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President's Message

Christmas is past; the New Year has begun, and with the New Year comes new opportunities both professionally and personally. The New Year invites resolutions to better our careers and personal health and well being. I am excited about our Chapter and the progress we have made over the past three years. We have much to be proud of and in the coming year, much to look forward to. The LSC Executive Committee has been working diligently to plan new programs and meeting places that will take us to areas we may not have had the opportunity to visit. We have also planned speakers and roundtables that will enhance our knowledge and assist us with our daily duties. I ask each of you to review your TMCA Handbook and choose topics for our roundtables that best suit the areas you would like defined in your every day work.

The Chapter will also hold the second annual Records Management Work Day at the Chase Oaks Golf Club in Plano the 17th of August. Margaret Hermesmeier our State Library and Archives Commission representative along with her colleague Laura Finger will be presenting two additional topics regarding records management. In April we will hold our meeting in Richardson with speaker and colleague, Mary Lynne Stratta "Promoting the City Secretary's Office". We are inviting our mayors and council members to attend this meeting and luncheon. The City of Murphy will host the Chapter meeting in February with LSC member Pam Schmidt, who will present information on election law which will include any questions members may have regarding new laws and procedures. May 10, 2008 is creeping up quickly!! TMCA President Lila Fuller has agreed to administer the new Lone Star Chapter officer's installation at our October meeting which will be held on September 30, 2008, due to scheduling conflicts. In November we will have a presentation on Disaster Recovery for Records presented by Blackman Mooring and BMS CAT.

I want to take this time to thank the committees and members who have been working behind the scenes preparing for fundraisers and committee functions. Sandy Hart has been working on the Lone Star Chapter Cookbook which will go to Julie and the fundraising/scholarship committee in the near future for publication and sales. Thanks Sandy for your hard work compiling all the recipes into publishing format. The Audit committee has met and will present their audit letter in February. Vice President Kathy Wingo has been working to secure all the chapter meeting places and speakers for the upcoming year. Thanks to all members who volunteered to assist with these projects. We are fortunate, as a chapter to have such a great membership that is willing to volunteer their time and knowledge to assist their fellow City Secretaries throughout the five county areas. That does not even mention the chapter members that volunteer on the state level with committee opportunities.

Carole Ehrlich
Lone Star Chapter President

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



SANDRA MELTON, TRMC
SECRETARY
CITY OF SHERMAN

How long have you worked for your city and in your position?

I have worked for the City of Sherman for 14 years.

Tell us about Sherman:

Sherman is a Home Rule city. The City of Sherman has a population of about 35,000 residents. Sherman has over 425 full time employees. Sherman is also the home town of Country Singer Buck Owens.

What is your professional background?

I worked for the water department as an Account and Billing clerk

Personal Facts & Interests:

I have a wonderful husband and four children and five grandchildren. I have two dogs and one cat.

Additional Comments:

I really appreciate all the help from the group and the friendships that grow from the seminars that are required for the certification. If we only had more time in life!

THANK YOU!

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE LONE STAR CHAPTER CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE AND TO THE CITY OF GREENVILLE FOR THE WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AND ALL THE GOOD FOOD. THE CHAPTER RAISED OVER \$500.00 FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND. THE 2007 HOLIDAY COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE: CHAIR-GAYLE WALTON (WYLIE), LINDA ARDIS (LAVON), EDDIE STURGAL (LOWRY CROSSING) AND CAROLE KUYKENDALL (GREENVILLE).

UPCOMING TMCA SEMINARS



January 30-February 1, 2008
Election Law – Austin, TX

April 10-11, 2008
Municipal Finance – Irving, TX

June 12-13, 2008
Municipal Personnel Management
Nassau Bay, TX



To Gayle Walton, TRMC (Wylie) who will be graduating on January 31, 2008.

We are very proud of you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

LONE STAR CHAPTER FEBRUARY 2008 MEETING

The City of Murphy will be hosting our February 6, 2008 Lone Star Chapter Meeting. The meeting will be held in the Murphy Municipal Complex on the second floor, Room 201 located at 206 N. Murphy Road, Murphy, TX 75094.

◆ Directions from Central expressway (Coming from the South):

Take Central to the Plano Parkway exit. Go east on Plano Parkway to Murphy Road (FM2551). (Plano Parkway merges into FM 544) Turn left on Murphy Road. The Murphy Municipal Complex will be on the right about a ¼ of a mile past the intersection.

◆ Directions from Central Expressway (Coming from the North):

Take Central to Parker Road exit. Take Parker Road east to FM 2551 (Hogge Rd). Turn right on FM 2551. Go past Southfork, Tom Kimborough Football Stadium, and Murphy Middle School. Murphy Municipal Complex will be on your left.

◆ Directions from Highway 78:

Take Hwy 78 South through Wylie to FM 544. Turn right on FM 544. Take FM 544 to Murphy Road and turn right. Complex will be ¼ mile on the right.

◆ Parking:

Park in front of the Police and Courts Building by the 3 flagpoles. Enter City Hall Building and take the elevator to the 2ND floor, Room 201.

Menu Niki's Italian Bistro

Chicken Alfredo
Lasagna
Garlic Rolls
Salad
Cheesecake

Tea/Water/Coffee.

Remember if you RSVP and do not show up you will still be charged.

Please RSVP by contacting Eddie Sturgal Chapter Secretary at (972) 542-8678 or at citysecretary@lowrycrossingtexas.org. Before January 31, 2008.

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