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February Executive Director's Column

Two items to share this week from your director: a very successful meeting was held with members of the FCCMA Legislative Committee and a selected group of House, Senate and joint legislative committee staff directors and their analysts. We met in Tallahassee on January 29 and had 9 committees represented. This is the fourth time the Committee has held this meeting to share our availability with these directors and analysts as they study legislation impacting cities and counties. The Committee shared its availability and also stressed our partnership with both FLC and FAC on legislative advocacy. [\(Read more\)](#)

February New Members

The following membership applications have been received. If no current member comes forth with a reason why these applicants should not be approved as members, he/she will be invoiced for dues. **Micah E.S. Badana**, District VII, Management Analyst, Town of Belleair, Affiliate Member; **Michael A. McNeese**, District III, City Manager, City of Melbourne, Full Member; **Ellen Vause**, District VII, City Manager, City of Hawthorne, Full Member; and **Bogdan "Bob" Vitas, Jr.**, District VI, City Manager, City of Key West, Full Member. [\(Read more\)](#)

Melbourne Onsite Training Session- Deadline to Register is Today



Join FCCMA on February 27, 2013 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Pineda Landing Park's POW/MIA Community Center, 5995 N. US Highway 1/Rockledge Boulevard in Melbourne for an onsite training session on Strategic Planning.

Lyle Sumek and Associates, Inc. is a consulting organization that specializes in team building, strategic planning, and goal setting for local governments. [\(Read more\)](#)

FCCMA 2013 Awards

The deadline is approaching to submit nominations for the FCCMA awards. All submittals must be electronic, not larger than 1mb and received by Carol Russell at crussell@flcities.com by 5:00 p.m. on February 25, 2013. Late entries will not be considered. A confirmation email will be sent after the award is received. ([Read more](#))

So You Want To Be A City/County Manager?

Then you need to attend this free one-day session at the FCCMA Annual Conference! This pre-conference session will be held Wednesday, May 22, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. - 3:45 p.m., at the Hilton Orlando, 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL. ([Read more](#))

New Florida Law Requires Non-U.S. Residents to Carry an International Driving Permit

Please share with your law enforcement staff, if applicable: A new law that went into effect January 1 requires non-U.S. residents who drive in Florida to carry an international driving permit. This law was passed during the 2012 legislative session. The intent of the law was to make sure that law enforcement would not be given documents in languages other than English. ([Read more](#))

Public-Private Pay Comparisons: An Analysis of Florida

By Robert E. Lee and Andrew M. Thompson

When Jon Lewis was FCCMA President, The Center for Florida Local Government Excellence was asked to undertake research on public versus private sector compensation in Florida. Below is a link to the research paper that Bob and Andrew completed that was recently published in the Journal of Compensation and Benefit Review. ([Read more](#))

Jason Nunemaker Receives 2012 Carolyn K. Eggert Economic Development Award

On January 30 at the Vero Beach Country Club the Indian River County Chamber of Commerce presented Jason Nunemaker the 2012 Carolyn K. Eggert Economic Development Award. ([Read more](#))

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