White House when President Ronald Reagan hosted the Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations.

Fort Eustis on Tuesday Tour Itinerary

The Tuesday Pre-Conference Tour will include a visit to the best-kept historic house secrets in Hampton Roads - The Matthew Jones House (also known as Bourbon). The house is located on Fort Eustis and rarely seen by the public. The Matthew Jones house was built circa 1725 utilizing earthfast construction, where the major vertical timbers are sunk into the ground. Sometime later the framing was replaced with a masonry structure and in 1893 the structure had a second story added. Attendees will tour the interior and see the evolution of this rare and unusual home. The Tuesday Pre-Conference Tour will also include visits to [Lee Hall](#)-1859 (Newport News) and [Powhatan Plantation](#)-1750 (James City County), as well as lunch at the [Boxwood Inn](#)-1897



W&M President's House open for the Conference on Thursday Evening Tour



William and Mary's President Taylor Reveley to open the [President's House](#) for a private showing for the VAAO Annual Conference in Williamsburg on Thursday Evening. The President's House dates to 1732 and is the oldest college president's house in the United States. The President's House and adjacent Wren Building (1699) and Brafferton (1723) are from the "Ancient Campus" of the College of William and Mary. The President's House tour will be offered in

conjunction with a tour of the [Copper Fox Distillery](#) given by owner Rick Wasmund. Dinner will be provided by Pierce's Barbecue.

Westover Plantation included in Friday Tour

[Westover](#) is among the historic homes of Charles City County that will be visited on the Friday tour. You might recognize Westover from the AMC series TURN. The house is rarely open for tours, so you won't want to miss this chance to see the original interior which includes finely crafted paneling, marble fireplaces and ornate plaster ceilings. The Friday tour will also include visits to [Kittiewan](#) and [Piney Grove](#), and lunch at the [Courthouse Grille](#) - a restored country store.



VAAO Fall Board Meeting / Annual Meeting - November 16

The Annual Meeting and Fall board meeting will be held in conjunction with the 68th Annual Conference at the Kingsmill Resort in Williamsburg. The meeting will begin at 1 pm and is open to all members. The meeting will be preceded by lunch for registrants of the Annual Conference. If you are not registered for the conference, but would like to attend the meeting please RSVP to events@vaa.org with "Board Meeting/Annual Meeting Only" in the subject line.

New Mass Appraisal Specialist (MAS) Designation from IAAO

New MAS designation to be available to obtain in late 2017. More details available at [IAAO](#).

IAAO Elections in November

[Brian Gordineer, AAS](#), Hampton City Assessor, will be seeking the position of IAAO Vice President ([Brian4VP.com](#)).

[Scott Mayauskey](#), Stafford County Commissioner of Revenue is seeking a position on the IAAO Executive Board to represent IAAO Region 3.