



NCARB Celebrates Staff Milestone Anniversaries

Three employees were honored in July 2008 for milestone anniversaries. Tina Hawkins, Coordinator, Candidate Eligibilities, celebrated 35 years of service; Susan Wise, Director, Corporate Affairs, celebrated 25 years of service; and Jelani Tendai, Record Coordinator, celebrated five years of service. Congratulations to all! **DC**

Past President Williams Receives Doctorate of Architecture

Past President Homer L. Williams, FAIA, NCARB, received his Doctorate in Architecture from the University Hawaii at Manoa last May. Williams has been practicing architecture since 1966 and was a member of the Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors, and Landscape Architects before becoming NCARB's president in 1995. He is principal and chairman of Williams Sprugeon Kuhl & Freshnock Architects, Inc. (WSKF) of Kansas City, MO. Over his long career, he has led the firm to design prominence and his work has been featured in numerous publications. He received the Distinguished Service Award from the Missouri Council of the American Institute Architects (AIA) in 1992, and was advanced to the AIA College of Fellows in 1995. **DC**



NCARB Director Retires

NCARB's Director of Corporate Affairs Susan L. Wise, retired after 25 years of service in August. Susan Wise started her career with the Council in 1983 as the executive secretary to then-Executive Vice President Samuel Balen, FAIA. She steadily rose through the ranks to become the director of corporate affairs 10 years ago.

During her distinguished career, Wise has been responsible for planning NCARB's Annual Meeting and Conference as well as numerous committee and Board of Directors meetings each year. She also oversaw NCARB's communications department, which produces all print and electronic material sent to the public and Member Boards.

In 1996, Wise was awarded the President's Medal for Distinguished Service for protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the public from then-President Richard W. Quinn, FAIA. At the Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh last June she received a second President's Medal for Distinguished Service from 2008 President Douglas K. Engebretson, FAIA, making her the first person to receive the award twice.

"Susan was my right-hand when I first arrived at NCARB, and remained a valued advisor and confidant over the years," said NCARB Executive Vice President Lenore Lucey, FAIA. "There are truly no words sufficient to describe her impact on and contributions to NCARB. She will be sorely missed by all who have worked with her." **DC**

Member Board Members and Executives

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Renaissance Hotel
Chicago, Illinois
June 17-20, 2009



Get ready for an urban adventure in the "Windy City." Chicago, the nation's third largest city, will host NCARB's 90th Annual Meeting and Conference next June.

Chicago spurred a worldwide skyscraper boom when the city was rebuilt following the devastating Great Chicago Fire in 1871. When rebuilding began it featured a new type of architecture that pioneered steel-frame construction. William LeBaron Jenney's Home Insurance Building completed in 1885 is often considered to be the first modern skyscraper. Today the city boasts one of the world's tallest skylines and is dominated by the famous Sears Tower.

On the shores of Lake Michigan, the city is also home to world-class entertainment, restaurants, and museums. From Chicago's historic Navy Pier to Millennium Park, an award-winning center for art, music, architecture, and landscape design, Member Board Members and Executives will find something for the whole family to enjoy.

Mark Your Calendars!

Your vote counts! Members' attendance makes the meeting an effective forum to conduct the business that strengthens the profession of architecture. Look for more information in your inbox and mailbox in April.