



Dear Arkansas City Clerks, Records and Treasurers,

Since this is my first message as president of the Arkansas City Clerks, Records, and Treasurers Association (ACCRTA), I would like to take this opportunity to convey the theme chosen for the Association this year. I would like us as an Association to focus on **EDUCATION**. "Education" not only compliments former President Diana Whitbey's theme of "Communication", but in light of the recent International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) changes and updates it will help us, as an association, meet our primary goal, which "is to actively promote the continuing education and professional development of Municipal Clerks through extensive education programs, certification, publications, networking, annual conferences and research."--
<http://www.iimc.com/index/index.shtml>

With that said I would like to encourage each and every one of you to attend as many of the following educational meetings/venues as is possible:

Sept	09/16-21/2007	35th Annual U of AR Municipal Clerks' Institute Fayetteville, AR
Oct	10/25-26/2007	District 3 Meeting – "MJ" Mary Jean Sell Eureka Springs, AR
Nov	11/13-17/2007	National League of Cities' New Orleans, LA
	11/29-12/1/2007	IIMC Regional IV Meeting Little Rock, AR
Dec		
Jan	01/9/2008 01/9-11/2008	New Clerk Orientation AML Winter Conference
Feb	02/28-29/2008	District 4 Meeting – Sarah Roberts/Rendi Currey Caddo Valley/Arkadelphia, AR

Mar	03/20-21/2008	District 2 Meeting - Johnny Brigham, CMC Dumas, AR
Apr	04/10-11/2008	District 1 Meeting – Cindy Greenwood West Memphis, AR
May	05/18-22/2008	IIMC 62nd Annual Conference Atlanta, GA
June	06/18-20/2008	AML 74th Convention Hot Springs, AR

In closing, I would like to share a quote from Alvin Toffler, an American writer and futurist, known for his works discussing education and communication . . . he said, “The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn.” We all know and understand in our positions how important it is to learn, be able to unlearn and relearn very quickly . . . in our constantly changing environments--cities and towns. So, come join us this year to learn!

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ACCRTA President 2007-2008

Special thanks to each of my officers and those of you who have agreed to serve on our ACCRTA committees. I look forward to great year and I am pleased to work with each one of you.

(<http://www.txkusa.org/ar/>)