
NEBRASKA MUNICIPAL CLERKS NEWSLETTER

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NHC seeks communities to host 2009 or 2010 Chautauqua

The Nebraska Humanities Council (NHC) invites community applicants to host Chautauqua in the summer of 2009 or 2010.

The “*Bright Dreams, Hard Times: America in the Thirties*” scholars again will portray President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Louisiana governor and U.S. Sen. Huey Long, Harlem Renaissance writer Zora Neale Hurston, evangelist Aimee Semple McPherson, and humorist Will Rogers, historical

characters who helped shape America’s response to the Great Depression.

Thousands of Nebraskans attended the 2008 Chautauqua in Falls City and Hastings.

“The decade of the 1930s was a pivotal era in forming our national and regional identity,” said Falls City Mayor Rodney P. Vandenberg. Hosting Chautauqua, he said, gave residents “a unique opportunity to explore these facets of life in the 1930s and how they still impact us today.”

A host community must be able to provide a steering committee and sub-committees to assist project coordinators; a grassy, well-protected site for the tent; and electricity and sufficient power near the tent.

If your community is interested in hosting the 2009 or 2010 Chautauqua, contact NHC Program Officer Beth McQueen at (402) 474-2131 ext. 108 or at beth@nebraskahumanities.org for an application.

Applications are due Oct. 1.

Apply for prestigious Innovations Award

Harvard University invites you to apply for the Innovations in American Government Award. Applications are due Sept. 30.

Administered by the Ash Institute for Democratic Governance and Innovation at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, the Innovations Award is heralded as the premier public-sector award in the nation. It is given annually to programs that serve as examples of creative and effective government at its best.

All units of government – federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial – from all policy areas are eligible to apply.

The top winners of the 2009 Innovations Award will receive a \$100,000 grant to support replication and dissemination activities. All winners and finalists receive monetary grants.

Applications and additional information are available on our website:
www.innovationsaward.harvard.edu



NMCA Committees for 2008-2009

Thanks to those clerks who signed up to serve on NMCA Committees for 2008-2009. The following is a list of the committees and members:

MONDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY

Andreasen, Lacie (chairperson) Genoa
Bausch, Emily Hickman
Carr, Jennifer Oakdale
Devine, Andrew Albion
Fauver, Kathleen Springfield
Sullivan, Robin Brainard
Tapia, Julia Ravenna

CELEBRATION OF CLERKS

Wilcox, Jerry (chairperson) Crete
Beck, Connie Jo St. Paul
Crowell, Kellie Ravenna
Niemier, Jennifer Papillion

DIRECTORY COMMITTEE

Jensen, Linda (chairperson) Central City
McConville, Kim McCook

HISTORY COMMITTEE

Niemier, Jennifer (chairperson) Papillion
Carroll, Linda Fairmont

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Rabe, Barb (chairperson) Wisner
Peterson, Denise Ponca

COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER

McCoy, Loretta (chairperson) McGrew
Hoefler, Jill Firth
McKain, Wendy Trenton

NOMINATION

Wilcox, Jerry (chairperson) Crete
Comte, Tami David City
Doak, Lea Ann McCook
Kinne, Kandra Cambridge
Oliver, Angela Clarks

WEDNESDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY

Panhandle Area Clerks Association
Livingston, Brandi, Chairperson Broadwater

THURSDAY NIGHT BANQUET

Northeast Nebraska Clerks Association
Bartling, Alisha, President Verdigre

If you have any questions about the committees, please contact the chairperson or me.

Submitted by Beth Deck, City of Norfolk



Let's take a test...

1. **True or False:** All Nebraska Municipal Clerks and / or Deputy Clerks attending the Academy are eligible to receive a scholarship.
2. **True or False:** All Nebraska Municipal Clerks and / or Deputy Clerks applying for a scholarship have to be members of the Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association.
3. **True or False:** The scholarship money comes from trees.
4. **True or False:** The scholarship covers only the tuition fee.

Answers:

1. **True** – only if you are a member of the Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association.
2. **True** – so please become a member (if you are not) by calling Diane Fries, NMCA Secretary/Treasurer, at 308-425-6295 or emailing her at: cityhall@gtmc.net
3. **False** – we all wish money would come from trees, but the truth is that the money comes from the Silent Auction proceeds and from a donation from the Nebraska Department of Economic Development.
4. **True** – the scholarship does not cover room and board. (you can room together to save money and get to know other clerks)

Silent Auction

Idea #7: Tickets to any type of game – baseball, football, hockey

Idea #8: Weekend trips – a night's stay at a bed and breakfast, or a hotel with slides (fun for kids)

Stay continued for more ideas!!!

Submitted by Barbara Whitley, Geneva, NMCA 2nd Vice

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How to register for newsletter e-mail list

Here is how you sign up to have your name placed on the newsletter e-mail list. Through this list, you will be notified of when the latest *Nebraska Municipal Clerks Newsletter* is available to view online.

- 1) **Go to the League's website at <http://lonm.org>.** Click on the Sections and Committees tab that appears on the right hand side of the main page. On the Sections and Committees page, immediately under the heading "Sections and Committees," there is a paragraph, which begins with the words "Attention Municipal Clerks."
- 2) **Click on the underlined phrase "Sign-Up,"** which will link you to a Newsletters Alert Sign-Up Form. Fill out the requested information and create a username and password of your choosing. Click on the box with the words "Sign-Up" in it. Your name and e-mail address is automatically added to the list. When a new newsletter is available, a notice will be sent to you.
- 3) **Later, if you want to remove your name and e-mail address** from this list or change your e-mail address, you follow the above directions, but click on the "Sign-In" link. There you can login with your existing information and make the necessary changes.
- 4) **To access the list of newsletters,** you can go to the Sections and Committees page and click on the underlined phrase "click here" in the paragraph above the list of NMCA officers. The list of Clerks Newsletters will be at the bottom of the page filed by date and title.

October Birthdays

Roxie Schlegel	Shickley	10-2
Lucinda Morrow	Wahoo	10-4
Christopher Kuehn	Heartwell	10-5
Cynthia Couch	Inman	10-5
Jennifer Niemier	Papillion	10-5
Tami Dandiker	Fairbury	10-6
Connie Dalrymple	Gothenburg	10-9
Janet Bruggeman	Hoskins	10-9
Shirley Axtell	Danbury	10-12
Nancy Evans	Maywood	10-12
Susan McGreer	Big Springs	10-14
Tiffany Bligh	Dakota City	10-14
Kathy Mensik	Morse Bluff	10-14
Jean Nelson	Maskell	10-15
Patty Noble	Fullerton	10-16
Sharon Miller	Mitchell	10-16
Vicki Owings	Stella	10-16
Kay Gerdes	Weeping Water ..	10-16
Amy Hughes	Burwell	10-19
Michael Hoefler	Firth	10-19
Linda Welsher	Fort Calhoun	10-19



Ona Malleck	Indianola	10-20
Denise Peterson	Ponca	10-20
Bonnie Doremus	Shelton	10-20
Mary Kempf	West Point	10-22
Judy Smith	Chester	10-23
Barbara Janda	Lawrence	10-23
Deana Bennett	Otoe	10-23
Linda Roberts	Dorchester	10-25
Brenda Kehler	Greeley	10-26
Virginia Filsinger	Clearwater	10-27
Nancy Foxhoven	Crofton	10-27
Amy Wegener	Madison	10-28
Shelly Howard	Sargent	10-28
Linda Walters	Columbus	10-30
Brandi Livingston	Broadwater	10-31



Municipal Legal Calendar

(All statute citations to Revised Statutes of Nebraska)

OCTOBER 2008

CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS

Within 10 days following meeting or before next meeting (whichever is sooner)	Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413)
Within 15 days of Passage	Clerk publishes ordinances passed. (16-405)
Within 30 days of Council meeting	Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting including claims. (19-1102)
First day	Foreman and Secretary of every volunteer Fire Department must file rolls of their companies with Clerk of District Court. (35-102)
First Day	Fiscal year begins. (16-701)
After start of fiscal year	Treasurer makes annual report to Mayor and Council. (16-720) Clerk makes annual report. (16-317)
Oct. 9	A vote to exceed levy limits must be approved by this date (77-3444)
Oct. 13	Final Property Tax Request Certified and forwarded to County Clerk. (77-1601.02)
End of Month	Clerk files monthly report. (16-317)
Within 20 days after end of month	Treasurer files monthly financial report. (16-318)
Within 60 days after close of fiscal year	Treasurer publishes Statement of Receipts and Disbursements. / Semi-annual financial statement published. (16-722) (19-1101)
**	Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Council meeting. (84-1411)
Within six months after close of fiscal year	Audit of city's accounts completed. (19-2902)

CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS

Within 10 days following meeting or before next meeting (whichever is sooner)	Clerk to have minutes available for public inspections. (84-1413)
Within 15 days of Passage	Clerk publishes ordinances passed. (17-613)
Within 30 days of Council meeting	Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting including claims. (19-1102)
First day	Foreman and Secretary of every volunteer Fire Department must file rolls of their companies with Clerk of District Court. (35-102)
First Day	Fiscal year begins. (17-701)
Oct. 9	A vote to exceed levy limits must be approved by this date (77-3444)
Oct. 13	Final Property Tax Request Certified and forwarded to County Clerk. (77-1601.02)
Within 20 days after end of month	Treasurer files monthly financial report. (17-606)
Within 60 days after close of Fiscal Year	Treasurer publishes Statement of Receipts and Disbursements. (19-1101)
**	Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Council meeting. (84-1411)
Within six months after close of fiscal year	Audit of city's accounts completed. (19-2902)

VILLAGES

Within 10 days following meeting or before next meeting (whichever is sooner)	Clerk to have minutes available for public inspections. (84-1413)
Within 15 days of Passage	Clerk publishes ordinances passed. (17-613)
Within 30 days of Board of Trustees' meeting	Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting including claims. (19-1102)
First day	Foreman and Secretary of every volunteer Fire Department must file rolls of their companies with Clerk of District Court. (35-102)
First day	Fiscal year commences. (17-701)
Oct. 9	A vote to exceed levy limits by election or by townhall meeting must be approved by this date (77-3444)
Oct. 13	Final Property Tax Request Certified and forwarded to County Clerk. (77-1601.02)
End of Month	Treasurer files monthly financial report. (17-606)
Within 60 days after close of Fiscal Year	Treasurer publishes Statement of Receipts and Disbursements. (19-1101)
**	Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Board meeting. (84-1411)
Within six months after close of fiscal year	Audit of Village's accounts completed unless audit requirement waived by State Auditor. (19-2902)