

New Senator Profiles: Ken Haar and Kathy Campbell

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This is the final edition in a series of eight profiles on Nebraska's newly elected senators. Sixteen senators began their first term January 7, 2009.

Ken Haar, Malcolm (District 21), won a narrowly decided race for this northwest Lancaster County and southern Saunders County seat vacated by Sen. Carol Hudkins due to term limits. Haar's opponent, James Arthur Jeffers, carried Saunders County by a slight margin, while Haar won Lancaster County.

Haar is a software developer and computer consultant. He holds Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Haar has served on numerous boards, including the Lancaster County Board of Health. He and his wife have two children.

A Democrat, Haar was endorsed by the *Lincoln Journal-Star*. His opponent was endorsed by the *Omaha World-Herald*. Haar served on the Lincoln City Council for eight years, including one year as Chair.

Kathy Campbell, Lincoln (District 25), defeated Travis Wagner by a large margin, to succeed term-limited Sen. Ron Raikes for this northeast Lancaster County seat.

Campbell currently serves as the Executive Vice President of CEDARS Home for Children Foundation. She retired five years ago from active management in her family's business, Campbell's Nurseries. She has served on numerous boards and commissions at both the state and local level. At the present time, she serves on the boards of Leadership Lincoln and the BryanLGH Medical Center. Campbell earned her Bachelors and Masters degrees in education from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She and her husband have two children.

Campbell, a Republican, was endorsed by the *Omaha World-Herald* and the *Lincoln Journal-Star*. She served on the Lancaster County Board for 16 years.

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