Last Day to Register at Early Bird Rate!

The League’s Annual Conference offers something for everyone! We recommend councilmembers/commissioners, mayors, managers and administrators, clerks, and department heads attend our conference. A number of valuable workshops, discussions, and networking opportunities await you! The early bird pricing for conference ends TODAY! Registration is easy and can be done online. Any registrations received after Friday, September 21 will have a $35 late fee applied.

MTIs at Conference

This year, the League will offer three Municipal Training Institute classes at Annual Conference. Each MTI will be held from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 6 at the Maner Conference Center in Topeka. Register for MTIs with your Annual Conference registration at www.lkm.org/annualconference.

Valuing Diversity (Elective)

The municipal workforce is a continually changing landscape. Retirements, new hires, and personnel movement from other sectors affect how a city manages their greatest asset – human capital. This session will explore generational differences and how our mindset affects how we manage, lead, and develop the professional culture of our organizations. General Counsel Amanda Stanley will teach this elective MTI course and focus on:

- Leadership styles;
- Managing diversity of thought and approach to work;
- Encouraging a workforce culture that focuses on growth, grit, and innovation.

Advanced Municipal Finance (Elective)

Advanced Municipal Finance will provide an analysis of full-time employee numbers for department sizing and employee cost centers. The course will also address capital improvement planning, equipment purchasing timing/scheduling, and debt tools/methods.

Ethics and Civility (Core)

Ethics and civility are essential parts of good government. At this core course, you’ll learn about the ethics laws your city officials need to follow, along with best practices for creating an ethical organization and civil meeting environments. Specific topics include: Conflict of interest laws and regulations; rules regarding use of public funds and property; sample ethics codes; appropriate interaction with vendors; psychology of ethical behavior; conflict resolution; and smart meeting procedures.

MTI Cost: $100 for members ($125 for non-members). Register for MTIs at www.lkm.org/annualconference.

City Attorney Fall CLE Deadline Today

The 2018 City Attorneys Association of Kansas (CAAK) fall meeting & CLE which will focus on many issues facing municipal attorneys. This year’s fall CLE will be held on Friday, October 5 in conjunction with the League Annual Conference. Some of the topics included at this CLE include the Kansas Tort Claim Act, annexation, ethics, and much more. More information is available online.

The meeting will be held at the Capitol Plaza Hotel/Maner Conference Center in Topeka. Register online at www.caak.us by Friday, September 21 to avoid a late fee. As a reminder, cancellations will not be accepted after the September 21 date.

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**SUPREME COURT-APPOINTED COMMITTEE PRESENTS RECOMMENDATIONS ON MUNICIPAL COURT PRACTICES**

An ad hoc committee appointed by the Kansas Supreme Court a year ago to review bonding practices, fines, and fees of Kansas’ municipal courts presented its recommendations this week.

The Supreme Court directed the committee to study current municipal court practices, examine the practices in other courts across the country, and recommend best practices for Kansas municipal courts. The committee’s report offered 18 recommendations. It was delivered to the judicial administrator of the Office of Judicial Administration and to the executive director of the League of Kansas Municipalities, as spelled out in the Supreme Court order. View the report and press release online.

**TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE MEETINGS**

The Joint Legislative Transportation Task Force will meet the following dates:

- October 4 – Newton
- October 11 – Garden City
- October 18 – Wichita
- October 24 – Hays
- November 8 – Johnson County
- November 9 – Manhattan
- November 28 and 29 – Topeka

To find more information on these meetings, visit the Kansas Legislative Research Department website.

**KANSAS HEALTH CHAMPION NOMINATIONS - DEADLINE APPROACHING!**

The Kansas Governor’s Council on Fitness is looking to recognize one outstanding individual and one outstanding organization that have done exemplary work to model, encourage, and promote health and fitness in Kansas.

Nominate your organization or an individual using their online form. For more information, visit their website. Deadline for submissions is September 30, 2018!