



## August 2009 Monthly Newsletter

### Monthly Luncheon Meeting      What's new with NAIFA Rose City Chapter?

**2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month  
Lunch at 11:30  
Meeting at 12:00 noon**

**\*August 10, 2009\***

**PETER CHRISTENSEN  
Liabilities Insurance  
Underwriter**

**Topic: Current Appraising  
Liability Issues**

**\*September 14, 2009\***

**Lloyd Werner, IFAS  
Carl Royer, IFA**

**Topic: Appraisers and  
The HVCC**

**Send your program ideas**

**To:**

**Ralph Olsen**

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**Please take a minute to thank  
Kim Korbe for all her effort in  
scheduling our monthly  
speakers for the last year-  
You rock Kim!**

*For more info, check out [ifanw.com](http://ifanw.com)  
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Gladstone, OR 97027*

*Get out your calendars, IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:*

Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup>:

**Annual Rose City NAIFA Picnic**

**When: Saturday August 1, 2009  
12:00 PM-6:00 PM**

**Where: 3919 NE 50TH Avenue  
Vancouver, WA 98661**

Picnic fare: hot dogs, burgers, condiments, chips and soda are provided. Enjoy a game of Bocce Ball (Beware, Ralph has been practicing!) Badminton, and/or croquet. Spend an afternoon getting to know fellow members and their families. Relax and enjoy an afternoon of fun and food. If you would like a drink or two, bring them. Members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please RSVP to Ralph and let him know if you will be bringing a dish. **We don't want to many beans arriving-if you know what I mean ☺**

Thursday September 17:

**7 Hour USPAP Update at the Beaverton Elks Lodge**

Your next USPAP opportunity is only a month+ away! Plan to attend this fascinating class. Great chance to use those Education vouchers! See the website for more details.

Friday July 17-End of the Year:

**NEW - Designation Fee Waiver**

For any current NAIFA member or non member who is not designated, all fees related to earning a designation, with the exception of the exam grading fee will be waived from now until the end of the year. **This means that if you choose to earn a professional designation, the fee goes from \$275 to just \$100- a savings on \$175!** This program is for those new to the designation process as of Friday, July 17th. This is a great incentive to work on your designation. For more information: [info@naifa.com](mailto:info@naifa.com).

**National NAIFA Asks for Designation  
Mentor Program Volunteers**

Now that the Designation process is a great deal National is asking for some peer mentors. National wants to provide a service to help professionals better navigate the designation process. Please contact [info@naifa.com](mailto:info@naifa.com) if you would be willing to help.

**Blogs, Tweets, and Forums ...**

The internet has some great appraisal networking opportunities available. With all the changes in our industry, it is a great way to learn from others in the field. First here is the lingo:

Blog (is a combination of Web and Log-Weblog=Blog for short). These are personal web pages that can have journal style entries, pictures, links, etc. ( Ralph Olsen is a blogger, ask him to share his web address)

Tweets: From the Website Twitter: This is a service for friends, family, & co-workers to stay connected through the exchange of quick, frequent comments/answers to simple questions. Think short and sweet.

Forums: These are discussion panels with members (usually free and easy), topics (Education, Technical, Clients, etc.) and threads-a series of entries made by members all discussing the specific topic in the thread. It is easy and free to join many of these and they are very helpful. Some I find useful are:

<http://appraisersforum.com> And: [www.brokeroutpost.com](http://www.brokeroutpost.com) AND:  
<http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/InlandCAAAppraisersForum/>