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President's Message

It is with great excitement that we begin the 3rd year of the Lone Star Chapter of TMCA. Our chapter is young, but many things have been accomplished since its inception. We have celebrated two "clerks of the year" and two years of outstanding leadership, by our fellow members and officers. These years have brought opportunities for education and fund raising that allowed us to contribute local scholarships for our members. We have traveled to cities; we may not have otherwise, had the opportunity to visit, and fostered many new friendships, gaining knowledge and strength to assist us in our duties and responsibilities. This was not accomplished through the work of a few members; it was accomplished through the team work of many members of our chapter. I challenge each of you to volunteer for our chapter committees and take an active roll in **your** chapter. I will be appointing those committees at the end of October, so please complete and send the forms.

Our Chapter is unique; we have members from five counties with a large number of those members from small cities. We, as a chapter, need to strive to further the education for municipal clerks in those small cities by the speakers we choose and the programs we present. This year we will look for ideas from our membership to prepare programs of interest to our members; including the continuation of the records management work sessions we began last year. We will also continue to promote TMCA and the Texas Municipal Clerk's Certification Program to our member cities. I would like to ask each member to take a few moments and send an e-mail to your 2007-2008 officers addressing the types of speakers and programs you would like to attend in the coming year. The executive committee will meet sometime in November to schedule the 2008 meetings. We also plan to continue member cities hosting the monthly meetings.

We have experienced some growing pains, but through disagreement comes understanding and through understanding comes unity. We **will** grow as a chapter and grow as individuals through this process. It is with team work that we will make a difference for our chapter, our cities and ourselves.

Carole Ehrlich
Lone Star Chapter President



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Left to Right; Kathy Wingo, Stephanie Galanides, Christie Wilson, Eddie Sturgal, Carole Ehrlich. Pictured with TMCA President Lydia Ozuna.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



GAYLE WALTON
DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF WYLIE

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

I have worked for the City of Wylie for almost three years.

Tell us about Wylie:

Wylie is a Home Rule city and employees over 200 full time employees. The population of the city is over 36,000 residents. Wylie was commonly known as "Wide Awake Wylie".

What is your professional background?

I have worked for the Town of Addison and was the Assistant to the City Secretary. I have also worked in State Government for the State of Arkansas.

Personal Facts & Interests:

I have two grown children and one grandchild. I love to read, crochet. I love the outdoors and I love camping and fishing. Okay, I'm going to date stamp myself – I love Star Trek, yes I'm a "TREKKIE" and have a huge volume of Star Trek books.

Additional Comments:

I am very glad to be part of the Lone Star Chapter and TMCA. Also, I am honored to be the first recipient of the Vickie Shaw Davis Scholarship.



CONGRATULATIONS on passing your **TMCCP Exams!**

Bruce Dunn of St. Paul
Linda Aaron of Farmersville

Course 2
Course 3

LONE STAR CHAPTER NOVEMBER 2007 MEETING

The City of Frisco will be hosting our November 7, 2007 Lone Star Chapter Meeting. The meeting will be held in the McCallum Room located on the 4TH floor of the Frisco City Hall located at 6101 Frisco Square Blvd at 12:00 p.m.

Our guest speaker will be Julie Fort from Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd and Joplin P.C. Mrs. Fort will be speaking on Legislative Update's in regards to Conflict of Interest.

Menu: Mexican Food

Please remember that if you RSVP, you will be charged.

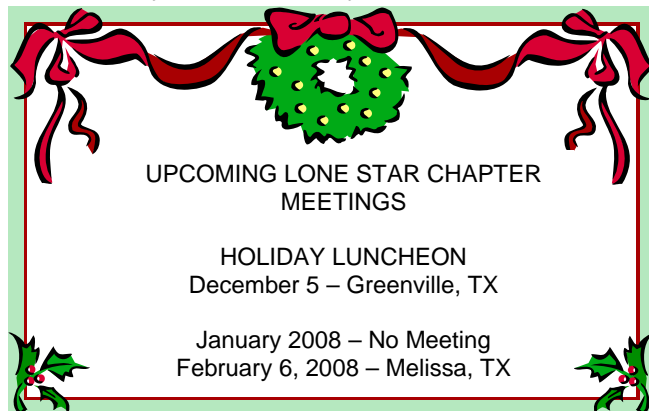
Please RSVP your attendance by November 1, 2007 to Eddie Sturgal, Chapter Secretary at (972) 542-8678 or at citysecretary@lowrycrossingtexas.org.

Directions to the Frisco City Hall from the East: go to 289 (same as Preston Road) take a left on 289. Follow 289 to Main Street and take a right on Main Street for approximately 2 miles. When you get to Frisco Square Blvd turn left and you will see City Hall.

Directions from the West: go to 289 (same as Preston Road) turn right on 289. Follow 289 to Main Street. Turn right on Main Street and go approximately 2 miles. When you get to Frisco Square Blvd turn left and you will see City Hall.

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UPCOMING TMCA SEMINARS

January 30-February 1, 2008
Election Law Seminar—Austin

April 10-11, 2008
Municipal Finance—Irving