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Administrator's news and notes

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Over the past two years the ACLB has experienced significant changes. These changes include a transition into a semi-independent state agency, three different board chairs and administrators, office relocation, and a 30 percent reduction in board staff. During this transition we have maintained licensing and enforcement activities while staying within ACLB's budget.

Now that these changes are behind us we have turned our attention to improving our communication with you and customer service. We will resume publishing a semi-annual newsletter and will conduct annual ACLB

continuing-education seminars at various locations. The next seminar will be scheduled for Spring of 2003 and you will be notified when the dates and locations are confirmed. We are open to suggestions for seminar ideas and topics. There will be a small fee for these seminars sufficient to cover their associated costs. We are also in the process of re-designing the ACLB's web site to make it easier and faster for you to access the information you need.

Many of you have said that the cost savings achieved by using the current style of license/certificates (license) is not worth the compromise of its professional appearance. Therefore, we have designed a license similar to the previous style that still provides some of the efficiency gained from the current style. The new license will be in use early next year.

The AQB and the ACLB have adopted a new continuing-education requirement for license renewal. Effective January 1, 2003, each appraiser must successfully complete The Appraisal Foundation's seven-hour *National USPAP Update Course* at a minimum of every two years. Please read the enclosed article titled "*USPAP-New Requirements for Continuing Education*". This article explains the deadline for completing the new seven-hour *National USPAP Update Course*. This course will not be tested and it can be counted towards satisfying your regular continuing-education requirements. However, the 15-hour National USPAP course may not be substituted for the new seven-hour *National USPAP Update Course*. The current requirement to pass a 15-hour USPAP course every five years will end December 31, 2002.

Also, the AQB has issued its third exposure draft for a proposed increase in real-property appraiser criteria. The increase in qualifying education is significant for all license levels; so if you have been considering upgrading your license to *Certified Residential* or *Certified General*, now is the time to act.

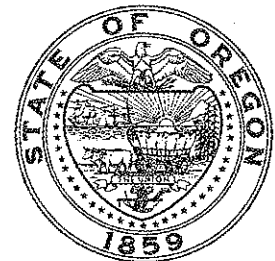
The ASB has completed its annual revision of USPAP. These changes effect every appraiser, so please read the article titled "*2003 Changes in USPAP*".

As always, if we can be of assistance to you in any way or if you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. ■

Bob Keith

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New Faces

Since our last newsletter there are some new faces at the ACLB. Bob Keith has been appointed to serve as the Board's Administrator. Bob is a Certified General Appraiser (inactive) with over 21 years of appraisal experience. He has taught USPAP and other appraisal classes for a number of years.

Jan Cannon is our licensing specialist; she came to us after 25 years with State Farm Insurance where she worked as a claims processor and senior bookkeeper. Jan lives in Salem with her husband and youngest son and she has two adult children.

Terry Bernhardt was elected by the Board to serve as Board Chair. Terry is a Certified Residential Appraiser from Portland and has 35 years of experience appraising residential property; he is also an experienced real estate appraisal educator. Terry is serving in his first four-year term as a Board member.

Paul Zacha was elected by the Board to serve as Board Vice-Chair. Paul is a Certified General Appraiser from Grants Pass who has 25 years experience as an appraiser and specializes in appraising income producing property. Paul is serving in his second four-year term as a Board member.

Dee Staple was recently appointed by the Governor to serve as a Board member. Dee is from Salem and has 11 years of appraisal experience. She is a Certified General Appraiser and has appraised both residential and commercial property during her career. She currently works as a senior appraiser for Farm Credit Services.

Craig Zell is the newest member appointed by the Governor to serve on the Board. Craig is a Certified General Appraiser with 21 years of experience and specializes in the appraisal of complex residential properties, subdivisions, and condominium and townhouse projects. ■

2003 changes in USPAP

The Appraisal Standards Board (ASB) adopts modifications to USPAP that become effective January 1st of each year. At this time the ACLB adopts the newest edition of USPAP and incorporates it into their Administrative Rules. Therefore, it is imperative that appraisers stay abreast of these changes as they occur to remain in compliance with the Administrative Rules and USPAP. The best way to stay informed of changes to USPAP is to obtain a copy of the new

edition prior to January 1st of each year; USPAP is available from The Appraisal Foundation at <http://www.appraisalfoundation.org>, or by calling (202) 347-7722. Each edition contains a "Key Features" section preceding the table of contents that identifies USPAP changes in that edition compared to the previous year.

Perhaps the most noteworthy change to the 2003 USPAP is the requirement to analyze all prior sales of the subject property within

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