

**WASHINGTON MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MONTHLY REPORT
JANUARY 2009**

We only have a few things to report on this month so we'll keep it short and sweet! We hope you each had a wonderful holiday season and that your New Year is starting off right!

~ WMCA Executive Committee

**MARCH 2009 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
QUINAULT BEACH RESORT AND CASINO, OCEAN SHORES
Advanced Academy – Tuesday, March 17, 2009
Conference – March 18-20, 2009
X MARKS THE SPOT ... X-PERIENCE and X-CELLENCE**

For the 2009 Conference Registration Form, Pre-Conference Information and Preliminary Schedule of Events see the WMCA website at: http://www.wmcaclerks.org/2009_Conference.htm. Room rates are as follows: Wetland View: \$89.95/night and Ocean View: \$99.95/night (taxes not included). Please call 1-888-461-2214 to make your reservations and make sure you say that you are with the Washington Municipal Clerks Association for the conference rates. We are also asking that members double-up and share rooms this year as there are only 156 sleeping rooms available.

2009 NCI SCHOLARSHIPS!

Watch your email or the WMCA website for information on scholarship for the 2009 Northwest Clerks Institute! The application deadline is February 13, 2009.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

There are still items available at the WMCA Store on the WMCA website. New inventory has been added to the WMCA clothing sale, including fleece vests, sweat pants, shorts, and gym bags – all with the WMCA logo. Also on sale are denim shirts, clip boards, and lunch bags. Beautiful laptop bags are available for only \$22.00.

Contest!!! Please help the Fundraising Committee achieve our goal to sell all 1,000 tickets before the conference in March. You don't need to be a Fundraising Committee member to sell them. You can order ticket books from Valerie Loffler at valerie-loffler@ci.kennewick.wa.us or (509) 585-4273. The tickets are in books of 10. Each \$5 ticket is good for two chances to win. Two prizes will be awarded during the 2009 WMCA Conference of \$1,000 each! The WMCA Member who sells the most raffle tickets will receive a WMCA merchandise item!

2009 AUCTION

Another way to support the scholarship fund is to provide items for the auction during the 2009 WMCA conference. Examples of past auction items include: gift baskets, jewelry, overnight or weekend trips, and handmade specialties.

Start contacting businesses, hotels, and services in your area now for auction items. There are two WMCA letter templates available to you - one is a "request for donation" letter and the other is a follow-up "thank you for your support" letter. Please contact Debby Barham at dbarham@ci.richland.wa.us or (509) 942-7389 if you want the templates.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER

Patricia A. Buescher, Clerk to the Board for the Snohomish County PUD has received the prestigious Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation from IIMC. Congrats to you!

WMCA DATES TO REMEMBER	
NORTHWEST CLERK INSTITUTE (NCI) SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE	FEBRUARY 13, 2008
ADVANCED ACADEMY	MARCH 17, 2009
ANNUAL CONFERENCE	MARCH 18 – 20, 2009
IIMC ANNUAL CONFERENCE, CHICAGO, ILL	MAY 19 – 23, 2009
NORTHWEST CLERKS INSTITUTE PD I	MAY 31 – JUNE 5, 2009
NORTHWEST CLERKS INSTITUTE PD II	JUNE 7 – 12, 2009
NORTHWEST CLERKS INSTITUTE PD III	JUNE 14 – 19, 2009
NORTHWEST CLERKS INSTITUTE PD IV	JUNE 10 – 13, 2009