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**Message From the President  
Douglass A. Barber, CMC**

**Greetings:**

I'm sitting at my new desk in Rockville's City Hall as I write this message. Many of you are now aware I am no longer with the City of Hyattsville. On April 30, 2012, I took the position of City Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Rockville. I have only been on the job

a little over a month and am enjoying this rewarding and challenging experience. I look forward to growing professionally as a clerk with the City of Rockville.

MML Annual Convention  
– Sunday, June 24 –  
Wednesday, June 27,  
2012

The Maryland Municipal

League Annual Convention is coming up soon. I hope many clerks will be able to attend this year as there are many things for clerks to do while at the conference such as:

- ◆ Volunteer to work the MMCA Booth (it is a great way to

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**Schedule of Meetings:**

- June 26, 2012 - Ocean City
- September 20, 2012 -Cumberland
- December, 2012 - To Be Announced



**The Early Years**

Located on the tidewater shores of the Nanticoke River in Dorchester County, Vienna was formally founded in 1706 as decreed by the Colonial Assembly. Rich in tradition and history, its region was first mentioned by **Captain John Smith** during his exploration of the Nanticoke River in 1608.

This tract of land was a portion of ten thousand acres along the north shore of the Nanticoke River granted by Charles Calvert to Lord Baltimore. The entire tract was patented in 1664 as Nanticoke Manor.

In 1671, a ferry service for crossing the Nanticoke River was established.

That service continued until 1828 when the first bridge was constructed across the river. The Town prospered through trade and commerce, shipbuilding and nearby tobacco farming. By 1768, it became the Custom's District of the region. Vienna was competing with a new town called Baltimore.

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meet and network with fellow clerks).

- ◆ Attend Academy of Excellence Courses.
- ◆ Attend the MMCA Quarterly Meeting on Tuesday, June 26, 2012 (details below).

### Maryland Municipal Clerks Association – June Quarterly Meeting (Tuesday, June 26, 2012)

The next meeting of the Maryland Municipal Clerks Association will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2012, Room 209, at the Ocean City Convention Center during the MML Convention. Please note the following information about the luncheon:

If you are attending the MML Convention, your lunch ticket for Tuesday will pay for your lunch at the MMCA meeting.

If you are not attending the MML Convention, but would like access to the exhibit hall, you may purchase a Commerce Day pass for \$35. The pass will allow you to visit the exhibit hall and includes lunch. Your lunch ticket may be used for

the lunch at the meeting.

If you only wish to attend the MMCA meeting and luncheon, you may purchase a lunch ticket for \$25 (cash only on the day of the lunch).

### Maryland Municipal Clerks Association – Dinner

During the MML Conference, plan on joining other Maryland Clerks for a dinner to be held at Fresco's, 8203 Coastal Highway, on Monday, June 25th. We have reservations for 7:00 p.m. If you would like to attend, please contact Cindy Murray, City Clerk, City of Greenbelt, at (301) 474-3870. We have done this for a few years now and clerks attending have enjoyed the get-together.

### 66<sup>th</sup> Annual IIMC Conference – 2012

I was again fortunate to attend the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual IIMC Conference held in Portland, Oregon, last month, along with 10 other Maryland clerks. The theme for this year was "Ascending to New Heights." The sessions I attended were informative and beneficial with current topics and trends affecting many clerks. I, as well as the other

clerks that attended, would be willing to share with you the experiences and excellent benefits received from this conference. I cannot echo enough the networking that takes place at the conference. After attending four IIMC Conferences, I'm still amazed at the amount of networking that happens. You don't just meet clerks, you meet new friends.

I hope everyone, if given the opportunity to attend an IIMC conference, takes the opportunity. I know you will not be disappointed!

As I close, I am reminded of all the changes we have seen in the last few months in the MMCA with numerous retirements and new appointments. I congratulate all the clerks on their new positions in other jurisdictions and for those that have been appointed to other positions within their current locations. I am so proud to serve as your President, and to be a municipal clerk in the State of Maryland.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy summer. Again, I look forward to seeing all of you at our meeting in Ocean City on Tuesday, June 26, 2012.

**The Maryland Municipal Clerks Association is collecting pins. If you have a city pin, please contribute two of them for a future project. Lou Ann Crook, City of Laurel, volunteered to coordinate the collection. You can bring your pins to the Tuesday, June 26th meeting or if you are unable to attend, mail your pins to Lou Ann Crook, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, City of Laurel, 8103 Sandy Spring Road, Laurel, MD 20707.**

## Town of Vienna, continued page 1

### The Revolutionary War

During the Revolutionary War, Vienna was an important source of goods and supplies to the Continental Army. British vessels raided the town at least five times taking ships and provisions.

In the War of 1812, Vienna was again attacked by British forces. It is believed that during this war the Town built a stone wall along its waterfront placing cannons on top. The wall was built from stones used as ballasts from the ships that anchored here. Remains of this wall can be seen southeast of the Customs House located on the corner of Water Street and Church Streets.

### Blockade Runners on the Nanticoke

The Governor of the State of Maryland during the Civil War, Thomas Holiday Hicks, who is credited with keeping the State from seceding from the Union, was a former resident of the Town.

Blockade Runners from the south made their way up the Nanticoke River during the war, where Confederate sympathizers from town outfitted them with vital food and supplies for the beleaguered rebels.

### Baltimore, Atlantic & Chesapeake Railroad

In 1894, the Baltimore and Eastern Shore Railroad be-

came the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railroad and was formed from parts of many different rail and steamboat companies serving the Delmarva Peninsula. The main rail line ran from Claiborne in Talbot County to Ocean City, crossing the Nanticoke River at Vienna.

### Electric Power for the Eastern Shore

In 1926, Vienna was chosen by the Eastern Shore Gas and Electric Company for the location of a new \$1,500,000.00 coal-fired 12,000 Kw electric generating plant. This large generating utility, along with a booming agricultural industry and an important fur and fishing trade on the Nanticoke River provided the town with an economic engine for many decades.

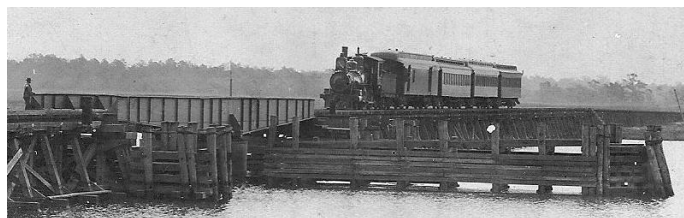
### Present Day

Present day Vienna is no longer the commercially important hub it once was. However, the original town layout is still recognizable and significant examples of past architecture survive. In recent years, a determined effort has been put forth by the town and its citizens to save, restore and enhance this historical, cultural and environmental legacy for future

generations. Vienna occupies a special place on the Nanticoke River in its relationship to the long, straight and narrow Vienna meander. The shape of the Vienna meander is caused by a sand bar which has always made the town dry land and high ground. Vienna is located in the center of the Nanticoke River Watershed, and is also the place where busy U.S. Route 50, the main street of Maryland's Eastern Shore, crosses the river. Vienna is currently embarked on a long range waterfront development plan called Emperor's Landing, which, when completed, will showcase the town's rich Nanticoke River and Chesapeake Bay legacy.



*Editor's Note: Article and photos are from Vienna's web site. Visit - [www.viennamd.org](http://www.viennamd.org), [www.baygateway.net](http://www.baygateway.net) and [www.smithtrail.net](http://www.smithtrail.net) for more information and pictures.*



Early photo of Baltimore, Atlantic & Chesapeake Railroad

**Quarterly Meeting Minutes**  
**Maryland Municipal Clerks Association**  
**City of Hyattsville**  
**March 15, 2012**  
**Jessie Carpenter, Secretary**

The following members were in attendance:

Monica Correll, City of Aberdeen	Susan Engels, Town of Kensington
Melora Anderson, Town of Brentwood	Lou Ann Crook, City of Laurel
Pamela A. Fleming, City of Bowie	Patricia Haag, City of Laurel
Chrissy Jackson, Town of Charlestown	Kimberly Rau, City of Laurel
Yvette Allen, City of College Park	Kelly Allmond, Town of Ocean City
Janeen Miller, City of College Park	Terrance Murray, Town of Ocean City
Sharla Crutchfield, City of District Heights	Joanne Hunt, Town of North Beach
Michelle Rodriguez, Town of Edmonston	Stacy Wilkerson, Town of North Beach
JoAnn Tucker, Town of Fairmount Heights	Brenda Colegrove, City of Salisbury
Bonita Anderson, Town of Forest Heights	Dashaun Lanham, City of Seat Pleasant
Diane C. Nelson, City of Fruitland	Irma Andia, City of Takoma Park
Doris Stokes, City of Gaithersburg	Jessie Carpenter, City of Takoma Park
M. Toni Taylor, City of Glenarden	M. David Williams, Town of Upper Marlboro
Douglass Barber, City of Hyattsville	Carol Jacobs (ret.), Town of Ocean City
Julia McTague, City of Hyattsville	Tom Carter (ret.), Town of Somerset
Awilda Hernandez, Town of Indian Head	

CONVENE/INTRODUCTIONS

President Barber convened the meeting at 10:15 a.m. followed by introductions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Pam Fleming moved to approve the minutes of December 8, 2011. Dashaun Lanham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE TREASURER’S REPORT

Former Treasurer Tom Carter made several suggestions regarding the Treasurer’s Report.

Pam Fleming moved to accept the Treasurer’s Report as amended; seconded by Dashaun Lanham. The motion carried.

IIMC

President Barber provided a Region II report.

- IIMC has reported that there are 49 IIMC members in Maryland. Six members have their MMC and 23 members have their CMC.
- The next Region II Conference will be in Virginia Beach (2013).

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- ◆ The 2014 Region II Conference will be hosted by Maryland.

Kim Rau reported on the IIMC Legislative Committee. The report in the March issue of The Messenger stands as submitted.

### MML

Paula Chase Hyman provided the MML update:

- ◆ She noted the MML Convention discount for first-time attendees.
- ◆ Feedback was requested on Commerce Day at the convention. MMCA members suggested that it be moved to Monday to allow people to arrive on Sunday and stay one night to attend Commerce Day.

President Barber reported on the MML Board of Directors meeting.

Dashaun Lanham provided a report on the MML Legislative Committee.

There was a discussion about the MMCA booth at the 2012 Convention.

- ◆ The members agreed with the idea of using a laptop and projector at the booth instead of having a board for information and pictures.
- ◆ Two MML Convention registrations are included with the booth rental. The individuals who receive them will be responsible for staffing the booth. President Barber will send an email to members to give everyone an opportunity to apply for the registrations.
- ◆ It was noted that last year's wine basket raffle brought in over \$500 for the scholarship fund. There was agreement to hold another raffle this year.
- ◆ Carol Jacobs offered to donate a supply of the small handbooks as giveaways again this year.
- ◆ Paula Chase Hyman offered to see if it would be permissible to add a notice about the raffle into the convention registration packets.
- ◆ An MMCA dinner at Fresco's will again be held on Monday night at the convention.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLERK OF THE YEAR

Vice President Hernandez announced that Monica Correll, City Clerk for the City of Aberdeen, had been selected as Clerk of the Year by the membership. The award will be presented at the June MMCA meeting.

### COMMITTEE UPDATES

Janeen Miller, Chair of the MMCA Education Committee, addressed the membership on proposed educational sessions for the association. She encouraged members to submit items for the helpful links and resources column in The Messenger. There was a suggestion and agreement to name it "What's on your desktop?"

Janeen requested that members send her ideas for education sessions. There was a suggestion to have an education session on budgeting.

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## MMCA's 2012 Clerk of the Year Monica Correll, City Clerk City of Aberdeen



In his February 1, 2012, nomination letter, Douglas R. Miller, Aberdeen's City Manager, outlined reasons why Monica deserved to be recognized as MMCA's 2012 Clerk of the Year. A synopsis of his comments follow:

*Shortly after I was appointed City Manger of Aberdeen, I created the position of City Clerk. Based on qualities and qualifications, Monica fit the position profile perfectly. She was a "pioneer" in the respect that she was Aberdeen's first City Clerk and had no one in house to take the baton from. She had to build from scratch all the processes and procedures that the City Clerk must preside over and has done so with great competence and professionalism.*

*The first requirement of the new City Clerk was that she become active in MML and MMCA, which Monica did with great enthusiasm. She then went on to receive IIMC's CMC designation, completed in 2011. She also completed the requirements as a Fellow in the Academy for Excellence in Local Government. She seeks every training and professional development opportunity that she can and consistently endeavors to expand her professional horizons.*

*Monica treasures her association with MMCA. She loves the fellowship and looks forward to the periodic meetings. She often seeks the advise and input of her colleagues when she hits a snag and is most appreciative of the support that other clerks give her. She has volunteered for the scholarship and handbook committees as well. On the IIMC level, Monica has attended a Region II Conference, the Annual Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, and is planning on attending the Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon.*

*Monica willingly took on duties not entirely within the confines of the City Clerk's job description, including organizing the City's participation in "Harford Night."*

*Monica Correll has exhibited extraordinary job performance, she loves being a member of MMCA and has been active in the association, she has a deep commitment to professional development and is a vital member of the City of Aberdeen's key management staff. She is deserving of the MMCA Clerk of the Year Award and will represent the association well.*

*Douglas R. Miller, City Manager, City of Aberdeen*

# Congratulations Monica!



**MARYLAND MUNICIPAL CLERKS ASSOCIATION**

**MEETING AGENDA - TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2012**

**Maryland Municipal League Convention – Ocean City Convention Center, Room 209**

**12:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.**

- 1. Welcome**
- 2. Convene/Introductions**
- 3. Approval of Minutes from March 15, 2012, Meeting**
- 4. Acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report**
- 5. Presentation of Clerk of the Year Award**
- 6. Presentation MMCA Committee Appreciation and Recognition**
- 7. IIMC**
  - Region II Report**
  - Region II Conference 2013 – January 2013 (Virginia Beach)**
  - IIMC Conference 2013 – May 2013 (Atlantic City, New Jersey)**
  - IIMC Committees**
- 8. MML**
  - MML Update – Paula Chase Hyman**
  - Board of Directors Report – Doug Barber, President**
  - Legislative Committee Report – Dashaun Lanham**
  - MML Committees**
- 9. MMCA Committee Updates**
  - Website Committee**
  - Handbook Committee**
  - Education Committee**
  - Membership Committee (Member Recruitment and Retention) – New Committee**
- 10. Unfinished Business**
- 11. New Business**
  - Approval of the Donation to MCEF - \$100.00**
  - Approval of the FY13 MMCA Budget**
  - Farewells –**
    - Pam Fleming, Bowie**
    - Brenda Colegrove, Salisbury**
  - Congratulations -**
    - CMC/MMC Recipients**
    - New Positions**
- 12. Next Meeting – Thursday, September 20, 2012, City of Cumberland**
- 13. Good of the Order and Adjournment**

## Treasurer's Report, Cindy Murray, Treasurer May 31, 2012

**GENERAL FUND**

Beginning Balance February 17, 2012 \$8,562.75

## Receipts:

FY12 Dues (4)		\$200.00
March Meeting (Lunch)		<u>\$750.00</u>
	Total	\$950.00

## Expenditures:

Transfer to Region II Conference		\$20.00
Transfer to Scholarship Fund		\$40.00
Reimbursement - Athenian Dialogue		\$600.00
MML Booth Registration		\$200.00
Bank - Check Resupply		\$39.39
Train Printing		\$327.54
March Meeting (Lunch)		<u>\$397.28</u>
	Total	\$1,624.21

Balance as of May 31, 2012 \$7,888.54

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Beginning Balance February 17, 2012 \$4,124.14

Receipts: Transfer from Dues (4)		\$40.00
50/50		\$51.50
Interest		<u>\$0.20</u>
	Total	\$91.70

Expenditures: None		<u>\$0.00</u>
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Balance as of May 31, 2012 \$4,215.84

**REGION II CONFERENCE**

Beginning Balance February 17, 2012 \$9,789.17

Receipts: Transfer from Dues (4)		\$20.00
Interest - February		\$0.17
Interest - March		\$0.16
Interest - April		<u>\$0.16</u>
	Total	\$20.49

Expenditures: None		<u>\$0.00</u>
	Total	\$0.00

Balance as of May 31, 2012 \$9,809.66



## My Trip to Nigeria, Africa

### Sharl'a Crutchfield, District Heights City Manager/City Clerk

When you think of travel destinations, African countries usually don't make it to the top of the list. But I was blessed to travel with my municipality's mayor on a trip abroad to Africa. This trip was not only a history/culture destination but also an opportunity for business and youth exchange programs.

The City of District Heights Mayor - James L. Walls, Jr., led a delegation to Lagos and Abuja, Nigeria, a weeklong trip paid in full by the Federal Republic of Nigeria, that included people such as Prince George's County School Board Member Carolyn Boston (Dist. 6), District Heights Commissioner Willie Calhoun (Ward 1) and me, the District Heights City Manager/City Clerk Sharl'a Crutchfield.

Nigeria is rich in culture. You see how close-knit their communities are, how important it is for their kids to get an education. The Federal Republic of Nigeria partners with Motherland Beckons, a business that promotes African tourism and has an existing relationship with The World Conference of Mayors, a network of elected officials who form sister city partnerships with foreign countries.

We convened meetings between our delegation and with officials such as the Federal Nigerian ministers of tourism, culture and national orientation, and commerce and industry.

School Board Member Carolyn Boston would like to see county students take a trip overseas and is looking into whether the school system can form an agreement with schools in the Federal Republic of Nigeria, similar to the agreement the county has between the Hefei No. 1 High School in China and Springdale's Charles H. Flowers High School. Boston said the schools in Nigeria were much smaller than campuses in Prince George's County Public Schools.

We have a large population of West Africans that live right here in Prince George's County. There are a lot of things that connect us to West Africa. I'm all for traveling to other places, to the Caribbean, to Europe, who knows what our next destination will be. Working for a mayor that serves as the President of the World Conference of Mayors, Inc., affords me various opportunities now to travel even more. We visited St. Maarten-a Caribbean Island, January 18-22, 2012, and boy was it an awesome time!



*District Heights Sharl'a Crutchfield (left) looks on as Bishop Diana Taara Williams of Imani Temple on Capitol Hill African American Catholic Congregation blesses the start of a business bridge program between the World Conference of Mayors, Inc., and the Federal Republic of Nigeria while standing next to (from left) District Heights Mayor James L. Walls, Jr., a village king in Nigeria and Wanle Akinboboye, President and CEO of Motherland Beckons.*

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## Quarterly Meeting Minutes, Maryland Municipal Clerks Association, continued from page 5

Vice President Hernandez reported on behalf of the 2014 Region II Conference Committee. She has gathered information on hotel options at National Harbor. The goal will be to lock down the hotel information and rates for approval at the June meeting. There was discussion about possibly holding an additional day of the conference for an Academy class or an Athenian Leadership Dialogue. The following individuals volunteered to serve on the Committee: Awilda Hernandez, Pam Fleming, Doug Barber, Stacy Wilkerson, Yvette Allen, Doris Stokes, Pat Haag, Kim Rau and Lou Ann Crook. Others were encouraged to volunteer.

### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

The recommendation of the Scholarship Committee was discussed and amended.

Scholarships shall be capped on a fiscal year basis at \$1,200 in the following scholarship opportunities:

- ◆ Registration up to \$500 each for the IIMC Annual Conference and training institute or academy for credit toward the CMC and MMC. Preference will be given to the candidate working for CMC.
- ◆ Registration up to \$200 for the Region II conference

Timelines for applications to be submitted to the Scholarship Committee:

- ◆ IIMC - February 1 (for the March quarterly meeting)
- ◆ CMC Institute/MMC Academy – May 1 (for the June quarterly meeting)
- ◆ Region II Conference or IIMC – November 1 (for December meeting)

Kelly Allmond moved to adopt the guideline. Michelle Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### MMCA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Members discussed options for membership recruitment. There were a number of suggestions:

- Do an annual mailing.
- Focus on county clerks as well as city/town clerks.
- Think about teleconference and video options to enable more members to participate in meetings.
- Personal contact works well.

Stress the benefits of membership to city managers, elected officials, and clerks.

### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 26, hosted by the Town of Ocean City at the MML Convention.

### RETIREMENTS

Brenda Colegrove is retiring. Pam Fleming moved to make Brenda an honorary member of MMCA. Janeen Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Pam Fleming announced that she will be retiring on April 30, 2012.

## Quarterly Meeting Minutes, Maryland Municipal Clerks Association, continued from page 10

### EDUCATION SESSION

The meeting recessed for lunch at 11:45 a.m. followed by an education session. The education session was a focused roundtable on election-related topics facilitated by MMCA Education Committee Chair Janeen Miller.

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

## MMCA Member Transitions



Kim Nichols was sworn into office as the City of Salisbury City Clerk on March 22, 2012.



As of April 30, 2012, Awilda Hernandez is the City of Bowie's City Clerk.



Douglass A. Barber is now the City Clerk for the City of Rockville. Doug's first day at Rockville was April 30, 2012.



### Membership Committee Report Cindy Murray, Treasurer

Membership stands at 66, 9 less than at this time last year. Please help in keeping our mailing list current. You can call Cindy Murray at 301-474-3870 or e-mail: [cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov) to make any necessary changes. Remember that the *Messenger* is sent to you via e-mail and if you don't let Cindy know that your address has changed, you will not receive the *Messenger*. Also, when paying your annual dues, be sure to include an application form, which will include a blank space for your e-mail address.



## Retiring Bowie City Clerk Pamela Fleming Looks Back on 41 Years of Service\*

One of the best memories longtime Bowie City Clerk Pamela Fleming will have about her job will be the work she did to organize more than a dozen city elections. “You wake up the morning of the election, and you drive through the community and see the signs, and you suddenly realize, you did that,” she said about creating — 14 different times — the framework within which Bowie residents exercise their right to vote. “It’s quite a thrill,” said Fleming, 74, of Bowie, who has worked for the city for 41 years, the past 24 years as city clerk. “It’s a feeling I can’t explain,” Fleming said. “It’s a lot of hard work, but it’s all worth it.”

Fleming said she’s way past retirement age and this year being the off year between city elections, it was a good time to retire. “It’s an unwritten policy amongst clerks to not retire during an election year,” she said. Succeeding her will be Awilda Hernandez, 45, of Waldorf, who previously served as town clerk in Indian Head, who starts on Monday. (Editor’s note: May 1, 2012, was Awilda’s first day at Bowie.)

Born in England, Fleming and her family moved to the U.S. after World War II and, in 1963, she moved with husband and baby daughter to modern Bowie, a planned community being developed by William Levitt. In 1971, she went to work as a secretary for the Bowie recreation department. In 1988, she moved into the position of city clerk, taking on duties that included keeping track of City Council agendas, minutes and advisory committees as well as ordinances and annexations of properties as the city grew.

Mayor G. Frederick Robinson said Fleming was committed, good at her job and forthright but tactful about expressing her ideas. “She has the ability to look you in the face and truthfully say there might be a better way to do this,” Robinson said. “She lets you know what she thinks, and she gives you an honest answer.”

Fleming said she will miss her time with her co-workers and her public role as city clerk. “By the time I reach the office, I’ve said hello to 10 people, and I’m going to miss that,” she said. But she said her job now will be to see more of her family and friends, spend more time gardening, take photos and travel, and also continue, as she has throughout her career, volunteering at city events. A member of the Bowie-Crofton Soroptimist Club, an international association that works to improve the lives of women and girls, she is working to line up vendors for Bowiefest, a yearly community event now staged at Allen Pond that she first worked on 41 years ago when it was known as Oktoberfest. Fleming said even though she is retiring, she has no plans to leave Bowie.

*\*Excerpt is from the April 26, 2012, issue of the Bowie Gazette and written by Virginia Terhune, Staff Writer.*

*“The door to my house, the gate to my garden and my heart are always open. Please stop by any time.”*  
Pamela Fleming



***Pamela Fleming enjoying her new garden bench received as a retirement gift. Photo on the right, Maryland Clerks (current and retired) at Pam’s retirement celebration held at the Belair Mansion, Bowie.***

## What's On Your Desktop?

<http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/index.xhtml> = US Census American Fact Finder

<http://mlis.state.md.us/> = Maryland General Assembly Home Page

<http://www.merriam-webster.com/> = Merriam-Webster OnLine

<http://www.dbm.state.md.us/phonebook/> = Maryland state employee phone directory

Submitted by Janeen S. Miller [jsmiller@collegeparkmd.gov]

### **MMCA Officers June 2011 to 2013**

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***There will be a Wine  
Basket Raffle at MMCA's  
Booth #808 to support  
MMCA's Scholarship  
Fund. Tickets will be  
\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.***



# MMCA Photo Collage



Photo above is from the March meeting hosted by the City of Hyattsville; photo on the right, Brenda Colegrove's retirement celebration at the Fountains in Salisbury. Photos below are from the IIMC Annual Conference, Portland, Oregon. Photos courtesy Doug Barber and Pam Fleming.





## International Institute of Municipal Clerks' Region II Update, May 2012 *Vincent Buttiglieri, MMC, Region II Director*

*At the Annual Board of Directors Meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>, many issues were discussed and acted upon. Here are some of the major items:*

- ◆ *The 2016 IIMC Conference was awarded to Omaha, Nebraska, and will be held May 22-25, 2016*
- ◆ *2012 IIMC President Colleen Nicol formed a Blue Ribbon Task Force consisting of 9 extremely qualified individuals, including our own Philip Campbell from Prince William County, to explore alternatives and recommendations for procedural and related policy changes dealing with Educational Guidelines, Institute Guidelines and Athenian Dialogues.*
- ◆ *For the fifth year in a row, IIMC made a profit (\$94, 252 in 2011)*
- ◆ *Membership dues exceeded \$1 million*
- ◆ *IIMC is currently in search for a new Director of Education. Executive Director Shalby will be reviewing the current requirements prior to advertising.*
- ◆ *A complete review of the education guidelines for certification for all Region XI members (outside North America) will be reviewed by the Board.*

*As of May 24<sup>th</sup>, Region II Director Diane Fitzhenry resigned from her position as Director due to job and family obligations. Her term was due to expire in May 2013. IIMC will be notifying all Region II State Presidents that applications to fill Diane's term will be accepted and the deadline for submission. At the Region II Business Meeting in Portland, those in attendance whole-heartedly endorsed Maryland's own, Kim Rau, to serve out the balance of Diane's term on the Board.*



## Municipal Clerks Education Foundation (MCEF)

Since 1984, MCEF's primary mission has been to raise monies completely dedicated toward IIMC's education endeavors. MCEF raises funds through grass roots fundraising, at the IIMC annual conferences, voluntary contributions and endowments.

It's imperative that all IIMC members contribute to the Foundation's fundraising efforts. Whether it's the voluntary contribution of \$25 or one of the Society Levels or any other donation, from the big or small - every dollar counts. All proceeds go toward Municipal Clerk education and every cent counts. Donating to MCEF helps you and your colleagues in your time of need. Go to [iimc.com](http://iimc.com) for a pledge card.



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# The Messenger



## Maryland Municipal Clerks Association

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Mayor or Chief Elected Official Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Basic Membership— \$50.00 (Includes \$35.00 for dues, \$10.00 towards MMCA Scholarship Fund, and \$5.00 toward the Region II Conference Fund.)

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