

KAR Convention & Expo - September 2008

2009 KAR Officers Elected

The election results were announced during the Delegate Body meeting. Eighty-eight percent of the delegate body voted on the 2009 slate of candidates while 65% of registered Convention attendees eligible to vote cast ballots for the director at large positions. Led by **2009 President Jeff Smith**, the entire group was honored at the installation banquet held on Thursday night during the Convention. *Here are the results of the election:*

President-Elect John Smither (Lexington)
Treasurer-Elect Kevin Farris (Elizabethtown)
Region 2 Director Steve Cline (Bowling Green)
Region 4 Director Ann McDonald (Lexington)
Region 6 Director Norman Jones (Pikeville)
At-Large Director Carl Adams (Paducah)
At-Large Director Linda Sparrow (Danville)
At-Large Director Janie Wilson (Fort Mitchell)

Jeff Smith (Fort Mitchell) will serve as the 2009 President.

Existing members serving on the Board of Directors will be Immediate Past President Robert Damron (Pikeville), Treasurer Santosh Bhatt (Louisville), Region 1 Director Larry Gillette (Hopkinsville), Region 3 Director Patricia Edison (Louisville) and Region 5 Director Jennifer Harris (Florence).

The six remaining At-Large Directors for the state include Charles Ballard (Louisville), Paul Fox (Cold Spring), Gale Fulton (Lexington), Ron Hughes (Paducah), Ashley Trautner (Frankfort) and Nelson Weaver (Somerset).

Barbara Flannery (London), Donnie Sims (Bowling Green) and Alvena Stanfield (Florence) were elected to serve as At-Large Delegates on the leadership team in 2009.

Joe Simms (Louisville) was elected to serve as a Director to the National Association of REALTORS®.

Awards

Members and local associations were recognized for their achievements at the convention for 2008. *They are as follows:*

2008 REALTOR® of the Year - John J. Weikel II (Greater Louisville AOR)

2008 Distinguished Service - David P. Schoepf (Northern Kentucky AOR)

2008 Nat Sanders Educator of the Year - Woodrow Wilson (Lexington-Bluegrass AOR)

2008 Community Service Awards

Large category - Greater Louisville Association of REALTORS®

Medium category - Madison County Board of REALTORS®

Small category - Kentucky-Barkley Lakes Board of REALTORS®

Paul Kendall Membership Awards

First Place - Murray-Calloway County Board of REALTORS®

Second Place - Old Kentucky Home Board of REALTORS®

Third Place - Hopkinsville-Christian County Board of REALTORS®

Ammerman Attendance Award - Northern Kentucky Association of REALTORS®



**2009 KAR President
Jeff Smith**



**2009 KAR REALTOR®
of the Year John Weikel**

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2009 KREEF Officers Announced

President Karen Pannell (Lexington)
President-Elect Gale Fulton (Lexington)
Treasurer Steve Hiland (Eddyville)
Treasurer-Elect Shirley DeBoor (Lexington)

KREEF Trustees appointed are Barbara Flannery (London), Margie Harper (Elizabethtown), Ron Hughes (Paducah) and Christine Morgan (Scottsville).

2009 RPAC Trustees Approved

The RPAC Trustees voted to confirm the following as new Trustees for the 2009-11 term. Don Sebastian (Lexington), Trustee for Congressional District 6 and Paul Ogden (Louisville), Trustee for Congressional District 3. They replace retiring Trustees John Smither and Santosh Bhatt.

Directors also voted to:

- Approve the 2009 Strategic Plan.
- Approve the Structural Audit.
- Postpone the 2009 budget until the December Membership Meeting.
- Keep KAR's 2009 membership dues at the same level as in 2008.
- Purchase a new telephone system, two desks, ten chairs and three computers for KAR (from finance committee).
- Accept the names submitted by the KREC Selection Committee to be forwarded to the Governor's office. The names are Nelson Collins, Lois Ann Disponett, Carolyn Edwards, Kathy McGann and Glenn Thomas.
- Hold Professional Standards Training in January 2009 in Lexington, Louisville and either Madisonville, Hopkinsville or Gilbertsville. Request that Virginia Lawson be the trainer.
- Accept the 2009 Professional Standards Agreement.
- Engage the services of a commercial broker to secure a tenant for the second floor of 161 Prosperous Place.
- Engage the services of Air Source Technology or a similar company to provide testing services for 161 Prosperous Place.
- Hold the 2010 Summer Business Meeting at Lake Barkley and the 2010 KAR Annual Convention & Expo at French Lick Resort.
- Accept Shelly Tilley as KAR Delegate At-Large to replace Bonnie Roberts (resigned) with a term running through December 31, 2009.



2008 DSA Award recipient David Schoepf (left) was introduced at the Delegate Body Meeting by 2007 recipient Joe Guy Hagan.

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Other Items of Note:

The RPAC Field of Bling event was again a huge success. This year, the RPAC Trustees took on the challenge to sell 500 jars (442 were sold). Brian O'Banion from the Lexington-Bluegrass Association of REALTORS® took home the diamond after purchasing only two jars. RPAC raised a considerable amount (approximately \$22,000) towards the 2008 goal with this event, however, Kentucky is still short on contributions year-to-date and has much work to do to make the goal for the year. Later, at the Delegate Body meeting, Ann McDonald auctioned eight jars of her famous beer cheese for a grand total of over \$1,300, more than \$150 per pound. Please contribute your fair share to help support RPAC at this crucial time in politics.

Vicki Cox Golder, a REALTOR® from Tucson, AZ and the 2008 first vice president for NAR, attended the Delegate Body meeting and gave a brief overview of issues facing the industry and what is being done on the national level to support members across the country.

The KAR website will be undergoing a major renovation with a completion date sometime in the first quarter of 2009. The goal is to make the site more user friendly and feature rich for members looking at KAR as a resource. Look for more information in future issues of the Real Estate Report.

Make plans now for the 2009 Convention & Expo

**September 29 -
October 1**

**Galt House
Louisville, Kentucky**

**Registration will
be available
online soon.**



**2009
LEADERSHIP
Conference**

**December 2 & 3, 2008
Doubletree Suites
Lexington, Kentucky**



The 2009 Leadership Conference is open to:
2009 Local Association Presidents & President-Elects
2009 KAR Board of Directors & Delegate Body
2009 KAR Committee Chairs & Vice Chairs
2009 KREEF Trustees & RPAC Trustees
2009 Local Association Executives

FREE conference registration to attendees.
Registration will be available online soon.

Confirmed speakers include:



**Tim Kent
Executive VP**

Tim Kent has served as CEO for the NC Association of REALTORS®, since October 2000. He has been awarded the CAE designation from the American Society of Association Executives and the Center for Association Leadership. A 1976 graduate of the University of Southern California, Kent enjoyed a distinguished 13-year career in television news.



**Lawrence Yun
NAR Senior Economist**

Lawrence Yun writes regular columns on real estate market trends, creates NAR's forecasts and has been quoted on the real estate market and the economy in the mass media, including the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, and the Washington Post. Dr. Yun received his undergraduate degree from Purdue University and earned his Ph.D. from the University of Maryland at College Park.