



SCPAC NEWSLETTER 2007

IMPORTANT DATES

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January 8, 2008 - SC. House convenes
January 14, 2008 - SC Senate convenes
January 19, 2008 – SC Republican Primary
January 29, 2008 – SC Democratic Primary



SCPAC Members and
Legislators at 2006 Annual
Conference Reception

January 29 – 31, 2008

SCPAC 2008 LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

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Want to learn more about how SCPAC plans to pursue appraiser independence in 2008? Join us at our second annual conference in January. The three day event will include a dynamic legislative caucus and reception, speakers, lobbying to promote **SCPAC** initiatives at the Capitol, and **14 hours of continuing education** for real estate appraisers. **The \$250 conference fee includes 2008 membership dues for SCPAC, all conference activities, and 14 hours of continuing education.** Don't miss this opportunity network with peers, meet your representatives at the Capitol and protect your profession in the legislative arena. The event will be held at the new **Hilton Columbia Center** located in the historic Congaree Vista district of downtown Columbia. Room rates for conference attendees will be \$129 per night. **Conference and seminar registration forms will soon be available on the SCPAC website at www.scpac.net.**

SCPAC TO SUPPORT APPRAISER INDEPENDENCE LEGISLATION IN 2008



**SCPAC makes a difference
for appraisers in South
Carolina!**

Tired of undue pressure from clients? Tired of not being paid for assignments when your client is unhappy with the 'number'? Are you ready to do something about it? SCPAC plans to address those issues and more in the 2008 legislative session. "It's time for appraisers to protect the integrity of their profession from undue pressure and coercion", says President Ed Carter. When asked about accountability during a recent televised discussion on mortgage fraud, Ed responded "Everyone participating in the mortgage process should be held accountable for their actions. Appraisers are licensed and regulated to ensure they adhere to strict standards that protect the public interest."

SCPAC believes appraisers should also be protected. We have an aggressive legislative agenda planned for the 2008 session and we need your help. Renew your SCPAC membership today. Membership applications are available on our website at www.scpac.net.

MORE EXCITING RECENT EVENTS!.....read on....

Invite just one appraiser to become a member of SCPAC and help protect your future, your profession, and the public trust!

RECENT EVENTS

SCPAC was invited to attend and sponsor the joint **2007 North Carolina / South Carolina Associations of Community Development Corporations Conference** by Bernie Mazyck, President and CEO of the SCACDC. The conference was held in Charleston, SC at the Charleston Embassy Suites Hotel Airport – Convention Center on September 25 - 27. The 2007 conference theme was, "CED in the Carolinas – FIT (Finance, Innovation and Technology) for the Future". The conference began with the Pre-Conference Institute on Preserving Housing Assets: Anti-Predatory Lending, Foreclosure Mitigation and the Role of Housing Counseling. The three day conference included interactive exhibits, and multiple workshops focusing on financing, real estate development and policy changes. Attendees for this first ever joint conference included leading practitioners in community economic development, investors, stakeholders, and related interest groups such as **SCPAC** who bring depth and breadth to this think tank environment. **SCPAC** was invited to represent the appraisal profession and **SCPAC** sponsored a portion of the conference. **SCPAC** representatives handed out its membership list, which generated business for its members – a true **member benefit!** President Ed Carter, Legislative Affairs Chair Kelli Kline and Board of Directors Member Burke Herrin represented **SCPAC** at the event. To learn more about the South Carolina Association of Community Development Corporations, visit their website at www.communitydevelopmentsc.org.

SCPAC was invited to participate in the **ETV Forum** titled The Mortgage Crisis: Where does South Carolina Stand? The show aired Wednesday, September 19th, 2007 at 7:00 pm. Berryl Dakers of ETV hosted a lively town hall meeting with Senator David Thomas, Senator Robert Ford and Brandy Pinkston, Administrator of the Department of Consumer Affairs, addressing mortgage fraud and related issues in South Carolina. **SCPAC** was well-represented by President Ed Carter, Vice President Deborah Tripp and Legislative Affairs Chair Kelli Kline. "Participating in the ETV Forum was a great learning experience for **SCPAC** and allowed us to address a variety of issues impacting appraisers and consumers", said President Ed Carter. Of her experience, Vice President Deborah Tripp said, "This opportunity to address the impact of mortgage fraud in a frank and open discussion allowed **SCPAC** to pursue one of the fundamental tenants of our mission, protecting the public interest and educating real estate investors. This event was a big win for everyone involved, especially the appraisal profession." To learn more about ETV and their programming, please visit their website at www.sctv.org.

SCPAC was invited to attend and sponsor the **Homebuyer 101 Conference – Building the Foundation for Your American Dream** by Brandy Pinkston, Administrator of the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs (SCDCA). The conference was held in Columbia, SC at the Brookland Convention Center on June 27, 2007, and was designed to educate consumers, particularly first time homebuyers, about the process of buying a home. The event was free for all participants. Workshops included credit counseling, the mortgage process and an overview of government sponsored homebuying products and services. **SCPAC** members provided educational information about the appraisal process, and promoted the use of **SCPAC** members by transmitting its membership list to generate business for its members. The sold out conference attracted well over 125 participants. **SCPAC** was represented by President Ed Carter, Vice President Deborah Tripp, Legislative Affairs Chair Kelli Kline, Director Roseann Dufala and Member Bob Dufala. "This event offered us a great opportunity to educate the public about what appraisers do and how a good appraisal can protect their interests," said **SCPAC** President Ed Carter. Vice President Deborah Tripp added, "We are committed to supporting the outreach efforts of the Department of Consumer Affairs in real estate related issues. **SCPAC** members are active proponents of consumer education in their local communities. We're ready to help the Department of Consumer Affairs bring this important program to all South Carolinians." To learn more about the services provided by the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs, visit their website at www.sconsumer.gov.

MORE MEMBER BENEFITS IN PROGRESS!

Watch your mailbox for new member benefits in progress! The SCPAC website will be updated shortly and will be adding member benefits as they are available to members. We'll e-mail member benefit announcements as they are received.

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