

Florida Association of City Clerks

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Message From FACC President



"Never Stop Learning"

Sincerely,
Stacey Johnston, MMC
2021-2022 FACC President
City Clerk, City of Holmes Beach

Member Highlight



We will be highlighting a different member each week to share "what it means to be a member of FACC" for that person.

Today, enjoy reading about Virginia A. Smith, MMC, CP, City Clerk/Paralegal, City of Palm Coast.

In 2009, I joined the FACC and the IIMC. I am proud to be a member of both organizations. I have been the city clerk/paralegal for the City of Palm Coast since 2010. [Read More](#)

Member News

MMC Certifications



The following FACC members earned their MMC certification:

- Andrise Bernard, MMC, City Clerk, City of North Miami Beach

CMC Certifications



The following FACC members earned their CMC certification:

- Tamara Melton, CMC, City Clerk, City of Bradenton

Retirement



Correction: Last Friday's Newsletter incorrectly stated Bea earned her CMC on August 25, 2022. She earned her CMC on August 25, 2002.

City Clerk Bea L. Meeks, MMC, CPM, CBTO, City of Edgewood, is retiring January 31st. She is the longest tenured Edgewood City Clerk and has been the clerk for over 10 years.

Bea served as FACC President from 2019-2020.

She joined FACC on January 28, 1999. Bea earned her CMC on August 25, 2002 and her MMC on June 19, 2009.

Congratulations on your retirement, Bea!

Resolution Presentation, Edgewood



On January 18th, FACC Central East District Director/Town Clerk Patricia J. Burke, MPA, MMC, Town of Palm Shores, presented FACC Past President/City Clerk Bea L. Meeks, MMC, CPM, CBTO, City of Edgewood, with her retirement resolution.

Congratulations, Bea!

Pictured left to right: City Clerk Kelly S. Koos, MMC, City of Lakeland; FACC Central East District Director/Town Clerk Patricia J. Burke, MPA, MMC, Town of Palm Shores; FACC Past President/City Clerk Bea L. Meeks, MMC, CPM, CBTO, City of Edgewood; City Clerk Tracy Ackroyd Howe, MMC, City of Clermont; City Clerk Lori S. Hollingsworth, CMC, City of Maitland; and Retired City Clerk Maria T. Waldrop, MMC, City of Maitland.

Polk County City Clerks Association



The Polk County City Clerks Association met on January 19th at the Winter Haven Public Library.

Pictured left to right (front row): City Clerk Vanessa Castillo, MMC, City of Winter Haven; FACC Central West District Director/City Clerk Dawn M. Wright, MMC, FCRM, PHRP, City of Eagle Lake; City Clerk Erica Anderson, CMC, City of Haines City; Assistant Town Manager Paige Denson-Garcia, Town of Dundee; City Clerk Jennifer Nanek, CMC, City of Lake Wales; and Deputy City Clerk Grace Malpartida, City of Haines City.
Pictured left to right (back row): Deputy City Clerk Deborah M. Cason, MMC, City of Lakeland; City Clerk Kelly S. Koos, MMC, City of Lakeland; Deputy City Clerk Nicole Patterson, City of Bartow; City Clerk Jeffrey E. Brown, City of Auburndale; and Office Support Specialist II Heather Bradman, City of Lakeland.

FACC Board Meeting: January 20, 2022



The FACC Board of Directors met via Zoom on January 20, 2022.

[Agenda Packet](#)
[Executive Summary](#)

Legislative Bills Update



FACC Legislative Committee Chair
Deputy Town Clerk Savannah Cobb, CMC,
Town of Longboat Key

[SB 280](#) Local Ordinances –The Senate Rules Committee voted 14 Yeas – 2 Nays. This was the final committee stop in the Senate. You can view the [Committee Amendment Here](#).

[SB 1472](#) Public Records – Introduced, Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; Rules.

[SB 152](#) Super Majority Vote for Legislative Preemption – Introduced, Community Affairs; Judiciary; Appropriations.

[HB 11](#) Impeding, Provoking, or Harassing Law Enforcement Officers – 1st reading

[HB 13](#) Property Tax Exemptions for Widows, Widowers, Blind Persons, Persons Totally and Permanently Disabled. – 1st reading

[HB 69 \(SB 584 \)](#) Agreement Amount the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote – 1st hearing

[HB 6033](#) Preemption of the Regulation of Vacation Rentals – 1st hearing

[HB 985](#) Sovereign Immunity Caps – Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee voted 16 Yeas – 1 Nay. [Committee Substitute](#) filed.

If you have any bills of concern not listed above, please email Legislative Chair Savannah Cobb at scobb@longboatkey.org.

FACC Scholarships



Calling All FACC Members

Don't Miss the Opportunity to Apply for a Scholarship!

The Awards & Scholarship Committee is now accepting scholarship applications offered through the FACC. Please take advantage of this great opportunity to obtain assistance with the cost to attend an IIMC approved Institute or Academy. The FACC offers four (4) annual scholarships for members to use towards education and training as a municipal clerk. These are for FACC members only.

Submit your application by **5:00 p.m., Monday, January 31, 2022**, directly to the Awards and Scholarship Chair Scotty Lynn Kelly at scotty.kelly@mysanibel.com. (Reminder: do not send applications to the FACC Office).

[Click here](#) to view the criteria and application forms located on the FACC website for the following scholarships:

- FACC Dale Barstow Annual Scholarship
- FACC Fall Academy Kay O'Halloran Memorial Scholarship

- FACC Summer Conference and Academy Scholarship
- FACC's IIMC Annual Conference Scholarship

[VIEW SCHOLARSHIPS AND APPLY](#)

FACC Awards



Calling all FACC members to nominate a municipal clerk!

The Awards & Scholarship Committee would like to encourage FACC members to nominate a municipal clerk that has demonstrated outstanding qualities in the clerk profession. The FACC offers annual award opportunities to recognize the commendable efforts made by colleagues to improve and advance the clerk profession. **Please take the time to submit an application to honor a municipal clerk's dedication to this important role in municipal government.**

Clerk of the Year Award

This award recognizes and honors an FACC member whose accomplishments have made a significant contribution in raising the professional status, image or education of the municipal clerk profession.

[Download Nomination Form](#)

Robert N. Clark Award

This award recognizes a Florida clerk for having promoted and advanced the ideas and goals of the profession by actively participating in the improvement of municipal government.

[Download Nomination Form](#)

Submit your nomination forms by March 31, 2022 to Awards and Scholarships Chair Scotty Lynn Kelly, MMC, CGSP, City Clerk, City of Sanibel scotty.kelly@mysanibel.com (do not send forms to the FACC office).

New FACC Mentor/Mentoring Request Form



The FACC Mentoring Committee, chaired by City Clerk Renee ShROUT, CMC, City of Oakland Park, has created a new mentor/mentoring request form.

[Click here](#) to download the new form. If you are interested in serving as a mentor, or having a mentor, please complete this form.

Questions? Contact Renee at renees@oaklandparkfl.gov.

Florida Education Fund Donations



The Florida Education Fund (FEF) was created in 2013 to raise funds for FACC's professional education programs and protect training investments. FEF is used exclusively for the purpose of providing highly sought after facilitators and other esteemed education professionals and programs that may far exceed our association budget.

You can make a one-time contribution today. Please [click here](#) to download the form. Please make checks payable to FACC. Mail your check and completed form to:

FACC
PO Box 1757
Tallahassee, FL 32302

[Click here](#) for more information.

Calling All Vendors

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VENDORS

FACC Central East District Director/Town Clerk Patricia J. Burke, MPA, MMC, Town of Palm Shores, will present Assistant City Clerk Shelby Field, CMC, City of Port Orange, with her CMC pin and certificate.

IIMC 2022 Region III Conference, Huntsville, AL

February 1-4, 2022

The Westin at Bridgestreet

[Learn More](#)

Recognition Presentation, Rockledge

February 2, 2022

6:00 p.m. ET

Location: City of Rockledge

1600 Huntington Lane

Rockledge, FL 32955

FACC Central East District Director/Town Clerk Patricia J. Burke, MPA, MMC, Town of Palm Shores, will present City Clerk Jennifer M. LeVasseur, MPA, CMC, City of Rockledge, with her CMC pin and certificate.

IIMC 76th Annual Conference, Little Rock, AR

May 22-25, 2022

[Learn More](#)

FACC 2022 Summer Conference and Academy, Orlando

June 19-22, 2022

#FACCSummer2022

Renaissance Sea World

Member Registration Rate: \$400

Registration opens in April.

FACC 2022 Fall Academy, Lake Mary

October 9-13, 2022

#FACCFall2022

Orlando Marriott Lake Mary Hotel

Member Registration Rate: \$400

Registration opens in August.



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