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I think the impact LeadAR had on me was to make me a better citizen and a better volunteer. Until you really understand the issues that impact communities, it's hard to act on them and engage others in the work that needs to be done.

Ann Owen, Class 11























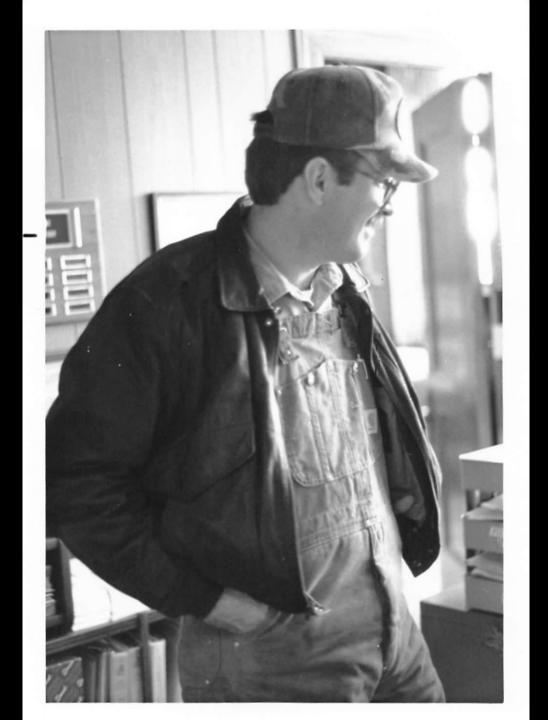




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As a county agent and staff chair, it has helped me have a broader perspective of our organization, strengthened my leadership skills, and helped my peers see me as a leader.

Brad McGinley, Class 18

















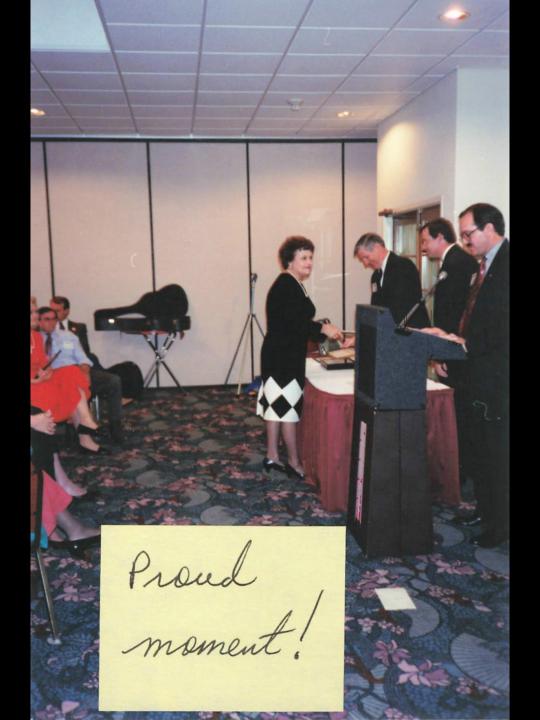


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LeadAR taught me to learn to listen to diverse, strong-minded opinions. It was also a new way to take in totally different experiences. I am so appreciative of it.

Stephanie Malone, Class 18



















ßß A lot of times in our jobs, we tend to be around similar people and situations, LeadAR plucked me from those situations and stuck me in an environment of diverse people and surroundings that provided an opportunity to learn about different perspectives.

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Jonathan Duran, Class 18





Left to Right:

Front Row: Don McMillen, Kelley Erstine, Bettye A. Cooper, Peggy Chatters, Sherry Welch, Jon Plafcan, and Mike Dumas. Second Row: Bert Greenwalt, Doug Hicks, Don Glover, Jerry Scott, Rudy Furr, and Roy Baxley. Third Row: Randy Chick, David Hillman, Edwin Edwards, Jim Scott, Herschel Cleveland, Claude Kennedy, and Bill Cook. Back Row: Tom Riley, Roy Reynolds, Ricky Mercer, Clyde West, Larry Key, Jim Vaughan, Charles Foot, and J. B. Williams. Not Pictured: Mike Cooley.













My favorite aspect of LeadAR was the networking. I gained a class of best friends. I now have a whole family to call on when needed.

Donette Spann, Class 18







Alan McVey Prairie County - Des Arc Logging Contractor/Vice President/Part Owner McVey Logging Co., Des Arc Alumni Assoc., AR Fed. of Young Republicans, City Council, Chamber of Commerce

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County Assessor,

Bureau, Searcy

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Searcy County Farm

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Marshall



Faye Rodgers Van Buren County -Clinton Sales Proprietorship -Jewelry/City Clerk, Past President Jayoettes, Chamber of Commerce, City Beautification Organizer, Municipal Clerks of Arkansas



Diane Watt Ashley County -Crossett Program Director, Ashley County Adult Education/Literacy, AR Education Assoc., Secretary/Treasurer County Literacy Council, Chamber of Commerce, County Industrial Dev. Com.

Chris Welch Jackson County -Newport General Contractor. Newport City Council. Member, Chamber of Commerce Board, Division Chairperson, United Way

Tim Whisenhunt Lafayette County -Bradley Farmer,Self-Employed President, Southwest AR Assoc. of Cons. Districts, Exe. Board, State Assoc. of Cons. Districts, Vice-President, Farm Bureau, Chamber of Commerce



Delores Van Hodge Kenneth Hubbard, Jr. Clark County - Gurdon Boone County -Director, Gurdon Harrison Family Friends Proj ... Optometry/Hay & Beel Director, Clark County Farming, Vice-Youth Development President, AR Center, AR Teachers Optometric Assoc., Assoc., National Chairman, County Education Assoc. Airport Board, Boone NAACP, Order of County Special Eastern Star Services School Board











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My LeadAR service project was to secure a building and begin the process of making a community library. Getting the building donated was the easy part! Then, began the funding and the actual work to repair an 1894 bank building into a library. From start to finish, it took seven years. In that time, we raised over \$250,000, much of which was generated through an annual Chili Supper and Dessert Auction. 55

Judy Riley, Class 14







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The national and international study tours were the highlight of my LeadAR experience. The DC study tour was a critical component of my career. I do a lot of Congressional liaison work. Meeting people face-to-face that I worked remotely with for years was a highlight for me.

Mary Wood, Class 18





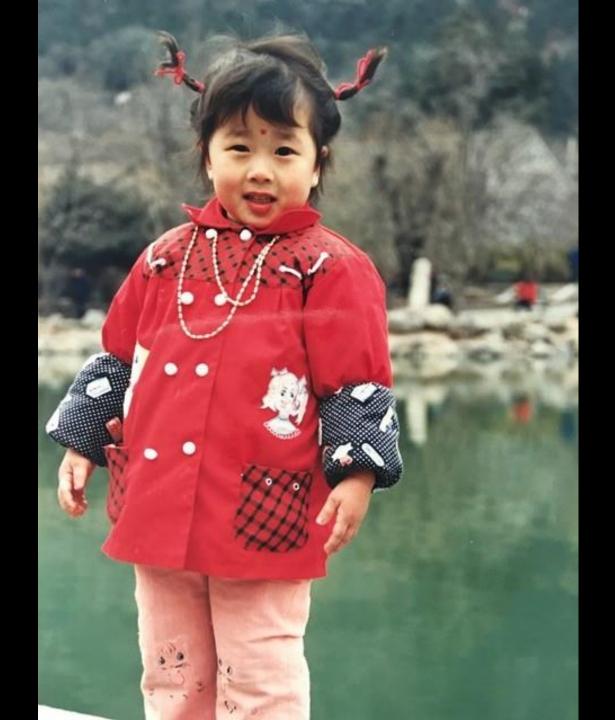




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Participation in LeadAR really broadened my perspective toward community development and allowed me to participate in a shared vision for Arkansas.

Sam Amerson, Class 4







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Joining LeadAR is one the best decisions I have made in terms of improving my leadership skills to better serve people in my community, home, and work—wherever I am involved in something.

Rickey McCauley, Class 18

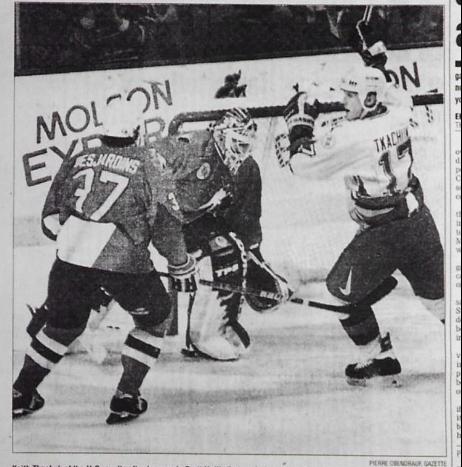






Damn Yankees

Americans win World Cup



Keith Tkachuk of the U.S. exults after teammate Brett Hull's first-period goal in 5-2 American victory over Canada.

The birth of a new Cold War

The gentlemen were young, noisy – and wrapped in more Maple Leafs than your lawn on the first of October.

"Who won the 100 metres?" they shouted outside the Molson Centre before last night's Brawl for it All between Team U.S.A. and Team Canada. And of course they were happy to supply the answer: "CA-NA-DA!" Smith and Tremblay united to repel the invasion from the south.

But it may take more than unity to stop this invasion. Two quick third period goals by Brett Hull and Tony Amonte last night – both of them given replay scrutiny by referee Terry Gregson – gave the upstart Americans a 5.2 victory and bragging rights for bedye unpresent here and bragging











ßß I appreciated the variety the program offers. I am from Arkansas, but because LeadAR is held in different areas of the state and we met mayors, community leaders, saw the sites and attractions, and learned about local economies, I learned so much more about my state.

Laura Hendrix, Class 16

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ßß One of my most enjoyable aspects was that we had such a cross-section of participants: producers, power company, non-profits, elected officials, etc. It allowed us to hear different thoughts and ideas and different things that were pressing and important to various groups. It gives you an experience outside of your own silo and provides a state-55 wide, national, and international level of thinking.

Kris Boulton, Class 16









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One of my most memorable LeadAR experiences was in the judicial and law enforcement seminar, we went into the county jail in Van Buren. They locked us in, and it's a funny feeling knowing you cannot leave until someone lets you out.

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Louis O'Quin, Class 16

















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I cannot say enough about LeadAR. I learned as much from questions asked by my classmates as I did from the speakers. Teresa Cole, Class 3

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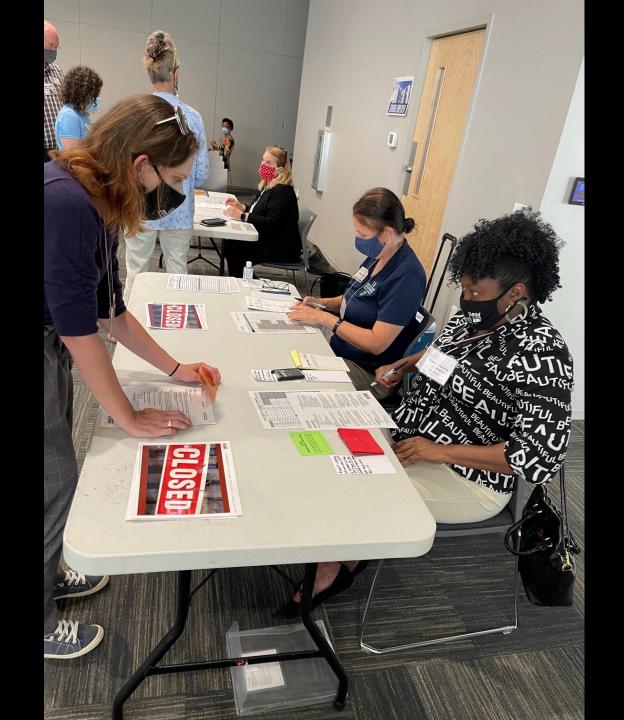






























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