



KASCOE e-News

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2011 KASCOE Convention Highlights

Convention Overview- The 2011 KASCOE Convention will be November 10th and 11th, 2011 at Hays, Kansas. This will be a joint convention held with our sister associations. To date, more than 100 people have registered and are staying for the evening meal and activities. A full detailed convention agenda is on page 2 & 3 of this e-news. Due to the large amount of awards and information that needs to be shared, the Friday session will go beyond lunch. Late registration is being accepted until October 26, 2011. For information and registration forms please visit the KASCOE Website at: <http://kascoe.org/default.aspx>

Convention Fundraising- The traditional KASCOE Scholarship fundraising is again being held in conjunction with the Convention. The fund raising is being divided into three categories: 1) **Main raffle-** Your chance at an Amazon Kindle 3G (Free 3G + Wi-Fi), buy your tickets now for a chance at winning a very fine prize. Need not be present to win- very popular raffle! 2) **Silent Auction-** place your bids throughout Thursday of the Convention for "premium" prizes donated by each of the 9 KASCOE districts. Highest bidder on paper wins. 3) **Evening Door Prizes-** during the meal buy tickets for door prize drawings. These gifts are graciously provided by all the counties! Additionally, there is the traditional Cold Hard Cash Raffle. This raffle is very simple- you take home half of the cash put in the jar! Need not be present to win.

JM Marketing Retirement Seminar- This seminar might be very timely considering recent early out and buy-out offers that the agency is offering to employees. JM marketing has hired several full time specialists who are tasked with knowing the federal retirement system inside and out. These specialists will give you some ideas on what additional preparation you might need as you enter or consider entering retirement.

Committee Reports & Awards Presentation- Committee reports will bring you up to date on the activities of the KASCOE Executive Board and the Committee Chairpersons. Of particular interest this year will be the Legislative Committee Report. Legislative topics include: Farm Bill Priorities, Crop Acreage Reporting Pilot, Cap-Wiz and PAC. Awards Presentation: many awards will be presented at the convention. The awards presentation is especially important as we recognize our co-workers for their hard work and support of KASCOE.

KASCOE Guest Speaker- Myron Stroup, NASCOE Past President will be available for a special update exclusively for KASCOE members. Since this is a local crowd, it is expected that Myron will be very candid with the news he is delivering. As NASCOE Past President, Myron still sits on the NASCOE Executive Board in an advisory capacity.

New Business- The KASCOE board needs your input on deciding if we should start having conventions annually. Also, input will be needed on what you expect your from the new STO task force charged with finding solutions to our budget shortfalls.

All Associations Joint Meeting Agenda– Thursday

11:00 a.m. Registration begins

1:00 p.m. Joint Sessions of all Associations Opening Remarks

1:30 p.m. National Office Guest Speakers:

Carolyn Cooksie, Associate Administrator for Operations & Mgmt.
Juan Garcia, Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs
Chris Beyerhelm, Deputy Administrator for Farm Loan Programs
National Q and A Panel

State Office Guest Speakers

Adrian Polansky, State Executive Director
Jack Salava, State Executive Officer
Arlyn Stiebe, State Farm Loan Chief
State Office Q and A Panel

Congressional Invites

Jerry Moran
Pat Roberts

Association Guest Speaker

Carol Eck, Nat'l Association of Active & Retired Federal Employees

5:00 p.m. Hospitality

6:30 p.m. Western Buffet (included with paid registration) – Roasted chicken, brisket, ribs, petite corn, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, coleslaw, potato salad, tossed salad and dinner rolls

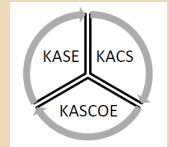
7:15 p.m. Evening Auctions –

KASCOE Silent Auction and Raffle Auction
Announcement of Kindle Winner and Cold Hard Cash Winner

8:00 p.m. Evening Social Event – Nick Levendofsky, Ventriloquist

9:00 p.m. Evening Auctions Continue

9:30 p.m. All Association Social



KASCOE Business Meeting Agenda– Friday

8:00– JM Retirement Seminar

9:00– Break

9:30 - KASCOE Business Meeting Called to Order

9:30 - Roll Call - By Districts

9:45 - Adoption of Agenda

9:50 - Approval of Minutes- 2009 Convention (Posted on website for members to view)

10:00 - Officers Report

President- *Brandon Wilson*

Secretary Treasurer- *Marsha Gerstner*

10:30 - Committee Report

Benefits & Emblems (*Brandon Wilson*)

Legislative (*Ernie Battin & Michael Martin*)

Membership (*David Sweany*)

Programs (*Brandon Wilson*)

Publicity (*Karen Holloway*)

11:30 – 12:45 – Lunch

12:45 - PAC Signup

1:00 - Awards Presentation

100% Membership

Scholarship Recipients

NASCOE DSA Award Winners

Administrators Award Recipient

Sick Leave Awards

President's Award

2:00 - Guest Speaker

Myron Stroup, NASCOE Past President

2:45 - Unfinished Business/New Business

2009 Convention Survey Results (*Joan Sanders*)

Annual Conventions- should we have annual conventions?

STO Task Force Appointments and policy- membership input

KASCOE District Boundaries

3:30- or earlier – Announcements & Adjourn





Map to Hays Ramada and Registration Info

Convention is located at 3603 Vine Street, Hays Kansas 67601 (see map below). Phone number is: 785-625-7371. You can still register by going to: <http://kascoe.org/default.aspx> and clicking on the Registration Packet.



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Raffle Tickets Still On Sale !!!

Raffle Tickets for the Amazon Kindle and The Cold Hard Cash are still on sale and will be on sale the day of the convention. You do not need to be present to win. Tickets can be printed off by going to: <http://kascoe.org/default.aspx> and clicking on “2011 Joint Conventions Raffle.” Mailing instructions are on the tickets.

