

## Makeover Montgomery 4



**Nick Finio, Maria Day-Marshall, and Uri Avin**

On Thursday, May 10th, **Maria Day-Marshall**, Director, moderated the Affordable Housing Panel at Makeover Montgomery 4 in Silver, Spring MD. **Nick Finio** (left) is a PhD Candidate in Urban and Regional Planning at UMD. Nick presented his research on gentrification, social equity, and housing in Montgomery County. **Uri Avin** (right) is a research professor at the UMD National Center for Smart Growth. Uri spoke about his findings on regional housing supply and demand data.

## Guest Lecture: Stacy Spann



**Stacy Spann, HOC, speaking to RDEV 350 students**

Thank you to **Stacy Spann**, Executive Director of the Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC), and friend of the program, for lecturing on May 3 to the RDEV 350 class. HOC's mission is to provide affordable housing and supportive services to low and moderate-income families in Montgomery County.

## ULI Trends Conference



**Richard Adjou, Richard Bedrick, Gabriel Katz, and Akiel Pyant**

On April 17, MRED students, faculty and staff attended the ULI Washington Real Estate Trends Conference in Washington, DC. At this one-day conference, students had an opportunity to attend sessions and workshops that featured over 25 top industry experts representing current local and national real estate trends. The ULI/Hines Student Competition poster created by the UMD Final Four Team was also on display at the conference (not shown).

## NAIOP 2018 Capital Challenge



**Elizabeth Hawley, Kyle Kopler, Sarah Ingerson, Mithila Mattoo, Richard Adjou, Chad Pitts, and Ron McDonald**

On April 12, MRED students led by their mentor **Ron McDonald**, competed in the 2018 NAIOP Capital Challenge, a regional case study competition focusing on a real estate development/redevelopment project in the Washington, DC and Suburban Maryland metropolitan area.

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## American Real Estate Society Conference

**Tanya Bansal**, Clinical Assistant Professor and Assistant Director, had the opportunity to moderate a panel on the topic, "Business Writing and Oral Communication Skills: Teaching and Assessment Methods", at the 34th

Annual American Real Estate Society (ARES) Conference in Bonita Springs, FL on April 10-14. Panelists also included: **Richard Gallegos**, Oncourse Learning; **Rosemary Goss**, Virginia Tech; **Karen McGrath**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; and **Charles Davidson**, Villanova University.



**Tanya Bansal, Richard Gallegos, Rosemary Goss, Karen McGrath, and Charles Davidson**

## SoRed Student and Alumni Happy Hour

On April 19, MRED alumni and students gathered for a networking happy hour at McGinty's Public House in Silver Spring, MD. We had a great turnout with over 20 alumni and current students! We are looking forward to the next one in June in Washington, DC (location TBA). Thank you all for coming out!



**Celine Liang, Tachit Pultunya, Xingchen Lin, Vania Andini, and William Middleton**

## LAI Awards



**Margaret McFarland and Tim Pula**

Congratulations to Margaret McFarland, founding Director of the RDEV program and the Colvin Institute of Real Estate Development, for receiving LAI's 2018 Richard T. Ely Distinguished Educator Award! Hats off to Tim Pula for accepting the LAI's International Skyline Award on behalf of Beatty Development Group for Harbor Point, Baltimore, MD. Tim has served as a guest lecturer and Capstone mentor for the MRED Program.

