

REGION VIII NEWS

IIMC Region VIII Newsletter

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News from Alexandria

Your Region VIII Directors, RaNae Edwards (Grand Island, NE) and Liz Burke (Flagstaff, AZ) attended their first midyear Board meeting this year in Alexandria, VA. We have a lot of information to share, so please take a few minutes to read through our notes on Page 2.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO

New CMC's

ARIZONA

Avondale	Linda Mendenhall
Globe	Shelly Salazar
Marana	Hilary H. Hiser
Marana	Suzanne Sutherland
Mesa	Agnes Beltran Goodwine
Scottsdale	Cathleen Butteweg
Williams	Pamela Galvan
Youngtown	Stacy Anderson

Records Administrator
City Clerk
Records Administrator
Assistant to Town Clerk
Deputy City Clerk
Deputy City Clerk
City Clerk/HR Director
City Clerk

COLORADO

Breckenridge	Helen Cospolich
Crested Butte	Lynelle Stanford
Fountain	Silvia Huffman
Fowler	Kelly Lotrich
Frisco	Melissa Stabile
Glenwood Springs	Catherine Mythen
Greeley	Jessica Diagana
La Veta	Laurie L. Erwin
Milliken	Cheryl L. Powell
Monument	Laura Hogan
New Castle	Mindy Andis

Municipal Clerk
Town Clerk
City Clerk
Town Clerk
Clerk/Treasurer
City Clerk
Assistant City Clerk
Town Clerk
Town Clerk/Human Res.
Deputy Clerk
Deputy Town Clerk

MONTANA

Glasgow	Stacey Amundson
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City Clerk

NEBRASKA

Columbus	Michaela Luckey
Ewing	Sharon Swails
Hastings	Lori Vorderstrasse
Newman Grove	Joan M. Sokol

Assistant City Clerk
Village Clerk/Treasurer
Assistant City Clerk
City Clerk/Treasurer

NEW MEXICO

Corona	Terri Racher
Elephant Butte	Karen Rieth
Farmington	Andrea Jones

Deputy Clerk
Clerk/Treasurer
Deputy Clerk

NEVADA

Henderson	Jonathon Nunes
Henderson	Amber J. Ellis

Senior Deputy City Clerk
Deputy City Clerk

UTAH

Provo City	Janene Weiss
South Weber	Elyse Greiner
St. George	Christina Fernandez
West Jordan	Jamie Lyn Vincent

City Recorder
City Recorder
City Recorder
Deputy City Clerk

New MMC's

ARIZONA

Goodyear	Janet LeBlanc
Goodyear	Sue Brungardt
San Luis	Sonia Comelio

Records Administrator
Deputy City Clerk
City Clerk

COLORADO

Garden City	Cheryl Campbell
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Town Administrator/Clerk

NEBRASKA

Auburn	Sherry Heskett
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City Clerk

UTAH

Clearfield	Kimberly Read
Herriman City	Jackie Nostrom

Deputy Clerk
City Recorder



HIGHLIGHTS

OF THE 2016-2017 MIDYEAR BOARD MEETING

✿ **Board approved balanced budgets for 2016 and 2017**

✿ **Independent Contracts Approved**

The Board approved the renewal of the contracts for IIMC's Director of Professional Development Dr. Jane Long, Region XI Consultant Tom van Der Hoven, Event Management Consultant Sharon Ozimek and Financial Manager Connie Parker.

✿ **2021 Annual Conference Awarded to Grand Rapids, Michigan**

This was very interesting. For those of you that don't know, there is a very good process used to determine where conferences will be held that attempts to remove any preference. Requests are received from varying cities, and IIMC staff then vets them to ensure they meet the minimum requirements. They are then presented to the Conference Committee and the Board, without names, in a matrix format. Each member votes for their preferred location, based on set criteria such as lodging costs, transportation costs, access to transit, location of hotel to conference center, etc. This year the Board went through this process and selected the same city as the Conference Committee selected. And, that is how we chose Grand Rapids, Michigan for 2021!

✿ **Policy Revisions**

The Board adopted revisions to existing policies concerning Education, Budget and Planning, Membership and Public Relations (See separate text box related to THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION below).

✿ **Revisions to Education and Campaigning Policy**

Changes are being made to IIMC Policy 2.20.060, *Education and Campaigning*, to address the need for any distribution of materials by, or on behalf of, candidates to be reviewed by IMC staff prior to its distribution.

Have you considered?

Inviting **Dr. Long** to present at any of your educational sessions? She has a lot of great information to share with us in a variety of topics.

Facilitating an **Athenian Dialogue** in your state?

Providing for **Academy sessions** before or after other educational sessions?

Also during our Mid-Year Board meeting discussion was held on the fact that State Institutes and Academies are able to be flexible in their scheduling, to meet the needs of members in your state.

As long as the requirements are met, educational sessions may be scheduled for one week, two different times a year, Institute/Academy together or separate, etc. Keep that in mind as you work with your respective universities.

The Future of Education

Understanding that the format of education programs is ever-changing, the Board approved the following opportunities for meeting future certification needs:

- 1) IIMC has established and implemented definitions for each type of online learning opportunity that our members may have access to. These include, fully online, blended, and both interactive and non-interactive webinar courses. These definitions have resulted in a few tweaks in the naming of the IIMC approved learning opportunities that are currently listed on the website. IIMC's Online Courses have now become "Online Webinars" and a similar change is reflected in the FEMA program. The points that can be obtained from these programs remain the same and no changes have been made to credit earned.
- 2) IIMC members working toward the CMC or MMC designation may now accrue **any and all of their points** via online learning should they have the opportunity to do so. All points must still be earned in accordance with the Education and Institute Guidelines. This means that IIMC Institutes and State/National/Provincial Associations may now offer as many online learning opportunities as they wish in the attempt to better serve their participants.

NOTICE to states within Region VIII—If you have information you'd like to share with others within Region VIII, please forward them to Liz Burke, Flagstaff, AZ, at eburke@flagstaff.az.gov or RaNae Edwards, Grand Island, at redwards@grand-island.com. Our newsletters are only as good as the information in them! Please share with us.

VISIT

www.iimc.com

Become familiar with what IIMC has to offer—Please share your suggestions with your Region Leaders

REGION VIII STATE ROTATION

2017	Nebraska	2025	South Dakota
2019	Arizona	2026	Wyoming
2020	Nevada	2028	Montana
2022	North Dakota	2029	Colorado
2023	Idaho	2031	New Mexico
		2032	Utah

NEW MEMBERS

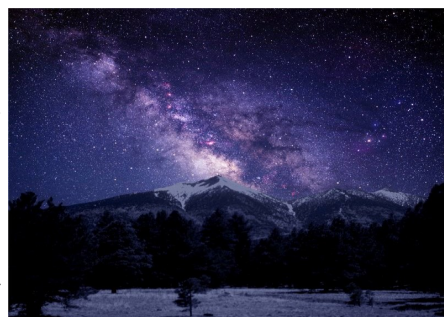
The following individuals have become IIMC members between September and December. If they are near you and you have not yet met them, please take a moment to welcome them to your region.

ARIZONA	Coconino County Gilbert Northwest Fire District Pinetop-Lakeside	Lindsay Daley Judy A. Martinez Heather D'Amico Jill Alains	Exec. Asst. to Co. Supervisor Management Support Specialist Secretary III Deputy Town Clerk
COLORADO	Durango Empire Garden City Glenwood Springs Greenwood Village Hudson Lyons Mountain View Wray	Christena Harlow Nichole A. Davis Lentz Abigail Clabough Jill Peterson, CMC Megan Moen Charity Young Dolores Vasquez Dorothy M. Romero Emily Ellis	Deputy City Clerk Municipal Town Clerk Deputy Clerk Deputy City Clerk Deputy City Clerk Clerk Pro-Tem Deputy Town Clerk Administrative Assistant City Clerk/Treasurer Deputy City Clerk
IDAHO	Marsing	Doris Hayward-Roland	Deputy City Clerk
MONTANA	Bozeman Great Falls	Robin Crough Darcy Dea	City Clerk Deputy City Clerk
NEBRASKA	Arapahoe Franklin Gering Gering Gretna Kearney Kenesaw Schuyler	Donna Tannahill Carmen Dunn Carol Martin Kathy Weffl Kandis Koozer Lauren Brandt Cindy Kiefer Lora Johnson	City Clerk/Treasurer City Clerk/Treasurer Administrative Secretary I City Clerk/Ex. Asst. to City Admin. Deputy City Clerk Deputy City Clerk Clerk/Treasurer Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer
NEW MEXICO	Alamogordo Belen Carlsbad Chama Chama Cimarron Cimarron Clayton Clovis Eagle Nest Espanola Espanola Gallup Hurley Hurley Lake Arthur Maxwell Moriarty Mountainair Peralta Santa Rosa Sunland Park Truth or Consequences	Rachel Hughes Charlotte Jaramillo Nadine Mireles Delora Manzanares Maggie Valdez Bridgit Dobbs Coda Lee Sanchez Renee Valdez Vicki Reyes Elizabeth Sanchez, MMC Therisa Aguilar Melissa Velasquez Alicia Palacios Darlene McBride Lori Ortiz Ruth Ann Brown Joy Hood Frances Bock Dennis Fulfer Steven Robbins Claudina Garcia Daniel Carranco Priscilla Fuentes	City Clerk Deputy City Clerk Deputy Clerk Deputy Clerk Village Clerk Court Clerk Utility Clerk Clerk/Treasurer Assistant City Clerk Village Clerk Deputy City Clerk Deputy City Clerk Deputy City Clerk Deputy Clerk Town Clerk Clerk/Treasurer Village Clerk Accounting Clerk City Clerk Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Deputy City Clerk Deputy Clerk Assistant Clerk
UTAH	Castle Valley Manila Nibley Nibley Santaquin Toquerville	Jocelyn Buck Jessica Wardle Cheryl Bodily David Zook Holly Homer Dana McKim	Town Clerk Deputy Clerk Deputy Recorder City Manager Deputy Recorder City Recorder
WYOMING	Glenrock Laramie Moorcroft Sinclair Worland	Tammy Taylor Nancy Bartholomew Cheryl Schneider Kindra L. Pochecho Norma Homan	Utility Clerk Deputy City Clerk Clerk/Treasurer Assistant Treasurer Deputy Clerk

FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA

World's First International Dark Sky City

This designation was awarded by the (IDA), a tax-exempt non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and protecting the nighttime environment and the heritage of dark skies. The International Dark-Sky City designation is given to identify towns and cities "with exceptional commitment to and success in implementing the ideals of dark sky preservation and/or restoration, and their promotion through quality outdoor lighting." *What other communities in Region VIII are Dark Sky Cities?*



FROM THE DIRECTOR

It was my pleasure to attend the Wyoming Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers (WAMCAT) annual institute in Douglas, WY on September 8, 2016, and the South Dakota Municipal League (SDML) meeting in Rapid City, SD on October 5, 2016. What an outstanding group of people and so much fun to be with. It amazes me at how different each state is but yet so similar.

RaNae Edwards

AROUND REGION VIII

Idaho – Idaho will be having their State Conference September 21st to the 23rd in Idaho Falls. They have some great speakers and a roaring 20’s party planned. They also raffle baskets from each of the 6 Districts in Idaho and the money goes towards scholarships to enable other clerks to come to the conference. They welcome any and all Clerks to come to their State Conference.



They are finishing up their budgeting season and will go on to starting their audits soon. Budgeting is always a difficult time for so many small cities that have little to work with and they are always looking for good ideas and ways to create more revenue.



Nebraska – The Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association (NMCA) will hold their Institute and Academy on March 19-24, 2017. Special guest will be IIMC President Vincent Buttigieri from Ocean Township, New Jersey.

South Dakota – The South Dakota Governmental Finance Officers meet annually in June. They are an affiliate group of the South Dakota Municipal League (SDML). SDML hosts an annual conference each year in October. This year’s annual Finance Officer’s group will meet on June 7-9, 2017, in Pierre, SD at the Ramkota Inn.



Utah—Mark your calendars for the last week in September 2020. The Utah Municipal Clerks Association has offered to hold a Region VIII Conference in conjunction with their state annual meeting. It will be held in Park City, Utah. It is some time out; however, it creeps up on us and we’ll need to budget for this. None of us will want to miss Park City, Utah in September!

Wyoming – The Wyoming Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers (WAMCAT) held their annual Institute in Douglas, WY September 7-9, 2016. During the banquet on September 8th they presented Teresa Montgomery with the Clerk of the Year award. IIMC President Vincent Buttigieri and IIMC Region Director RaNae Edwards were in attendance.



Don’t see your state? That’s because we need information! Please share with us what is going on in your respective state.



Say “Aloha” to Hawaii

Support IIMC education programs and win a trip for two to Hawaii, including airfare and a week’s hotel on Waikiki Beach!

Tickets \$20 each or 3 for \$50

[FOR MORE INFO](#)

