

New Officers for 2009 Start Planning

With every year brings new leadership, and challenges.

It is always the hope to develop a better, bigger place that we come to. To leave it with only betterment for the next leaders. With that being said, let us revisit our beginnings:

In the 1930's, the National Real Estate Boards (the predecessor of NAR) witnessed a growth of women working in real estate and an increased participation of women at national conventions, as women were becoming aware of their

potential and importance to the industry.

A Women's Division had already been created in 1924 by the California Real Estate Association. Fourteen years later, 1938 National President Joseph Catherine encouraged the formation of a National Women's Council after being impressed by the California group.

At that time NAR was 30 years old. Most decisions were made by local boards. Most of

which were resistant to '*women members*'.

However, a positive vote resulted in the formation of a women's division at the Annual convention in Milwaukee in November 1938.

Thirty-seven ambitious women represented nine states, at that meeting in Milwaukee, and from that was the inception of Women's Council of Realtors.

Since then, many dedicated members have served as role models and have been "*firsts*" in the industry.

To read more about the history of Women's Council of Realtors, please visit WCR.Org

Make your goal this year: "*to get involved; continue the vision*".
You'll see a new you in the mirror. *2009 Line Officers, Huntsville, Alabama*