



TAMCAR NEWS WINTER 2011

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DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH 30-APRIL 1, 2011
TAMCAR SPRING INSTITUTE & ACADEMY
AIRPORT EMBASSY SUITES,
NASHVILLE, TN

MAY 8-12, 2011
42ND ANNUAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS
WEEK
HAVE A GREAT WEEK, EVERYONE!

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

SEPTEMBER 14-16, 2011
TAMCAR FALL INSTITUTE & ACADEMY
MURFREESBORO EMBASSY SUITES
MURFREESBORO, TN



Yes, you can ride a riverboat INSIDE the Opryland Hotel!



ITEMS NEEDED FOR GOODIE BAGS

If you or your city have any items to donate for the delegate bags for the IIMC Conference in Nashville, please bring them to the TAMCAR Conference that starts March 30th. The bags will be stuffed one evening during the March 30-April 1 TAMCAR Institute and Academy. Items might include specialties of your city (such as Moon Pies, Goo-Goos and Dr. Enuff drinks); pens, emery boards, notepads, magnets or other objects with your city's name; bottled water, tissues, mints, hand sanitizers, candy or any small gift items that the delegates could use that week or take home with them as souvenirs. Even small amounts would be appreciated, as we have lots of bags to fill! Just think of what you'd like in a "goodie bag"—and remember, if you go to the IIMC Conference, one of these bags will be yours!

IIMC PRESIDENT INDUCTION

President-Elect Colleen Nicol, MMC from Riverside, California will be inducted as the new IIMC President at the conference's closing Annual Banquet in Nashville. Congratulations to our incoming President, and thanks to outgoing President Sharon Cassler, MMC of Cambridge, Ohio for a job very well done. We appreciate your dedication to IIMC and its members.



ONE TREE AT A TIME, WE'RE GREENER

Thanks to the California City Clerks Association's new Green Team, Nashville will be the first host city to benefit from its newly approved program to plan a tree in the hosting city of each April's IIMC Conference. A donation of up to \$500 will be made by the CCCA toward a plaque and planting of this tree, with the Metro Nashville Parks Department recommending the best species to plant. The location probably will be in Two Rivers Park, close to the conference site of the Opryland Hotel. An official ceremony will be held during the conference. Thank you to the CCCA for its generosity and this inspirational gift!



VISIT OUR UPDATED WEBSITE AT <http://www.tamcar.org> AND BE OUR FRIEND ON TAMCAR'S NEW FACEBOOK PAGE! IT'S "LIVE" NOW!

THANKS TO ALL OF OUR GREAT 2011 IIMC CONFERENCE SPONSORS!!!!

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STACEY'S MIRACLE BABY

Stacey Austin of Baxter is still thanking God for what she calls her "little miracle." Her son Cade Hunter Austin was born almost three months early on June 11, 2010. He weighed only 1 lb 8 oz, and spent 64 days in Baptist Hospital's ICU. Now a healthy baby at home with his family, Cade's weight was up to 10 lbs in November. Congratulations on your wonderful son, Stacey!



HERE'S EMMA KATE!

Emma Kate Miller, daughter of Corinne Miller (City Recorder for the Town of Gordonsville), was

born on the Fourth of July, 2010. (Isn't she a doll?) Belated congratulations to the entire Miller family! In addition to being the mom of Emma and two other children and handling her usual Gordonsville responsibilities, Corinne was busy over the holidays serving as the Parade Director for her town. Corinne completed her Municipal Clerk and Recorder certification on January 22, 2010 after working for Gordonsville since May 2006.

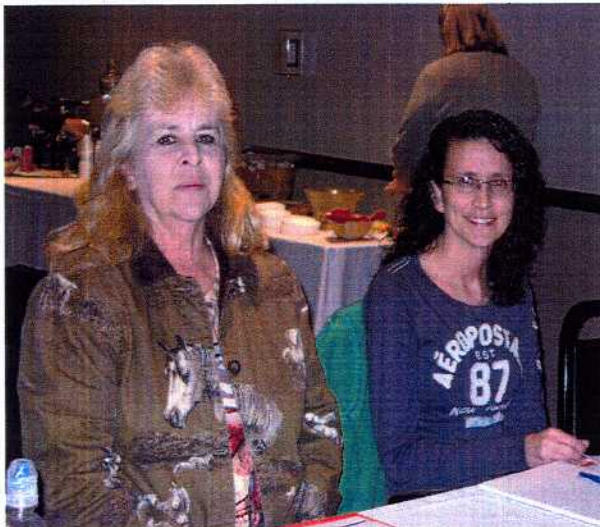
A NEW JOB

FOR MELISSA WORKMAN

Melissa Workman has left her position as City Recorder for the City of Bradford to become the City Recorder for the Town of Rutherford. We hope you enjoy your new job, Melissa!

BECKY'S NEWS

Becky Sherman, the City Recorder for the City of Cowan, has a new grandson, born November 28th to her first-born son and his wife. Congratulations to the entire family on this addition. Becky's second son is in law school, and his fiancée is a pre-vet major at UT Knoxville. Becky says her favorite thing to do, other than rocking her precious grandbaby, is to read and to cook for her family, having them all over for dinner at least once a week. She loves being City Recorder for Cowan, and is very proud of her town. She asks everyone in TAMCAR to "come see us in Cowan!" (Those home-cooked dinners sound good, don't they? Maybe we could finagle an invitation when we're in Cowan!)



THERE ARE STILL SOME OPENINGS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ATHENIAN DIALOGUE AT THE HERMITAGE FOR ANDREW JACKSON: AMERICAN LION. SIGN UP NOW SO YOU DON'T MISS THIS ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY!

Dianne Ford (Fairview) and Lorie Hardiman (Ardmore) at the court clerks' class in Smyrna on November 17, 2010

ANY NEWS IS GOOD NEWS!

We really want to include you in our newsletters, so please help us out by filling out this questionnaire and returning it to Michelle Honick, City of Berry Hill, 698 Thompson Lane, Nashville, TN 37204.

Also, any photos or news may be emailed to mhonick@berryhilltn.net.

1. Do you have any professional awards or professional news?
2. Do you have any personal news (births, family news, weddings, recent travel experiences, community events or other news)?
3. Do you have any hobbies or special interests outside of work? What do you like to do in your "down time"?
4. Have you seen a recent movie or read a recent book to recommend to us?
5. Did you do anything especially interesting over the holidays? (This could be singing in a choir, skiing in Colorado, going to New York to see the Rockettes, traveling to see your new grandbaby/niece/nephew for the first time, attending a family wedding or hosting a big holiday party.)



Theresa Barnes of Pleasant View at the court clerks' class in Smyrna in November



Aaron Conklin (Administrative Office of the Courts) and Terry Davenport (Town Court Clerk of Smyrna) discussing court issues during a break in the court clerks' class in Smyrna in November

WRITING NEWS FROM MICHELLE
Michelle Broussard Honick (City of Berry Hill) has resumed writing mystery dinner theatre plays with her co-author, Vernell Hackett. They completed one that was staged in December for a corporate retreat and are working on another for a new theatre. She also is a member of the Sisters-in-Crime mystery writers group.

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN EARN EIGHT CMC EDUCATION OR EXPERIENCE POINTS OR EIGHT MMC ADVANCED EDUCATION OR PROFESSIONAL & SOCIAL CONTRIBUTION POINTS BY ATTENDING THE IIMC CONFERENCE IN MAY?! IIMC REPS WILL SCAN DELEGATES BEFORE EACH EDUCATION SESSION TO MAKE SURE YOU OBTAIN YOUR POINTS. MMC ATTENDEES CAN EARN TWO POINTS FOR EACH ACADEMY ATTENDED & COMPLETED FOR A TOTAL OF EIGHT POINTS.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO LANAI BENNE

We're sad to report that TAMCAR's President, Lanai Benne, lost her mother on December 29th. Charlotte Grace Pool, 70, of Dyer, Indiana, was a beloved mother who also was known as a fruitful gardener. Lanai, her husband Todd and their son Todd Jr. survive Mrs. Pool, who was born May 8, 1940.

"Thanks so much to all my friends at TAMCAR for your wonderful support while I cared for my mother until her recent passing. Your cards and emails were appreciated more than you could ever know. Mom was an office manager for Texaco, Inc. and hired me as a secretary after I graduated high school. Besides office skills, she taught me professional courtesies, strong ethics, and encouraged me in creative thinking.



My mom gave me strength and encouragement in life; my friends give me the strength and encouragement to carry on."—Lanai

SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION DUE NOW FOR SPRING 2011 TAMCAR INSTITUTE AND ACADEMY

This is reminder to those who might want to apply for a scholarship to the Spring TAMCAR Institute or Academy. To apply, you should contact Brenda Brewer or Connie Edde at the City of Lewisburg. The phone number is 931/359-1544, and the emails are (respectively) bbrewer@ctyoflew.com and cedde@ctyoflew.com. The deadline for your application is **February 25, 2011**.

ATTIRE REMINDER FOR IIM CONFERENCE

If you're going to the IIMC Conference in Nashville in May, remember the special part of our host state attire: *sparkly decorated blue jean vests and/or sequined red cowboy/cowgirl hats*. (Guys in TAMCAR may wear their own "regular" cowboy hats instead of the red ones, if they prefer.) If you still need to order the signature red hat, you may email Michelle Honick at mhonick@berryhilltn.net to place your order, then you may bring your \$5 payment (made out to TAMCAR) to conference treasurer Melissa Henderson at the Spring TAMCAR Institute/Academy OR at the start of the IIMC Conference.

If you need to work on your decorated vest, just bring your vest and some sequin appliques (available at your Michael's, Hobby Lobby, WalMart or other local crafts store OR at www.sequinappliques.com—a wide variety at good prices with fast delivery) to the spring TAMCAR Institute/Academy. On Tuesday night (March 29th), there will be a "beading session" (which should be a lot of fun!) at the Airport Embassy Suites hotel. If you're having trouble finding a jean vest, some members have ordered brand new vests inexpensively on ebay.

Remember, you may wear the hat *and/or* the vest. It's customary for host state members to wear something unique to stand out from the other delegates.

Here's the form if you haven't renewed yet or you want to encourage other clerks and recorders to join our organization!

TAMCAR

TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS & RECORDERS 2011 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL / APPLICATION

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Date : _____

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Randy Trivette, Treasurer, P.O. Box 59, Erwin, TN 37650
Telephone: 423-743-6231



A LETTER FROM LANAI

Greetings to all Tennessee Municipal Clerks and Recorders.

Our next Municipal Clerks Institute and Academy will be held Wednesday, March 31st through Friday, April 1st in Nashville, TN at the Embassy Suites Nashville - Airport. Go ahead and call 615-871-0033 now to reserve your room.

Please join me in welcoming Allison Myers to the TAMCAR Board. Allison now serves as the East Tennessee Director for TAMCAR, taking the term vacated by Liz Gilbert, who moved out of state. Allison serves as the Recorder for the Town of Farragut. Welcome aboard, Allison!

The 65th Annual IIMC Conference is now just weeks away! TAMCAR is offering 10 scholarships for registration fees for the conference (each scholarship valued at \$500). Gaylord Opryland Hotel will be the host hotel for the conference, to be held May 8th through May 12th. You must be a member of IIMC, or join IIMC at the time of conference registration (membership being the responsibility of the clerk or his/her municipality), to qualify for the scholarship. Lodging and transportation are the responsibility of the clerk or his/her municipality. This is such a great opportunity for members working on attaining their CMC or MMC, since attendees can earn eight points in certain categories toward certification. Please visit the TAMCAR website to download a copy of the scholarship application. The deadline to apply is February 28th, 2011.



Stay warm, and see you in March!