

Florida Association of City Clerks

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4th of July



Happy 4th of July!

The administration office will be closed Monday, July 5, as we celebrate the independence of our nation.

Message from the President



Stacey Johnston, MMC, City Clerk, Holmes Beach
2021-2022 FACC President
Incoming Presidential Speech
2021 FACC Summer Conference and Academy

I would like to first thank Lori McWilliams for her very kind words, and for agreeing to administer the oath to me. I also want to congratulate her on being chosen this year to receive the Robert N. Clark award. So well deserved!

When I began considering who I would like to have administrator the presidential oath to me, I just kept going back to the same person. As you know now, that person was former FACC President, current FL Certification Task Force Committee Chair, and my dear friend Lori McWilliams. I can honestly say that Lori had the most positive impact on the growth and leadership I have with FACC.

After serving a year as Membership Committee Chair, the following year during Lori's term as President, she asked me to serve a 2-year term as Awards & Scholarship Chair "in order to learn more about the FACC". Why? Because she had confidence in me and felt I had a future moving up in the organization. Oh, and she also had a lot of things she wanted to change that year – like setting a ranking system to rank scholarship applications. That was only one of her goals for the committee. I didn't know how I would have time to achieve everything she asked – but I thrived under her leadership and her changes are still in use today. [Read More.](#)

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 Marlene D. Graham, CMC, City Clerk, City of Pembroke Pines.

I started working for the City of Pembroke Pines in 2002. My first position was working as the clerical assistant in the city manager's office. I also assisted the commission office staff for elected officials. After a special election in 2004, I began working as executive assistant to the incoming mayor, who had served the city as a commissioner. In those years, I learned quite a bit about government administration and how it worked; for example, the city charter, code of ordinances, and the configuration of a mayor/city manager form of municipal government. In 2013 the city clerk retired, and I was asked by the administration if I was interested in taking the position. [Read More.](#)

Member News

[CMC Certification](#)



The following FACC member earned their CMC certification:

- Evelyn Herbello, CMC, Deputy Town Clerk, Town of Surfside

Congratulations, Evelyn!

Retirement



City Clerk Deborah M. Andrea, CMC, City of Lake Worth Beach, is retiring on July 20th. She joined FACC on January 5, 2017 and earned her CMC on July 9, 2019.

Congratulations on your retirement, Deborah!

New FACC Members in June

Yahaira L. Cordero
Administrative Assistant
City of Maitland

Ashlee McDonough
City Clerk
City of Port Richey

Rebecca Merwin
Assistant Town Clerk
Town of St. Leo

FACC Resolution to David Porter



On June 29th, FACC honored and presented a retirement resolution to David Porter of CiviTek. We are thankful and appreciative of David for many years of support and dedication.

Pictured left (left to right): David Porter, CiviTek and FACC President Stacey Johnston, MMC, City Clerk, City of Holmes Beach.

Pictured below (left to right): Bea L. Meeks, CMC, CPM, CBTO, City Clerk, City of Edgewood, FACC Immediate Past President Debra R. Buff, MMC, City Clerk, City of Belle Glade, FACC President Stacey Johnston, MMC, City Clerk, City of Holmes Beach, David Porter, CiviTek, and FACC President-Elect Cheryl A. Mooney, MPA, MMC, City Clerk, City of Temple Terrace.



2021 Legislative Session Update

[Click here](#) to view the current status of bills presented to Governor Ron DeSantis.

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



FACC 2021 Summer Conference and Academy



This year's Summer Conference and Academy in Fort Myers was a very successful event. Special thanks to the Professional Education Committee, chaired by City Clerk Julie A. Hennessy, MMC, DeLand and co-chair Town Clerk Patricia J. Burke, MPA, MMC, Palm Shores, for the excellent educational programming and the Host Committee, chaired by City Clerk Gwen Carlisle, MMC, Fort Myers, for the networking opportunities provided for our delegates.

Thank you to everyone who made the conference and special events a success!

[Click here](#) to view pictures from the event.

We look forward to the 2021 Fall Academy, October 17, 21, 2021, in Daytona Beach Shores. Registration for this event will be available in August.

State of the Association



[Click here](#) to read the State of the Association.

Clerk of the Year Award



City Clerk Dana L.S. Williams, MMC, Mary Esther, won the 2021 City Clerk of the Year Award.

Dana was unable to attend the event, but we would like to share Dana's message with the membership:

"I am flattered, humbled and grateful to have been nominated for this award, considering the caliber of competition amongst my fellow clerks. They are all such a special group of professional men and women who have talent, ability, expertise, and knowledge, and they are willing to share those attributes with our group or anyone else who needs assistance. The fact that I was selected to represent the clerks this year is truly an honor. In my absence, please convey my thanks and gratitude."

Congratulations, Dana!

Robert N. Clark Memorial Award

Village Clerk Lori McWilliams, MPA, MMC, Tequesta, won the Robert N. Clark Memorial Award.

Pictured left to right: FACC Immediate Past President Debra R. Buff, MMC, City Clerk, Belle Glade, and Village Clerk Lori McWilliams, MPA, MMC, Tequesta.



Congratulations, Lori!

President's Award



City Clerk Bea L. Meeks, MMC, CPM, CBTO, Edgewood, won the President's Award.

Pictured left to right: FACC Immediate Past President Debra R. Buff, MMC, City Clerk, Belle Glade, and City Clerk Bea L. Meeks, MMC, CPM, CBTO, Edgewood.

Congratulations, Bea!

Purses with a Purpose



This event raised \$427, and \$214 will go to a charity that the FACC Board chooses.

Silent Auction

This event raised \$320.



50/50



A total of \$918 was collected from the 50/50 ticket sales. The 50/50 winner was City Clerk Latricia Wright, Williston, who received \$459.

Congratulations, Latricia!

Exhibit Hall Game Board Winner

Deputy City Clerk Anna Marie Hicks, Sanibel, won the exhibit hall game board contest. She will receive a complimentary registration to attend the 2021 Fall Academy.

Congratulations, Anna!



Handouts for Sessions and ITA Packet



[Click here](#) to download your session handouts and ITA packet.

You cannot earn IIMC credit for hours attended unless you complete each session's ITA form.

All ITA forms must be emailed to Amy Brewer abrewer@fsu.edu no later than Monday, July 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Please do not send your ITA forms to

the FACC office.

Evaluations for Sessions

The evaluation has been emailed to you. You will receive several emails with a survey link to complete the evaluation. Your feedback is very important to us.

We would appreciate receiving all evaluations before Monday, July 12, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.



2021-2022 FACC Board of Directors



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2022 Summer Conference and Academy
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FACC Booth at the FLC Annual Conference



Volunteers Needed

Volunteers Needed!

FACC will have a booth in the Exhibit Hall at the 2021 [Florida League of Cities Annual Conference](#). We need FACC members to help with the booth.

The conference will be held at the Orlando World Center Marriott (8701 World Center Drive, Orlando, FL 32821).

The dates to volunteer are August 12-13, 2021.

If you would like to volunteer, please [click here](#) or the click the "Sign Up Now" button below.

Sign up no later than July 31, 2021.

[Sign Up Now!](#)

Job Openings



[Browse](#) current job openings.

Upcoming Events

To view a list of all upcoming FACC Board of Directors Meetings, [click here](#).

FACC Board of Directors Meeting, Via Zoom

July 22, 2021
10:30 a.m. ET

2021 Fall Academy, Daytona Beach Shores

October 17-21, 2021
The Shores Hotel
#FACCFall2021
Room Rate: \$129 per night
Member Rate: \$400 approximately



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