CLASS LISTINGS & INTERACTIVE TRAINING CALENDAR

Mark your calendar! MTAS training events and conferences are listed here along with information on how to register for upcoming training events on your Solution Point account. READ

RESEARCH/INFORMATION CENTER NEW MATERIALS

MTAS’s Research and Information Center is always adding new materials to its collection. READ

- Firefighters Fatalities in the United States in 2013. Click here.
- Leasing a Garbage Truck. Click here.
- Local Preference in Purchasing Policy. Click here.
- Wastewater Surcharges and Septage Rates. MTAS Survey. Click here.

PAST ISSUES OF THE MUNICIPAL E-NEWSLETTER

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CITY SPOTLIGHT:

LIBERTY

Dekalb County
Incorporated 1850
2014 Population: 310
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The Elected Officials Academy is a program designed for elected officials. The curriculum designed for the academy was developed to give municipal officials an overview of the varied aspects of their role as municipal leaders.

The purpose of the academy is to provide officials an overview of municipal leadership responsibilities and to offer networking opportunities with other local officials to share ideas and gain new insight from their peers. Topics covered in the Academy include the following: Foundations and Structure of Tennessee Municipal Government; Municipal Charters, Codes, and Open Records; Ethics and the Open Meeting Law, Municipal Finance; and How to be an Effective Council.

Get your newly elected (or even not so newly) elected officials signed up for the MTAS course that helps elected officials to succeed in these important positions.

March 20-21, 2015  |  McKenzie (TN) City Hall
April 17-18, 2015  |  Etowah (TN) Community Center

Spring 2015 TAMCAR Conference

SPRING 2015 TAMCAR CONFERENCE
April 15-17, 2015  |  Murfreesboro

Municipal governments are under constant pressure to deliver services more efficiently. As a municipal government professional you must continually evaluate your performance in terms of productivity and effectiveness to keep pace with today’s demands as well as to prepare for tomorrow’s challenges. You must keep up with new trends, sharpen old techniques and acquire new skills. Your participation in this training program will help prepare you for the challenges of public service. By participating in this course, you are joining an outstanding group of municipal professionals who realize that education is a life-long process.

These hours will apply toward your state certification and your International Institute of Municipal Clerks certification if you are a member of IIMC. These hours will also apply as elective hours toward Municipal Administrative Program Certificates. Many of these hours may also satisfy the continuing education requirements that are mandatory to maintain your certifications including the Certified Municipal Finance Officer (CFMO).

The Spring conference will be held April 15–17 in Murfreesboro at the Embassy Suites Conference Center. There will be a four-hour Drug Fund class on Tuesday April 14 as a pre-conference event. This class will be taught by Rex Barton, MTAS police consultant, and will count for CMFO financial continuing education credit. Save these dates for this important conference. Additional details will be available soon. This year, the two conferences will be held in Franklin at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 820 Crescent Centre Drive. And, new this year, you will register for the conference and for the hotel in two SEPARATE steps.
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1) REGISTER FOR CONFERENCE. Go to MTAS’s website, click on “Training Calendar” in the orange band at the top, then click on Solution Point to sign up for the appropriate conference (either for General Sessions on May 14-15 or for the regular Municipal Court Clerks Conference May 21-22). If you have never done this before, a video is available to help you through the process.

2) REGISTER FOR HOTEL. On the MTAS website, go to the MTAS Courts page. Under the MTAS Resources heading, there will be two clickable entries, one for each conference. Click the appropriate conference and it will take you to the Embassy Suites’ microsite that was set up for our conference.

Click here to register for the hotel registration for the spring 2015 Municipal Court Clerks Conference (Block of rooms available until April 21, 2015 or until sold out)

Click here to register for the hotel registration for the spring 2015 Municipal Court Clerks with General Sessions Jurisdiction Conference (Block of rooms available until April 14, 2015 or until sold out)

Note: You will be asked for a credit card, but the card will not be charged unless you 1) fail to cancel before the cancellation date or 2) use the minibar, room service or make other charges to the room while you are at the hotel.

The AOC will pay for one room for each city. Other rooms can be booked but those credit cards on file will be charged.

If you prefer to contact the hotel directly, please dial (615) 515-5151 and be sure to let them know you are with the conference, using the code below.

May 14- General Sessions Clerks Group Code: MCG
May 21- Municipal Court Clerks Group Code: MCC

For conference information contact: Karen Blake, Municipal Court Specialist, at karen.blake@tennessee.edu or (615) 532-7108

If you need any special accommodations or dietary restrictions, please contact Doug Brown at doug.brown@tennessee.edu no later than April 29th.

We are really looking forward to a great conference that begins with lunch on the first day at noon and concludes the second day around 12:30 p.m. Hope to see you there!
UPCOMING CONFERENCES

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE
MARCH 6-10, 2015
Chicago, IL

ICMA SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL SUMMIT
March 12-13, 2015
Grove Park Inn
Asheville, NC

TENNESSEE GFOA SPRING INSTITUTE 2015
March 20, 2015
Chattanooga Marriott

TRANSFORMING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ANNUAL CONFERENCE (ALLIANCE FOR INNOVATION)
April 13-15, 2015
Phoenix, AZ

TENNESSEE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION 23RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE
April 15-17, 2015
Gatlinburg

TENNESSEE CITY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION SPRING CONFERENCE 2015
April 22-24, 2015
Nashville

TENNESSEE FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION
April 29 – May 1, 2015
Gatlinburg

IPMA-HR SOUTHERN REGION CONFERENCE
May 17-20, 2015
Virginia Beach, VA

GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
May 31 – June 3, 2015
Philadelphia, PA

Check out the 2015 MTAS Training Catalog and plan your training calendar now!

MTAS Training Opportunities

Certified Municipal Finance Officer Program (CMFO)

Government Accounting I
4/20/2015  8:30 AM  Collegedale
            4/20/2015  8:30 AM  Collierville
            4/29/2015  8:30 AM  Nashville

Internal Control and Auditing
3/11/2015  8:30 AM  Collierville
3/18/2015  8:30 AM  Collegedale
4/1/2015   8:30 AM  Nashville

Municipal Administration Program (MAP)

Drug Fund Workshop – Special Pre-Conference at the TAMCAR Spring 2015 Conference
4/14/2015  1:00 PM  Murfreesboro

Drug Fund Workshop
4/7/2015  8:30 AM  Collegedale
4/8/2015  8:30 AM  Cookeville
4/9/2015  8:30 AM  Murfreesboro
4/23/2015 1:00 PM  Henry County
4/28/2015  8:30 AM  Johnson City
4/29/2015  8:30 AM  Clinton

Employee Engagement
4/7/2015  8:30 AM  Knoxville
4/8/2015  8:30 AM  Collegedale
4/14/2015  8:30 AM  Kingsport
4/21/2015  8:30 AM  Jackson
4/22/2015  8:30 AM  Franklin

Employee Engagement – Layman’s Approach to Regulations of Potable Water Systems Part I
4/9/2015  8:30 AM  Jackson
4/16/2015  8:30 AM  Oak Ridge
4/23/2015  8:30 AM  Franklin

Planning and Zoning and Board of Zoning Appeals Meetings
3/10/2015  8:30 AM  Johnson City
3/11/2015  8:30 AM  Knoxville
3/12/2015  8:30 AM  Red Bank
3/24/2015  8:30 AM  Franklin
3/25/2015  8:30 AM  Jackson
3/26/2015  8:30 AM  Bartlett

Municipal Management Academy (MMA)

Municipal Manager Overview (MMA01)
3/12/2015  8:00 AM  Harriman

Understanding Work Styles (MMA02)
4/9/2015  8:00 AM  Harriman

Workplace Harassment and Workplace Violence (MMA02)
3/3/2015  8:30 AM  Collierville
3/4/2015  8:30 AM  Collierville

Communication Skills (MMA07)
3/4/2015  8:00 AM  Chattanooga
3/12/2015  8:30 AM  Morristown
4/7/2015   8:30 AM  Collierville
4/8/2015   8:30 AM  Collierville

Motivating Your Workforce (MMA08)
3/31/2015  8:00 AM  Chattanooga
4/9/2015   8:30 AM  Greeneville