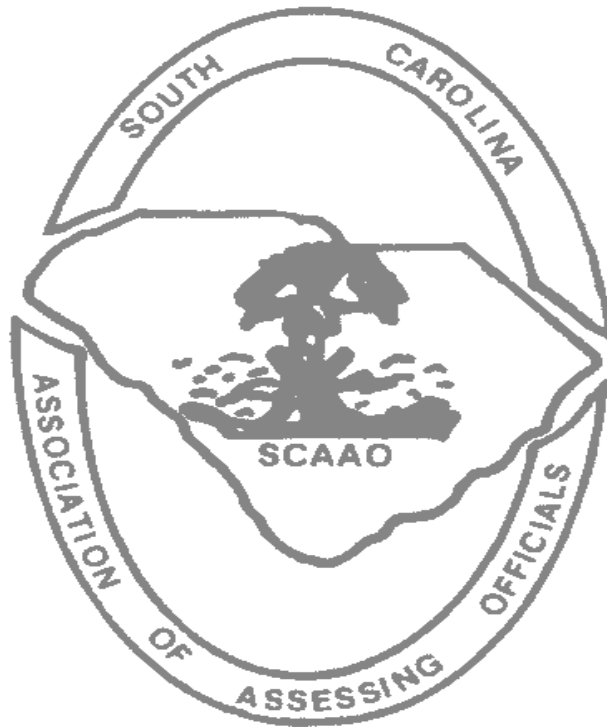


# SCAAO

## FALL NEWSLETTER

South Carolina Association of Assessing Officials



## 2025 SCAAO FALL CONFERENCE OCTOBER 3, 2025

Seawell's  
1125 Rosewood Drive  
Columbia, SC 29201

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## From the President - Liz McDonald

Dear Fellow Professionals, Honorary Members, and Those Joining Us for the First Time,

It is a true pleasure to welcome you to the 2025 SCAAO Fall Conference. Each year, this gathering serves as an important reminder of the value of coming together—not just as Auditors, Treasurers, Assessors, and Tax Collectors, but as a community of professionals committed to public service and the well-being of our counties. While our individual roles may differ, the responsibilities we carry are deeply connected, and our ability to learn from one another makes us stronger both individually and collectively.

This conference is designed to be both informative and collaborative. The Conference Committee has worked thoughtfully to prepare a program that balances professional learning with opportunities for engagement. You will hear from the SC Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, who will share valuable insights on trends shaping real property valuations and assessments throughout South Carolina. You will also participate in the important work of nominating officers for 2026, which ensures the continued leadership and positive direction of our association. In addition, there will be several vendors to introduce innovative tools, products, and resources that can support the important work you do every day in your offices.

But beyond the agenda, what makes this conference truly meaningful is the chance to build community. We know that some of the most valuable conversations take place not only during the planned agenda, but also in the connections formed during breaks, over coffee, or at lunch. That is why we have set aside time to conclude our morning with a shared meal—an opportunity to relax, exchange stories, and strengthen relationships that will extend well beyond today's gathering.

Most importantly, thank you for being here. Your perspectives, energy, and willingness to share are what make this conference so valuable. It is through your participation that we continue to grow as professionals and as an organization.

Here's to a productive and enjoyable morning,

*Liz McDonald*

Dear Honorary Members:

On behalf of the SCAAO Executive Board, I would like to extend a special invitation for you to join us at the 2025 SCAAO Fall Conference at Seawell's in Columbia on Friday, October 3, 2025.

It is always a pleasure to have former members of our association in attendance, and especially those who have been identified by the colleagues as honorary members such as yourself. In accordance with the SCAAO constitution and at the pleasure of the Executive Board, your registration fee has been waived.

If you can join us, please complete the registration form below as it will help us project a closer number of persons attending.

We look forward to seeing you and your guest in Columbia.

Sincerely,

Liz McDonald

2025 SCAAO President

**Honorary Member Registration Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# attending the 2025 Fall Conference: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail or email registration form to:

SCAAO C/O Adriane Shealy

PO Box 299

Little Mountain, SC 29075

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**Registration Deadline:**

**September 25, 2025**

# SCAAO Fall Conference Agenda

## October 3, 2025 – Seawell’s, Columbia SC

8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Vendor Exhibit Setup	
9:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Registration	
10:30 AM	Welcome and opening remarks	Liz McDonald
	Invocation	Clarence Caudill
10:45 AM	Vendor Presentation – <b>SeMASS</b>	
10:55 AM	Vendor Presentation – <b>Palmetto Posting</b>	
11:05 AM	Break	
11:15 AM	Guest Speaker <b>Chris Finney, Division Director, RFA</b> <b>Daniel Tompkins, RFA</b>	
12:00 Noon	Vendor Presentation – <b>Harris Govern</b>	
12:10 PM	Vendor Presentation – <b>ValueBase</b>	
12:20 PM	Business Meeting	Liz McDonald
	Declare Quorum of Board Members	Kyle Johnson
	Minutes	Melinda Long
	Treasurer’s Report	Adriane Shealy
	Membership	Vice Presidents
	Low Country	Susan Hurley
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	Piedmont	Rick Anderson
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	IAAO Candidates	Rob Weaver
	State GIS Representative	Nancy Smoak
	DOR Information	Amelia Ruple
	Election of Officers	Liz McDonald
	Awards	Liz McDonald
	Old Business	
	New Business	
	Adjournment	Liz McDonald

**LUNCH – Provided by Seawell’s**



# 2025 SCAAO Spring Conference



Don Chai is presented with the President's Award. Thank you for your service in 2024!



Don Chai accepts the Secretary's Award on behalf of Kristy Marx. Thank you for your service in 2024, Kristy!





# SCAAO MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

JANUARY 1—DECEMBER 31, 20\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_ Renewal\_\_\_\_\_ New Application\_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a check payable to the SCAAO in the amount of  
\$\_\_\_\_\_ for dues as a Regular\_\_\_\_\_ or Associate \_\_\_\_\_ Member.

**Annual Dues:**

Regular \$30.00

Associate \$35.00

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

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