

| Colorado | Montana | Nebraska |  
| North Dakota | South Dakota | Wyoming |

December, 2025  
Volume 1, Issue 2

# IIMC

## REGION VIII EAST

From an 10 hour rain delay at the Dallas/Fort Worth, TX airport to beautiful sunny California, the 2025 IIMC Mid-Year Board Meeting did not disappoint. The 2 day meetings were packed with board development, committee reports, budgets and upcoming conferences. Special attention was given to the upcoming 80th Anniversary IIMC Annual Conference May 17-21, 2026 in Reno, Nevada at the

Peppermill Hotel and Resort. You can find more information on the conference including registration, hotel information and program information at iimc.com. We were also lucky to get to know each other at a few social events, including time with IIMC Foundation board members~ Kellie Crowell

## CONGRATULATIONS JULIE BARNETT!!



Region VIII's very own Julie Barnett, MMC, from Colorado had the winning logo design for the IIMC 80th Anniversary Annual Conference. As the contest winner, Julie receives one complimentary conference registration to the 2026 Annual Conference in Reno, Nevada. Congratulations Julie!



### INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Clerks Without Borders .....	2
Upcoming Conferences .....	3
Education .....	3
Congratulations! .....	4
IIMC Benefits .....	5

### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Mid-Year Meeting Updates

*Happy  
New Year*

## Region VIII EAST News....

# Clerks Without Borders

## WHAT IS IT?

Clerks Without Borders is an initiative of Region XI of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC), created to help members connect with colleagues across the globe. The aim is to build international relationships, share ideas and experiences, and explore common challenges and opportunities in local government - all through informal, clerk-to-clerk conversations. It's a light-touch, low-commitment way to share:

- Experiences from your daily work
- Ideas on how you tackle challenges
- Cultural insights and professional practices

Whether it's a quick chat, a regular Zoom call, or exchanging emails, you decide how you connect.

## WHO CAN JOIN?

Any local government clerk who's curious, friendly, and open to a cross-border conversation. Whether you're just starting out or have years of experience, you have something to share- and something to learn.

## SIGN UP

Sign up via <https://www.slcc.co.uk/clerks-without-borders/>.

- Fill out a short form to be matched with a buddy

For questions, please email:

[matchingteamclerks@gmail.com](mailto:matchingteamclerks@gmail.com).



## We Need Your News!!!

*If you are a State Association President from Colorado, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota or Wyoming please send me your contact information as we would like to include information on what your state has been up to and information on upcoming educational opportunities. Thank You!*

*Please email [kcrowell@ravennanebraska.net](mailto:kcrowell@ravennanebraska.net)*

## Region VIII EAST News....

### REGION VIII-EAST DIRECTORS



**2023-2026 Colorado**  
**Julie Barnett MMC**  
City of Evans, CO  
970-475-1104  
[jbarnett@evanscolorado.gov](mailto:jbarnett@evanscolorado.gov)



**2025—2028 Nebraska**  
**Kellie Crowell, CMC**  
Ravenna, Nebraska  
308-452-3273  
[kcrowell@ravennanebraska.net](mailto:kcrowell@ravennanebraska.net)

### ROTATION SCHEDULE

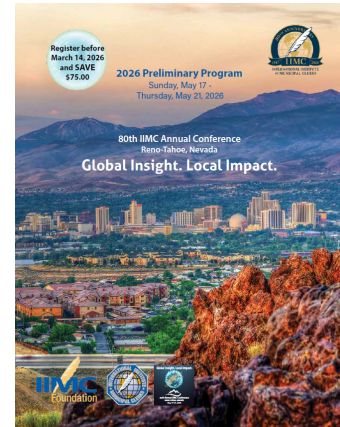
#### Region VIII East

2026 – 2029	North Dakota
2028 - 2031	South Dakota
2029 - 2032	Wyoming
2031 - 2034	Montana

## 2026 IIMC Annual Conference

**2026 - Reno, Nevada**  
May 17 - May 21

Peppermill Resort  
2707 South Virginia Street  
Reno, Nevada 89502



**2027 - Fort Worth, Texas**  
May 9 - May 12, 2027

**2028 - Bellevue, Washington**  
May 21 - May 24, 2028

## Region VIII-East Educational Opportunities

Colorado- <https://www.cmcclerks.com/>

Montana- <http://www.mmctfoa.com>

Nebraska- <https://www.lonm.org/clerks/nebraska-municipal-clerks-association.html>

North Dakota- <http://www.ndlc.org/>

South Dakota- <http://www.sdmunicipalleague.org>

Wyoming – <https://www.wamcat.org/>

## CONGRATULATIONS CMC RECEIPIENTS

Kelsey Harms, CMC, Town of Haxtun, CO  
Alicia Koziol, CMC, City of Fort Calhoun, NE  
Tom Frownfelder, CMC, City of Choteau, MT  
Samira Vetter, CMC, Town of Paonia, CO  
Emily Nitcher, CMC, Town of Frederick, CO  
Adriana Mazur, CMC, City of Loveland, CO  
Kerrissa Romero, CMC, Town of La Jara, CO  
Kristin Childers, CMC, City of Elgin, NE  
Cortlyne Huppe, CMC, City of Florence, CO

Heather Walls, CMC, City of Fort Collins, CO  
Alayna Carrell, CMC, Town of Grand Lake, CO  
Bernadette Y. Salazar, CMC, City of Lakewood, CO  
Sheila Symons, CMC, Town of Yampa, CO  
Dana DeBolt, CMC, City of Durango, CO  
Luzelena Spalenka, CMC, Town of Parachute, CO  
Erica Romero, CMC, Town of Palmer Lake, CO  
Jessie Faber, CMC, City of Grant, NE

## CONGRATULATIONS MMC RECEIPIENTS

Rita M. Robinson, MMC, Village of Cedar Rapids, NE

Michele Crawford, MMC, Town of Erie, CO

## CONGRATULATIONS ATHENIAN FELLOWS



*Congratulations on a job well done. The International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) promotes continuing education and certification, professional development programs, networking solutions and other opportunities and benefits for its members. IIMC realizes how vital continuing education is to its membership, and that educational needs are diverse throughout the world.*

*For more information on CMC or MMC certifications contact:*

Dr. Jaimis "Jai" Ulrich, Ed.D.  
Associate Director of Professional Development  
[jaimis@iimc.com](mailto:jaimis@iimc.com)

Iris Hill  
Education Coordinator  
[iris@iimc.com](mailto:iris@iimc.com)



## IIMC BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

### YOUR SOURCE FOR RESOURCES & SUPPORT

As a Municipal Clerk, you are continually asked to produce more with less. There are always too many questions and not enough answers. IIMC is your source for educational programs, technical support, resources and publications. Your membership opens many doors including:

- Advanced Academy
- Annual Conference
- Certification Program
- Education
- Networking
- Professional Support
- Publications

### SOLUTIONS, SKILLS & PERFORMANCE

*IIMC HELPS YOU FIND SOLUTIONS TO EVERYDAY PROBLEMS, ENHANCE CRITICAL PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND IMPROVE YOUR PERFORMANCE AT WORK. AS A MEMBER, YOU AND YOUR MUNICIPALITY CAN RELY ON IIMC TO HELP YOU BECOME MORE EFFICIENT AND PRODUCTIVE.*

### NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Examples of networking opportunities available through an IIMC membership include:

- Connecting with approximately 10,000 colleagues worldwide in municipalities from Maine to Alaska to South Africa
- Attending annual conferences for a week of specialized continuing education, problem-solving and camaraderie
- Attending a Municipal Clerk's Educational Institute - contacts made there are a source of year-round support
- Receiving updates on programs and events in your state, regional or provincial clerks association
- Joining an IIMC committee
- Running for a position on the Board of Directors
- Referrals to Clerk experts in various functions
- Accessing special publications, videos and handbooks
- Accessing electronic communication outlets to exchange information