As I attended meetings recently the question asked was aren't you glad your year as president is over. I must say part of me is and another part is not. Being president of the league was a great experience and I am glad that I was able to serve you in such a capacity. As the holidays approach I am so much in the holiday spirit this year. We have a family tradition with my husband's family of all of us going together to cut our Christmas trees and I am eagerly waiting to do that and get the tree up. In the midst of all those thoughts and excitement I am humbled at the reason for the season, our Lord Jesus Christ was born. What a present we all received with his birth. May you remember the reason for the season, having a blessed holiday and New Year.
Laura Baker, ILMCT Immediate Past President

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Holiday Greeting to All!
As we enter this holiday season, and each of us gather with family and friends, may we take the time to reflect on all of the wonderful blessings that have been so graciously bestowed upon us. It is my wish to each and everyone of you, that you experience many hours of laughter, peace, love, joy and God’s blessings in the coming year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Kay Brown, ILMCT Vice-President

May your season be filled with warmth and good cheer and may the good times and precious moments of today be the golden memories of tomorrow. May our Lord bless you with all the happiness and success you deserve. Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 
Teresa Glenn, ILMCT Treasurer

Christmas! The mere mention of the word conjures up magic for me. It is the magic of hoping and anticipating, of giving and receiving, of remembering, and of dreaming. My boyhood memories of Christmas are still vivid—smells of Christmas cookies and turkey dinner, the image of brightly wrapped packages under the Christmas tree, the music of carols sung during Christmas Eve service at my church, the taste of hot chocolate on a cold Christmas morning, and the Warmth of my mother’s hug as she read to me “Twas the Night Before Christmas.” Now, as an adult, I am aware today's children are about to form Christmas memories that will last their lifetime. I realize that not every child will be as fortunate as I was in my childhood, and few children will be taught the true meaning of Christmas. And so, it becomes our charge to enable every child, regardless of age to create beautiful memories, to benefit from shared love, and to learn what Christmas is really about. Let each of us help someone, young or old, enjoy the magic of Christmas! Thank you for allowing me to be your president this year. I wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous, healthy New Year!
Dave Shafer, ILMCT President

Christmas’ past hold many fond memories … Great Grandma Ziebell’s sprirnglerle, gathering around the tree at Grandma Kern’s chilly farm house and the year my Mom and sisters and I tried to flock the Christmas tree. But, my fondest memories are from my families gathering to attend Christmas Eve church services to give thanks for our many blessings and celebrate the birth of our King. May you and yours be blessed during this holiday season and find wonderful memories to cherish now and in the New Year.
Deb Twitchell, ILMCT Secretary
**Education Notes**

IIMC has sent out written procedures concerning the proper way to apply for certification. You can submit as often as you like but recommend that you submit once or twice yearly in order to get a status report. When you send in your information, you need to include an Application for Designation with each submission. IIMC will be unable to review your application if you don’t send in your supporting documentation. Supporting documentation includes the name of the applicant, the date of work, the title/description/or nature of the work, the date, location and hours spent and any other pertinent information. You can have your point requirements reviewed at any time, not just when you have completed the requirements. If you have already sent your supporting documents, please do not send it to them again. You also need to maintain your own personal copies of what was sent to IIMC. If you have any questions on any of these requirements you can check the IIMC’s website.

We are in the process of organizing all of the classes for 2011, including a CTAR class for the electronic submission to SBA. Those dates will be announced once they are finalized. Institute/Academy will be the week of March 6th through March 10th in Muncie. We look forward to seeing many of you during that week.

As we move towards the end of another year, Kay and I would like to wish each of you Very Happy Holidays.

League members wishing to serve as an Officer may submit in writing to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Retha Hicks, Winona Lake, their desire to serve by February 15, 2011. Members of the Nominating Committee are Chairman Retha Hicks, Larry Breese, Greenfield and Laura Baker, Etna Green.

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**Ask Charlie**

**Q** Concerning delinquent sewer fees, are we required to notify by certified mail all owners of property occupied by persons other than the owners of the property of the delinquency?

**A** No. IC 36-9-23-32 (c) states that you only have to notify the owner of any property occupied by someone other than the owner if the owner has given the utility office written notice of the address to which the owner’s notice is to be sent. If such owner has notified the utility office in writing of his/her address that he/she wants to be notified, then such notice needs to be sent by certified mail or an equivalent service permitted under IC 1-1-7-1.
Important Dates for 2011 -

February 15th—Deadline to submit resume for 2011-2012 Officer of the League

March 6th through March 10th—Institute and Academy at Ball State in Muncie, Indiana

May 8th through May 12th—IIMC Annual Conference in Nashville, Tennessee

June 5th through June 9th—ILMCT Annual Conference in Merrillville, Indiana

Congratulations to Larry Breese from Greenfield for winning the Financial Management Award at the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns Annual Conference in October. The prestigious award is granted annually to a finance officer or administrator who has made outstanding achievements in fiscal management, financial recording and leadership in public office.
From our City and Town Hall to yours, from our Families and Friends to yours, Have a very Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year!