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STEVE KIMBALL, Editor

Suzan Kimball elected President of KLTA

Suzan Kimball of Sublette, Kansas, was elected President of the Kansas Land Title Association August 11, 2006 at the KLTA Convention



Suzan Kimball

held at the Capital

Plaza Hotel in Topeka. Born in Hutchinson, Kansas, she moved with her family to Sublette in 1959. She attended Kansas State University for two years. She and husband Brad will celebrate their 30th anniversary in October. They are the parents of three children, Staci, who is now a closer for Stewart Title in Greeley, Colorado; Justin and Kyler, and proud grandparents of two little girls, Riley and Jentry.

Suzan has been active in the KLTA since 1982, serving on various committees including the By-Laws Committee, Research Committee, Education Committee, and was Chairperson of the Education Committee from 1999-2005, and Chair of the Planning Committee 2005-2006. She served terms as District Chair for District 5, and has been serving on the Executive Committee since 1994. She was honored by the KLTA with the Distinguished Service Award in 2000.

Suzan went to work for Joyce Messerly of Haskell County Abstract in August of 1978. Suzan obtained her Abstracters license in 1980 and became a licensed Title Insurance Agent in 1981. She purchased the company on January 1, 1991, when Joyce retired. She became an Agent for Railroad Savings & Loan

Association in 1981, which after two conversions, is now owned by Bank of the West. She was named Agent of the Year by Commercial Federal Bank in 1999 and 2001 for top performance in five categories of the banking business.

Suzan's community involvement includes serving as a former Trustee of the Sublette United Methodist Church, Past Matron of Santa Fe Chapter No. 470 and current member Finney Chapter #457, Order of the Eastern Star; Past President of the Sublette Jaycees and Region B "Jaycee of the Year" in 1991 & 1992; Past President of the Sublette Business Association; Past President of the Sublette Chamber of Commerce; and served five terms as President of the Sublette Booster Club. Suzan is currently serving on the City of Sublette Zoning Committee, to develop zoning districts and proposed zoning regulations.

New Officers 2006-2007

Suzan Kimball
President

Larry Cameron
President Elect

Jeff Amrein
Vice President

Doug Simmons
Second District Executive
Committee

Todd Lynch
At Large Executive Committee

Dave Scott
Second District Committee
Person

After hours, Suzan enjoys attending Sublette athletic events, attending KSU football games, entertaining family and friends, gardening and being a "Grammy."

From the Editor

As many members know, Linda Lea Voss and I are stepping down from our KLTA positions effective August 31, 2007.

The Executive Committee has combined our duties into a new Executive Secretary position. We have received several applications for this position. The planning committee will be interviewing candidates for the job in October and November. As this process moves forward I will keep you informed.

—Steve

KLTA 2006-2007 COMMITTEES & APPOINTEES

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE

Hayden St. John, Chairperson
 Sam Sheldon
 Eric Schibi
 Jerilyn Stull
 Ty Lewis

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Larry Cameron,
 President-Elect, Chairperson
 Doug Simmons,
 Vice-Chairperson, Exp. 3/2008
 Carol Foltz, Exp. 3/2009
 Charles Griffin, Exp. 3/2009
 Jean Tharp, Exp. 3/2009
 Mike Malone, Exp. 3/2009
 David Scott, Exp. 3/2009
 Karen Panter, Exp. 3/2007
 Chris St. John, Exp. 3/2007
 Roger Hannaford, III, Ex. 3/2007
 Debbie Wing, Exp. 3/2007
 Doug Simmons, Exp. 3/2007
 Jeff Amrein, Exp. 3/2008
 Larry Cameron, Exp. 3/2008
 Fawn Eck Fox, Exp. 3/2008
 Brandon Knowles, Exp. 3/2008
 Eric Schibi, Exp. 3/2008

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 District 1
 Pat Kellerman,
 District 2
 Steve Lewis,
 District 3
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 District 4
 Glen McQueen,
 District 5

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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 Jeff Amrein

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COMMITTEES NOT CREATED BY THE CONSTITUTION

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Roy Worthington, Chairperson
 Randy Barbour
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 Charles Griffin
 Kellee Dunn Walters
 Todd Sheppard
 Steve Lewis
 Jeff Otto
 Chris St. John
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CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Suzan Kimball
 Steve Kimball
 Joe Jenkins
 John Dozier
 Hayden St. John
 Roger Bell
 Barbra Gould
 Gary Schmitz
 George Burket
 (plus any other volunteers)

MEMBERSHIP

Kris Hanzlicek, Chairperson
 Lora Obermueller
 Janis McDill

MEMOIRS

Carol Foltz, Chairperson
 Jill Isernhagen, District 1
 Pat Kellerman, District 2
 Carol Foltz, District 3
 Jean Tharp, District 4
 Connie Dellinger, District 5

KLTA PAC

Suzan Kimball, President
 Steve Kimball, Sec-Treas.
 Roy Worthington
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 Gary Schmitz
 Doug Simmons
 Steve Lewis

YOUNG TITLE PERSON

Deborah Lewis, Chairperson
 Ty Lewis
 Fawn Eck Fox
 Jackie Askren

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Suzan Kimball, President
 Linda Lea Voss
 Steve Kimball, Sec-Treas.
 Gary Schmitz
 John Wheeler
 Brandon Knowles
 Larry Cameron

Presidents Report on MLTA Convention

I had the pleasure to attend the Missouri Land Title Association Convention September 14th through 17th, which was held at the St. Charles Convention Center in St. Charles, Missouri. Mike and Mary Starrett had selected a patriotic theme for the convention, in honor of one of their board members whose husband is serving in Iraq, and others in the association who had served in the military.

Thursday evening I attended a reception and dinner hosted by the MLTA Board for visiting dignitaries and speakers. Friday morning I had the opportunity to sit in on the Board of Director's meeting. I was ecstatic to learn that they had appointed an ad hoc committee to research ideas for "membership enhancements", much of which we had discussed in our Independent Agents' Section meeting in August. I was given a copy of this report to bring back to KLTA to share with our Executive Committee and membership. The General Session kicked off Friday afternoon with the Pledge of Allegiance being recited, followed by a vocalist performing the National Anthem and God Bless America. The ALTA report was presented by Greg Kosin, of Illinois, who currently serves as Chair of the Abstractor's and Title Agent's Section of the ALTA. During this session, the visiting state presidents or representatives were invited to share information about issues from their states.

The Saturday morning session featured Susan Reiman, Portland, Oregon, who spoke on Escrow/Closing instruction issues, followed by Billy Riggs, the "Dis-Illusionist", who was our Banquet entertainment when Polly Epting was President. His message, magic and humor were equally as entertaining as the first time! Close of business was followed by the Awards and Vendors luncheon which was a lot of fun. The banquet Saturday evening was the conclusion to a fun and informative convention.

—Suzan

Members Appointed to Electronic Recording Commission

President Suzan Kimball has appointed Randy Barbour and Chris St. John to the Electronic Recording Commission. The commission will adopt standards to implement this act (Senate Bill No. 336). There are 15 members on the commission consisting of the following:

- Three members who are Registers of Deeds appointed by the Kansas Register of Deeds Association;

- Two members of the title industry appointed by the Kansas Land Title Association;

- One member who is an attorney appointed by the Kansas Bar Association;

- One member of the construction industry appointed by the governor;

- One member of the oil and gas industry appointed by the legislative coordinating council;

- One member of the banking industry appointed by the legislative coordinating council;

- One member of the mortgage industry appointed by the legislative coordinating council;

- One member who is a surveyor appointed by the legislative coordinating council;

- One member who is a realtor appointed by the legislative coordinating council;

- One member of the agricultural industry appointed by the governor;

- the state archivist or the archivist's designee; and the secretary of state or the secretary's designee.

Secretary-Treasurers Annual Report

As of August 4, 2006 KLTA has 160 members, 0 Associate Members and 9 Underwriter Members. Our checkbook balance at that time was: \$70,863.66. In addition we have a Treasury Savings Account in the sum of \$48,143.11 plus a 36 month CD in the amount of \$41,743.43.

Report of Abstractor Board of Examiners

Abstracters Board of Examiners reports that one person passed the test given September 1, 2006. Congratulations to Denise Campanella, Olathe, Kansas.

In Remembrance

Bill Mitchell
Hutchinson
Former
KLTA Lobbyist



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KLTA Kalendar

KLTA Title School
Marriott Hotel
Wichita, Kansas
February 7-9, 2007

KLTA Continuing Education
(4 hours)
Marriott Hotel
Wichita, Kansas
February 8, 2007

ALTA Federal Conference
The Willard InterContinental
Washington, DC
March 5-7, 2007

ALTA Tech Forum
April 22-24, 2007
Hyatt Regency Denver
Denver, Colorado

KLTA District Meetings
Manhattan, Kansas
April 17, 2007
Wakeeney, Kansas
April 18, 2007

**KLTA Centennial
Convention**
Wichita Marriott
Wichita, Kansas
August 9-11, 2007

KLTA Continuing Education
(4 hours)
Marriott Hotel
Wichita, Kansas
August 10, 2007

ALTA Annual Convention
Chicago Hilton
Chicago, Illinois
October 10-14, 2007

ALTA Annual Convention
October 15-18, 2008
Hyatt Regency Kauai Resort
Koloa, Kauai, HI

ALTA Annual Convention
October 21-24, 2009
The Breakers
Palm Beach, Florida

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New Member

The following companies have been approved for membership:

Heartland Title
Olathe

**CSM Holding Company, LLC dba
Homestead Title**
Olathe

MoKan Title Services, LLC
Overland Park

Accurate Title Company, LLC
Leawood

Capitol Title Insurance Company, LC
Manhattan

Capitol Title Insurance Company, LC
Oskaloosa

ASSOCIATE MEMBER:

Land Choice Company, LLC
Columbia, MO

www.klta.org

Be sure to visit our website on a regular basis as current information is posted in a timely manner. If you ever have questions about KLTA check the website first.

**KLTA
Needs You!**

**KLTA to Celebrate
100 Years!**

Look Forward to:
New KLTA Member Door
Logos
Updated KLTA History
Booklet
Company Histories of KLTA
Members
Abstract Contest????

2007 marks the 100th Anniversary of the Kansas Land Title Association, and I am looking for members who are interested in working on the Centennial Committee. Plans are being made for this special event and I invite anyone interested in being part of this landmark event to volunteer now! Your ideas and comments are welcome. Help make this a year to remember!

**Contact Suzan Kimball, KLTA President-Elect
Or Steve Kimball, Sec-Treas**

Contact Suzan at 620-675-
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Steve at 785-487-3441,
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2007 Centennial Convention
August 9th–11th, 2007
Wichita Marriott Hotel

Volunteer Today!!