

March 2007

Message from the President

Updates

New Faces

Linda Stearns has resigned as Knightstown Clerk-Treasurer. She has been replaced by Judy Haines. Judy's email address is clerk@hrtc.net. Please welcome Judy to the ILMCT family!

New Places

Janet Jaros, Noblesville Clerk-Treasurer, has a new address. Her address is now: 16 S. Tenth St., Suite 270, Noblesville, IN 46060. Please make note of this in your ILMCT directory.

New Email

Laura Green, Etna Green Clerk Treasurer, can now be reached at etnagreenclerk@comcast.net.

Joey Lynch, Greendale Clerk-Treasurer, can now be reached at clrktrs@comcast.net.

Beverly Stout, Waynetown Clerk-Treasurer, can now be reached at waynetownclerk@sbcglobal.net.

Debra Zachelmeyer, Whitestown Clerk-Treasurer, can now be reached at debz706@yahoo.com.

The town of Culver has issued new email addresses:
Jon Guenin, Town Manager, townmanager@townofculver.org

Casey Howard, Clerk, clerk@townofculver.org

Kay G...s, Deputy Clerk, deputy...rk@townofculver.org



Greetings to all! I hope that each of you, and your close ones, had the happiest of holidays. I can hardly believe that my term as President is already half over.

According to State Board of Accounts "Guru" Charlie Pride, we had a record number of attendees at the October District meetings. As usual the District Directors did an outstanding job with the event planning. I want to send a big THANK YOU to everyone that helped with the planning, decorations, registrations, etc.

The IIMC Region V meeting was held in Covington, KY this year. Twenty-four of the Indiana delegates had dinner together at the Chez Nora restaurant in Covington, which gave us our Indiana networking time. We also had education classes, a field trip to the Freedom Center, a trip to Turfway Park for horse racing and the annual IIMC Region V business meeting.

In 2007 is Indiana's turn to serve as IIMC Region V Director. The Executive Board unanimously chose Clerk-Treasurer Brenda Young from Nashville to represent the ILMCT in that position. Thank you, Brenda. It is our honor to have you represent the ILMCT.

At the September ILMCT Executive Meeting, the Board voted to enter into an agreement with IACT to align the two organizations. IACT will be assisting in event planning, the *Quest* publication and the League's database. The benefits of a closer relationship will promote an increased awareness in the role that the Clerk-Treasurer and City Clerk play in municipal government and a closer working relationship with mayors, councils and appointed officials. The agreement will help fulfill the missions of both IACT and ILMCT by promoting the elected municipal offices and working with the General Assembly to affect good legislation for cities and towns.

Membership dues forms have been sent out by now. Paying your dues allows you to enjoy the benefits and fellowship we offer throughout the

year. Please make a special effort to send in your dues in a timely manner.

It is almost time for the ILMCT Institute and Academy, which will be held March 11-16. A Hawaiian theme is being planned. The Institute/Academy classes provide a week of knowledge to help us enjoy our profession and provide services for our communities with confidence. My favorite part is the networking, which always proves to be a valuable experience.

Next, we come to our ILMCT conference. It will be held in Fort Wayne at the Grand Wayne Conference Center and Hilton Hotel, June 11-15. The conference and State Board of Accounts School are combined this year and will continue this way thereafter.

My conference committee is working diligently to make this an educational, entertaining and enjoyable time. Our Welcome Party is going to be held at the Allen County Courthouse, which remains one of the most significant courthouses of its era in the nation.

We are still planning on having our ILMCT Variety Show. If you plan on taking part in the show please start sending in your forms NOW. We would like this event to have a great turnout. This could be your chance to tell that great joke or to practice your *American Idol* act out on us first.

And last, but not least, this is an election year for Clerk-Treasurers and City Clerks. Knowing that some of us will not be in office next year, for various reasons, always seems to bring us together and helps us reflect on what we mean to each other as league members. I, for one, always welcome the new elected officials to our league but always remember the bonding I have had with the members who are moving on.

"Life's truest happiness is found in friendships we make along the way" - Unknown

Your ILMCT President,

Robin Riley

ILMCT Annual Conference Scheduled for June

The 71st Annual Conference of the Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers "Networking" ILMCT Web of Success will be held June 10-15 in Fort Wayne. You are invited to experience five days of education, friendship and fun.

Conference highlights include State Board of Accounts classes, the Opening and Closing sessions, networking with sponsors and vendors and crucial time spent with each other. Evening events include a welcome party at the awe-inspiring Allen County Courthouse on Monday; dinner at the new Allen County Public Library, a trip through the Art Gallery and *Rounding Third*, a two man play, on Tuesday; a Variety Show showcasing our many talents on Wednesday; and, finally, our Banquet with entertainment by the Endless Summer Band on Thursday.

Come join in on the fun, learn and network with your colleagues!

Hotel Information

Please contact the Hilton Hotel for your reservations.

Hilton Hotel/Grand Wayne Center
1020 S. Calhoun Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Reservations: (260) 420-1100 or www.ftwayne.hilton.com
Group Name: Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers
Group Code: ILM
Conference Dates: June 11 - 15, 2007
Reservation Deadline: May 14, 2007

2007 ILMCT Conference Schedule

Sunday, June 10

Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, June 11

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Institute/Academy Classe.
Welcome Party

Tuesday, June 12

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
12 - 1:30 p.m.
1:45 - 4 p.m.
5 p.m.

State Board of Accounts
Lunch
Opening Session
Dinner and Theater

Wednesday, June 13

7:30 a.m.
7:30 - 8:30 a.m.
9 - 11:30 a.m.
11:45 a.m. - 1 p.m.
1 - 3 p.m.

Registration
Breakfast with Vendors
State Board of Accounts
Lunch
Department of Local Government
Finance and State Board of
Accounts
Break with Vendors
ILMCT Variety Show

3 - 3:30 p.m.
6 p.m.

Thursday, June 14

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
12 - 1 p.m.
1 - 3 p.m.
6 - 7 p.m.
7 - 11 p.m.

Continental Breakfast
PERF, Budget and Investments
Lunch
Q&A
President's Reception
Banquet

Friday, June 15

8 a.m.
9 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet
Closing Session

**All events and times are tentative.*

Aspiring Performers Wanted

The ILMCT Conference Host Committee is busy preparing an exciting conference for you. Here's one more event to help entice you to attend the conference:

The ILMCT Variety Show

All aspiring singers, comedians, performers, dancers, impersonators, storytellers, poem writers, belly dancers and anyone else who would like to share their talents or fun personality are encouraged to participate; the ILMCT Variety Show is your time to shine.

Please fill out the following application if you would like to perform:

Name/Group Name

Performance Type

Solo/Group

Please include a brief description of your act and what type of accompaniment will be used or needed:

Please send information to: Robin Riley, ILMCT President, P.O. Box 95, Huntertown, IN 46748, Fax (260) 637-5891, e-mail robin_riley@comcast.net.

Ask Dan

Q: When can governmental units expect to have their 2007 budget certified?

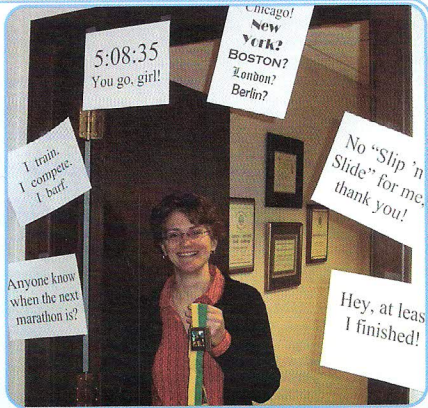


Dan Jones,
Department of Local
Government Finance
djones@dlgf.in.gov

A: All municipal budgets in Indiana are in various stages of completion. The timing for certification of budgets depends on where your county is in terms of completing ratio studies (trending) and the estimates of assessed values. As of January 29, 62 counties have had their ratio studies approved and 11 have had their assessed values certified. To check the status of your county, view the 2007 Certification Status Map on the Department of Local Government Finance's website at www.in.gov/dlgf.

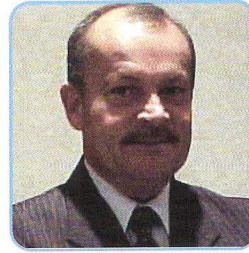
Abbot Runs Third Marathon

Tricia Abbott, Munster's Accounting Supervisor, participated in her third Chicago Marathon on October 22, 2006. She finished the 26.2 mile event in 5 hours, 8 minutes and 35 seconds. The Chicago Marathon is part of the *World Marathon Majors*, which includes similar events in New York, Boston, London and Berlin. The Chicago event attracts over 40,000 participants from 159 countries. Please give Tricia a big "Hooray!" the next time you see her. Congratulations, Tricia!



Ask Charlie

Q: Which fund are supplemental distributions of CAGIT, COIT and CEDIT supposed to be received to?



Charlie Pride,
State Board of Accounts
cpride@sboa.in.gov

A: Supplemental distributions of CAGIT money shall be deposited in accordance with IC 6-3.5-1.1-21.1, which states that the civil taxing unit receiving the money shall deposit the money in the civil taxing unit's rainy day fund.

Supplemental distributions of COIT money shall be deposited in accordance with IC 6-3.5-6-17.3, which states that a supplemental distribution shall be made in January of the ensuing year and allocated in the same manner as certified distributions for deposit in a civil unit's rainy day fund.

Supplemental distributions of CEDIT money shall be deposited in accordance with IC 6-3.5-7-17.3, which states that a supplemental distribution shall be made in January of an ensuing year and allocated in the same manner as certified distributions for deposit in a civil unit's rainy day fund.

Our Condolences

The League would like to extend condolence and sympathy to those who have recently lost loved ones, including:

Judy Berry, Keystone Software Systems, on the loss of her husband, Robert.

Donna Coomer, Charlestown Clerk-Treasurer, on the loss of her mother, Carlene.

Dave Shafer, Munster Clerk-Treasurer, on the loss of his brother, Paul.

Nancy Reed Retires as North Manchester Clerk-Treasurer

Dear Fellow Clerks,

This is just a note to wish you all well (now that your annual reports are done or nearly done). It is also my farewell to all of you as North Manchester's Clerk-Treasurer. My retirement became official February 28, 2007.

I will still be in and out of the office for the rest of 2007, since the council has retained me to train my replacement. The position has been given to Carrie Mugford, who has worked for our utility office for six years and has been acting as my deputy since December. Please give her your support and love, just as you have to me over the years. Also, pray for her that she wins the election!

I plan to continue my membership in ILMCT and IIMC. Feel free to contact me at any time. I can be reached by email at nreed@mchsi.com or by phone at (260) 982-2858. My mailing address is 209 Snyder Street, North Manchester, IN 46962.

I have specific plans other than to make each day my own and do whatever I want to do. I may work part-time, but have no job lined up. I'm on a couple of committees, so I will still be involved with some town activities. I expect there will be others who will approach me to volunteer, but I'll make those decisions as I need to.



I am ready to move on. I have loved nearly every minute of my job, but I know it is time to go. The worst thing about leaving, and I truly mean this, is leaving all of you, the wonderful friends I've made through ILMCT. I can't put into words how much you all mean to me and how I treasure each you in my heart. Thank you all for everything you have done and the friendship you have extended to me over the years. I will look forward to the upcoming meetings when I can see you again.

I have asked my council and co-workers not to give me a farewell party, speeches or gifts. I've received my rewards over the years, and the local newspapers have already done stories about my retirement. It will be much easier for me to make this bittersweet transition if a big fuss isn't made over it. Besides, I won't be the only Clerk leaving at the end of this term. I know there are many who aren't planning to run again. This is always the hard time for us to say goodbye to such terrific friends. However, we get replaced by wonderful people who become new friends. Please welcome them as you also say adieu to the "experienced" Clerks.

See You Soon!

Nancy

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Upcoming Events

March

11-16 ILMCT Annual Institute and Academy (Muncie)

20 IACT Municipal Management Institute: Public-Private Partnerships and Intergovernmental Cooperation (Indianapolis)

April

17 IACT Municipal Management Institute: City/Town Manager - Is It Right for Your Community (Indianapolis)

26 IACT Municipal Management Institute: Critical Issues in Healthcare (Indianapolis)

May

8 Primary Election Day
14-18 Municipal Government Week

22-26 61st Annual ILMCT Conference (New Orleans, LA)

June

11-15 71st ILMCT Annual Conference and State Board of Accounts School (Fort Wayne)

October

7-10 IACT Annual Conference & Exhibition (Evansville)

17 Fall Education Day (Middlebury)

18 Fall District Meeting (Middlebury)

23 Fall District Education Day (Nashville)

24 Fall District Meeting (Nashville)

November

6 General Election Day

ILMCT Recipe Books Available

It is a proven fact that people get slightly depressed, or blue, during the long, cold winter months. In addition to the Winter Blues, many report a feeling of Cabin Fever. To help you through this difficult time, ILMCT suggests you try a proven mood lifter - GOOD FOOD. Where can you find GOOD FOOD? In the ILMCT Recipe Book, of course!

ILMCT Recipe Books are still available for purchase and are guaranteed to provide you with dozens of mood lifting, oh-so-yummy recipes. For a mere \$10, you can help support ILMCT while boosting your spirits and the spirits of those around you.

To order a recipe book, make checks payable to "ILMCT" and mail to: City of Warsaw, Attn: Cookbooks, PO Box 817, Warsaw, IN, 46581-0817. Within days you will be enjoying delicious food and freedom from those feelings of depression and anxiety.