



Hotel Association of Greater Dallas Announces New 2008 Officers and Board Members

The Hotel Association of Greater Dallas announced today it's newly elected slate of 2008 officers and board members. Elected to lead the organization in the coming year are Michael Vance, General Manager of the Omni Mandalay Hotel in Irving, Texas who will serve as president of the Association in 2008 and Tom Garcia, General Manager of the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas, Texas who will serve as the Chair of the Board of Directors.

Their election along with other Board of Director positions occurred at the Association's annual meeting on January 17, 2008. Other officers elected included Bob Perkins, La Quinta Corporation as vice president, James Montgomery, Gateway Hospitality, as secretary and Tim Sullivan, General Manager of the Renaissance Hotel Dallas who will serve as treasurer.

More than 200 persons attended the annual meeting held at the Omni Mandalay Hotel in Irving, Texas including Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert and Addison Mayor Joe Chow. In addition to local hoteliers from across the Metroplex, other special guests in attendance included numerous local and state elected officials, representatives from the Dallas and Irving Convention & Visitors Bureaus and tourism officials from several Dallas area cities.

Board of Directors elected for 2008 terms included:

- Mark Brooks, General Manager, Marriott Quorum By the Galleria
- Stephen Christensen, General Manager, Hilton Garden Inn Allen
- Larry Daniels, General Manager, Hyatt Regency at DFW
- Kevin Gilbert, General Manager, Hilton Garden Inn Duncanville
- Sandi Denton, Hilton Corporation
- Yale Feldman, General Manager, Hotel Intercontinental
- Mark Huntley, General Manager, The Fairmont Dallas
- Gail Jackson, Hilton Garden Inn DFW South
- Sanjay Naik, Lowen Hospitality
- Michael Stephens, General Manager, Grand Hyatt DFW
- John Everett, General Manager, Westin Galleria Dallas

Past president's of the Association continuing to serve on the Board include:

- Mohamed Elmougy, Pyramids Hospitality
- David Fulton, Hilton Dallas Park Cities
- Lamont Meek, Circa Capital
- Marc Messina, Hilton Anatole Hotel
- Steve Vissotzky, Hyatt Regency Dallas at Reunion
- Michael Lynch, Embassy Suites Love Field

The Hotel Association of Greater Dallas is one of the largest local hotel associations in the country representing more than 35,000 rooms in the market. Established in 1926, the association works to promote the interests of the hotel community in North Texas.

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