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## **LNHA ANNOUNCES ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

(Baton Rouge – October 8, 2015) The Louisiana Nursing Home Association (LNHA), a nonprofit organization representing more than 250 nonprofit and for-profit nursing facilities and assisted living communities, recently completed its board elections and two new board members were elected to one year terms. LNHA’s board of directors is comprised of 19 members. The Board carries out the objectives of the Association, upholding its mission, purpose, values and direction. The newly elected board members will begin their term on October 14, 2015.

The new members of the board include:

- **Scott Quirk, Board Member of Region I**

Scott H. Quirk is co-owner and managing operator of Plantation Management Company. In 2002, he received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Louisiana State University. In 2003, he became a Louisiana licensed nursing facility administrator. His background in managing a chain of nursing facilities in Louisiana gives him the ability to advise his administrators in management best practices.

- **Matt Machen, Vice President of Region VI**

Matt Machen is the Louisiana Division President for Senior Care Centers. Matt received a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Northwestern State University and began his career as a licensed administrator in 1994 at Care One Management. In 2010, Matt was named C.O.O. for Gamble Guest Care and led the company to a successful sale in September of 2015. Today, Matt continues to lead his team with Senior Care Centers. He has served on two LNHA committees including the Agency Liaison Committee and the Legislative Committee. In 2002, Matt was named Administrator of the Year by Louisiana Nursing Home Association.

“These new members will play a vital role within the association by bringing new perspectives that are critical in ensuring LNHA serves the needs of our membership,” said Joseph Donchess, executive director of LNHA. “I am excited to work with both of them and have them on our leadership team.”

A special thanks to the outgoing board members, Denny “Kit” Gamble, Jr. and William Ledbetter for their many years of dedication and service.

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**About LNHA:**

Louisiana Nursing Home Association is a nonprofit organization representing more than 250 nursing facilities and assisted living communities that care for approximately 30,000 elderly and disabled individuals each day. On behalf of its members, LNHA advocates for providing quality care and nurturing environments to Louisiana's frail and elderly. For more information on LNHA, visit our website at [www.lnha.org](http://www.lnha.org).