

Membership Counts



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Clerk Treasurer—Nappanee
ILMCT Vice President

Like many of you, I received my new ILMCT Member Directory in the mail today. I appreciate the hard work of Nancy Hoke, Marilyn Chittick, Debbie Block and anyone else that contributed to this monumental task. The new binder format is excellent and should allow each of us to maintain a more updated Directory in our offices.

Being somewhat of a history buff I immediately read the history of our League. Helen Dietz's articles, written in 1967, of our early days reaffirmed for me the reasons that our League exists.

Page B-4 2. "This new crop of people was eager to learn how to do a better and more efficient job. It is my firm belief that every Clerk and Clerk-Treasurer in the State should belong to the League and take an active part in it. Our meetings with the State Board of Accounts and the State Tax Board (today's Department of Local Government Finance) are invaluable to us. Also, our association with our fellow members is very helpful....."

Our founders were very astute. This quote is as true in 2005 as it was in 1967. Our League has grown and flourished through the years. This has been made possible through the continued support of our members.

When I became Clerk-Treasurer in my own City in 1984, the retiring Clerk-Treasurer of twenty-two years told me, "There are two things you never miss, the ILMCT Annual Conference and June State Board of Accounts School." I knew she was a wise lady and I have always taken that advice to heart.

I want to encourage all of our members to avail themselves of the opportunities that the Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers offers. Remember that the League is only as strong as it's members. We must attend our Annual Conference. The Conference offers opportunities for accredited education, education and information from the State Board of Accounts and the Department of Local Government Finance, League business sessions, networking with your colleagues and a little bit of relaxation and entertainment. I can guarantee that you will return to your office refreshed and energized. In 2005 the Annual Conference will be held April 18-21 at the Indianapolis Marriott North and June State Board of Accounts School will be held June 15-16 at the Indianapolis Marriott East.

I will see you there!
Kim Ingle

New Directory Format Allows Updates

Deborah Block, IAMC, CMC

After much conversation and pain, the new directories for the League were finally finished and mailed in December. Well, maybe not finished!

Even before the mailing was finished it was noted that two sections had not been included—the Clerks and the Controllers. Further, as people began receiving the directories it was noted that the Associate Members and Business Associate Members were not included. While these listing have not been in the directory in the past, we believe it is appropriate.

In the near future, members (paid dues in 2004) will receive an additional set of pages for the binder including the Clerks, Controllers, Associate and Business Associate members. Our new format will allow you to update your directory quickly and easily.

New members in 2005 will receive the full directory from Kim Ingle after dues are collected.

Please note these corrections:

Connersville Fax 765-827-0858

Fairmount

Jason Ford, Clerk Treasurer
624 S. Main Street (home)
Phone: 765-948-9378 (home)

Hartford City Fax 765-348-7252
Email: jgilland@hartfordcity.net

Remington Fax 219-261-2824

Salem new office!
201 E. Market Street, Ste. 101
Salem, IN 47167-2143
Email: clerk@insightbb.com

Tell City Fax 812-548-4048

Winchester Fax 765-584-6171
Email: winchesterclerk@insightbb.com

West Lafayette Home 765-497-0238

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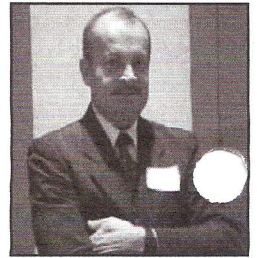
*ILMCT Annual Conference Agenda
and Hotel information*

*Stay informed! Participate in these ILMCT events for the latest
updates from the State Board of Accounts, Department of Local
Government Finance, and Continuing Education Opportunities.*

Don't Delay—Send Your Registration Today

Charlie's Corner

Charlie Pride
State Board
of Accounts



Question:

Can a city or town give money to support a local historical society?

Answer:

Yes. IC 36-10-2-4 allows a city or town to establish, aid, maintain, and operate libraries and museums, cultural, historical, and scientific facilities and programs, and community service facilities and programs.

Further, IC 36-10-2-5 allows a city or town to establish, aid, maintain, and operate neighborhood centers, community centers, civic centers, convention centers, auditoriums, arenas, and stadiums.

If a city or town desires to fund one of the aforementioned programs or activities, a contract should be entered into setting out what services are to be provided to the city or town.

Congratulations to Annual Award Recipients Marilyn Morrison & Sharon Howell

The Annual Indiana Association of Cities and Towns Conference was held in Evansville in September of 2004. Two awards were received by ILMCT members during the Awards Luncheon.

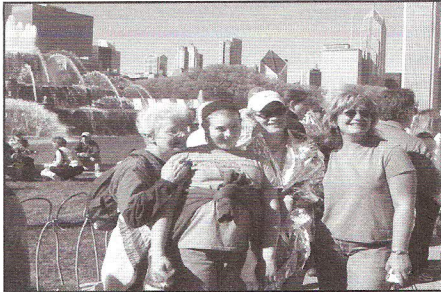
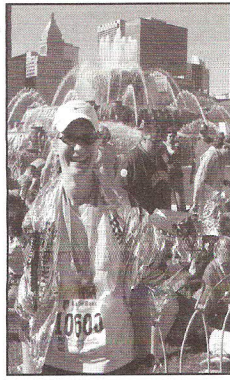
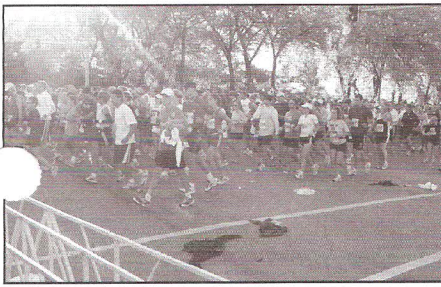
Sharon Howell, Clerk Treasurer of Avon, received the Financial Management Award for outstanding achievement in fiscal management, financial recording and leadership in public service. Marilyn Morrison, Clerk Treasurer of Warren and Past President of IACT, received the Ivan H. Brinegar Municipal Management Award which is presented to an individual municipal official with a minimum of 10 years of city or town service who displays strong leadership, contributes to the community and also is a role model.



Right: Marilyn Morrison, Past President of IACT and Clerk Treasurer of Warren, accepts the Ivan H. Brinegar Municipal Management Award from Matt Greller, IACT Exec. Director.

Left: Sharon Howell (center), Clerk Treasurer of Avon, poses for the camera as she celebrates her award with Matt Greller, IACT Executive Director, and Marilyn Morrison, IACT Past President.





Runner Brings Pride to Munster Office

Contributed by Dave Shafer, IAMC, CMC

The Town of Munster is proud of Accounting Supervisor Tricia Abbott for her first-time participation in the Chicago Marathon Sunday, October 10. An estimated 40,000 competitors from 50 states and 121 countries raced 26.2 miles while one million spectators cheered them on in near-perfect weather conditions. Tricia finished in a very respectable 5 hours 12 minutes and 40 seconds. Most importantly, Tricia FINISHED her first attempt at a marathon.

After the race, Tricia observed, "The first 25-1/2 miles were the toughest. After that, I knew I had it knocked." (Okay, maybe she didn't say that, but when I asked her if she would run another marathon, she said, "Yes, but not today.")

Here are some photos of her accomplishment. That's Tricia with her daughter, sister, and mother in front of Buckingham Fountain after the race. (Editor's note: Bottom right is Dave just thinking about a marathon.)

Feel free to drop Tricia a line at pabbott@ci.munster.in.us.

Community Mourns Loss

From IACT Electronic News

IACT sadly reports that Princeton Mayor Shirley Robb passed away recently at Gibson General Hospital a few days after her 77th birthday. She had been suffering health problems and was hospitalized several weeks ago after becoming ill.

Mayor Robb began her first term as mayor in 2000 after having served eight years as the city's Clerk-Treasurer. City council president Bob Hurst will serve as interim mayor until the Democratic Party holds a caucus to appoint a permanent replacement.

Mayor Robb served on the board of directors at Gibson General Hospital, was a member of the Downtown Revitalization Committee and was involved with the solid waste committee. Mayor Robb led the City of Princeton in joining IACT's Indiana Downtown ® program in 2003.

The members of IACT and the League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers extend our condolences to Mayor Robb's family, her colleagues and the citizens of Princeton.

Our Sympathy To:

Bev Stout (Waynetown) on the loss of her mother;

The family of Vernon Scheumann, former C/T Woodburn;

Charolotte Thomas (Jasonville) on the loss of her mother;

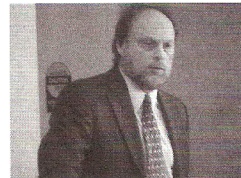
June Ryle (Greensburg) on her many losses in 2004, including her father-in-law in March, mother in May, and brother-in-law in July;

DeWayne Bontrager (Topeka) on the loss of his wife. Pictured right, Mrs. Bontrager was a regular attendee at ILMCT events.



Do You Have any GREAT Pictures or Stories about Your office or other ILMCT Members?

If so, send them to Deborah Block, Quest Editor, at dblock@mishawakacity.com for consideration of use in the Quest!



ASK

BOB:

Bob Harris, Dept of Local Gov't Finance, answers your most frequently asked questions.

Question:

What can I use my local road and street money for?

Answer:

IC 8-12-2-5 states: Money from the local road and street account shall be used exclusively by the cities, towns and counties for:

1. engineering, land acquisition, construction, resurfacing, maintenance, restoration, or rehabilitation of both local and arterial road and street systems;
2. the payment of principle and interest on bonds sold primarily to finance road, street, or thoroughfare projects;
3. any local costs required to undertake a recreational or reservoir road project under IC 8-23-5;
4. the purchase, rental, or repair of highway equipment.

If you have a question for the Department of Local Government Finance you may contact Bob at bharris@dlgf.in.gov. Those question most frequently asked just may be the next one to appear in the *Quest*.

INDIANA LEAGUE OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS & TREASURERS
69th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
APRIL 18—21, 2005
INDIANAPOLIS MARIOTT NORTH

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Monday, April 18

Continuing Education by HR Unlimited
Morning Session: Ceremonial and Acknowledging Acts
Lunch (included)
Afternoon Session: Protecting Against Identity Fraud
Dress: Casual

Tuesday, April 19

Nelson Steele Memorial Walk
10:00 AM Opening Session
Lunch (included)
1:00 PM Investment Workshop: Honorable Tim Berry, State
Treasurer
DOOR PRIZES
Dress: Business Casual

EVENING (separate charge for this event)
Beef & Boards, dinner and show (transportation provided)
Dress: Business Casual

Wednesday, April 20th

SBA and Vendor Day
Breakfast with Vendors
State Board of Accounts Training
Lunch (included)
State Board of Accounts Training
Break with Vendors (DOOR PRIZES)
Dress: Business Casual

EVENING (included)
President's Reception
Banquet (Education Awards Presented)
Dress: Business/Dressy/Cocktail Attire

Thursday, April 21

Breakfast Buffet
Closing Session (DOOR PRIZES)
Dress: Casual

The Annual Conference and State Board of Accounts School will be held at the Indianapolis Marriott North which is located next to the Keystone at the Crossing Mall on the north side of Indianapolis (I465 & Keystone at 86th Street). This full service hotel has only been opened a few years and you will want to enjoy all of its amenities, as well as, planning time to visit one of the premier shopping malls in the Midwest.

All meals, except for the Tuesday night entertainment event, are included in your full registration fee.

**HOTEL INFORMATION
& RESERVATIONS**

Individuals are responsible for their own reservations. Reservations must be guaranteed by credit card or a deposit equal to one night's accommodations. Guarantees will be credited to the last night of your confirmed reservation. Deposits will be refunded if cancellation is received **72 hours prior to arrival**.

Indianapolis Marriott North
3645 River Crossing Parkway
Indianapolis, Indiana 46240 USA
Phone: 1-317-705-0000 1-800-228-9290
Fax: 1-317-819-1099

IN League of Municipal Clerks & Treasurers
2005 Annual Conference
Group Code : ILMCT 3005 CONF
April 18—21, 2005

\$109.00 Single/Double
Rate not guaranteed after March 27, 2005

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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PHONE: _____

ARRIVAL DATE: _____ DEPARTURE DATE: _____

of People _____

REQUESTS (circle one) One King Two Doubles Smoking Non-Smoking

CUTOFF DATES: March 27, 2005

CHECK IN TIME: 3:00 pm CHECK OUT TIME: 11 AM

At the cutoff date, Hotel will release the unreserved rooms for general sale. Any reservation received after the cut off date will be accepted on a space or rate available basis. It is understood that each individual is responsible for own room, tax and incremental charges. Individual credit card deposit must be established at check-in.

Guarantee method: ___ Credit Card ___ Check/Money Order

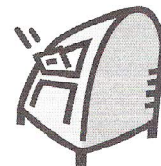
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Type (circle): MC Visa American Express

Signature of Card holder: _____

MAIL DIRECTLY TO THE MARRIOTT OR CALL TODAY!!!



IACT LEGISILATIVE CONFERENCE

March 15 & 16—Marriott Downtown Indy

Tuesday, March 15

Registration 10:00 AM— 7:30 PM
 Associate Member Meeting 10:30 AM—11:30 AM
 Affiliate Luncheons 11:30 AM— 1:30 PM

ILMCT luncheon requires separate registration, see information else where in this Quest.

Legislative Committee Meeting 1:45 PM— 3:15 PM
 Executive Committee Meeting 3:30 PM— 5:00 PM

Reception 5:30 PM— 7:30 PM

Sponsored by Indiana Municipal Power Agency and Indiana Municipal Electric Association

Wednesday, March 16

Registration 7:30 AM— 1:15 PM
 Legislative Breakfast/Briefing 8:30 AM— 9:30 AM
 Statehouse Visit 9:30 AM—12:00 PM

Hotel Information: Reservations may be made at the Indianapolis Marriott

Lunch/Keynote Address 12:00 PM— 1:00 PM

Featuring Governor Mitch Daniels
 Sponsored by Ice Miller

Downtown at a special IACT rate of \$87 plus 12% tax for single, double, triple or quad rooms. Hotel reservations must be made by Tuesday, February 22 to guarantee his special rate. Call the Marriott Downtown at 844-640-7666. Only registered delegates may occupy a room within the IACT room block.

Additional information is available at <http://www.citiesandtowns.org>.

IACT LEGISILATIVE CONFERENCE

REGISTRATION

One form per registrant—duplicate for additional registrants

Please Select Registration Type:

- Member (registering before March 8 \$125.00)
- On-site/late Member (after March 8 \$145.00)
- Spouse/Guest (\$75.00)
- Non-Member Municipality (\$255.00)

Name & Title _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Municipality/Company _____

Address _____

City/Town _____

Credit Card/Check Number _____

Card Type (MC, Visa, Discover) Exp. _____

Name on Card _____

Billing Address _____

Signature of Cardholder _____

Please check all events that you plan to attend

- Tues., Reception
- Wed., Leg Briefing/Breakfast
- Wed., Luncheon

Mail Registration to: IACT
 200 S. Meridian, Suite 340
 Indianapolis, IN 46225
 or Fax to 317-237-6206

Make Checks Payable to:
IACT Legislative Conference

ILMCT Luncheon Registration ***During IACT Legislative Conference*** ***Tuesday, March 15, 2005*** ***Indianapolis Marriott Downtown*** ***11:30 AM — 1:30 PM***

Name and Title _____

Municipality/Company _____

Address _____

Additional Registrant (s) from same Municipality/Company

Name & Title _____

REGISTER TODAY!

March 4th is the last day for guaranteed registration

Number attending: _____ x \$35 = _____

(Checks Payable to ILMCT)

Mail to: Michelle R. Gabehart, IAMC, CMC

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Mark Your Calendar

March 6-11, 2005	ILMCT Institute/Academy/ Ball State, Muncie
March 15-16, 2005	IACT Legislative Conference Indianapolis
April 17-21, 2005	ILMCT Conference/Indianapolis
May 22-26, 2005	IIMC Conference/St. Paul, Minnesota
June 14, 2005	ILMCT Institute/Academy Class/Indianapolis
June 15-16, 2005	State Board of Accounts School Indianapolis
September 25-29, 2005	IACT Conference/Fort Wayne
October, 2005	ILMCT District Meetings
December	NLC Congress of Cities