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Join NCAMC

Know a clerk or deputy clerk who wants to join NCAMC? Encourage them! For membership information, email committee chair Donna Strickland, CMC, at the following address:

dstrickland@townofleland.com

Now, join IIMC

If you have joined the North Carolina Association of Municipal Clerks and are wondering what else you can do to grow in your profession, you definitely need to consider joining the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. IIMC is the certifying arm for clerks worldwide. For more information go to the website:

www.iimc.com

President Spicer-Sidbury's July Message:

Getting ready for Concord!

Dear Fellow Clerks,

Happy new budget year!!! I hope everyone has survived the economic "woes" as I am sure all of us were faced with many challenges.

Your Board of Directors met in Raleigh, North Carolina on Friday, June 19, 2009 to wrap up business for the year and receive reports from the various committees. The Program Education Committee completed its work for the Annual Conference scheduled for August 13-16, 2009 in Concord, North Carolina at the Embassy Suites. There is a Master Municipal Clerks session planned for Thursday, August 13, to be presented by John Stephens, UNC School Of Government, on Conflict Management. There are some dynamic educational sessions planned for Friday and Saturday, and we will have a great time on Friday evening eating dinner and touring the fairly new Great Wolf Lodge before going over to Concord Mills Mall to shop until we drop.

Everyone is encouraged to make plans now, if you have not done so, as the room reservations will come and go very quickly. Saturday night will be our banquet and installation of the 2009-2010 officers and directors. I am excited about passing the "torch" to continue our strive for **"building the bridge to the future,"** to our incoming President Dee Hammond (City Clerk, Laurinburg).

The North Carolina Association of Municipal Clerks' merchandise will be on sale during the conference.

The program education committee is requesting that everyone bring door prizes and items for our silent auction. As you may recall, the funds raised from our silent auction enable us to fund scholarships. Items can be left at the registration desk when checking in at the conference.

Please be reminded that if you have a loved one that has passed away that you wish the Association to acknowledge or recognize, please advise me as we would be honored to acknowledge them with a memorial resolution. Immediate Past President Josann Campanello has agreed to handle preparing the memorial resolutions for me and I am truly appreciative.

Please send their name to Josann Campanello, Immediate Past President, St. James, (email address: tosj@atmc.net) and copy me as well.

The Board of Directors adopted a very generous budget for the upcoming year, keeping in mind to do all that we can do to make our schools, and conferences as affordable as possible. We have worked hard to plan educational programs that can benefit as many clerks as possible.

The Nomination Committee, under the leadership of Immediate Past President Josann Campanello, presented the slate of officers for the Board's information at our meeting. They will be presented and voted on at our business meeting during the annual conference in Concord.

The Scholarship Committee met and will present the scholarship recipients to the Membership at the banquet. Each of the recipients will be informed and invited to attend our banquet.

The Association's Membership Directory has been updated and is completed. Donna Strickland and Carol Ann Floyd will forward to Kim Hibbard at the North Carolina League of Municipalities for copying and preparing to be distributed at the Annual Conference.

Kernersville continues to grow despite the slow economy

By Dale F. Martin, CMC
District 9 Director

Despite the slow economy, the Town of Kernersville continues to grow. Kernersville was very fortunate to have two large projects well into the developmental stage prior to the major downslide of the economy.

1st Project

Novant Health began rezoning efforts in late 2007 to build a 50-bed full service state-of-the-art hospital in Kernersville. Currently, our residents must travel 10-20 miles to Winston-Salem, Greensboro or High Point for hospital services. Having a hospital in Town is a big deal for us and we are very proud of the facility under construction today.

It wasn't always smooth sailing as surrounding hospitals challenged Novant's petition for a hospital filed with the State of North Carolina. A committee was formed of town leaders, business owners and citizens to help Novant Health work through this challenge and ultimately were successful in getting the permits required to open this facility. Kernersville Medical Center is expected to open in the spring 2010.

2nd Project

We are also very fortunate to have FedEx Ground coming to Town!

In the early 2000s, Kernersville officials began working on a vision for a large business park and as the opportunity presented itself, that vision was finalized in 2006. Not long after the Triad Business Park was formed, negotiations between the park owners and FedEx began and on November 21, 2008, FedEx held a groundbreaking ceremony on the site.

This facility is expected to be open by the summer of 2011 and will employ approximately 750 people.

These two facilities have been and will continue to be a huge economic boost for this area. Numerous business owners visit Town Offices regularly and are now considering locating or relocating in Kernersville.

While overall development has slowed down from the way things were in 2007 and early 2008, development has not stopped. A new botanical garden and downtown revitalization have also added to our growth. We have had layoffs and closures just like other communities but all in all we were able to grow our tax base by approximately 3% last year.

Slowing down is not always bad, it has given Staff an opportunity to review and update our land use and other policies and procedures and reorganize and purge files. Something we all need to do at one time or another.

Now it's time to tie up loose ends and get ready for the tidal wave that we expect as these facilities open their doors for business. Good things are on the horizon for Kernersville as the economy all over the Nation begins to show improvement.

Dale Martin is the Town Clerk for the Town of Kernersville.

NCAMC

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* = Regional Chairperson

NCAMC News



Two Clerks receive CMC

We offer our condolences to the family of Julia Long Oliver, mother-in-law of Sabrina Oliver, Town Clerk for Chapel Hill. Mrs. Oliver passed away June 7 after several months of failing health.

Cards can be sent to Sabrina and her husband, Keith, at 1969 Wellington Road, Burlington, NC 27217.

Amy Harvey, Assistant Clerk in Chapel Hill, also lost her mother-in-law, Betsy Harvey on June 9. Mrs. Harvey lost a brief battle with cancer.

Condolences can be sent to Amy and her husband, Mike, at 125 Fountain Springs Road, Holly Springs, NC 27540.

Continue to keep these families in your thoughts and prayers as they go through these difficult times.

Two North Carolina Clerks has earned the coveted Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation given by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) and have joined a very prestigious group of professionals who have excelled in their educational pursuits.

Both **Melissa Brewer**, CMC, of the City of Goldsboro and **Wendy Morton**, CMC, of the Town of La Grange, received their CMCs in April of 2009.

To earn the CMC designation, a Clerk must attend extensive education programs. The designation also requires pertinent experience in a municipality.

The program prepares participants to meet the challenges of the complex role of municipal clerks by providing them with quality education in partnership with institutions of higher learning.

The CMC program started in 1970.

Melissa came to work for the City of Goldsboro as an Office Assistant III in May of 2005. In March of 2006, she was named Deputy Clerk.

In May of 2007, she was named City Clerk.

Melissa became a member of both the North Carolina Association of Municipal Clerks and the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in 2006.

Wendy began work for the Town of La Grange in January of 2007 as Deputy Town Clerk.

She joined both the North Carolina Association of Municipal Clerks and the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in January of 2007.

Congratulations to both Melissa and Wendy for this wonderful accomplishment!

Contract signed with League

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The board also voted to approve the contract with the N.C. League of Municipalities with the amendment that they will provide assistance to our association with the planning and coordinating of our schools, programs and conferences.

Plans are already underway for our 2010 and 2011 Annual Conferences. Please be reminded that the 2010 conference is scheduled for August 12-14, 2010 at the Crown Plaza in Asheville and the 2011 conference is scheduled for August 11-14, 2011 at the Hilton in New Bern. We are encouraging everyone to please start making plans now understanding that we do not know what our budget situation will be with our respective municipalities, but we can just plan as best as we can.

Happy Fourth of July. I pray that each of you will celebrate our nation's birthday with a spirit of patriotism, pride and respect and remember our men and women of the military.

I look forward to seeing you in August as we celebrate another great year and wrap up our quest for "building the bridge to the future".

Penelope Spicer-Sidbury, CMC
NCAMC President

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS, DOOR PRIZES NEEDED!

The NCAMC Annual Conference is scheduled for August 13-15 at the Embassy Suites in Concord.

Items are needed for the annual Silent Auction with proceeds going to benefit the NCAMC Clerk's Scholarship Fund.

Silent Auction items can be checked in at the registration desk upon arrival.

Also, the NCAMC Program and Education Committee is asking our North Carolina Clerks who are attending the Conference to bring along a door prize if possible. One of the things we all look forward to at our Conferences is the possibility of winning a little something that has been thoughtfully donated by a fellow Clerk.

The door prizes can be dropped off at the registration desk when you check in. Donating a door prize and/or a Silent Auction item is strictly voluntary and not a requirement to attend the Conferences.

Thank you for making the Conference such a success!

Kim Worley, Co-Chair
Program & Education Committee

July 2009



The monthly NCAMC Calendar is prepared for you by Dawn Sparks, CMC, Deputy City Clerk, High Point.

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 Janice Sherlock	2 Carolyn Sigmon Dale Martin	3 Cathy Maness Doris Marion	4
5 Vickie Mercer Eva Brown	6 Diane Gallimore	7 Cindy Burchett Gwendolyn Swinney	8	9 Lisa Anglin Lynn Whitlock Catherine Parker	10 Glinda Daniels Linda Booth Joni Powell Mozelle Lindgafelt Shirley Cannon	11 Angel Hudson
12	13	14 Karen Price	15 Paige Deal	16 Anita Taylor Jondeen Terry Renee Phillips	17 Sandra Harper Sheila Taylor	18 Tangi Williams Sonja Gaskins
19	20	21 Lynn Morris Patricia Williams Connie Sorrell	22	23	24 Andrea Orbich	25 Joyce Wilson Glinda Fox Judie Mackie
26 Paulette Bowers	27	28	29 Juanita Cooper	30 Lisa Perdue Alexis Greer	31 Kimberly Davis Wanda Elks	