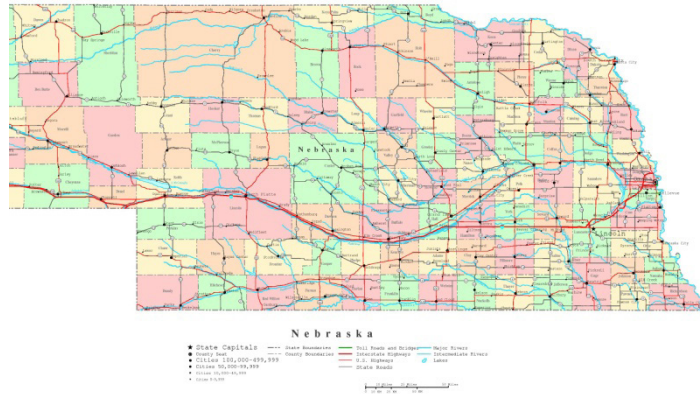


# Nebraska Municipal Clerks Newsletter

April 2021

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Linda Jensen, MMC, City Clerk/Treasurer, City of Central City  
NMCA President



### Nebraska Town Game

(Match the town name with the descriptions)

Answers are at the end of this message

- |                |                         |            |                      |
|----------------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------|
| 1 Aurora       | ___ Pal                 | 26 Hamlet  | ___ Sofa             |
| 2 Bartlett     | ___ Explorer in 1492    | 27 Harvard | ___ Screw driver     |
| 3 Bassett      | ___ Huge Peninsula      | 28 Hazard  | ___ Council rooms    |
| 4 Bee          | ___ Luminous phenomenon | 29 Hershey | ___ John Wayne Movie |
| 5 Benedict     | ___ Hound dog           | 30 Lincoln | ___ Egg dish         |
| 6 Broken Bow   | ___ Avoid an incident   | 31 Lyons   | ___ Middle Town      |
| 7 Butte        | ___ Free money          | 32 Magnet  | ___ Join             |
| 8 Cairo        | ___ Clear sight         | 33 Oak     | ___ Judy             |
| 9 Central City | ___ Large cats          | 34 Orchard | ___ Honest Abe       |
| 10 Chambers    | ___ High level          | 35 Page    | ___ Buzzing insect   |

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11 Clearwater	___ Underground dwellers	36 Phillips	___ February 14
12 Colon	___ Ravine	37 Plainview	___ Book leaf
13 Columbus	___ Crying river	38 Plymouth	___ Four dice
14 Concord	___ Law school	39 Royal	___ Wine
15 Cook	___ Father of our Country	40 Sargent	___ National bird
16 Cordova	___ Capitol of Egypt	41 Spalding	___ Thomas
17 Davenport	___ Chocolate	42 Superior	___ Pear
18 Dodge	___ Damaged hunter's weapon	43 Surprise	___ Intestine
19 Eagle	___ Military rank	44 Union	___ Endangerment
20 Edison	___ Sporting goods	45 Valentine	___ Mighty tree
21 Fordyce	___ See through aqua	46 Valley	___ Majestic
22 Friend	___ Pilgrim's landing sight	47 Washington	___ Pig
23 Garland	___ Vineyard	48 Weeping Water	___ Attraction
24 Grand Island	___ Bluff	49 Western	___ Shock
25 Grant	___ Prepare dinner	50 Worms	___ Grapes

Hats off to Ellen Freeman-Wakefield and the education committee for a great Clerks conference. Although the sessions were held via Zoom, I thought they were fabulous!

If you received a scholarship for the conference, be sure to send a thank you to Brad Slaughter and Piper Sandler for their generous donation toward the scholarship program.

This is an email from Ellen:

*Thank you to everyone who attended the First Virtual Nebraska Clerks Institute and Academy. For the 210 in attendance, the week was full of interactive and educational sessions ranging from Liquor Licenses to the Ethics and Values for Municipal Clerks. This year, clerks earned points towards their CMC or MMC, and for the first time, LB 781 was adopted earlier this year. A big thank you to the Education Committee; Tammy Tisdall (Gretna), Chair, Lanette Doane (Ansley), Pam Buethe (LaVista), Dana Klabenes (Neligh), and Deanna Perry (Shelby) for all their help with the program this year*

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*and with the mechanics of week. Also, thank you to Eliza Butler (Omaha), Christian Janousek (UNO), Linda Jensen, Kandis Koozer (Gretna), and Erin Saathoff (Beatrice) for helping with the facilitation, monitoring the chat, and admitting attendees.*

*This year, besides scholarships provided by the Nebraska Municipal Clerks Association, Brad Slaughter, and Piper Sandler also contributed to the funds allowing us to provide full scholarships to 35 clerks, of which 21 were new or first-time attendees. Thank you, Brad and Piper Sandler.*

*There were five winners for prizes this year. They include Nikki Herre, who won a free training session from Mike Henke, Monday morning keynote.*

*Kellie Dickes, Erin Mockler, and Jennifer Kasi, who won gifts from Pathways, our Wednesday Keynote, and Matthew Leatherwood, who won a water bottle and notebook from UNO.*

*Despite some technical difficulties, the event was a success. We hope to see everyone in 2022 at the Ramada Midtown Grand Island on March 14-18.*

### **Ellen Freeman-Wakefield, MPA**

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Attached to the newsletter is the form to fill out for the continuing education training hours required for treasurers. The Zoom classes that were held for the March conference qualify for LB 781.

The following is an email from Ellen that she sent in February:

Thank you everyone for your patience. The following classes make up the 20 hours of training for LB 781 requirements.

Labor Laws,

Liquor License,

Bonds Process,

Violations and Enforcement,

Office Procedures, Agendas,

Open Meetings Act,

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Department of Transportation Updates,  
Cyber Security,  
Budget Forms, and Ethics for Public Officials.

### Registration closes March 5, 2021

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The IIMC conference is scheduled for May 9-13 in Grand Rapids, Mich. If you are planning on attending and would like some Nebraska lapel pins to swap, please let me know.

### Stay safe everyone! Welcome to spring!

I hope you enjoyed the game!

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### Answers to the Nebraska town's game:

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| 1 Aurora     | <u>22</u> Pal                | 26 Hamlet  | <u>17</u> Sofa             |
| 2 Bartlett   | <u>13</u> Explorer in 1492   | 27 Harvard | <u>36</u> Screw driver     |
| 3 Bassett    | <u>24</u> Huge Peninsula     | 28 Hazard  | <u>10</u> Council rooms    |
| 4 Bee        | <u>1</u> Luminous phenomenon | 29 Hershey | <u>49</u> John Wayne Movie |
| 5 Benedict   | <u>3</u> Hound dog           | 30 Lincoln | <u>5</u> Egg dish          |
| 6 Broken Bow | <u>18</u> Avoid an incident  | 31 Lyons   | <u>9</u> Middle Town       |
| 7 Butte      | <u>25</u> Free money         | 32 Magnet  | <u>44</u> Join             |
| 8 Cairo      | <u>37</u> Clear sight        | 33 Oak     | <u>23</u> Judy             |

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9 Central City	<u>31</u> Large cats	34 Orchard	<u>30</u> Honest Abe
10 Chambers	<u>42</u> High level	35 Page	<u>4</u> Buzzing insect
11 Clearwater	<u>50</u> Underground dwellers	36 Phillips	<u>45</u> February 14
12 Colon	<u>46</u> Ravine	37 Plainview	<u>35</u> Book leaf
13 Columbus	<u>48</u> Crying river	38 Plymouth	<u>21</u> Four dice
14 Concord	<u>27</u> Law school	39 Royal	<u>16</u> Wine
15 Cook	<u>47</u> Father of our Country	40 Sargent	<u>19</u> National bird
16 Cordova	<u>8</u> Capitol of Egypt	41 Spalding	<u>20</u> Thomas
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23 Garland	<u>34</u> Vineyard	48 Weeping Water	<u>32</u> Attraction
24 Grand Island	<u>7</u> Bluff	49 Western	<u>43</u> Shock
25 Grant	<u>15</u> Prepare dinner	50 Worms	<u>14</u> Grapes

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## Blue Book: People of Nebraska

**In 1800**, before Lewis and Clark traveled past Nebraska, several Native American tribes, mainly the Pawnee, Ponca, Omaha, Oto, Sioux, Cheyenne and Arapaho, lived in the area. The largest and most powerful tribe, the Pawnee, had about 6,000 members.

**In 1913**, only 4,784 Indians of all tribes remained in Nebraska because others were moved to reservations in other states. Approximately 19,000 Native Americans live in Nebraska today, with nearly 11,000 residing within two tribal service areas and on the state's three reservations – the Santee Sioux, Omaha and Winnebago reservations, all in northeastern Nebraska. These reservations are supervised by the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs.

**The first Nebraska** census in 1854 counted 2,732 residents. At the time, the area was a territory that included parts of present-day North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. The 1870

census, taken after Nebraska achieved statehood in 1867, counted 122,993 people.

**In the late 19th century**, many European immigrants came to Nebraska seeking free land under the federal Homestead Act of 1862. By 1900, Germans accounted for 15 percent of the state's entire population. Other ethnic groups included the Swedes, Danes, Bohemians, German Russians, Poles, French, Irish, English and Italians. Statewide railroad construction spurred development of the communities where immigrants settled. Following the Civil War, black people migrated to Nebraska, and some of them tried homesteading. Most were lured to urban areas, where chances for finding work were better. The 1880 census showed a total of 2,385 black people living in the state. By 1900, that number had increased to 6,269. Omaha's black population doubled between 1910 and 1920.

*Source – Nebraska Blue Book*

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

Raquel Felzien .....	Franklin .....	May 1
Dawn Gall .....	Howells .....	May 1
Kelly Dyer .....	Wauneta .....	May 1
Tamela Curtis .....	Pawnee City .....	May 3
Kimberly Wright .....	Scottsbluff .....	May 3
Jessie Faber .....	Grant .....	May 4
Pamela Baruth .....	Lexington .....	May 4
Jennifer Dean .....	Crawford .....	May 5
Lori Pfeifer .....	Madison .....	May 8
Ronnie Jiuiden .....	Palmyra .....	May 10
Kelly Havlovic .....	Prague .....	May 10
Marla Newman .....	Sutton .....	May 11
Erin Saathoff .....	Beatrice .....	May 13
Stephanie Metzger .....	Bradshaw .....	May 14
Heidi Ruzicka .....	Verdigre .....	May 14



Kandis Koozer .....	Gretna .....	May 17
Judi Meyer .....	Crete .....	May 20
Jolyn Hare .....	Culbertson .....	May 21
Roxanne Meyer .....	Hooper .....	May 21
Melissa Gorsach .....	Potter .....	May 26

# Municipal Legal Calendar

(All statute citations to Revised Statutes of Nebraska)

MAY 2021

## CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS

Within 10 days following meeting or before next meeting (whichever is sooner) .....Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413)  
Within 15 days of Passage.....Clerk publishes ordinances passed. (16-405)  
Within 30 days following Council meeting .....Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting, including claims. (19-1102)  
First Day .....Automatic renewal of beer and liquor licenses (except Class C). (53-124, 53-135)  
Within 20 days after end of month ..Treasurer files monthly financial report. (16-318)  
\* \* .....Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Council meeting. (84-1411)

## CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS

Within 10 days following meeting or before next meeting (whichever is sooner) .....Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413)  
Within 15 days of Passage .....Clerk publishes or posts ordinances passed. (17-613)  
Within 30 days following Council meeting .....Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting, including claims. (19-1102)  
First Day .....Automatic renewal of beer and liquor licenses (except Class C). (53-124,53-135)  
Within 20 days after end of month....Treasurer files monthly financial report. (17-606)  
\* \* .....Clerk must prepare agenda prior to next Council meeting. (84-1411)

## VILLAGES

Within 10 days following meeting or before next meeting (whichever is sooner) .....Clerk to have minutes available for public inspection. (84-1413)  
Within 15 days of Passage .....Clerk publishes or posts ordinances passed. (17-613)  
Within 30 days following Board meeting.....Clerk publishes official proceedings of meeting, including claims (19-1102)  
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**CONTINUING EDUCATION TRAINING REQUEST FORM**  
USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH QUALIFICATION REQUESTED

Please complete the following and include the requested attachments:

Name of requesting person: \_\_\_\_\_

Entity Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested number of hours of credit: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Hours should be based on 50-minute hour and must be rounded DOWN to nearest whole number.**

Date(s) of course/presentation: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor of event/training: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fees or Other Costs Required to Attend:  Yes  No

Method of Delivery: (Please check all that apply)

- |                                                        |                                           |                                                  |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Formal (live)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Video-conference | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (please specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Web-cast (interactive-formal) | <input type="checkbox"/> Audio-conference | _____                                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College Course                | <input type="checkbox"/> Tele-conference  |                                                  |

Location of Course: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Link to Course Information (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Attachments that must be included:**

1. Course outline/syllabus
2. Course timeline
3. Name and background of Instructor/Speaker

*A statement describing how this course relates to your job duties as a county/municipality treasurer may be requested.*