2016-2017
PRESIDENT’S REPORT
THE IMPACT OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP
This past year we accomplished a lot together....
...AND IT’S ALL THANKS TO YOU.

Together we are supporting farm managers, valuation experts and agricultural consultants to be the best! Thanks to your membership and your support of the Education Foundation, we are continuing the legacy, since 1929, of being *The Most Trusted Rural Property Professionals.*

It was an incredible year.
I recently came back to the appraisal world, and ASFMRA is the only organization for rural property professionals. ASFMRA is highly regarded among my professional peers, provides me with continuing education credits, and I can tap into other members for critical information that I need to do my job.”

Christine Sadler – Congress, AZ
NEWLY ACCREDITED MEMBERS

We had 38 individuals take their career to the next level and become accredited members of ASFMRA.

“The hard work and study required to achieve the ARA designation has made me a better appraiser.”

Troy Vincent, ARA – Mount Vernon, IA
WE HAD OVER 2,800 INDIVIDUALS THAT ATTENDED COURSES OFFERED BY ASFMRA.

“...The course instructors were very good. They kept the course moving as scheduled, while still giving attention to those who had questions on the material. The instructors even made themselves available for extra study sessions in the evenings. The students’ success and understanding of the material was their highest priority!”

Barbara Hegerfeld – Brookings, SD
For a rural property professional there is no comparison to the atmosphere, education, and industry exposure you receive while attending ASFMRA Education Week. The environment is such that even though most of the time you are essentially sitting next to a competitor, everyone is there for improvement and willing to share ideas, thoughts and experiences that will make each business better.

Tim Cobb, AFM – Spokane, WA
WE HAD AWESOME ATTENDANCE AT OUR 89TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

“I always look forward to the Annual Meeting to renew old friendships and to get acquainted with ASFMRA members I have not met before. The quality of leadership and expertise in this organization is outstanding and the personal relationships that I have made with other members from across the country has been most rewarding to me both personally and professionally. This organization has proven to me that while we compete in business with our peers to make a living we gain from the mutual knowledge and experiences of those colleagues to make a better life.”

Darrell Limkeman, AFM, ARA – Ottumwa, IA
WE HELD A VERY SUCCESSFUL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE IN WASHINGTON, DC – INSPIRING LEADERS OF OUR SOCIETY!

“Leadership Institute was a jam packed week of meeting with many influential people, both governmental and from the appraisal industry. Each speaker was engaging and very open to sharing thoughts, opinions, goals, and outlooks. The speaker that stood out the most to me was the Chairman of the Ag Committee, Mike Conaway. I really enjoyed his discussion and feel that we are in good hands with his involvement! I enjoyed the communication session and really learned lessons that I can take with me the rest of my career.”

Emily Lucke – Boulder, WY
WE UPDATED OUR LOGO.

American Society of Farm Managers & Rural Appraisers

THE MOST TRUSTED RURAL PROPERTY PROFESSIONALS

“Really like it, you nailed it!”

Deborah Jones, ARA - Bastrop, TX
WE GATHERED WITH OUR VOLUNTEERS AND GOT FEEDBACK FROM THEM ON HOW TO BETTER SERVE YOU.

“...I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience volunteering with ASFMRA. As a young professional, it has really helped broaden my network, as well as given me a greater sense of ownership and belonging in the organization. It is fantastic way to impact the organization and profession, as well as bringing value to me personally.”

Brian Field, ARA – Barnesville, MN
We held a very successful Education Foundation Auction and raised additional monies for the Education Foundation via raffles and March Madness.

**ASFMRA members contributed/donated $46,456 to the Education Foundation in 2016-2017.**
WE OFFERED A NEW SEMINAR AT SUMMER EDUCATION WEEK ON LEVERAGING DISRUPTION AS WELL AS A NEW SEMINARS AND UPDATED CORE EDUCATION.
Our Young Professionals Network (YPN) reached colleges and universities throughout the country helping hundreds of students learn more about the Society and disciplines.

“Navigating a successful career in today’s competitive agricultural environment is daunting. The value of the YPN comes from consistent interaction with like-minded agricultural professionals across the country. The networking has proved valuable. The mentoring is outstanding. The Young Professionals Network is a valuable component of ASFMRA!”

Skye Root, AFM, AAC – Boise, ID
THANK YOU!

All of this would not have been possible without the support from you – as members and donors to the Education Foundation. Every day you come in contact with individuals that need your assistance, managing and consulting on their land and evaluating its worth and potential. They need a trusted member of our community who has been specifically trained and is held to a high ethical standard. Help us maintain this legacy by not only continuing to be a member of ASFMRA, but by donating to the Education Foundation. Help us maintain our heritage and our reputation as The Most Trusted Rural Property Professionals.
HELP US MAINTAIN OUR LEGACY AS THE MOST TRUSTED RURAL PROPERTY PROFESSIONALS BY MAKING YOUR DONATION TO THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION TODAY!

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