SOUTH CAROLINA CLERKS TO COUNCIL ASSOCIATION

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 27

Deadline to RSVP for Summer Social

July 31-August 3

SCAC Conference

August I

12:30 PM Summer Social and Lunch

1:30 PM SCCCA Business Meeting

2 PM Public Sector Public Speaking Class

August 3 I SCCCA Dues Deadline

October 18

Records Mgmt. Class @ SC Department of Archives in Columbia

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SUMMER 2023

JULY 17, 2023

Summer Meeting Social

We have exciting news to share regarding the Summer Conference at Wild Dunes! The Social Committee will host a social event at **12:30 PM** on **Tuesday, August 1, 2023**, The social event will be a **Tumblers and Towels Gift Exchange** (similar to the wildly popular Pocketbook Exchange at the Winter Conference). Please bring a cool tumbler or cozy towel to exchange. Spending on this item should be \$15-20. The SC Clerks to Council Association will provide a boxed lunch for everyone attending the social & business meeting. Please RSVP to Amanda Turner amanda.turner@berkeleycountysc.gov by **Thursday**, July 27 to reserve a boxed lunch for yourself. **This event is** for Clerks only.

We can't wait to see a great turnout for our inaugural summer social!





Public Sector Public Speaking Class

We will be pleased to welcome Sean Fourney as the presenter for the Public Sector Public Speaking Class to be held at 2 PM on Tuesday, August 1. Sean earned a Ph.D. in communication studies from The University of Southern Mississippi with a focus on risk and crisis communication. In the summer of 2018, he interned with The Office for Public Engagement at New Orleans Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness where he helped strategize and communicate readiness and resiliency to the citizens of New Orleans during times of natural and manmade disasters. Prior to academia, he worked in sports broadcasting as a talk show host, sideline reporter, and producer for several stations including an ESPN Radio affiliate in Pennsylvania. Sean is now the Director of The Patricia McArver Public Speaking Lab and CitListen Facilitator for The Citadel. He enjoys helping people with their communication needs including speech construction and delivery, visual presentations, elevator

pitches, group presentations, and special event preparations. He is the advisor to the corps-run public speaking club, "Quad Talkers," that meets weekly to help cadets improve their communication, and hosts The Citadel's Public Speaking Competition each spring to help find the "Best Speaker in the Corps."

If you have not yet registered but would like to participate in this worthwhile class, please contact Kristen Wurster kwurster@charlestoncounty.org as soon as possible. If you are seeking certification, this class will count as an elective.



Charleston is one of the most memorable tourist destinations in the United States. To make the most of your stay in Charleston and the Isle of Palms, visit www.charlestoncvb.com to learn more about attractions, dining, and things to do.





Alligators May Live Here!

When you visit coastal South Carolina, you may encounter alligators. Here are some reminders to keep you and our reptile friends safe.

- Only swim in areas you know are safe.
- Alligators are protected under SC Regulation 123-151. Report alligator feeding or harassment or nuisance alligators to SCDNR at 1-800–922-5431.
- It is unlawful to feed (including throwing fish or fish parts into the water), harass, illegally kill, or take alligators.
- Do not approach alligators, not matter how big or small. Gators can move fast!
- Keep pets on a leash and away from the water's edge.
- Do not allow children (or adults) to throw toys or rocks into the water. To an alligator, a splash means food!
- A fed alligator loses its natural fear of humans. This can pose a danger to the public, and ultimately

results in the alligator's death. A FED GATOR IS A DEAD GATOR!

Getting to Know Shayla Jenkins - Calhoun County



What are 3 words that best describe you? Loving, loyal, ambitious

Tell us about your family. I am a proud mama of a 9 year old daughter, Maya. I have an older sister, Amy, and an older brother, Kevin. They have given me 5 nieces and 3 nephews, and a grandniece and grandnephew, all of whom are "Auntie's babies" and mean so very much to me. I've got my best girl in the world, my mom, Ruby, and my angel daddy, Maxwell, who is constantly watching over me.

Do you have pets? If so, tell us about them. No pets, but my daughter wants to change that soon.

What do you like best about being Clerk to Council? Although it's the most

challenging part of my job, the part I enjoy most is "rallying the troops." With meeting the needs of Council, Administration and staff, making sure everyone is informed, knows what they need to do, where they need to be, all while connecting them with each other and others, including the public; it has proven to be a "thrill" for me.

What do you find most challenging about your job? (see above) Also, my need to make sure everyone is taken care of sometimes can be a stretch, but when it's done, I can go right back to shape.

What advice would you give a newly appointed Clerk? Get to know all your players well. There is always some way to connect. Build a rapport with each person on your Council, Administration, etc. They need you and you need them. You are the point guard and/or quarterback of the team.

What is your personal motto or mantra? Smile, no matter what, while doing your best. A smile can bring out the best in you and those around you; it goes a long way. Being the best you is something that no one else can do as well as you. Walk in confidence, knowing the good Lord is ordering your steps, and He has great plans for you.

How do you define success? Living a life that honors God and makes you proud. By that, I mean, in anything you do, no matter how big or small, keep God first, and make yourself proud.

What do you do for fun? I love playing with Maya and having hear teach me things (as she does daily), spending time with family, trying new recipes and restaurants, organizing and crafting.

If you had a chance to pick your last meal, what would it be? I would want steak and shrimp, with sides of roasted potatoes, asparagus, lima beans with okra, sweet tea, and caramel chewies with vanilla ice cream for dessert. CLERKS CHRONICLE



Getting to Know Doris Pearson - Cherokee County



What are 3 words that best describe you? Christian, kindhearted, & trustworthy.

Tell us about your family. I have three children, Wanda who is married to Ronnie Blackwell; son Ashley who is divorced; my youngest Erin married to Duck McAbee; I have 7 grand children and 7 great grandchildren.

Do you have pets? If so, tell us about them. Not at this time but I have had dogs & cats; I love all animals and feed all the strays that come along, as well as, birds, squirrels, rabbits, etc.

What do you like best about being Clerk to Council? Working with the public and all entities throughout the county & state.

What do you find most challenging about your job? Sometimes working with co-workers in our office that are jealous; even working with Administrators that don't want to work with me.

What advice would you give a newly appointed Clerk? Treat all your councilmembers the same; what you do for one, you do for all. If one comes to you in confidence, then by all means keep it and don't share with other council members. Be honest and never ever lie.

What is your personal motto or mantra? Thank the Lord each & every day, give him all the glory and treat everyone with respect & love.

How do you define success? Accomplishing your goals and the tasks set before you and not be proud and boastful about it, just thankful.

What do you do for fun? Everything I can...I especially love walking, hiking, and spending outdoors with my grands and great grands.

If you had a chance to pick your last meal, what would it be? Biscuits & gravy.

Fun Fact: Doris' county recognizes her achievement of the Master Clerk certification on their website.

Master Clerk to Council

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE WILD DUNES RESORT, ISLE OF PALMS

MONDAY, JULY 31, 2023

9:00 a.m. –	3:30 p.m.	Registration
10:00 a.m	1:00 p.m.	Institute of Government Classes (concurrent classes)
1:00 p.m. –	2:00 p.m.	Boxed Lunches (Institute Registrants Only)
2:00 p.m	5:00 p.m.	Institute of Government Classes (concurrent classes)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023

8:00 a.m.	Worship Service
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Exhibit Area Open
8:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Probate Judges
9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.	Institute of Government Classes
9:00 a.m.	Constitution, Resolutions and Bylaws Committee
9:30 a.m.	Nominating Committee
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Caucus Meetings
1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Councils of Governments Executive Directors Meeting
12:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Clerks to Council Meeting
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	County Managers, Administrators & Supervisors Business Meeting
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	SC Coalition of Black County Officials
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	President's/Corporate Partners' Reception

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2023

		12:00 p.m.	Exhibit Area Open
8:30 a.m.	-	3:00 p.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m.	-	10:00 a.m.	Legislative Power Hour & Breakfast
		12:15 p.m.	General Session
1:30 p.m.	-	3:45 p.m.	Workshops
6:00 p.m.	-	10:00 p.m.	Closing Reception

*A Note About Included Food and Beverages

The Institute of Government registration fee covers the cost of coffee/beverage breaks (Monday morning/afternoon and Tuesday morning) and a boxed lunch (Monday) for Institute participants (registered guests are not included).

The registration fee for the **Annual Conference** covers the cost of coffee/beverage breaks in the Exhibit Hall (Tuesday afternoon/Wednesday morning and afternoon), President's/Corporate Partners' Reception, breakfast (Wednesday), and the 2023 Closing Reception for delegates and their registered guest. **All guests must be pre-registered in order to attend.**

*Name badges will be required at all SCAC events and meetings.

SCAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE & INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENT WILD DUNES RESORT, ISLE OF PALMS





SOUTH CAROLINA CLERKS TO COUNCIL ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Happy birthday to our Sister Clerks born in July, August, and September! We salute you and wish you the happiest year ahead!







BEGIN Records Management Class at South Carolina Department of Archives and History Wednesday, October 18 10 AM—noon 8301 Parklane Rd, Columbia, SC 29223

This class is required for certification, so if you are missing this class, please make plans to attend since it is only offered once every few years!

Would you like to volunteer to write an article for the next Clerks Chronicle? The Fall 2023 edition will be published in October.

Contact Kristen Salisbury at ksalisbury@charlestoncounty.org or 843-958-4031 for more details!

