



Message from the President



Linda M. Christopher
MMC, NCCMC

Village of Whispering Pines
NCAMC President



Hello Summer! For many of us, the season brings excitement—lake days, cookouts, and vacations—along with the relief of a completed municipal budget process.

It has been an incredibly busy spring for our Association. The Program and Education Committee executed excellent Spring Regionals and is finalizing plans for our Summer Conference in Wilmington, August 19–22. Meanwhile, our other committees have been hard at work. The WSOS Committee is supporting newer clerks, while Legislative Awareness monitors legislation impacting municipalities. The Past Presidents Committee is updating the President's Handbook, the 2028 Site Selection Committee is finalizing our Asheville-area conference location, and the Publicity Committee continues to keep us informed via our website, social media, and the Minute by Minute newsletter. Additionally, our Certification, Nominating, and Membership committees, along with our District Directors, remain dedicated to managing certifications, board nominations, district engagement, and member outreach.

It has been an honor to serve as your President and witness our membership unite to strengthen our mission and keep the NCAMC "Shining Bright." I would like to extend a special thank you to 1st Vice President Brenda Blanco for graciously representing us at the IIMC Annual Conference in Reno, and to all of you for your unwavering support and encouragement during my term.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Wilmington!

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2025-2026 Officers & District Directors

Executive Committee

- **President Linda Christopher**, MMC, NCCMC, Whispering Pines
- **1st Vice President Brenda Blanco**, MMC, NCCMC, New Bern
- **2nd Vice President Betsy Shores**, MMC, NCCMC, Davidson
- **Recording Secretary Barb Rote**, MMC, NCCMC, Butner
- **Immediate Past President Sabrena Reinhardt**, MMC, NCCMC, Leland
- **Secretary/Treasurer Baxter Wells**, NCLM

At Large Members:

- **Jackie Nicholson**, MMC, NCCMC, Wallace
- **Laura Getz**, MMC, NCCMC, Goldsboro

District Directors

Region 1 (Districts 1-3)

- **District 1 - Jamie Whitley**, CMC, NCCMC, Manteo
- **District 2 - Jayne Beyer**, NCCMC, Cedar Point
- **District 3 - Jackie Nicholson**, MMC, NCCMC, Wallace

New IIMC Certifications*

Certified Municipal Clerks (CMC)

- **Wesley Barker**, Black Mountain
- **Dalton Larsen-Batten**, Selma
- **Christina Brown**, Albemarle
- **Judith Lawton**, Cape Fear Public Utility Authority
- **Katelyn Stinson**, Marion

Region 2 (Districts 4-6)

- **District 4 - Laura Getz**, MMC, NCCMC, Goldsboro
- **District 5 - Pamela Perry**, MMC, NCCMC, Louisburg
- **District 6 - Stella Gibson**, MMC, NCCMC, Garner

Region 3 (Districts 7-9)

- **District 7 - Jennifer Ayre**, MPA, MMC, NCCMC, Fayetteville
- **District 8 - Austin W. Yow**, MPA, MMC, NCCMC, Marvin
- **District 9 - Angela Lord**, MMC, NCCMC, Lewisville

Region 4 (Districts 10-12)

- **District 10 - Nicole Harmon**, MMC, NCCMC, Boone
- **District 11 - Stephanie Watson**, MMC, NCCMC, Conover
- **District 12 - Wesley Barker**, CMC, NCCMC, Black Mountain



- **Jennifer Welborn**, Beaufort
- **Shante Williams**, Enfield

Master Municipal Clerks (MMC)

- **Brandi Strange**, High Shoals
- **Austin W. Yow**, Marvin

All certifications since the previous newsletter should be included. We apologize if we have missed anyone.



2025-2026 Calendar of Events

- August Clerks' Certification Institute, Session #1
- August 19 - 22 Summer Conference, Wilmington
- September Board of Directors Meeting
- October Clerks' Certification Institute, Session #2

Records Broken at CityVision 2026

It was an incredible few days in Raleigh for the NCLM CityVision conference (May 5-7, 2026). With approximately 800 attendees, this year marked the largest turnout since COVID, proving that the spirit of municipal collaboration is stronger than ever.

We were especially proud to see our professional community well-represented with 27 Clerks in attendance throughout the event. There was a full house at the Clerk Breakfast, which brought together 19 Clerks, one Finance Director, and one Admin Assistant for a morning of networking and insight.

Working together to advance all of North Carolina!



Left to Right: Betsy Shores (Davidson), Penny Spicer-Sidbury (Wilmington), Brenda Blanco (New Bern), Angela Lord (Lewisville).

We Need Your Photos!

Do you have any photos from clerk workshops, meetings, or conferences? If you do, we need them! We would like to include more photos to show 'who we are' and 'what we do' in our publications, especially the annual video scrapbook!

Send your pictures to:

ncamcscrapbook@gmail.com





North Carolina Clerks Represent NCAMC at IIMC Annual Conference in Reno, Nevada

The International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) celebrated its 80th anniversary during its annual conference in Reno, Nevada, from May 17–21. On behalf of President Linda Christopher, First Vice President Brenda Blanco presented the NCAMC report at the Region III meeting. Vice President Blanco was also bestowed the honor of carrying the North Carolina flag during the opening ceremony.



Total conference attendance reached 898, including 10 clerks representing North Carolina: Brenda Blanco (New Bern), Carlos Castro (Greensboro), Tory Fink (Greensboro), Stella Gibson (Garner), Maria Hass (Cherokee County), Keith Hooker (Kernersville), Rebecca Murray (Garner), Beth Price (Kernersville), Paola Roland (Durham), and Evelyn Wright (Wake Forest).



The conference provided an excellent opportunity to attend informative sessions, network with clerks from across the country, and share insights on our evolving professional roles. Next year's conference is scheduled for May 9–12 in Fort Worth, Texas.





NCAMC Summer Conference Registration Now Open! Make Plans to Join Us! - August 19-22, 2026

The NCAMC Board of Directors is pleased to invite our clerks to join us at our 2026 Annual Conference in beautiful and historic downtown Wilmington, North Carolina!

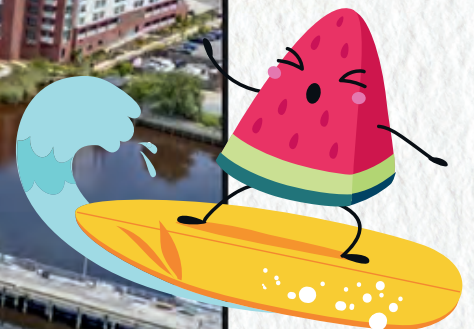
What to expect:

- A rigorous and engaging continuing education program with 11 sessions;
- Fellowship and networking with clerk colleagues from across North Carolina;
- Opportunities to interact with vendors to provide your community with new and state-of-the-art services and products;
- A keynote from nationally known speaker Andy Masters.
- Whether you are a longtime member or new to the Association, this conference will have something for everyone!

Registration is now open. **[Click here for all the details!](#)**

Please note, the hotel room blocks will close on July 20. Don't miss out!

Questions? Contact **events@nclm.org**.



Minute by Minute Newsletter

Summer 2026 Issue



We have multiple options for our clerks to make our upcoming **Summer Conference** special and fun:

FOSTER CLOSET Drive

Bring new clothing items for a local pantry for children and youth in the foster care system.

Blood Drive

Clerks & guests are encouraged to share the gift of life! All donations used for local banks!

Goody Bags

Please bring 150-175 small items to share for the clerk goody bags that all attendees receive.

DOOR PRIZES!

Bring a gift bag or two with items from your community, a great book, a candle, or other cool item. Gift bags will be distributed throughout the conference.

SILENT AUCTION

Support our NCAMC scholarships programs by donating an item or two for the silent auction. Then go and BID on some of the FANTASTIC items!

NCAMC:

Making the world a better place, one clerk at a time!



Stuff the Foster Closet

**FOR FOSTER CARE
Newborn - Young Adult**

GREATEST NEEDS:

- Gift Card for Teens
- Textured Hair Care
- Kids Toiletries: Body Wash, Hair Care, Dental Care, Lotion
- Diapers & Wipes
- Infant Care - Rash Cream, Lotion, Body Wash
- Feminine Hygiene Items
- NEW Clothes & Shoes
- All Sizes

**Learn More at
www.fosterpantry.org**





SUMMER CONFERENCE DOOR PRIZES

***Donate items and help
everyone get a prize!***

»» ***Some suggestions are:***
***Cups, gift cards, jewelry,
lotions, mug, candy,
books, candles, coasters,
t-shirts!***

Use your imagination!

***If everyone brings just
one item, everyone
will get a Door Prize!
Let's help your name
be called!!!***

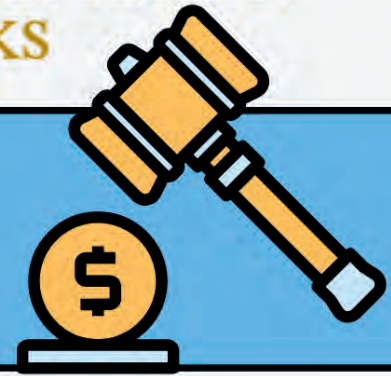
Everyone is eligible!



NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS

SILENT AUCTION

EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS FUND!



2026 NCAMC Silent Auction Suggestion List

- Jewelry &/or Makeup
- Women's Toiletries
- Men's Toiletries
- Designer Perfume/Cologne
- Designer Bags
- Scented Candles
- Gift Baskets
- Wreaths
- Welcome Mats/Signs
- Yard Decorations
- Bird Feeders
- Gift Card
- Beach/Lake Supplies
- Camping Supplies
- Fishing Gear
- Pet Supplies
- Sporting Goods/Tickets
- Cutting Boards
- Emergency Roadside Kits
- Holiday/Seasonal related items
- Children's Items (*games, toys, art supplies, etc.*)
- Art (*Scenic Photos and/or Paintings that represent NC*)
- Electronic Gadgets (*Bluetooth Speakers, Portable Electronic Battery Charges, Chair Massagers, etc.*)
- Handmade Items (*Christening Gowns, Baby Blankets, Cups, etc.*)
- Books (*Best Sellers, Cookbooks, DIY, Inspirational, possible books that represented NC*)

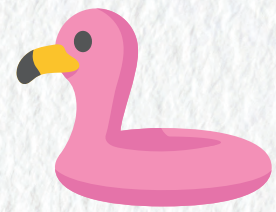


If questions, please contact

Penelope Spicer-Sidbury, Committee Chair/City Clerk, Wilmington

Call: 910-341-7816 or Email: penny.spicer-sidbury@wilmingtonnc.gov





Blood Drive at the NCAMC Summer Conference!

NCAMC is partnering with The Blood Connection to host a blood drive during the Annual Summer Conference in Wilmington on Thursday, August 20, 2026, from 10 AM – 3 PM. Each donor will receive \$40 in Donor Rewards. Each donation can save up to 3 lives! **Use Sponsor Code: 14028**

Donors must be at least 16 years old, weigh at least 110lbs, have an ID, and be in general good health. Walk-ins welcome, but appointments are recommended!

- **[Click Here to Book an Appointment or Scan the QR Code!](#)**



BLOOD DRIVE

SAVE LIVES. EARN REWARDS. DONATE TODAY.

TBC REWARDS = TBC REWARD POINTS AWARDED IN DONOR PORTAL. REDEEMABLE FOR EGIFT CARD(S).



District 5 Clerks Gather for Lunch Meet & Greet

District 5 Clerks recently gathered in the Town of Louisburg for a meet and greet. Juan Tayler, representing Civic Federal Credit Union, provided lunch and delivered an informative presentation. Following a lively game of BINGO, the highlight of the event was the time spent welcoming new members and sharing "encounters" from both our professional and personal lives. It was a wonderful opportunity to connect and support one another.

Pamela Perry, District 5 Director

Admin Assistant & Town Clerk

Louisburg, North Carolina

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Left to Right: Barb Rote (Butner), Emily Hurd (Youngsville), Ella Dowtin (Wake Forest), Lou Bunch (NCLM), Ravi Boze-Adams (Wake Forest), Tracy Shearn (Castalia), Anita Thomasson (Butner), Pamela Perry (Louisburg, District 5 Director), Michelle Bryant (Bunn), Laura Hight (Bunn), Kristin King (Franklin County).

District 9 News

Over the past several months, District 9 held regular zoom meetings for the “Any Book Book Club”. Participation was sporadic however, very enjoyable for those that joined. We also gathered on May 1st to celebrate Municipal Clerks Week with a “Float on By” ice cream social. That was quite a yummy treat!



It has been a joy serving as District 9 Director for the past two years. Meeting new superheroes (aka Clerks), networking to make all of our jobs easier. No one wants to re-create the wheel, and supporting each other during life's ups and downs has been an honor and privilege. Thanks for the opportunity to serve! Blessings as we slide on into what I am sure will be another great year for NCAMC!

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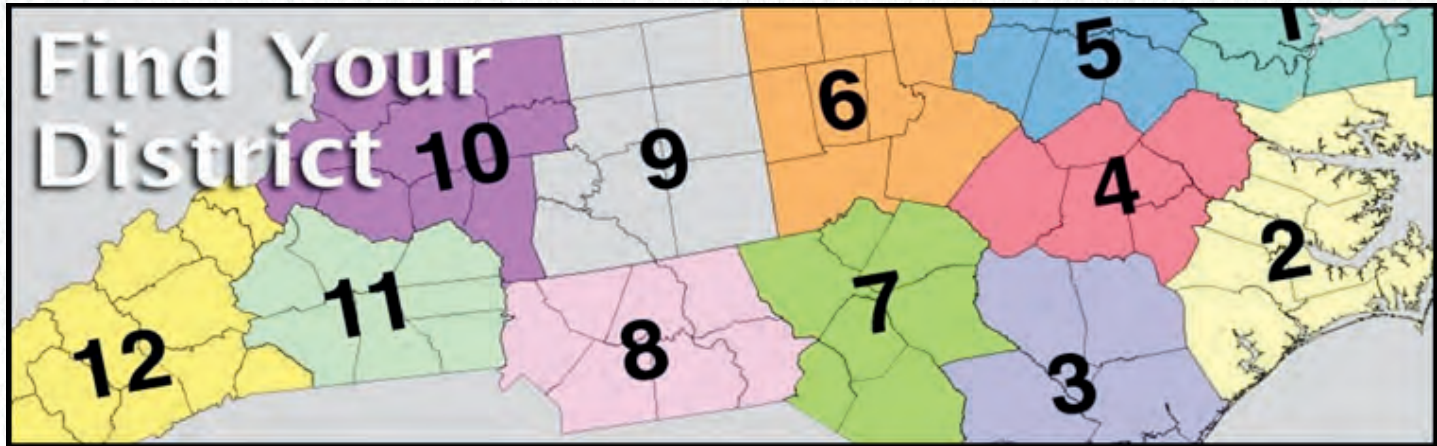
District 10 Gathers for Clerk Appreciation Lunch

In honor of Municipal Clerks Week, the Town of Boone hosted a regional luncheon for Western North Carolina clerks to enjoy networking and fellowship. This was a great opportunity to recognize the vital contributions clerks make as the backbone of our communities. Thank you all for your incredible daily work!



Left to Right: Rebecca Eldreth (West Jefferson), Dalton George (Boone Mayor), Sandy Roten (Lansing), Emily Kurfees (Statesville), Tammy Floyd (Sugar Mountain), Laney Wise (Boone Grants Coordinator), Nicole Harmon (Boone Clerk, District 10 Director), Hillary Gropp (Seven Devils), Victoria Oxentine (High Country CoG), April Hatley (Civic Credit Union).

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NCAMC is Divided into 12 Districts by County

Region 1 (Districts 1-3)

- **District 1:** Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Martin, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, and Washington
- **District 2:** Beaufort, Carteret, Craven, Hyde, Jones, Onslow and Pamlico
- **District 3:** Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Duplin, New Hanover, Pender, and Sampson

Region 2 (Districts 4-6)

- **District 4:** Green, Johnston, Lenoir, Pitt, Wayne, and Wilson
- **District 5:** Edgecombe, Franklin, Halifax, Nash, Northampton and Warren
- **District 6:** Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Granville, Orange, Person, Vance, and Wake

Region 3 (Districts 7-9)

- **District 7:** Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Moore, Robeson, and Scotland
- **District 8:** Anson, Cabarrus, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Richmond, Stanly, and Union
- **District 9:** Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, and Stokes

Region 4 (Districts 10-12)

- **District 10:** Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Caldwell, Iredell, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yadkin
- **District 11:** Burke, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, McDowell, and Rutherford
- **District 12:** Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, Mitchell, Polk, Swain, Transylvania, and Yancey