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Hellos and Goodbyes

by Lynn Tipton, Executive Director



We reported in last week's Manager that our profession lost a true friend, Ken Hammons, city manager of Panama City. Throughout Ken's career he was known for his commitment to ethics, his generosity to colleagues, and his warm regard for the elected officials he served. I'm so pleased that we were able to present Ken with the inaugural FCCMA Lifetime Achievement Award

in May, named for one of his mentors, Dick Simmons. Dick hired Ken as an administrative assistant to the city manager in West Palm Beach; and from that collegial beginning, a great friendship grew. Ken served many Florida cities, and all of them were better for his service. We will miss Ken's commitment to FCCMA and to excellence in city management. This is a sad goodbye to a dear friend. Some of you have asked about memorial donations in Ken's memory; I've included the information below for a program at his church that he believed in and supported. Checks should be made payable to the church with the notation: Celebrate Recovery. [\(Read more\)](#)

2014 FCCMA Dinner at the ICMA Conference



FCCMA will hold its annual dinner at the ICMA Annual Conference in Charlotte at Fitzgerald's Irish Pub, 201 East 5th Street, Charlotte, NC 28202 on Monday, September

15. Dinner is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. [\(Read more\)](#)

July 2014 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. **James P. Kelly**, District IV, Village Manager, Village of North Palm Beach, Full Member; and **John T. Young**, District VII, Affiliate Member. [\(Read more\)](#)

Form of Government Campaigns



ICMA works directly with citizens' groups that promote the adoption/retention of the council-manager form of government or the creation of positions of

professional local government management during form of government challenges. Following results of these ballot measures, ICMA publishes a From the Ballot Box article in the newsletter. The article describes each campaign, provides election results and notes ICMA's participation with any financial disbursement from the ICMA Fund for Professional Management. The From Ballot Box article also includes campaign results where ICMA did not provide assistance but learned of them through online articles, if applicable. ([Read more](#))

100th ICMA Conference in Charlotte



by Ken Parker, ICMA Senior Advisor

The 100th ICMA Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina is less than two months away. This is a time of celebration and reflection as well as a time to look to the future of local government management. For the past 100 years ICMA has stood for professional local government management. The ICMA Code of Ethics is the standard by which local government managers are measured. ([Read more](#))

Assistance to High Energy Cost Rural Communities



Available amount: \$50,000 to \$3,000,000.

The purpose of this United States Department of Agriculture grant is to acquire, construct, extend, upgrade or otherwise improve energy generation, transmission or distribution facilities serving eligible communities. Nonprofit and for profit organizations, government agencies, and Indian Tribes and Tribal entities are eligible to apply. ([Read more](#))

2014 Florida Ethics Conference and Attorney General's Sunshine Summit



Save the Date to attend the 2014 Florida Ethics Conference and Attorney General's Sunshine Summit on September 24-26, 2014 at the Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando. Hotel accommodations are available now. The room rate is \$119 per night. Call 1-(866) 996-6338. ([Read more](#))

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