

Greetings Southern California Chapter members. I have had the pleasure of seeing so many of you at our Chapter events this year. For those of who have yet to make it out to a Chapter event in person this year, here is a recap of what you've been missing:

**Let's Get This Party Started:**

We started our Chapter year with panache by celebrating our Officer Installation at the historic Biltmore. We were honored to have two national officers in attendance: Paula Konikoff, JD, MAI, AI-GRS and Craig Steinley, MAI, SRA, AI-RRS, AI-GRS.

**If You Build It, They Will Come:**

After two years of holding our L.A - O.C. Market Trends Seminar virtually due to Covid, we were delighted that Orell Anderson, MAI and his dedicated committee were able to pull off a hugely successful in-person event with 136 people in attendance. We owe a debt of gratitude to the committee, the speakers and the sponsors, Valcre and Compstak for making the 31st Annual L.A. - O.C. Market Trends Seminar a success.

**Ahoy Mates:**

The Southern Branch knocked it out of the park with an excellent branch meeting at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club in Corona Del Mar on February 1st. After a delicious dinner in a room overlooking the harbor, Randall Bell, PhD and Michael Tachovsky, PhD gave an entertaining and thought-provoking presentation on "Junk Science". I cannot imagine a more enjoyable way to do Continuing Education. Thanks to Michelle Rogers, SRA and Jeff Hogan, SRA for successfully captaining this ship.

**Teacher's Pet:**

February included two successful back-to-back in-person classes in Ontario. Our own Jacinto Munoz, MAI, SRA, AI-RRS, AI-GRS taught Federal and California Statutory and Regulatory Laws and Scott Hartman, SRA flew in from Gettysburg, Pennsylvania to teach the Valuation of Accessory Dwelling Units.

**Charles In Charge:**

We were delighted to welcome two new committee members to the California Government Relations Committee. Alex Liu and Jeff Hogan, SRA joined Committee Chair Charles Baker, SRA, AI-RRS and me in representing So Cal in Sacramento on Saturday, March 4th, 2023. We especially enjoyed meeting the new BREB Bureau Chief, Angela Jemmott. We look forward to a productive working relationship with Ms. Jemmott. Charles will share Government Affairs updates in this newsletter.

**Home-Grown Talent:**

We had an excellent turnout at the Joint Luncheon with IRWA on March 14th, where our very own Chapter member John Penner, MAI was one of the featured speakers.

**Looking for a Good Time?:**



## **Southern California Chapter**

Join Chapter members and friends on Saturday, May 6th at the *Pasadena Showcase House of Design*. Tour an architecturally significant 1933 grand colonial estate that has been redesigned by a cutting edge team of professionals. The Chapter will subsidize your ticket to this event to give our members an opportunity to view the latest design trends, enjoy classic architecture and socialize with your colleagues. No CE: just a really good time. Details to follow next month. It is no secret that most appraisers are experiencing a temporary decrease in business volume. If you find yourself with a bit more free time currently, I encourage you to take this opportunity to get involved in your Chapter. Whether that means taking an in-person class, volunteering on a committee, or simply coming out to a social event, now is the time. Seize the day, renew friendships, network, and learn. We hope to see you at an event soon.