

**Alton Hagen, CMP, DMCP –  
Candidate for Skal USA Vice-President, Administration**

**SKAL INTERNATIONAL Curriculum Vitae**

I began my tourism career in 1972 as a Tour Manager for Cartan Travel, which was headquartered in Chicago at the time, and attended my first Skal meeting a couple of years later while visiting Cartan's home office. However, because I spent the vast majority of my first 20+ years "On the Road," it wasn't until the early 90's, after establishing a Destination Management Company in Kansas City, that I was spending enough time in one place for a colleague to invite me to a Skal Club meeting.

As my Destination Management Company (Agenda: USA, Inc.) operates a fleet of chauffeured vehicles under USDOT Authority, I immediately submitted my application to Skal International for membership, and within the 18 months of acceptance, I was asked to join the Kansas City Club's Board of Directors. Over the next few years, I served in each executive committee position, culminating with being the club's President for the 2001/2002 term.

While I stepped off the club's Board of Directors following my term as President, I was invited to rejoin the club's board in 2008 and was subsequently appointed the Kansas City Club's Skal USA Representative and served from 2010 until 2016.

In the fall of 2016, I was honored to be elected as Skal USA's Vice-President, Finance – a position I served in from 2016 through 2019.

Now, having successfully steered my company through the pandemic, I wish to resume my service to Skal USA and the members of our clubs by being elected next year's Vice-President, Administration.