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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MONTHLY REPORT

MAY 2007

By Terri Pfister, Boardmember

Reminder – Board Vacancy

As a result of Bob Baker's election to Vice President, a vacancy has occurred on the WMCA Executive Committee for a Board Member. WMCA Members interested in serving on the Executive Committee can find the Notice of Vacancy and instructions for filing on the www.wmcaclerks.org website. The deadline for filing is Monday, May 7, 2007.

Final Calculated Auction Results

The annual conference auction brought in an awesome \$4,647! The Puerto Vallarta trip raffle produced a net income of \$1,239.88 and the \$1 raffle brought in \$851. Way to go Scholarship and Fundraising Committees for putting on an outstanding auction and productive raffle sales! And thanks for the great response from all of you who donated items for the auctions and to our members and guests who bid on and purchased items. Without your enthusiastic participation, we couldn't have raised this amazing amount for the scholarship fund. You've all given back to WMCA in a big way.

Conference Evaluation Results

The conference held March 11-14, 2007, at Semiahmoo Resort was very successful and provided great educational, training, and networking opportunities. Please take a moment to view the Conference Evaluation Results posted at <http://www.wmcaclerks.org/2007%20Conference/Evaluation%20Results%20-%202007.pdf>. The Executive Committee values your input, and the information gained from the evaluation results is considered and used in the future planning of educational sessions and conferences.

NEW IIMC Certification Requirements

Please check out the IIMC website for the new certification requirements and the new CMC and MMC application forms. New forms must be used even if you have entered either program before Jan. 1, 2007, and even though the necessary point totals are different. MMC candidates, be aware there are no more "levels" to the certification process. You will enter MMC track and then accumulate points until you have enough for your MMC. If you are at mid-level, you may wish to contact Dr. Mohammed Eftekhari at IIMC (mhe@iimc.com) for details on how the new guidelines apply to your situation.

Fall MMC Academy

Save The Date: A Fall MMC Academy will be held on Friday, October 26, at the Coast Wenatchee Center. A block of rooms has been reserved for Thursday night, October 25, at \$60/single, \$80 double rates (plus tax). Further details will be announced as we have them. This will be an IIMC sanctioned session good for 3 education points (CMC or MMC). You can also take this opportunity to check out our 2008 conference site!

Professional Development (PD I, II, III, and Master Academy) Classes

Register Now: It is not too late to register for Professional Development classes. Don't miss the opportunity to move forward toward your CMC or MMC certification this year - lots of great learning, plenty of networking, and fun besides. The classes are held at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, WA. The class schedule is as follows:

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- Professional Dev I: June 3–8, 2007
- Professional Dev II: June 10–15, 2007
- Professional Dev III: June 17–22, 2007
- Master Academy (formerly Professional Dev IV): June 6–9, 2007

The MMC Academy (PD IV) is a completely new program so you may attend and receive credit even if you attended previously. The class has been approved by IIMC for 12 points toward your MMC certification - register as soon as possible as there is some preparation work to complete before the Institute. Although no early registration fee applies, the early registration deadline for PD IV was April 20 in light of the prep work to be completed; there is still room and time for applicants to register for this class.

There is an early registration fee for Professional Dev I, II, and III and the deadline is May 5. Register online at www.capps.wsu.edu/NCI. You just need to register by that date; the payment can be sent later.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT MAY 2007

Dear WMCA Members,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent WMCA as your President at the City Clerks Association of California (CCAC) annual conference in beautiful Palm Springs on April 11-13, 2007. [Photo](#)

The theme of their conference was "Focus on the PEAK" (Professional Empowerment through Advocacy and Knowledge). The educational sessions focused on leadership and management, and the tramway journey on the world's largest rotating tram car to the "PEAK" of the San Jacinto Mountain was a spectacular "climbing" experience! [Photo](#) Although I was a little nervous as the tram rotated and swayed as we escalated to higher levels, the view was worth it! [Photo](#)

The opening session kicked off with a "star" performance by the Copy Katz Showroom Bistro's very own Reba McEntire. [Photo](#) What an uplifting bang to set the mood of the conference!

The educational sessions included:

- [The Nine Essential Skills for Leaders](#) by Carolyn Warner
- [Political Savvy Tales from the Trenches](#) by Brad Hudson, City Manager of Riverside (see photo)
- [Mentoring](#) by Scott Barber, Community Development Director of Riverside
- [Gadflies – A Humorous and Interactive Session](#) by Rich Holmer, City Manager of Riverbank
- [Elections, Public Records & the Brown Act \(Open Meetings Act\)](#) by Tim Brown, City Attorney of Napa
- [Attitude & Communication & Productivity](#) by Scott Marcus
- [What is the League of California Cities \(LCC\) & How Does it Involve Me](#) by Dwight Stenbakken, Deputy Director, LCC

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Copies of the educational session handouts can be found on our website at www.wmcaclerks.org/ccacconfmaterials.pdf (large pdf file!) if you are interested in seeing them. In addition to the educational handouts, I brought back copies of the CCAC's conference evaluation form, raffle and vendor list for our Conference Planning and Education Committees' information.

The networking opportunities with Deb Marlar, Alaska Municipal Clerks Association President; Barbara Christensen, Oregon Association of Municipal Records President; Shalice Reynoso, CCAC President [Photo](#), Pam McCarthy, CCAC First VP, and other CCAC members; Region IX Reps Colleen Nicol and Sheri Pierce; IIMC incoming President Chuck Tokar, Education Director Mohammad Eftekhari and Chris Shalby, Interim Executive Director; were extremely valuable to further strengthen WMCA's relationship with our affiliates and reaffirm the value of education and training in our professions.

Again, thank you for this learning opportunity and "growth" experience. Attending the CCAC conference validated that WMCA is doing so many right things in raising the levels of our profession through our academies, NCI Institute, Region IX, annual conferences, regional associations and collaboration with other related associations. I am so proud of us! WMCA rocks!

Alice M. Bush, President