

Interesting and Important Dates:

- *In 1922 the first association of Secretary Treasures was formed in Calgary. Membership in this group included both city and rural secretary treasurers.*
- *In 1949, this group was registered under the Society's Act.*
- *In 1953, the urban secretary treasurers broke away and registered themselves under the Society's act.*
- *These two groups continued to work separately until 1983*
- *In 1983 Bert Einsiedel brought ARMAA President Dale Clark and LGAA President Linda Davies and their executive committees together to discuss developing a joint professional development strategy which would lead to establishing local government management as a profession and to a legal recognized professional designation.*
- *This umbrella group was called the Joint (association) Professional Development Committee.*
- *1983-84 this group established terms of reference, missions and functions for the group, set up the credentialing and adjudication process for designation.*
- *Funding was received from Municipal Affairs via an Advance Education Grant and Municipal Affairs joined the group in advisory capacity. This group focused on developing the three tier education system.*
- *31 December 1984 was the target date established to have membership approval from each association. ARMAA met this target.*
- *March of 1985 John McGowan Sr addressed the LGAA membership at their annual meeting, and in his greeting from ARMAA provided an overview of the work done to date and encouraged the LGAA to get on board and support this joint initiative. The LGAA membership approved the initiative.*
- *June 1985 saw the enactment of the Professional Occupational Association Registration Act (POARA)*
- *In February 1987 POARA was open for business. An application form and the criteria for making the application were obtained.*
- *Fall of 1987 Dr. Einseidel announced he could no longer spearhead the registration and Jim Masson, retired Strathcona Associate Director, was hired.*
- *An adhoc Registration Committee comprised of Dale Clark, Linda Davies and John McGowan Jr was formed to work with Mr. Masson and the Registrar of POARA to register the SLGM*
- *In 1988, the SLGM was registered under the Society's Act under the advise of the Professions and Occupations.*
- *By 1990 the Registrar of POARA had been replaced and it looked as though the SLGM was not going to be registered.*
- *With the guidance of the new Registrar of POARA, particular attention was paid to how the public was going to be protected from the fraudulent practices that might be inflicted on them by its members and the purpose of the SLGM which is "to enhance, promote and provide educational opportunities to improve the management abilities of those who are involved in municipal administration in Alberta." Were established.*

- *a lobby campaign was started. AAMDC, AUMA, Alberta Municipal Affairs, Mayors and Reeves were solicited to send letters of support for the registration of the SLGM as a professional body.*
- *The application was submitted. Letters of support were sent directly to POARA.*
- *1991, saw the Local Government Managers Regulation gazetted and registered under POARA*
- *46 certificates were presented on June 3rd, 1991 – 10 of these are still members in good standing and practicing.*
- *1993-2009 the SLGM hosted annual “Joint Association Meetings” In 2010 the associations began taking turns hosting the Joint Association Meetings to discuss areas of mutual interest and concern as set out in a MOU signed by these three organizations in 2009.*