

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE MUNICIPAL CLERKS
REGION VIII NEWSLETTER
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Hi Everyone!! I'm sure glad that spring has just arrived and the weather here in southern Utah has been really nice and warm, so I'm getting spring fever really bad. However, by the end of the week we could be having more cold weather, but one nice thing - it won't last that long!! With spring comes allergies, and that can really make you miserable, but I love springtime!!

I can't believe that my three year term on the IIMC Board is about over. It has been a wonderful experience for me and I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve in that manner. My term will be up in May while in Whistler, B.C., but will be busy the next couple of months. Congratulations to Buster Brown, CMC - City Clerk of Omaha, NE, who will replace me in May as the new IIMC Region VIII Director. I have known Buster for several years, and know he will do an excellent job and represent our region well.

I'm sure everyone has received the information concerning our IIMC Region VIII Spring Conference that will be held next month in Albuquerque, New Mexico, at the Sheraton Old Town on April 21st -23rd. The New Mexico Clerks need to be thanked for all the work they have done on this, along with their Institute Director Linda Alire-Naranjo. It looks there will be some great classes, so hope there will be a lot of out-of-state clerks that will be able to attend.

May 2nd through May 8th, 2004, is Municipal Clerks Week. Don't forget to have your Mayor sign a proclamation declaring it for your community, since this will be the 35th year that the Office of the Municipal Clerk is acknowledged in this manner. It might be fun to include an article in the next newsletter telling about some of the other creative things that are done in our region during that week, so make sure that the Region Directors get that information.

The IIMC Board will convene for our Board Meeting on Friday, May 21, 2004, in Whistler, B.C., prior to the annual conference convening. The agenda is always long and lots of business is handled. It has been an honor to work with the executive committee and all board members over the past three years. They have been some of the most dedicated and hard working individuals I have ever known. One issue where there has been a lot of controversy is opening up the membership for IIMC. There is a good article in the March 2004 issue of News Digest that you need to be sure and read, since this will be voted on at the annual conference in Whistler.

NEWS FROM COLORADO

Colorado to share its-"Train the Trainers" Program

Colorado is very proud to have been recognized and asked to share our "Train the Trainer" program at the IIMC Annual Conference to be held in Whistler, BC. This successful program was initiated in April 1999 and has been developed over the past 4-5 years growing to a program that held 23 classes, instructed 352 clerks & deputy clerks in 7 different curriculums in 2003. This success is due to the dedication and professionalism Colorado Clerks have in promoting education for our clerks throughout Colorado. Mary Watt, MMC, of Montrose,

Stephanie Tuin, MMC, of Grand Junction, Cindy Morse, CMC of Woodland Park and Julie Jordan, CMC of Steamboat Springs, have all teamed together to provide this educational seminar for the IIMC Conference in May. They are very honored to have been asked to do this presentation and want to let all Clerks know that they are very proud to be representing our State at this IIMC Conference. The session will be held Monday, May 24, at 2:00. Look for the session called "Clerks Training Clerks -Celebrating Colorado's Success". The session will consist of a panel discussion on the development of the Train the Trainer Program, statistics on the success of the program and how an organization can benefit from this program.

NEWS FROM NEBRASKA

The Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association held it's annual academy and school on March 15th to 19th, in North Platte, Nebraska. The week long school had 71 clerks attending, while the academy had a record 140 clerks.

New officers were elected who will take office in September at the annual meeting of the League of Nebraska Municipalities. The new officers were Jolynn Weber of Albion, President; Harold Farrar of Kimball, 1st Vice President; Joan Kovar of David City, 2nd Vice President; and Jerry Wilcox of Curtis, Secretary/Treasurer. Executive Board Members are Joyce Mick of Bayard, Dist. 1; Jo Leyland of Imperial, Dist. 2; Diane Fries of Franklin, Dist. 3; Beth Deck of Norfolk, Dist. 4; Vanee Holtmeier of McCool Junction, Dist. 5 and Debra Schaefer of Seward, Past President.

Awards for Clerk of the Year were presented at the annual banquet to Vitoria "Angie" Bowman of Trenton for Village Clerk of the Year; Joyce Mick of Bayard for Second Class City Clerk of the Year, and to Buster Brown of Omaha for First Class City and Larger Clerk of the Year.

NEWS FROM UTAH

The Utah Municipal Clerks Association (UMCA) held a training session on Power Point Presentations through Salt Lake Community College on March 24, 25 & 26, 2004. The class taught those attending how to create a professional power point presentation from a template, wizard or existing slides. They were also taught how to navigate different views for slide production and modification of slide sequence. It was a very informative class for those attending.

UMCA will be holding their Spring Conference in West Valley City at the new E-Center there. The conference will be held on April 21-23, 2004. The Recorder of the Year will be announced and honored at the banquet on the 22nd. That is always kept a secret who that person is, so it is always a big surprise and an exciting time for the Recorder to be honored in that manner. It is unfortunate that so much work goes into the planning for such a conference and then it is the same dates as the Region VIII Conference in New Mexico. Those things happen and we are sorry that the attendance at the Region VIII Conference will not have very many from Utah, however, we send best wishes for a wonderful and successful conference.

NEW MEMBERS:

Annette Bunch - Bullhead City, AZ
Karen Cameron - Cherry Hills Village, CO
Donna Skinner - Carlin, NV
Valerie Kettrey - Wright, WY
Brenda J. Castle, CMC - Centennial, CO
Jackie R. Juarez - Dakota City, NE
Alfred Abeita, II - Gallup, NM
Susan Munson, CMC - Encampment, WY
Lisa M. Boggie - Aurora, CO
Serena Brooks - Elizabeth, CO
Pam Anderson - Wheat Ridge, CO
John Sidle - Virginia City, MT
LaNice Groesbeck - Provo, UT

Diane Russell, CMC - Prescott Valley, AZ
Arlene Gonzales - Silverton, CO
Cassie Morgan - Ogden, UT
Laura Kay Zook - Scottsdale, AZ
Marcia Wingfield - Coeur D Alene, ID
Mary Wallen - Nebraska City, NE
Brent Davidson - Murray, UT
Mary Jo Kief - Peoria, AZ
Nancy S. Ide - Aurora, CO
Christina Trout - Parachute, CO
Robert Strobe - McCall, ID
Patricia Woodcock - Valentine, NE

MEMBERS EARNING CERTIFICATION STATUS:

Patricia Anselmo, CMC - Bayfield, CO
Beverly Bornschlegl, CMC - Bradshaw, NE
Sandra Powell, CMC - Springfield, NE
Beverly Turner, CMC - Gila Bend, AZ
Molly McCandless, CMC - Fraser, CO
Brenda S. Bingham, CMC - Ferron, UT
Judy Stucki, CMC - Pueblo, CO
J. Lorraine Davis, CMC - Hailey, ID

Kathy Elmont, CMC - Ouray, CO
Jeanetter Cordes, CMC - Scribner, NE
Amy Speckman, CMC - Yutan, NE
Sandy North, CMC - Boulder, CO
Cathy M. Coppy, CMC - Eagle Nest, NM
Karlene Abelseth, CMC - Gillette, WY
Tracy Osborn, CMC - Eagle, ID
Rosemarie Anderson, CMC - Idaho Falls, ID

MEMBERS EARNING RECERTIFICATION:

Cheryl Jesser, CMC - Keenesburg, CO
Shirley Mallette, CMC - Uehling, NE
Victoria Ellison, CMC - Manhattan, MT
Patricia A. Parchan, CMC - Fort Benton, MT

Vicki Nelson, CMC - Axtell, NE
Annette Bowin, CMC - Akron, CO
Mary A. Heydon, CMC - Fort Benton, MT

MEMBERS ENTERING MMC ACADEMY:

Cindy Barris, CMC - Mesa, AZ
Teresa G. Andrews, CMC - Erie, CO
Melissa M. Harrell, CMC - Wahoo, NE
Mary Jean Loufek, CMC - Breckenridge, CO
Robin Clemons, CMC - Glenwood Springs, CO
Sharon K. Moore, CMC - Eagle, ID
Cynthia Petersen, CMC - Oakland, NE
Alisa Lewis, CMC - Boulder, CO
Susan M. Phillips, CMC - Greenwood Village, CO
Bobbye Rose, CMC - San Jon, NM
Paulette Thurber, CMC - Heber City, UT
Teri Fellenz, CMC - Willard, UT

LuAnne Frost, CMC - Lakeside, AZ
Jerry L. Wilcox, CMC - Curtis, NE
Irma Nava, CMC - Ruidoso, NM
Edith Hoover, CMC - El Mirage, AZ
Marla Paddock, CMC - Chandler, AZ
Nancy L. Lowell, CMC - Stevensville, MT
Victoria Bowman, CMC - Trenton, NE
Charlotte J. Hooper, CMC - Athol, ID
Lynn M. Hagman, CMC - Hayden Lake, ID
Charlotte Te Brink, CMC - Denton, NE
Rosanne Behunin, CMC - Vernal, UT
Kathleen M. Chitney, CMC - Bar Nunn,

WY

MEMBERS ATTAINING 1ST MMCA LEVEL:

Angela C. Romero, CMC - St. Johns, AZ
Nanette Fornof, CMC - Milliken, CO
Karen H. Johnson, CMC - Benson, AZ
Carol Intlekofer-Martin, CMC - Cheyenne, WY

Gina A. Paul, CMC - Globe, AZ
Linda J. Carroll, CMC - Fairmont, NE
Sussan Morris-Jones, CMC - Laramie, WY

MEMBERS ATTAINING 2ND MMCA LEVEL:

Vickie O'Connor, CMC - Estes Park, CO
Arcilia M. Valdez, CMC - Wagon Mound, NM

Julie K. Bower, CMC - Littleton, CO
Carol Virden, CMC - Ruidoso Downs, NM

MEMBERS EARNING MMC STATUS:

Valorie Topham, MMC - Parowan, UT
Leslee M. Wessel, MMC - Lakeside, AZ

Deborah L. Gifford, MMC - Page, AZ

Congratulations goes out to all of the above people for their enrollment as new members of IIMC, or for earning their different certification status.

We're here to serve you, so if we can do anything to assist you, please let us know.

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