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The Presidents Corner



As your newly elected president I would like to say Hi! I am very honored you voted for me. (Even if I was the only one on the ballot.) I have enjoyed being a part of KACM for many years. First as a member, then a committee member, a trustee, to sgt. of arms, treasurer, vice president, committee chair, vice president again and now top dog – president. I will do my best for you.

We just had our fall conference in Overland Park. What a ritzy hotel. If you didn't get to attend you missed a treat. I know we can't stay in hotels like this often, but it is nice to see how the upper crust lives. If you didn't get to stay over night, you really missed a luxury. The bed was the best I have ever slept on. To keep the costs down we cut back on a few things, like, dessert at lunch. Who knew this was going to be a BIG NO NO. It will not happen again if I have anything to say (which I don't). We did not have a planned function on Thursday night because over half of the registration forms came back showing the members wanted to be on their own. Some went shopping, some to the casinos, others dancing, etc. For those who didn't have anything to do, we had the most wonderful hospitality suite. The theme was a beach party. I learned the hard way Twister is not my best game. I was the first one out. Janeice, Mary Ann and Traci out did themselves again. Next fall's conference is already in the planning, with a new theme.

I am personally in the middle of football season. I have two grandsons playing. One of which is on both the varsity and junior varsity teams. That means three games each week. When I add that to everything else in my life, I'm as busy as the proverbial long tail cat in a room full of rocking chairs. This fall has been wonderful and the trees

are looking beautiful. I haven't got all my flowers planted yet but there is always next year. I have been known to plant plastic flowers in the bare spots. Those of you who know me are not surprised by this. I don't have any Christmas presents purchased yet either. One holiday at a time, please. I have costumes to make. My granddaughter wants to be a werewolf or a vampire. She hasn't decided yet. I keep showing her pictures of princesses and angels. I think with three older brothers, I may be fighting a losing battle. I guess it's time for the world to have a blond hair, blue eyed, petite girl (dressed as a vampire and howling like a werewolf) playing football.

As part of my duties as president I need to keep you informed of problems. We have a problem with the business meeting held September 18th. A motion was made during "Old Business" which was not on the agenda and had not been addressed before. The motion was to change the By-Law directing how the slate-of-officers are chosen. The problem is our By-Laws state that any changes to the By-Laws are to be made by the Board of Directors. Therefore the motion was not valid and the vote did not count. The board will address this in January. Anyone who wishes to attend will be welcome. The board meeting will be in Salina on January 16, 2003 at 10:00 am. If you wish to attend let me know so I can get a head count for the meeting room. We will have results for you at the spring business meeting.

Currently, the past presidents committee collectively develops the slate and presents it to the membership. The membership then may nominate anyone from the floor and a vote is taken. The new motion states "the immediate past president, Sgt. of Arms, a spokesperson for the trustees and two in good standing, at random, of membership" (picked by the out-going president) will develop the slate. This motion needs a lot of discussion and fine-tuning before we ratify it. If you have any thoughts or questions regarding this but cannot make it to the board meeting, please feel free to contact me. As your president I do want the final decision to reflect your wishes.

KANSAS ASSOCIATION FOR COURT MANAGEMENT
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
September 18, 2003

The K.A.C.M. annual business meeting was held Thursday, September 18, 2003 at Sheraton Hotel, Overland Park, Kansas. Sgt. at Arms Sherri Adams (Pittsburg) called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and the following officers and board members were present: President Jerry Sperling (Lindsborg), Vice President Janet Mitchell (Overland Park), Secretary Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village), Treasurer Jane Eilers (Salina), Sgt. at Arms Sherri Adams (Pittsburg), Board of Trustees, Rod Edmondson (Baxter Springs), Gloria McBee (Newton), Theresa Durler (Dodge City), Leslie Felts (Winfield), Dee Heath (Benton), Rick Voisin (Towanda), and Alternate Trustee Mary Mogle (Basehor). Alternate Trustee Barb McGuire (Mount Hope) was absent.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherri Adams (Pittsburg), Marsha Adkinson (Eudora), Merry Baxter (Rose Hill), Becky Boice (Yates Center), Dawn Burkes (Oxford), Susie Busenbark (Overland Park), Shirley Bybee (Overland Park), Susie Call (Iola), Susan Campbell (Arkansas City), Mark Chop (Kansas City), Jane Clark (Spring Hill), Melinda Clark (Wellsville), Diane Clay (Ft. Scott), Nioma Cook (El Dorado), Fabiola Cruz (Merriam), Karen Daniels (Tonganoxie), E.P. Davis (Lyons), Adela Diaz (Prairie Village), Theresa Durler (Dodge City), Rodney Edmondson (Baxter Springs), Jane Eilers (Salina), Linda Engel (Oakley), Leslie Felts (Winfield), Laura Fisher (Bentley), Vonnie Fisher (Fairway), Carol Gatlin-Willey (Osawatomie), Shelley Gregory (Westwood), Vicki Harrell (Perry), Merri Harris (Olathe), Dee Heath (Benton), Kathy Hernandez (Edwardsville), Glenda Herring (Prairie Village), Jeannine Hoheisel (Hesston), Carol Holda (Olathe), Barbara Hunter (Prairie Village), Barbara Hyman (Beloit), Barb Inselman (Lenexa), Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village), Jo Johnson (Clearwater), Diane Johnston (Olathe), Stacey Johnston (Fairway), Kimberley Jones (Enterprise), Linda Jones (Osage City), Beth Kershner (Scott City), Corene Ketzner (Colwich), Debbie Kirby (Lansing), Nichi Larson (Shawnee), Gwen Lewis-Jones (Lenexa), Mary Marshall (Salina), Gloria McBee (Newton), Debra Metzger (Lyons), Margie Mickelson (Ellis), Janet Mitchell (Overland Park), Mary Mogle (Basehor), Paula Morgan (Shawnee), Kaylene Nickelson (Wakeeney), Tiffany Peters (Dodge City), Debbie Pickell (Gardner), Debbie Plew (Mulvane), Joy Purks (Bel Aire), Amy Raprager (Newton), Janeice Rawles (Edgerton), Sandi Reitcheck (Hoxie), Colette Rheinheimer (Ulysses), Konny Ritchie (Pawnee Rock), Goldie Robinson (Valley Center), Toni Rogers (Haysville), Shelley Sawyer (Leawood), Emily Semadeni (Lenexa), Sheila Sheridan (Olathe), Jerry Sperling (Lindsborg), LeAnn Taylor (Goodland), Cathy Timmons (Leavenworth), Kim Tyson (Burlingame), Rick Voisin (Towanda), Jeanette Ward (Hiawatha), Candy Westhoff (Girard), Dian Wilkins (Leavenworth), and Liz Ziegler (Kingman).

Associate Members Present:

Doris Schoeck (Emporia)

Non-Members Present:

Ramon Gonzalez, Jr. (Perry), Lisa McDonald (Lawrence), and Barbara Nash (Liberal),

MINUTES AND TREASURER REPORT

The minutes of the June 30, 2003 Board of Director's Meeting were presented for approval. President Jerry Sperling (Lindsborg) asked if there were any corrections. Secretary Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village) advised that under Old Business, By-laws Review, the first two indentations, Article I, Section 6, and Article I, Section 7, should both be Article II rather than Article I. Janet Mitchell (Overland Park) made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Jeannine Hoheisel (Hesston) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jane Eilers (Salina) presented the treasurer's report. The checking account balance is \$18,360.28 as of September 15, 2003. Leslie Felts (Winfield) made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Jeanette Ward (Hiawatha) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Secretary Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village) read a card that was received from Toni Rogers (Haysville).

SLATE OF OFFICERS

Jerry Sperling (Lindsborg) read the slate of officers for 2003-2004 as presented by the Past President's Committee: President - Janet Mitchell (Overland Park), Vice President - Sherri Adams (Pittsburg), Secretary - Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village), Treasurer - Jane Eilers (Salina), Sgt. at Arms - Rod Edmondson (Baxter Springs), Trustees - Chairperson Jerry Lovett-Sperling (Lindsborg), Dee Heath (Benton), Theresa Durler (Dodge City), Rick Voisin (Towanda), Gloria McBee (Newton), Mary Mogle (Basehor), Alternate Trustees - Jeannine Hoheisel (Hesston) and Barbara McGuire (Mount Hope). Nominations were opened to the floor. There being no nominations, Carla Rains (Wellington) made a motion to adopt the slate of officers as presented. Barbara Hyman (Beloit) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Ambassador** - Sherri Adams reported that it went fine at lunch with everyone finding his or her assigned seat.
- **Education** - None

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- **Hospitality** – None
- **Membership** – None
- **Scholarship** – Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village) reported that there are four scholarship recipients for the fall conference, Laura Fisher (Bentley), Corene Ketzner (Colwich), Lisa McDonald (Lawrence) and Barbara Nash (Liberal). She encouraged everyone to bid on the Silent Auction items and participate in the \$1 Chance tickets.
- **Promo/Sales** –Dee Heath (Benton) announced a T-shirt idea contest. If you have an idea for a fun KACM T-shirt then get your ideas to the committee, there will be a prize awarded for the idea that’s chosen. She also requested members to submit new ideas for promotions.
- **Courtesy** – Gloria McBee (Newton) requested that members e-mail her if a card or flowers need to be sent to someone.
- **Historian** – History books will be in the hospitality room.
- **Legislative** – Karen Kuffler (Parsons) absent.
- **Manual** – Toni Rogers (Haysville) reported that an update to the court clerk’s manual was mailed to the Judges along with new procedures on the caseload summary. The summary is to be submitted annually after the second quarter (ending June 30th) rather than quarterly. Make sure you get your copy from your Judge.
- **Newsletter and Past President** – Leslie Felts (Winfield) asked that members send articles to her. If there are any legislative updates she will include that in the next newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed By-law Amendments were presented as follows:

Article II, section 6, subsection (a) – delete [and all privileges of membership shall be terminated.]

Article II, Section 7 – delete [upon approval of the Board of Directors.]

Article III, Section 4 – [“Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be first be filled rom the Alternate Trustees...”]

Amend to read as follows “Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall first be filled from the Alternate Trustees...”

Article III, Section 12 – Amend title to read **Meetings by Telephone or Alternate Devices of Technology**. Delete [other similar communication equipment] and replace with [alternate devices of technology]. Delete [hear] and replace with “communicate with”.

Leslie Felts (Winfield) made a motion to adopt the amendments to the by-laws as presented. Glenda Herring (Prairie Village) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Jerry Lovett-Sperling asked if there were any other Old Business. Sherri Adams (Pittsburg) made a motion to amend Article 10, Section 9, “Elections/Past Presidents’ Committees” of the by-laws as follows: “...Nominations for such positions will be made by the nominating committee which will consist of the immediate past President, Sgt. at Arms, a spokesperson for the trustees and two in good standing, at random, of membership.” Rod Edmondson (Baxter Springs) seconded the motion.

There was discussion concerning the motion and in particular how to pick two from the membership at large.

Merri Baxter (Rose Hill) made an amendment to the motion that the two at random to be chosen by the out-going President. Linda Jones (Osage City) seconded the motion. Vote was taken on the amendment and it carried. Vote was taken on the motion as amended and it carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Spring Conference is April 1-2 in Lawrence, KS.

Recognition of New Members

Twelve new members were recognized. They are as follows: Linda Engel (Oakley), Felecia Golden (Overland Park), Christy Barnett (Olathe), Barbara Chesney (Olathe), Margie Mickelson (Ellis), Susan Campbell (Arkansas City), Laura Fisher (Bentley), E.P. Davis (Lyons), Amy Raprager (Newton), Merri Harris (Olathe), Vicki Harrell (Perry), and Kerry Jacques (Baldwin City).

Installation of Officers

Past President Leslie Felts (Winfield), installed the 2003-2004 KACM Officers. They are as follows:

President	Janet Mitchell (Overland Park)
Vice President	Sherri Adams (Pittsburg)
Secretary	Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village)
Treasurer	Jane Eilers (Salina)
Sgt. at Arms	Rod Edmondson (Baxter Springs)

Trustees

Chairperson Jerry Lovett-Sperling (Lindsborg), Dee Heath (Benton), Theresa Durler (Dodge City), Rick Voisin (Towanda), Gloria McBee (Newton), Mary Mogle (Basehor)

Alternate Trustees

Jeannine Hoheisel (Hesston) and Barbara McGuire (Mount Hope)

There being no further business on the agenda, Jeannine Hoheisel (Hesston) made a motion to adjourn. Jerry Lovett-Sperling (Lindsborg) seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

**KACM COMMITTEES
2003-2004****Ambassador Committee**

Debra Metzger, Chairman 620-257-2320
Lyons
Kim Tyson 785-654-2414
Burlingame
Kaylene Nickleson 785-743-5511
Wakeeney
Konnie Ritchie 620-982-4386
Pawnee Rock

Courtesy Committee

Linda Jones, Chairman 785-528-3714
Osage City
Beth Kershner 620-872-5822
Scott City

Education Committee

Sherrie Adams, Chairman 620-231-9880
Pittsburg
E.P. Davis
Lyons
Janeice Rawles 913-893-6231
Edgerton

Hospitality Committee

Janeice Rawles, Chairman 913-893-6231
Edgerton
Veva King 913-327-6856
Overland Park
Jeannine Hoheisel 620-327-4412
Hesston
Mary Mogle 913-724-1370x28
Basehor
Debbie Pickel 913-856-7535
Gardner
Tracie Myracle 913-724-1370x30
Basehor

Legislative Committee

Karen Kuffler, Chairman 620-421-7068
Parsons
Amy Raprager 316-284-6050
Newton

Membership Committee

Rod Edmondson, Chairman 620-856-3825
Baxter Springs
Diane Clay 620-223-0550
Fort Scott
Rick Voisin 316-536-2243
Towanda

Newsletter Committee

Leslie Felts, Chairman 620-221-5515
Winfield
Barbara Inselman 913-477-7600
Lenexa

Promotion/Sales Committee

Dee Heath, Chairman 316-778-1625
Benton
Theresa Durler 620-225-8107
Dodge City
Joy Purks 316-744-2451x19
Bel Aire
Kimberly Jones 785-263-8323
Enterprise
C.J. Stuart 316-722-8736
Maize

Scholarship Committee

Candy Westhoff, Chairman 620-724-8918
Girard
Bettina Jamerson 913-385-4680
Prairie Village
Goldie Robinson 316-755-7309
Valley Center
Melinda Clark 785-883-8896
Wellsville

Manual Committee

Toni Rogers, Chairman 316-529-5920
Haysville

Past Presidents Committee

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Lindsborg
Leslie Felts 620-221-5515
Winfield
Toni Rogers 316-529-5920
Haysville
Connie Sams 785-242-5333
Ottawa
Carla Rains 620-326-2791
Wellington
Kathy Tisdale 620-441-4408
Arkansas City
Phil Martin 620-342-5105
Emporia

Historian Committee

Doris Schoeck 620-342-8687
Emporia

This is the new committee list, first of all Thanks to all of you that volunteer for these committees.

If there is anyone who would like to join a committee and missed the sign up, please either contact KACM President– Janet Mitchell or the committee chairperson for the committee in which you are interested.

Committee chairpersons please be sure to contact all of your committee members and start your planning for next years conference.

**KACM 2003 FALL CONFERENCE
EVALUATION**

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Principles to Guide Personal and Professional Effectiveness By Dr. Kisthardt	55	6	1	
Tobacco Diversion Program By Kurt Spivey	20	31	10	
Drugs, Gangs and Children By Daryl Reese	41	20	2	
Automated External Defibrillator By Buck Heath	31	21	6	
Wrong of Passage By Mary Moss	35	15	7	
Open Records By Karen Arnold-Burg	43	17		
Motor Vehicle Department By Marcie Raulston	41	13	1	
Food	12	27	11	11
Conference Room	26	30	3	1
Hotel	42	9	1	3

**Also Great Job Hospitality Committee!!!
It was a HUGE success!!**

Comments: Biggest complaint, the hotel was to expensive. Most positive was Motor Vehicle and Open Records.

What would you like to see at future conferences? The conference to start at 8:30 or 9:00. More interaction with clerks. Thursday Dinner. Dessert with lunch.



Attention KACM
Members:

If anyone would like to submit an article, see a specific topic addressed or if you might have a special occasion or event coming up that you would like to see in the newsletter please either contact Leslie Felts at 620-221-5515 or email information to lfelts@cox.net or lfelts@winfieldks.org

The newsletter is printed every quarter, so all articles need to be sent in no later than the last month of each quarter.



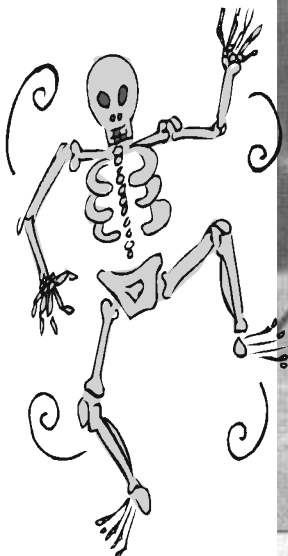
Dates to Remember

**Municipal Court Clerks
Spring Conference
April 1st & 2nd, 2004
Lawrence, KS**

**KACM Fall Conference
September 16th & 17th 2004
Salina, KS**



KACM'S Very own Beth Kershner of Fort Scott made the local Fort Scott Paper, We thought it only befitting to share it with the rest of Kansas! By the way is that a REAL knife she's Wielding? Run little mice run!



The farmer's wife (Beth Kershner) chases after three blind mice with a butcher knife (from left), Scott City Hall employees Barb Wilkinson, Kathy Weibert and Brenda Davis, on Halloween. The four were seen scurrying (and slightly winded) in downtown Scott City Friday morning. (Record Photo)

**KANSAS ASSOCIATION FOR COURT MANAGEMENT
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
September 19, 2003**

The K.A.C.M. Board of Director's meeting was held Friday, September 19, 2003 at Sheraton Hotel, Overland Park, Kansas. Janet Mitchell, President, called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and the following officers and board members were present: President Janet Mitchell (Overland Park), Vice President Sherri Adams (Pittsburg), Secretary Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village), Treasurer Jane Eilers (Salina), Sgt. At Arms Rod Edmondson (Baxter Springs), Board of Trustees, Jerry Lovett-Sperling (Lindsborg), Dee Heath (Benton), Theresa Durler (Dodge City), Rick Voisin (Towanda), Gloria McBee (Newton), Mary Mogle (Basehor), and Alternate Trustee, Jeannine Hoheisel (Hesston). Alternate Trustee Barb McGuire (Mount Hope) was absent.

MINUTES AND TREASURER REPORT

Sherri Adams (Pittsburg) made a motion to postpone approval of the minutes of the September 18, 2003 General Business Meeting until the next Board Meeting. Gloria McBee (Newton) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer Jane Eilers (Salina) had nothing new to report.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Ambassador – None
- Courtesy – None
- Education – None
- Hospitality – None
- Legislative – None
- Manual – None
- Membership – None
- Newsletter – None
- Past President – None.
- Scholarship – Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village) reported that the Silent Auction brought in \$383.50 and the "Chance" tickets brought in \$171.50, which brought the total to \$555.00 for the Polly Mains Memorial Scholarship fund.
- Historian – Jerry Lovett-Sperling (Lindsborg) reported that Doris Schoeck (Emporia) advised that she purchased a case for the history books and updated her supplies. Doris also advised that the 20th Anniversary of KACM is not until 2006.
- Promo/Sales – Dee Heath (Benton) reported that they profited \$287.00 at the conference. She also reported that several people asked about give-away items for the conference. Janet Mitchell (Overland Park) advised that the reason there wasn't any give-away items was to try and keep the cost of the conference down.
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OLD BUSINESS

KACM Officer and Committee Responsibilities - Jerry Lovett-Sperling (Lindsborg) reported that she is compiling the changes/updates the Board suggested at our last meeting. She will forward that to the Past Presidents Committee to review because one of their duties is to keep the committee duties updated.

NEW BUSINESS

Bettina Jamerson (Prairie Village) addressed the issue of communication at this conference between committee chairs and their committee. We need to have effective communication in order to keep one another informed which in turn will help the conference to run smoothly for all involved.

Janet Mitchell (Overland Park) requested the Past Presidents Committee look into the adoption of the by-law change that was made at the General Business Meeting yesterday to see that it was done correctly. This would be in reference to the Nominating Committee for the KACM Slate of Officers. Jerry Lovett-Sperling (Lindsborg) advised that she would do that.

Fall Conference 2004 - Sherri Adams (Pittsburg) has received information on the Marriott in Wichita and they are not available the third week in September, but would be the following week. They would offer us state rate of \$65/night. Janet Mitchell (Overland Park) has received information on the proposal in Hays and passed that on to Sherri. Jane Eilers (Salina) will obtain some information on hotels in Salina and get that to Sherri. A location will be decided on before the next newsletter goes out in October in order to let the members know where the conference will be.

There was discussion about membership dues and conference registration taking place so close together that it was confusing for many of our members. Rod Edmondson (Baxter Springs) will look into the issue and generate ideas for solutions and bring that to the Board.

Next Board Meeting will be at Kathy's Kitchen in El Dorado, if available. Janet Mitchell (Overland Park) will check to see if they're available the 3rd Friday of January 2004.

KACM BULLETIN BOARD

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Karen Kuffler of Parsons and her parents, which have both been quite ill.

Also a big hope your feeling better and Happy Retirement to Juanita McLean of Overland Park!



Thanks to his new pop-out fullness indicator. Andy was able to leave the Thanksgiving table satisfied, not stuffed.

Application for Membership to the Kansas Association for Court Management

Any appointed or elected Court Clerk/Court Administrator or Assistant Court Clerk/Administrator or any person serving in a management position in any Municipal Court of the State of Kansas shall be eligible for Regular membership.

Any person interested in the improvement of administration of justice may be eligible for Associate membership.

Any person enrolled full time in a degree program in the field of court administration, business administration, public administration, law, criminal justice or other related field and not presently employed full time in a court may become a student member.

Membership is for individuals, not for the court.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Type of Membership Requested:

- | | |
|---|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Membership | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Membership | \$30.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Membership | \$15.00 |

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO THE KANSAS ASSOCIATION
FOR COURT MANAGEMENT (KACM).

Return check and membership application to :

Jane Eilers, Treasurer
255 North 10th St.
Salina, KS 67401

If you have a question as to whether or not you are currently a member please contact Jane at 785-826-7230

Please note: The membership year is from July to July. Please make sure that your membership hasn't already been paid before sending this in.

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