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Ohio Auctioneers Honor Dave Kaufman as Newest Member of the Hall of Fame

Columbus - Approximately 315 auctioneers and guests turned out for the Ohio Auctioneers Association's Annual Convention, January 16-18, 2010 in Columbus, OH at the Hilton Polaris Hotel, at which the organization bestowed its highest honor to one of its top auctioneers. The Hall of Fame committee, comprised of only 36 auctioneers since its inception, inducted Dave Kaufman of Sugarcreek, Ohio on Sunday, January 17 during the annual Hall of Fame Luncheon. Joining Dave at this event were 15 previous winners of this high honor.

Dave was licensed as an auctioneer and agent in 1971 and 1973 respectively. In 1975 he was licensed as a real estate broker and formed his own real estate and auction company (Dave Kaufman Realty, Inc.). Since then, he has grown the company to one of the largest real estate auction companies in the North Eastern Ohio. Kaufman Realty conducts approximately 300 auctions per year throughout Ohio, Western Pennsylvania and Northern West Virginia. They currently have three offices: Sugarcreek, Millersburg, and New Philadelphia, with approximately 30 agents of whom 9 are licensed auctioneers. Kaufman Realty conducts real estate auctions, traditional listings, chattel auctions, and real estate and chattel appraisals. Dave has strived to build the company on his traditional core values: Faith, Family, Honesty, and Integrity.

Dave has been married to Mary (Schlabach) for 35 years and they have 5 children - David Anthony 33, married to Julie (Mast); Erika 30, married to Curt Yoder; Patrick 27, and twins Casey and Corey 20. He also has 5 grandchildren, Alexis 9 (Anthony & Julie), Kylee 5 (Anthony & Julie), Kate 5 (Curt & Erika), Luke 4, (Curt & Erika) Micah 2 (Curt & Erika). Dave is involved in his church, the Sharon Mennonite and the Gideon's International, as well as volunteering time throughout the year for numerous benefit auctions. His pastimes include sponsoring and following the Class A Kaufman Realty Baseball Team, and following the local high school sports teams. When possible, he enjoys spending time at a vacation home in Sarasota Florida.