the newsletter of the INDIANA LEAGUE OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS AND TREASURERS



# Message from the President

You know, I have never heard a young child say, "When I grow up I want to be a Clerk or Clerk-Treasurer." Now, I wanted to be a hairdresser. I could have been a good one too. I have pictures of my daughter with her curly Shirley Temple hairdo to prove it. Of course, when she looks at those pictures her comment is "Mom, what were you thinking!" Maybe I wouldn't have succeeded as a hairdresser, but I do feel that I have succeeded as a Clerk-Treasurer.

Have you ever thought about what success is? Certainly it's different for everyone. As I complete another budget for the City I think, "This is Success". As I close the books on another year I think, "This is Success". As I complete my CTAR I think, "This is Success". As I stand before my Mayor and Council and announce another good audit I think, "This is Success". As I write this message, as your President, I am honored and humbled to think, "This is Success".

The League offers us the opportunity to succeed. Our Education Programs are designed to allow us to gain the knowledge that is necessary to do our jobs. Our Mentor Program and the IACT Fiscal Ambassador Program are there to offer us the one on one help we all need. The State Board of Accounts and

Kim Ingle 2005—2006 ILMCT President



Department of Local Government Finance are a phone call away and will answer any questions we may have. District Meetings, Institute, Annual Conference, State Board of Accounts School, offer education and the opportunity to network with our counterparts.

The League also offers us the opportunity to be involved. Many of you have volunteered to serve on League Committees this year. I want to thank you. I know that you are busy in your own cities and towns and I truly appreciate the kind offer of your precious time. In this issue of the Quest you will find my appointments of Executive Directors, District Directors and Committee Chairmen. If you are interested in serving on any of these Committees please contact the Committee Chairman.

In closing I remember the words of H. Jackson Brown Jr. "Success is <u>never</u> doing anything that wouldn't make your Mom proud."

See you around the State! *Kim* 

# City Officials Surprise Ingle at Induction



The Mayor of Nappanee and other city officials surprised ILMCT President with the presentation of US and Indiana-Flags which had been flown over City Hall in her honor.

Mishawaka, IN 46544 600 E. Third Street **VAD TREASURERS** INDIVAY LEAGUE OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS

# Upcoming Events

State Board of Accounts School	June 6-8, 2006	
70th Annual ILMCT Conference South Bend Marriott	8002 ,72-42 lingA	Production Jacilitated by: Get Results, Inc. PO Box 3312 Carmel, IN 46082
ILMCT Institute & Academy/Muncie	March 5-10, 2006	getresults@indy.rr.com
Charlotte, NC		Carmel, IN 46082
NLC Congress of Cities	December 6-10, 2005	Send address corrections to: Get Results, Inc. PO Box 3312
ILMCT Education Day ILMCT District Meeting	October 25, 2005 October 26, 2005	dblock@mishawakacity.com 600 E. 3rd St., Mishawaka, IN 46544 (574)258-1616 ≈ FAX: (574)258-1728
ILMCT District Meeting	October 20, 2005	Deborah S. Block, IAMC, CMC, Editor
ILMCT Education Day	October 19, 2005	and Controllers by the Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers.
IIMC Region V Meeting/Indianapolis	November 17-19, 2005	Quest is published quarterly for and about Indiana's Clerks, Clerk-Treasurers
IACT Conference/Fort Wayne ILMCT Breakfast at IACT	September 25-29, 2005	

# ILMCT Breakfast

# **IACT Conference**

Tuesday, September 27, 2005

## The Fort Wayne Hilton

1020 South Calhoun Street Fort Wayne, Indiana 46802



REGISTRATION COST: \$22.00 REGISTRATION TIME: 7:00 –7:30 AM BREAKFAST 7:30 – 8:45 am

A Breakfast Buffet will be served to all participants. We have invited a representative from IACT to attend our breakfast to review IACT's Local Government Finance Proposal. Please respond by September 21, 2005.

### MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO **ILMCT** AND MAIL WITH THIS REGISTRATION TO:

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# Mark your CALENDAR...

# Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers & HR Unlimited Resources

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

October 19-20, 2005

**ILMCT District Meeting, Middlebury** 

October 25-26, 2005

**ILMCT District Meeting, Nashville** 

One day (October 20 and October 25) of continuing education for professional certification \* credit before the annual ILMCT District Meetings (October 20 and October 26)

November 17-19, 2005

**IIMC Region V Meeting Westin Hotel Downtown Indianapolis** 

Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers will be hosting our fellow Region V members of Ohio, Michigan, Tennessee, and Kentucky

March 5-10, 2006

**ILMCT Institute & Academy Hotel Roberts, Muncie** 

A weeklong continuing education institute and academy for professional Certification\* credit. You may attend one day or all week.

**April 24-27, 2006** 

**70<sup>th</sup> Annual ILMCT Conference South Bend Marriott** 

One day (April 24) of continuing education for professional certification\* credit held during the annual ILMCT Conference

June 6-8, 2006

State Board of Accounts School Indianapolis Marriott East 7202 East 21<sup>st</sup> Street

One day (June 6) of continuing education for professional certification\* credit before the annual

State Board of Accounts School (June 7 and 8)

See EDUCATION continued on the next page!

#### **EDUCATION** (continuted):

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\*In order to obtain the Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation or Master Municipal Clerk (MMC) designation, you must be a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

.\*In order to obtain the Certified Public Finance Administrator (CPFA) designation, you must be a member of the Association of Public Treasurers of the US & Canada.

9/12/2005

# Our Condolences...



## The Family and Friends of:

- Town of Orleans Clerk-Treas. Vivian Price, 82, passed away August 25. Vivian as she served in the role of clerk-treas for 28 years before stepping down in the early to mid 1990s.
- Robert Oathout, brother-in –law of June Ryle, Greensburg CT
- Jack Perry, husband of Mooresville CT Sandra Perry
- Pat Kendig, sister of Jennie DePaolo, CT Garrett
- Portland Clerk Treasurer Barbara Blackford (see local newspaper article below)

# **Portland Clerk Treasurer Dies Unexpectedly**

By RIC ROUTLEDGE

PORTLAND - City Clerk-treasurer Barbara Blackford died unexpectedly Wednesday afternoon. Blackford, 64, was in her third term, which would have expired Dec. 31, 2007. Previously, she had served two terms as county recorder.

"She hadn't complained of any illness," said Heather Wolford, Mayor Bruce Hosier's executive assistant. "She had taken the day off to spend with her grand-daughter. Her death was unexpected."

"From the professional standpoint the community has suffered a terrible loss," Hosier said. "From a personal standpoint the community has lost a dear, dear friend. Barbara loved this community."

Hosier declared all of the city's flags would fly at half-staff this week and all city vehicles would be equipped with black bands "as a tribute to our great loss." Hosier also said that even though he is a Republican and Blackford was a Democrat "we worked well together. She was a class act professionally and personally."

"The people of Portland are going to miss Barbara," said Randy Geesaman, Chairman of the Portland Democrat Committee. "She was a very capable public servant, and was well respected by everybody on both sides of the isle."

Hosier said that Deputy Clerk-treasurer Tina Paxson will take over Blackford's duties until the Democrat Precinct Committeemen choose a replacement.

# "Bonafide Publication" Information

If you would like to determine if a newspaper in your area is considered a "bonafide publication" contact:

Hoosier State Press Association One Virginia Avenue, Ste 701 Indianapolis, IN 46204 PH: 317-803-4772

FAX: 317-624-4428 Website: www.hspa.com

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# ILMCT FALL DISTRICT MEETING MIDDLEBURY, INDIANA

# **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2005**

DAS DUTCHMAN ESSENHAUS COUNTRY INN 240 U.S. 20 – MIDDLEBURY 800-455-9471

**REGISTRATION COST:** \$30.00---Includes continental breakfast (delicious rolls) and a family style luncheon in the famous Essenhaus Restaurant. **REGISTRATION TIME: 8:30-9:30**.

ILMCT President Kim Ingle will welcome you before sessions with the State Board of Accounts and Department of Local Government Finance. A family style luncheon includes chicken, baked steak, homemade mashed potatoes & gravy, dressing, corn, noodles, tossed salad, bread and apple butter, beverage and a large variety of homemade pies!

### \*\*\*\*REMEMBER YOUR DOOR PRIZES\*\*\*\*\*

The meeting is for District 1, 2 and 3 and all others that might be interested. A short afternoon session will leave time for browsing in the unique shops on the premises. Enjoy the beautiful fall afternoon in Northern Indiana.

#### ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY OCT. 13, 2005 BRING YOUR DEPUTIES, MAYORS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

**If you wish to come the night before**, call the Essenhaus Country Inn at 800-455-9471 for reservations. I have reserved 15 rooms for Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> and 25 rooms for Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, so please call asap. Other motels in Goshen (approximately 15 minutes away): Courtyard, 1930 Lincolnway East, 219-534-3133 and Holiday Inn Express, 64396 US Hwy 33, 219-533-0200. If you plan on attending ILMCT – Institute or Academy on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, you may want to reserve a room for two nights; October 18th and 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### Make checks payable to ILMCT and mail with this registration to:

Janice Malinowski, IAMC, CMC Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Schererville 10 E. Joliet Street Schererville, IN 46375. TX: 219-322-2211/Ext 318/FAX: 219-865-5572

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# Going for the Green

# IIMC Region V 2005 Annual Meeting The Westin Indianapolis – Indianapolis, Indiana November 17 – 19, 2005

You must be a paid member of IIMC to attend !

**GRAND TOTAL:** \$

Please complete registration form and return with payment (<u>payable to ILMCT</u>) by <u>November 4, 2005</u> to:

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Town of Bargersville
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Guest – Friday Theater: @ \$60.00 = \$			

# **Public Treasurers Conference Report**

By Judy Rhodes, IAMC/CMC

Chicago was the site of the first Association of Public Treasurers Meeting [formerly known as Municipal Treasurers Association] I ever attended in 1998. I was glad to be able to go back for the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference this summer held from July 31 to August 3. The APT has just published its new manual on fraud deterrence and detection, entitled <a href="Stop That Fraud">Stop That Fraud</a>, and the preconference training seminar on this was excellent. I've added swapping and lapping to my lingo! I also attended a preconference seminar on <a href="Disaster Preparedness for Finance and Treasury">Disaster Preparedness for Finance and Treasury</a>. APT also has a manual on this, and offers certification. A disaster plan for a town of 1,500 in Ohio was among the first to be certified by APT. I'd be glad to pass it on as soon as I receive it by email.

The two hot topics at the conference were e-payment systems and GASB 40 implementation. When West Lafayette implemented online parking ticket payment 5 years ago, we had to build the system ourselves. Now there are many options for systems and pricing is very competitive. Each type of transaction can be tailored to the way your city/town wants it to work, whether you want to charge fees by payment mode [credit card, ACH, IVR] or payment type [utility bills versus park program fees], whether you want to present bills electronically, and which banks and processors you want to use. All of the components in epayment systems were defined and tips given on how to prepare RFPs to be able to evaluate service and pricing, and lower epayment costs. I also learned that as government "merchants," we are responsible for ensuring that systems we employ as our agents for electronic payments meet industry security standards [Visa CISP and PCI compliant]. There is a 12-step checklist available from Visa.com that should be part of our annual selfassessment audit. GASB 40 pertains to deposit and investment risk disclosures, but under the limits of the Indiana public funds laws, the impact will be substantially less than elsewhere in the nation.

There was a lot to learn in sessions on economic outlook, buying insurance, bond rating, investments, and fiduciary responsibility. One of the most surprising sessions was the all-conference three-hour session on Managing Problem Employees. It was packed and I soon understood why. Dr. Lewis Bender from SIU-Edwardsville, who has worked closely with the Michigan treasurers, gave us a new perspective on how to deal with the impact of the "Problem Child" employee in our work groups, and strategies for improving performance in our departments.

Networking with treasurers was a tremendous opportunity, with about 275 attendees from across the country. There was a large contingent from our neighboring states of Michigan, Illinois, and Ohio. The timing of the conference with budget preparation time I know was a problem this year. I did have to drive back and forth because we were having the first reading on our budget. Although I was the lone Indiana representative in Chicago, I look forward to other ILMCT members being able to attend the next annual conference in Memphis, TN in 2006.

The APT web site has been upgraded and each member should have received a member user ID and password by mail to access the member only portion of the site. The subscription to *Treasury Notes* is now delivered electronically. You can link to APT from the ILMCT web site at: www.ilmct.org.

# Charlie's Corner

Charlie Pride State Board of Accounts



**Question:** Can a city or town's wastewater utility continue to charge fees when a property is not occupied and the city or town does not own the water utility?

**Answer:** Yes. IC 36-9-23-25 (c) states that fees are payable by the owner of each lot, parcel of real property, or building that is connected with the sewage works by or through any part of the municipal sewer system;

or uses or is served by the works.

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# ILMCT Conclave Elects New President from Nappanee

City employees of Nappanee had some fun with the election of Kim Ingle as President of ILMT. Kim's election was confirmed on the same day as the new Pope. The white "smoke" from the City Hall just MIGHT have indicated that Kim's election was successful!





Kim reacts to the Mayor's story and pictures.

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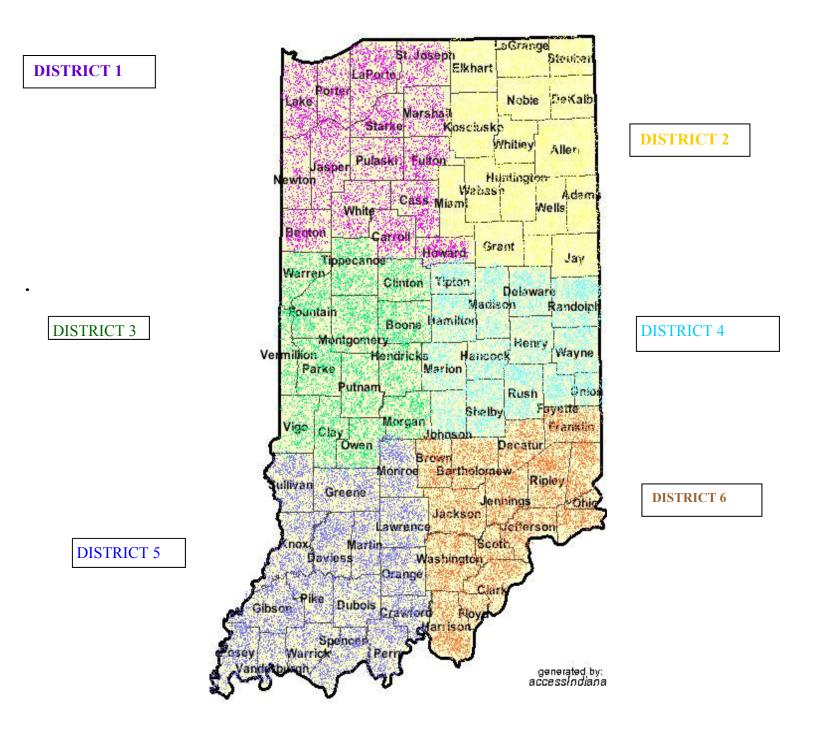
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# **DISTRICT MAP 2005**



Pursuant to ARTICLE VI- Districts-Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers By-Laws