



TAMCAR NEWS SUMMER 2009

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DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2009
TAMCAR FALL CONFERENCE
EMBASSY SUITES COOL SPRINGS
FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE

MAY 23-27, 2010
64TH IIMC ANNUAL CONFERENCE
“Adventures in Education”
RENO/TAHOE, NEVADA

MAY 8-12, 2011
NASHVILLE WILL HOST
THE 65TH ANNUAL IIMC
CONFERENCE
“Hitting the High Notes in Education”
AT THE
OPRYLAND HOTEL



It's that time again...the Fall TAMCAR Conference (Institute/Academy) is coming up on September 23-25 in Franklin. Have you registered yet? See you there!

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, SHIRLEY DANCY

Hello, everyone!

I hope each of you is having a wonderful summer. I took my four granddaughters (aged 6 years, 8 years, 15 years and 19 months old) camping for a week, and we had such a good time.



I want to apologize for saying the CMFO classes are hard. Dick Phebhus corrected me in saying I should have told you all the classes are challenging—so now I've told you.

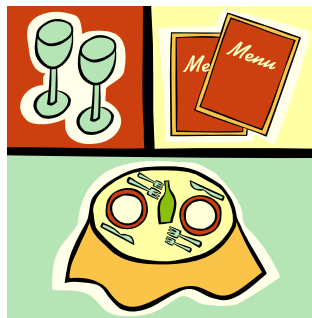
I look forward to seeing you all in September, and I hope we have a large crowd. Don't forget the silent auction!

Thank you!

—Shirley

SILENT AUCTION

Remember that we have a big silent auction coming up at the Fall Conference September 23-25 in Franklin. All funds raised will go toward the expenses for TAMCAR sponsoring the IIMC 2011 international conference in Nashville. We have to raise a lot of money for this, so your help would be greatly appreciated, both in donation of auction items and in bidding on the wonderful items we'll have at the auction. Think of things you would like to bid on yourself, and that'll give you a good idea of what to contribute for the auction items. Sports/music/movie/historical memorabilia and collectibles, ipods, computer flash drives/programs/games, books, autographed CDs, creative baskets with gourmet food/spa-type items/sports paraphernalia themes (Football season is coming up, UT /Vanderbilt/Titans fans! And how about the Predators and other great Tennessee sports teams?), tickets to sporting/music/movie events, gift cards for restaurants/bed and breakfasts/chain stores, specialties from your city....It's limited only by your imagination! Thanks for everything all of you do for TAMCAR!





WHICH COMMITTEE IS BEST FOR YOU?

Be thinking about which committee you'd like to join as we plan the 2011 IIMC Conference that TAMCAR will be hosting in Nashville! In September, you'll be asked to join one or more committees, which will begin meeting at the Fall TAMCAR conference in Franklin. We especially need those who would enjoy contributing ideas for event planning (an evening dessert reception and a night at the Wildhorse Saloon are already on the schedule), coordinating bus transportation for attendees, goodie bag and door prize ideas, educational session ideas (topics and speakers) and volunteer attire ideas (so that we'll stand out as TAMCAR members each day in the massive Gaylord Opryland Hotel!). Of course, fundraising help is always appreciated!

We want this to be the most memorable and enjoyable IIMC conference ever, so we need each of you to help in whichever way you feel you can best contribute. We know how talented and creative you are, and we know how well Tennessee clerks and recorders always step up to the plate. We ARE the Volunteer State, after all! If you are able to sign up for any of the committees, please contact Marilyn Swing at Marilyn.Swing@nashville.gov or Michelle Honick at mhonick@berryhilltn.net. You also could let Marilyn know at the Fall

SPONSOR ANNOUNCEMENT

We just found out that International-Roll Call (IRC) from Mechanicsville, Virginia (the voting system provider for Metro Nashville's Council) has become a **\$5,000 sponsor** for our 2011 IIMC Conference! Thank you, IRC!

WHAT WE DID ON OUR SUMMER VACATIONS

Shirley Dancy (Gates)—Had a great time camping with her four beautiful granddaughters. (Bet you found some cool places to go junking, too, Shirley!)

Cheri Thompson (Berry Hill)—Went to Florida in August with her son to visit family and friends on a “non-music-related holiday.” While giving her bass-playing fingers a rest, she also enjoyed visiting beaches and searching for a collection of little umbrellas from those popular tropical drinks!

Sondra Denton (Englewood)—Went camping at Indian Boundary in Tellico Plains and had a blast!

Margie Brooks (Elkton)—Spent a week at Gulf Shores with 17 other people (children and adults) in a duplex!

Marilyn Swing (Nashville)—Hosted a teenager from Moldova (near Russia) and did lots of fun American kid things!

Connie Edde (Lewisburg)—Went with her husband to the Mopar Nationals in Columbus, Ohio, in August. Her husband is restoring a '70 Roadrunner identical to the one he drove while they were dating. (How romantic is that?!)

Lynn Carmack (Collierville)—She and husband Dennis went to Orange Beach in Gulf Shores, Alabama, without kids or grandkids, being “beach bums the whole week, and it was wonderful!”

Rose Kiser (Harrogate)—No vacation, but any free time was spent in her garden “full of good stuff.” Bet you had some great homegrown tomatoes, Rose!

Liz Gilbert (Kingsport)—Went in August to her home state of Oregon to visit “kids, ten adorable grandkids, family and friends. “ She also performed in July at the 22nd annual Kingsport’s FunFEST Showtime production (see more on page six!).

Joyce Thompson (Lebanon)—Had a fantastic time attending a family reunion in Chicago, Illinois.

Warren Searby (former TAMCAR newsletter editor)—He and wife Becky visited family in Missouri, attended a niece’s wedding and dropped in on close friends in Munford, TN. They also “staycationed” with son Ryan in the Tri-Cities area, water parking, watching Harry Potter and mall hopping for bargains.

Michelle Honick (Berry Hill)—Had a wonderful time visiting her family in Louisiana and Texas. Lots of great road trip time with her mom! She and friends Liz Cavanaugh and Vernell Hackett also celebrated the release of their new book, *Ghosts, Gangsters and Gamblers of Las Vegas*, just out on Schiffer Books. She says, “It was really interesting to research and write. It’s packed with stories about Elvis, the Rat Pack, Sinatra, Liberace, Howard Hughes, Vegas history, ghosts and lots more!”

Our deepest sympathy to Betty Modrall on the loss of her beloved husband, Joe Modrall. Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this difficult time.

Joe Tom Modrall

Joe Tom Modrall, 81, long-time grocery store owner and resident of Hemingway Drive in Columbia, died Tuesday, June 9, 2009 at NHC Healthcare in Columbia.

Services for Mr. Modrall will be conducted Friday, June 12, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at Heritage Funeral Home with Curtis Dowdy and David Morris officiating. Burial will be in the Polk Memorial Gardens. The family will visit with friends Thursday, June 11, 2009 from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

A native of Farmington, Tennessee, he was the son of the late Robert Pleasant Modrall and Lillie Mahalia Winfrey Modrall. **Joe Tom was married to Betty Rewis Modrall for 59 wonderful years.** He was a graduate of Columbia Central High School. He was in the United States Army during World War II and served in Austria. Joe Tom worked in grocery stores that were owned by William Connelly. He was in partnership with Joe Pickard at Pickard and Modrall's Grocery on Hatcher Lane. He later owned and operated Modrall's Grocery on West 15th Street and followed by Hatcher Lane Market which he sold in 1990. He worked at Thomas Market in Mt. Pleasant for several years after selling his own store. He was a member of Herbert Griffin American Legion Post 19 and was a member of the Highland Church of Christ.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a brother -in-law, James (Nancy) Rewis, Sr. of El Paso, Texas; a sister-in-law, Jean Rewis (Lawrence) Meadows of Macon, Georgia; several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Highland Church of Christ Building Fund, 497 East James Campbell Boulevard, Columbia, TN 38401 or the American Cancer Society, 2000 Charlotte Avenue, Nashville, TN 37203.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.heritage-fhcs.com.

*You may send a card to Betty at 707 N. Main St.,
Columbia, TN 37401.*



SCHOLARSHIP INFO FOR FALL TAMCAR INSTITUTE AND ACADEMY



All applications for a scholarship to the Fall 2009 TAMCAR Institute or Academy must be received by August 23rd (one month in advance of the conference). For applications or details, please contact Brenda Brewer at the City of Lewisburg (931/359-1544 or bbrewer@ctyoflew.com).

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW CMC MEMBERS!

We're happy to announce that three TAMCAR members have recently earned the prestigious Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designations, which is quite an accomplishment. Our congratulations to: Shirley Dancy (TAMCAR President and City Recorder for the City of Gates), Stacey L. Williams (City Clerk for the Town of Maury City) and Liz Gilbert (City Clerk for the City of Kingsport). We're proud of you all and know what a great job each of you is doing for your city!



Here are TAMCAR's own Liz Gilbert and the other adult cast members of the Show-time production of Kingsport's 22nd annual FunFEST. Liz performed in the two-hour song and dance show over three consecutive days in July. (This was her third year performing in the FunFEST's production. Wish we could have seen you in it, Liz!

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