

Mississippi REALTORS®

The Association's new Presidents in Partnership program paired 7 alumni from our LeadershipMAR program with 7 Past Presidents. Participants attended three retreats which included various training and networking opportunities, LMAR Alumni completed two additional assignments in conjunction with their mentors, and they wrote and produced an advocacy video for use in new member orientations. See attached information.

PRESIDENTS IN PARTNERSHIP

A LeadershipMAR Mentorship Program



2016 Mississippi REALTORS® Presidents in Partnership Program

Seven MAR Past Presidents and seven Alumni of our *LeadershipMAR* program were selected for the program. Each LMAR Alumnus was partnered with a Past President. The program is billed as a leadership mentorship program, and focused on providing opportunities for Past MAR Presidents to pass on their knowledge and expertise to future association leaders.

RETREAT 1: LMAR Alumni and Past Presidents gathered for the first time and participated in a team expedition activity, cooked a meal together at a local cooking school and completed a personality profile. Past Presidents shared their path to leadership with the group and LMAR Alumni talked about their leadership goals for the next several years.

RETREAT 2: LMAR Alumni gathered for a retreat which focused on Advocacy. After a review of recent advocacy activities at MAR, the Alumni traveled to the Mississippi Capitol to visit with Lt. Governor Tate Reeves and Speaker of the House Philip Gunn. The balance of the retreat was spent creating the concept and script for a REALTOR® Advocacy video to be shared with Local Boards for their new member orientation sessions. (Filming of the video took place at a later date.)

ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS:

1. LMAR Alumni were given a list of 36 questions about the history of the association and its governing documents. Alumni were required to do the research necessary to answer the questions, and they also were asked to call a MARPAC Trustee, three local board AEs and their Past President partner with questions about advocacy activities and leadership strategies.
2. LMAR Alumni were asked to set a 30-day goal and develop a specific strategy to accomplish that goal. They were instructed to contact their Past President to tell them about their goal, and then contact them each week for four weeks to assess their progress toward their 30-day goal.

RETREAT 3: LMAR Alumni and Past Presidents met for the final retreat and heard a presentation on advanced leadership topics. Participants also attended a ceremony celebrating the donation of a park bench to the city hosting the state convention, and then closed the program with a congratulatory graduation dinner.

As a class project, the LMAR Alumni wrote and produced this Advocacy video: <https://vimeo.com/user20224337/review/179699285/8d8940c57b>



Presidents in Partnership Graduation Pinning Ceremony: Past President Andrea Detrick and LMAR Alumnus Jeffrey Dillon on left; Past President Cynthia Joachim and LMAR Alumnae Dorothy Thompson on right.



Cooking a Meal Together and Team Expedition Exercise



LMAR Alumni visit with Lt. Governor Tate Reeves at the Mississippi Capitol