



News and Tidbits January 2015

Dear Amy,

President's Message:



I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday and enjoyed time with family and friends! And, hopefully you all were able to relax a little bit. January has arrived and here come our Elections!

Thank you to the Holiday Committee members Linda Rhodes (Lake Worth), Norma Zenk (Azle), Jessica McEachern (Bridgeport) & Asucena Garcia (Decatur) who hosted a wonderful celebration for us at the beautiful Diamond Oaks Country Club in Haltom City! How much fun was that Municipal Clerks Family Feud game? What a great idea and I know everyone enjoyed it.



**Municipal Clerks Family Feud Game
NTMCA Holiday Luncheon**

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Upcoming Meetings

January 15	Irving
February 18	Copper Canyon
March 18	Colleyville
April 1 - Professional Seminar	Grapevine
May - Elections	No Meeting
June 3 - NTMCA Awards Luncheon	Eules

2015 Professional Seminar



The NTMCA will be hosting an Athenian Dialogue for our Professional Seminar. Mark your calendars for April 1, 2015 and join us in this inspirational dialogue. Registration will begin with our January 2015 edition of the NTMCA newsletter. The cost for this dialogue will be \$55 and will include breakfast, lunch and

A huge thank you to all of our members whose contributions raised \$400 for the Ladder Alliance, our featured charity this season. The Ladder Alliance is a wonderful organization which assists women victims of domestic violence and low-income women with education, training and pursuing opportunities for employment. They also accept clothing donations for their clients to wear to interviews and work. If anyone is cleaning out their closets, please consider donating work appropriate clothing to this [organization](#).



Additionally, our annual silent auction was a huge success and raised \$747 for our Alyce Deering Scholarship Fund. Please consider applying for a scholarship next year to assist you in obtaining your certification or recertification!

Lastly, we were so lucky to have a small group of our retired city secretaries join us for our holiday celebration. It is always so much fun to hear how much our retired clerks are enjoying their retirement!



**Retirees Attending
NTMCA Holiday Luncheon**

Important dates for 2015:

- NTMCA Business Luncheon in Irving on January 15th

refreshments. The location is still to be determined and more details will follow.

Here is a short blurb of what you can expect from this dialogue facilitated by Dr. Amy Holt: Amazing Grace tells the story of the remarkable life of the British abolitionist William Wilberforce. The dialogue will explore Wilberforce's twenty-year fight to abolish the British slave trade and slavery itself. By the late 1700s, the economics of slavery were so entrenched in society that only a handful of people thought anything could be done to stop it. As one of the few, Wilberforce became vilified by some who did not want to see the end of the slave trade.

Participants will be able to explore the foundations of Wilberforce's leadership style that required courage and persistence under quite adversarial conditions. Ultimately, the purpose of the dialogue will be to cultivate an awareness that enables participants to learn from and apply the positive principles and characteristics demonstrated by William Wilberforce.

http://www.amazon.com/Amazing-Grace-William-Wilberforce-Campaign/dp/0061173886/ref=pd_sim_sbs_b_1?ie=UTF8&refRID=01XNQVNF0X3H5YKA8MF9

**Norma Zenk,
Professional Seminar Chair**

NTMCA Committees

Volunteers Needed

If you would like to submit an application to serve on any of our FY 2014-2015 Committees, please complete the [Committee Application Form](#) and send to [Mary Supino](#).

A complete description of each committee and its responsibilities can be found in the [NTMCA Bylaws](#), Section 5 (page 10).

**Thank you for your help!
Mary Supino, President**

Meeting Reservations

Members we need your assistance. In order to be able to provide food for all that attend our monthly meetings, we need to know who will be attending, so please let us know your intentions by the RSVP date. Deadlines are included in the invitation and on the meeting webpage.

The best way to take care of this is to plan to attend all of the meetings and RSVP when you receive the invite!

**Thank you for your cooperation!
Mary Supino, President**

FY 2014-2015 Board Officers

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- TMCCP Election Law Seminar in Frisco, January 21st-23rd
- NTMCA Business Luncheon in Copper Canyon on February 18th
- NTMCA Business Luncheon in Colleyville on March 18th
- Professional Seminar/Athenian Dialogue facilitated by Dr. Holt on April 1st in Grapevine. Book is "Amazing Grace: William Wilberforce and the Heroic Campaign to End Slavery".

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND GET STARTED ON YOUR READING!



**Group Photo - December 11, 2014
Holiday Luncheon - Haltom City**

On behalf of your NTMCA Board, we wish you all a very Happy New Year!



Mary Supino, President

Membership Drive

With the start of our new fiscal year, our Membership Drive has begun and the Membership Committee is looking for your assistance. Our goal this year is to reach 90

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Future Newsletters

We are always looking for topics of interest for newsletters. If there is a subject you would like to see addressed or if you would like to contribute an article, please let any of the Board members know, or submit it by e-mail to Sheila B. Morales.

Quick Links

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members. If you have not done so already, please fill out the [membership form](#). Whether you pay by Paypal or by check, completed applications need to be sent to Treasurer Carol Borges. Remember, your \$30.00 annual dues help to support our programs, businesses meetings, operations and scholarships. We also ask that you reach out to your neighbors or new city secretaries to tell them all of the benefits of being a member of our organization and encourage them to join.

**Submitted by Michael Wells
Membership Committee Chair (Bedford)**

Scholarship Fundraiser

The "**Keep Calm and Clerk On**" insulated tumblers are available for \$15 each.

The proceeds benefit our Chapter's Alyce Deering Scholarship Fund. The scholarship fund is one of the reasons that sets us apart from other chapters.

We know the importance of continuing our education and we support our members by providing annual scholarships to offset travel and seminar registration costs.

Don't miss your chance to support our Chapter and sport a cool insulated tumbler that markets our profession. The tumblers will be available for purchase at each Chapter meeting or by contacting Alicia Richardson at arichardson@nrhtx.com



**Submitted by Alicia Richardson
Alyce Deering Committee Chair (North
Richland Hills)**

Historical Tid-Bits - Colleyville

Unique Facts about Colleyville - Information provided courtesy of Colleyville Then and Now 50th Anniversary Edition

- Colleyville is named for Dr. Lilburn Howard Colley. Dr. Colley was a beloved country doctor who served the medical needs of this area for a number of years. He was also active in various school and civic functions.
- The St. Louis, Arkansas, & Texas Railway (later known as the St. Louis & Southwestern or the Cotton Belt Route) extended its tracks between Fort Worth and

Grapevine in the late 1800s, passing through the hamlet of Red Rock in the Colleyville area in 1888.

- The first recorded commercial dairy business began in 1898 when the Behrens family began selling Behrens' label butter and cream and later ice cream to Fort Worth stores. An article in a 1935 edition of the Fort Worth Press, a leading area newspaper, named the communities of Pleasant Run and Bransford the "Dairy Center of Tarrant County."
- In 1903, Bransford was designated voting district No. 38. This district encompassed an area approximately the size of Colleyville today. By 1910, the federal census recorded 124 families in the Bransford voting precinct.
- In 1914, the Couch family store sold coffee for eight cents a pound; sugar for eight cents a pound, and vinegar for \$1.50 for a fifty-five gallon barrel.
- Colleyville was incorporated on January 10, 1956, and its city limits are now contiguous with those of Grapevine and Euless on the east, Bedford and Hurst on the south, Keller and North Richland Hills on the west and Southlake on the north.
- January 26, 1956, Colleyville held its first elections to elect a mayor, five aldermen, and a town marshal. The candidates with the highest number of votes were declared elected and instructed to take the oath of office.
- Before Ross Downs became an upscale subdivision, it was widely known as a premier horse racing facility, a training and proving ground for some of the nation's top speed horses. The final race was run on September 2, 1990.
- Hooks U Salsa was created in the kitchen of Zoubida Hooks in Colleyville, and in 2004, on Super Bowl weekend, was launched by Market Street. It can now be found in all area grocery stores.
- In 2013, the average household income was \$199,168.

**Article submitted by
Amy Shelley (Colleyville)**

We are an awesome Chapter! Let's lead and be a model for our sister Chapters.