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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



When Leigh Ann sent me an e-mail asking for my last message, she didn't realize this would really be the *last* message. My term as president should expire in September at the annual conference, but I have submitted my resignation to both Draper City and to UMCA, effective August 6. I have accepted the city clerk position in Wichita Falls, Texas and will be moving in August.



So, my parting thoughts....first of all I need to say thank you. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve you. I hope I have made a difference or helped someone throughout my time in UMCA. Thank you for serving me, teaching me, and mentoring me. Thank you for your willingness to step in and help on committees or in your regional associations or to teach classes or to answer questions or any of the million other ways that you have served the organization. There are many unsung heroes among us.

Thank you to the board members I have served with for the past 5+ years. I look to these ladies as consummate professionals. The board who has served for this past year has been beyond compare. It's been wonderful to see the different thoughts and opinions (and yes, we have had some) come together in ways that will better the organization. They have taken the ball and run with it, and I think they have scored touchdowns over and over. This year's conference will be amazing, and I am sorry that I will miss it. (Maybe my new city will let me have a couple of days to come back.)

Best wishes to Annette Spendlove, who will be acting president for a month before she takes office. I have no doubt that she will do an excellent job leading UMCA forward.

I urge each of you to consider running for a place on the board. Not only is it a lot of fun, but there are lifelong friendships that can be made. Yes, it can be a lot of work and can be stressful, but very worthwhile. If you don't think you can serve on the board or if your city won't support you, volunteer for a committee. Most of the meetings are done via the internet, so it doesn't require much, if any, time away from the office. Get involved, contribute your time, and be a part of the best group of city recorders!

I hope that each of us will continue to serve as professionals. Be the best you can be, do the best you can do, and shine on!

Tracy

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Upcoming Education:

• UMCA Annual Conference Cedar City, Utah September 25-27 2013

WHO'S ON THE MOVE?

Written by Renee Garner of Toquerville

O. Dean Clegg has just retired after fifteen years of dedicated service to the community as the Smithfield City Recorder. Fifteen years has shown amazing growth to the City Dean calls home. During his time at the helm, the City has acquired a fire station, a new



O. DEAN CLEGG RETIRED SMITHFIELD CITY RECORDER

water tank, a golf course and club house, a new City office building, a police station, and a remodel of the old National Guard Armory to become a Community Civic Center. Smithfield has also annexed an additional 550 acres during that time. The population has grown from approximately 6,500 people to almost 11,000.

Dean has been an integral part of that growth, according to James Gass, Smithfield's City Manager and Engineer. Jim opined that the decision to move from the protection of the County Sheriff's Department, to the creation of their own police department was in large part due to Dean's work. The data he gathered gave the Council hard numbers to show the cost/benefit ratio to be in favor of moving forward toward autonomy. Jim remarked that Dean was a vital part of the team. "He was the one I bounced ideas off of every day; I miss him already," Jim said.

Connie Gittinns, the Utility Clerk, stated that Dean was a positive influence in the office and a pleasant person to work for. She said that he worked hard to make sure the public was served well. In addition to his service as Recorder, Dean served two years on the Planning Com-

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Plea from UMCA Board Members

How do you like the new UM-CA website?

We have been working on this for a long time; the hold-up seems to have been that only two or three UMCA members sent in pictures for the rotating banner at the top of the site.

We would like to feature pictures from **ALL** of the cities represented by the UMCA. So far, most of the pictures are just random scenery pictures that we would like to replace with yours.

I am pleading with all Recorders, Deputy Recorders and Clerks to please e-mail pictures to be included on our website to leighannw@ephraimcity.org. Pictures must be at least 920 pixels wide. Please help us to get our website finalized!



While at the Annual Conference in Cedar City SAIL INTO THE UMCA SILENT AUCTION

What is the UMCA Silent Auction?

UMCA Clerks bring handmade and purchased gift items to the conference and drop them off in the Silent Auction area.



We generally request that donated items are new, have a value of \$15 or higher, and will spark the interest of potential bidders.

These items are set up on tables with a bidding sheet. From Wednesday through Friday morning, attendees may view the items for sale and make a bid for them. When the bidding stops, if you have the winning bid—it is yours! Pay for your items and pick them up to take home with you.

100% of the proceeds from the Silent Auction go to fund full scholarships and/or registration fees for vital educational opportunities for clerks, such as the UMCA Annual Conference or Institute & Academy, or other educational programs such as roving classes sponsored by the UMCA.

With the tight budgets that all municipalities are facing, winning a scholarship to a future conference can really benefit a clerk who



would otherwise be unable to attend training.

Please consider bringing an item to the conference to donate to the Silent Auction. Then don't forget to stop into the Silent Auction Room while attending the conference and bid, bid, bid!!!

Save room in your car to take home your winning bids from the Silent Auction!



Are you a UMCA Region President?

Regions are encouraged to participate. The Silent Auction is a great opportunity to ensure all your members can attend these crucial trainings.

DEAN CLEGG, CONT.

mission, and two years on the City Council. He spent twelve years on the Logan Hide Park Smithfield Canal Board. One of those years he served as its president. Dean expressed his heart-felt belief that water is the key to a community's growth. He felt that tremendous progress had been made in that board, and spoke his confidence in the people who now serve there,

both in their vision and in their judgment.

Dean has been married to his loving wife, Lezlie, for 45 vears. They have two children, Michael and Melinda, and eight grandchildren that he's very proud of. When mentioning how much he would be missed, Dean answered that his father had a saying, "If you ever think

you're irreplaceable, put your hand in a horse tough and then pull it out again and look for the hole you created." Certainly others will fill the gap made by his departure but Dean has made his legacy in the community he's grown to love. We wish Dean well as he leaves fulltime service to enjoy his retirement.

STATE REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Region Reports





Uintah Washington Terrace South Ogden West Haven Pleasant View Syracuse Farr West Layton Huntsville North Ogden Plain City Riverdale Farmington Clinton **Bountiful** Layton Harrisville Fruit Heights South Weber Hooper

It has been a very informative second quarter of 2013 for DMWRA. Our monthly meeting hosts lined up some excellent speakers. Syracuse City Manager, Retired Marine Corps Colonel Robert Rice, provided a presentation on leadership in April. In May, Layton City's Assistant City Attorney, Steve Garside, presented information on recent legislative changes. Bountiful City brought in Dispatcher and Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Donna Walters, to speak to us about Interpersonal Relationships for our June meeting. The learning never stops!

We are a hard working bunch but sometimes we take a break from all the training and typing and meetings to have some fun! Check out the list of some of the summer festivals and celebrations put on by DMWRA member cities.

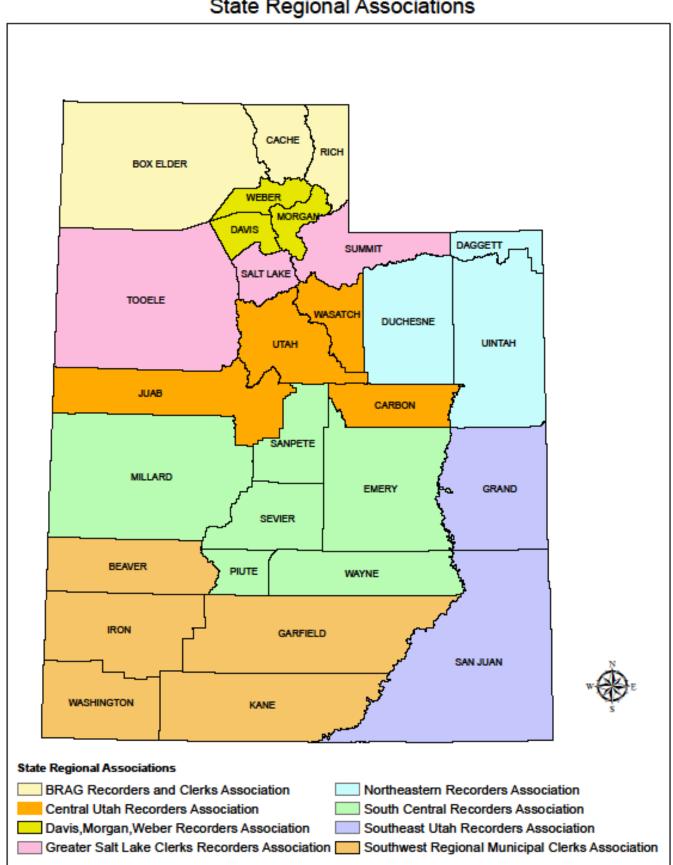
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June 3-8, 2013 June 15, 2013 June 17-24, 2013 June 20-23, 2013 June 22, 2013 June 24-29, 2013 June 29-July 4, 2013 July 8-13, 2013 July 9-13, 2013 July 23-24, 2013 July 24, 2013 August 3, 2013 August 3, 2013 August 3-10, 2013 September 2, 2013

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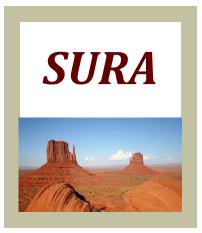
The June meeting was cancelled due to busy busy recorders in our region. Our next meeting will be held in September at the Annual Conference. This will just be a quick hello, and discussion of our December meeting which will be a report of Conference for those who were unable to attend and a Christmas Party.

For you Newbies who may not know how the regions are mapped.



Utah Municipal Clerks Association State Regional Associations

Region Reports Cont.



BRAG Recorders and Clerks Association

The clerks of the BRAG region held their July luncheon at the Coppermill Restaurant in Logan, on the 12th. They had a speaker from Blomquist Hale Employee Assistance Programs who talked about stress management and how you can better manage your stress and be happier.

The next meeting is set for October at the Madoxx Restaurant in Perry.

Southeast Utah Recorders Association

With the two big counties of San Juan and Grand, the only cities belonging to SURA are Moab, Monticello, and Castle Valley.

Rachel Eliason of Moab is still acting as President, with Cindi Holyoak in Monticello, and Ali Fuller of Castle Valley as the other members of the group.

BRAG

Serving Box Elder,

Cache and Rich Counties

Although it is a mostly inactive region, the three meet when they are together at conferences.

The group does keep in touch and they network whenever there are issues and problems that can be solved by communication with other City Recorders.

On election years they try to hold a group elections training.

UMCA BOARD



I would personally like to put in a plug for running for office on the UMCA Board.

Last year I was asked to run for a vacant position because not enough UMCA members had shown an interest in running. I was hesitant, as I'm sure most of you would be, but I took a deep breath and said, "Why not?"

I have to tell you, it has been so worth it. Aside from the proverbial feeling of doing something worthwhile, getting major points for certification, blah, blah, blah, WE ARE A DANG FUN GROUP OF PEOPLE!!! We have had so much fun getting to know each other and planning the conferences, etc. for our members.

I would highly recommend you consider joining us. I guarantee you will find it worth your time as well.

> Leigh Ann Warnock Communications Director

GSLCRA

Greater Salt Lake City Recorders Association

At the last meeting, Tim Tingey, Murray City's Administrative and Development Services Director, gave a presentation entitled "The Legacy we leave behind."

The group also discussed elections. West Jordan and Cottonwood Heights will be conducting their elections completely by mail.

The next meeting is scheduled Annual Conference.

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE 2013 ANNUAL CONFERENCE!



September 25-27, 2013. This is going to be the best Annual Conference yet!

Watch for the registration packet coming soon. It is crammed full of all the information you will need for this year's conference. Please remember to bring at least one door prize to be given away during the confer-

ence. It is so fun to hear your name called for your prize, and to watch the



faces of those who love what you brought.

We have some of the best speakers and entertainment ever lined up for you this year. You are guaranteed to go home motivated, refreshed and FULL!















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2012-2013

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