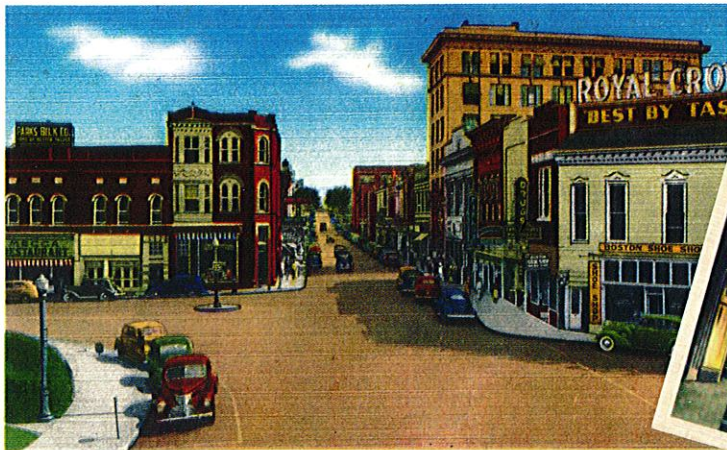


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Who we are and What we do

The Tennessee Municipal League is a voluntary cooperative organization established by the cities and towns of the state for mutual assistance. The League's primary function is to work with the Tennessee General Assembly on behalf of city governments, promoting legislation helpful to cities and opposing legislation harmful to cities. Two extensions of the League include the TML Risk Management Pool, providing a host of insurance products to cities, and the Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund, which creates and administers a variety of loan programs.

TML has been in existence for 75 years and is dedicated to offering services and programs that will give municipal officials the knowledge and tools for making the best possible public decisions in the complex world of municipal government. The League is a membership driven organization and is governed by a board of directors comprised of both appointed and elected municipal officials.

Public Policy Advocacy

Advocating for public policies that benefit and strengthen local government

Intergovernmental Relations

Promoting stable and productive intergovernmental relationships

Public Awareness

Promotion of increased understanding and support for the benefits and value of strong local government

Membership Programs and Education

Publications, information, training and networking opportunities for key elected and appointed local officials

Unity

Fostering a strong sense of unity between all cities and towns resulting in a common agenda to advance local government interests

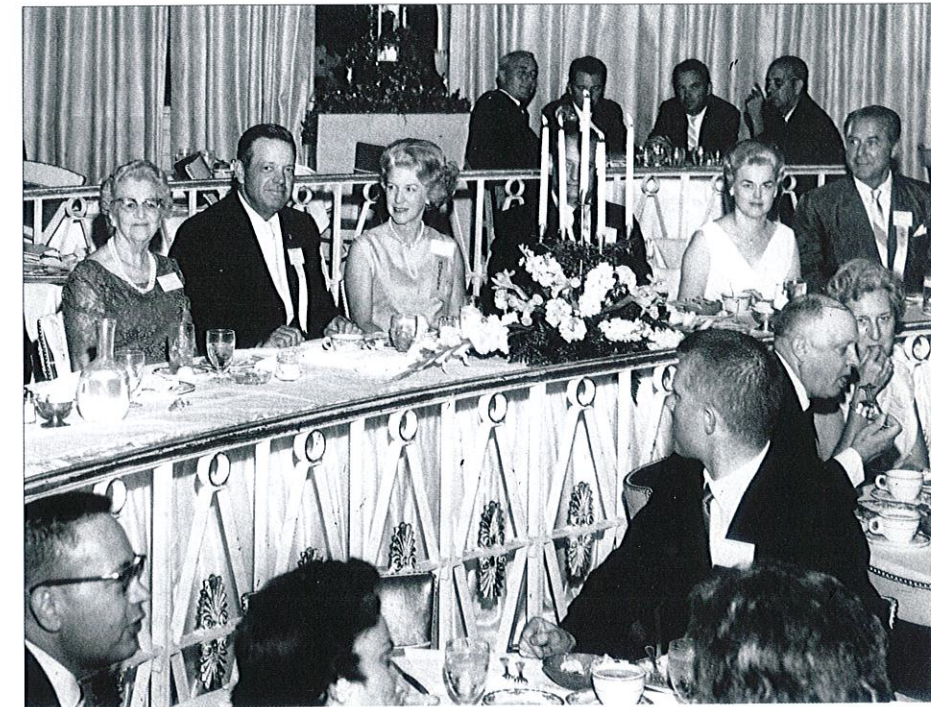
Federal Representation

Advocacy of local government interests before the United States Congress and federal agencies is provided through affiliation with the National League of Cities in Washington, D.C.

75th Anniversary Celebration

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Since its earliest days, the Tennessee Municipal League has been fueled by bold thinking and emerging ideas. When a small group of city leaders came together in 1939 to create this organization, the world was at war, the nation was still recovering from the effects of the Great Depression, and city populations were exploding brought on by urbanization.

The flood of rural migrants flocking to cities in search of work generated tremendous problems for cities in the areas of water supply, clean sewers, police and fire services, and public health issues.

The property tax was the only substantive source of revenues for municipalities. Cities had no authorization to levy a sales tax or any other significant revenue producing taxes or charges, and city governments received very little assistance from the state. With no where to turn for help, municipal leagues across the country began to organize for the purpose of improving city governments and to address some of these common problems.

In Tennessee, an organizing committee of 15 municipal officials met in Nashville on June 24, 1940, to establish the by-laws and dues structure for this newly-formed organization and to call a statewide meeting of municipal officials to ratify the actions of the organizing committee. On July 11, 1940, a statewide meeting of municipal officials convened at the Hermitage Hotel in Nashville, thus establishing the first annual conference of the Tennessee Municipal League. Thirty cities from across the state were represented at that first conference.

A lot has changed since those founding years of the Tennessee Municipal League. But today's city officials might find it interesting that TML's very first legislative program in 1941 included one of the League's top priorities today – opposition to any unfunded mandates. City leaders in the 1940s were also concerned about budgets and steady revenue sources, how to manage their cities efficiently, public health and safety issues, and how to deal with the General Assembly effectively – all relative issues of today.

From 75 years ago to present day, the Tennessee Municipal League's mission has always been to be a place where municipal officials can gather, gain information, exchange ideas, celebrate cities' accomplishments, and to form a united front in the effort to make Tennessee cities and towns operate more efficiently and effectively. For 75 years, the Tennessee Municipal League has cared about emerging and perennial issues, innovative as well as proven solutions. We believed 75 years ago, as we do today, that municipal governments—with their bipartisan approach to solving problems—strengthen the state and help move it forward.



Join us as we celebrate 75 years of city progress!

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

On **July 11, 1940**, a statewide meeting of municipal officials convened at the Hermitage Hotel in Nashville, thus establishing the first annual conference of the Tennessee Municipal League. Representatives of the following cities (30) were present: **Bells, Bolivar, Brownsville, Bruceton, Centerville, Chattanooga, Columbia, Cookeville, Dickson, Dyersburg, Gainesboro, Greeneville, Henderson, Hohenwald, Jackson, Jonesborough, Kingsport, Knoxville, Lawrenceburg, Lebanon, Livingston, Manchester, McKenzie, Monterey, Murfreesboro, Nashville, Pleasant Hill, Rogersville, Trenton, and Tullahoma.** W. W. Mynatt, Knoxville city manager, was elected president.

1940 - TML held the first annual conference and hired the first executive director, W.H. Newell.

1941 - First regional TML meetings were established.

1943 - League furniture, fixtures, and equipment sold to raise money.

1946 - Herbert Bingham is hired as executive director.

1947 - Cities get one-eighth share of new state sales tax.

1949 - MTAS was created by legislative statute.

1940s President Franklin Delano Roosevelt is re-elected to third term. **1941**- Japan launches attack on the United States with the bombing of Pearl Harbor. The U.S. declares war on Japan and Germany, catapulting the United States into World War II. **1942** - Manhattan project begins. **1944** - FDR is elected to his fourth term. **1945** - Vice President Harry S. Truman becomes the 33rd president when FDR dies in office. World War II ends in Europe with Germany's surrender. U.S. drops atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Japan surrenders, ending War World II. **1946** - Bikinis are introduced. **1948** - Gandhi assassinated. **1949** - Soviet Union has atomic bomb.



Herbert Bingham served as the League's executive director for 36 years.

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

"The fight for a municipal share of the state gasoline tax was probably the greatest single unifying cause in TML history. That fight unquestionably did more to build the League, and to get mayors and other municipal officials involved in the League, than anything else could have."

- Ed Young, former TML Deputy Director



Upon becoming governor in January 1953, Frank Clement kept his promise to sponsor legislation that gave municipalities the one-cent share of the state gasoline tax. Despite opposition from the counties, the bill passed and was signed into law, culminating a 12-year effort by the Tennessee Municipal League.

1950 - *Tennessee Town & City* was published for the first time.

1951 - Cities were authorized to issue industrial bonds.

1952 - Municipal officials were instrumental in electing Frank Clement as governor.

1953 - Bill giving cities one cent of the gas tax becomes first law passed in Clement Administration.

1955 - Model annexation law passed.

1957 - TML's seven-point fringe area annexation bill is enacted.

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

1950s The Korean War had begun. Sen. Joseph McCarthy begins communist witch hunt. **1951** - Color TV is introduced. **1952** - Dwight D. Eisenhower is elected president. **1953** - DNA is discovered. **1956** - Eisenhower is re-elected to second term. **1957** - The space race begins with the Soviet Union's launch of Sputnik. **1958** - NASA is formed. **1959** - Castro becomes dictator of Cuba.



TML visits with the Tennessee Congressional delegation in 1954 to ask for federal help. Among those pictured are Sen. Estes Kefauver, Sen. Ross Bass, and Sen. Al Gore, Sr.

1960s The Civil Rights Act is passed. John F. Kennedy is elected the 35th president. **1961** - The Peace Corp is established. The Bay of Pigs invasion occurs. The exploration of space arrives with Alan Shepard to be the first American in space, followed a year later by John Glenn orbiting the earth. A massive multi-billion dollar interstate highway system is under construction. **1963** - President Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas and Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson becomes president. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., gives his "I have a dream" speech in Washington, D.C. Zip Codes are introduced in the U.S. **1964** - President Johnson is re-elected. Beginning of the American phase of Vietnam War. The Beatles invade the U.S. **1966** - Mass draft protests across U.S. **1967** - First Super Bowl is played. **1968** - The mid-to-late 60s saw much turmoil over the Vietnam War and the assassinations of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Robert F. Kennedy. Richard Nixon is elected the 37th president by defeating Hubert Humphrey and third party candidate George Wallace. **1969** - Neil Armstrong walks on the moon - takes "one giant leap for mankind" - while nearly 500 million people watch world-wide.

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

1960 - Joint city-county committee for preservation of local government passed.

1961 - The West Tennessee Mayors Conference is formed.

1963 - Local Option Revenue Act authorizes new one cent local sales tax. State agrees to pay costs of acquiring highway rights-of-way.

1965 - Local governments authorized to create multi-jurisdictional planning and economic development districts.

1968 - Local option sales tax authority increased from one-third the state rate to one-half the state rate.

1971 - Cities authorized by referendum to increase local option sales tax by an additional one-fourth cent. State grant program enacted providing annual payment to cities of \$.75 per capita for solid waste purposes.

1973 - League drafted Tennessee Governmental Tort Liability Act.

1974 - Statute enacted requiring fiscal notes on all bills imposing costs on local governments.



Bob Sinclair, Metro Nashville Risk Manager; Cleveland Mayor Harry Dethero; and Louis Oliver, Hendersonville city manager, celebrate the first anniversary of the TML Insurance Pool.

1970s Unrest on college campuses. The 26th Amendment is ratified giving 18-year-olds the right to vote. **1972** - President Nixon visits China and is later re-elected to his second term. The Watergate scandal begins. **1973** - U.S. pulls out of Vietnam. *Roe vs. Wade* legalizes abortion in the United States. **1974** - Patty Hearst is kidnapped. President Nixon resigns. Vice President Gerald R. Ford is sworn into office. **1975** - Microsoft is founded. **1976** - Jimmy Carter is elected president. **1977** - Elvis is found dead. **1979** - Margaret Thatcher is elected first woman prime minister of Great Britain.

1976 - TML secures "Memphis" rule in General Revenue Sharing Act, which gave cities tax effort credit for state-shared taxes.

1977 - Local Government Investment Pool created. TML successfully avoids imposition of crippling limits on taxes/spending.

1979 - *Mortex v. Johnson City* places burden of proof of reasonableness on annexing municipality. In October 1979, the TML Insurance Pool became a legal entity. Athens and Hendersonville signed an interlocal cooperation agreement, thus launching the Pool operations.

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

1980s Former California Governor Ronald Reagan is elected president. John Lennon is murdered. **1981** - New plague identified as AIDS. **1984** - Reagan is re-elected to his second term. **1986** - The space shuttle Challenger explodes after take-off. **1987** - While in Berlin, President Regan issues the famous challenge "to tear down this wall." DNA is used to convict criminals.

1982 - Herbert Bingham retires after 36 years. Joseph Sweat becomes executive director. TML District System implemented. League defeats "beer tax cap legislation."

1984 - The TML Insurance Pool's name is changed to the TML Risk Management Pool.

1985 - Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund is created.

1986 - Cities get \$.01 of gasoline tax increase of \$.04 per gallon.



Joseph Sweat and Herbert Bingham



In August 1985, a special committee appointed by TML President Ted Crozier, voted to recommend to the League's Board of Directors that a new loan program for cities should be started under the TML umbrella. Pictured are: (L to R) Joe Jackson, Murfreesboro mayor; Charles "Bones" Seivers, Clinton administrator; John Morgan, director of finance in the state Comptroller's office; Kyle Testerman, Knoxville mayor; Gary Wade, Sevierville mayor; Joseph Sweat, TML executive director; and Ogden Stokes, TML counsel.

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

1990 - Local option sales tax cap increased from \$1,100 to \$1,600.

1992 - TML Board passes resolution urging Congress to halt the enactment of unfunded mandates. Sales tax is increased by one-half cent, restores \$116 million to education.

1993 - League works with Gov. McWherter's Administration to make half-cent increase in sales tax permanent.

1995 - President Bill Clinton signs the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

1998 - Joe Sweat steps down as executive director. PC 1101 law enacted, requiring cities and counties to establish 20-year growth plans. TML Urban Coordinator is established.

2001 - Tennessee governmental tort liability limits are increased significantly for the first time in more than a decade.

TML President Victor Ashe and TML Vice Presidents Margaret Mahery, Geroge Harvell, and Dan Speer at a press conference in Knoxville.



1990s **1991** - Collapse of the Soviet Union. **1992** - Bill Clinton is elected president. **1994** - O.J. Simpson is arrested for double murder. **1995** - Oklahoma City Bombing. **1997** - Princess Diana dies in car crash. **1998** - President Clinton impeached. **1999** - Killing spree at Columbine High School. "Y2K" is the buzzword concerning an anticipated computer catastrophe.



Brownsville Mayor Joe Taylor with Gov. Ned McWherter. TML worked with Gov. McWherter's Administration to make the half-cent increase in sales tax permanent.

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

2002 - Legislature approves TML \$50 constitutional amendment. Budget crisis solved with a one-cent increase to state sales tax. TML Risk Management Pool creates the Catastrophic Medical Fund. Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy opens for training. Margaret Mahery, former Athens mayor and TML past president, is selected as TML's executive director. TML launches \$50 Bucks Won't Stop the Bad Guys campaign. Question 2 wins yes votes but fails super majority in order to make the change to the Tennessee Constitution.

2003 - Gov. Phil Bredesen solves budget crisis by making systemwide cuts, including cuts to state-shared revenues.

2004 - Reforms to the state's workers' compensation passes benefiting both cities and the private sector and bringing costs in line with neighboring states. Legislature approves Mutual Aid bill which simplifies mutual aid agreements among local governments.

2005 - Tennessee Ethics Commission is created to monitor lobbyists and locally elected officials. Cuts to state-shared revenues are restored.

2006 - In the wake of the *Kelo v. City of New Loudon* case, the Tennessee Legislature enacts new eminent domain laws that place restrictions on the use of eminent domain for private economic development, including increased tax revenues and increased employment opportunities.



Jackson Mayor Charles Farmer, Gov. Phil Bredesen, and Brownsville Mayor Webb Banks

2000 The new millennium is here and with it comes "hanging chads." Texas Governor George W. Bush defeats Democratic Vice President Al Gore in the presidential election. **2001** - Sept. 11, terrorists attack America. Four planes are hijacked and crashed into the world trade Center, the Pentagon, and a field in Shanksville, Penn. U.S. invades Afgahanistan. **2002** - U.S. Department of Homeland Security is created. **2003** - Iraq War begins. **2004** - George W. Bush is re-elected to second term. **2005** - Hurricane Katrina floods New Orleans. **2006** - Saddam Hussein is executed. **2009** - Barack Obama is sworn in as 44th president of the USA. **2011** - The death of Osama bin Laden.

Celebrating 75 Years - TML Milestones

2007 - Ron Ramsey becomes the first Republican elected Lt. Gov. and Speaker of the Senate for the first time since 1869. He defeated 36-year incumbent Sen. John Wilder.



Ramsey shakes Wilder's hand after being elected Lt. Gov. in 2007.

2008 - House Speaker Jimmy Naifeh convened a months-long process of meetings and negotiations between legislators, state officers, local governments, cable industry leaders, and AT&T executives. Eventually, this process led to a negotiated compromise on a statewide cable franchise agreement. TML played a large role in the negotiation process.

2009 - After serving 16 years, Naifeh loses his post as House Speaker to Kent Williams.

2010 - Knoxville Mayor Bill Haslam is elected 49th Governor of Tennessee.



First lady Crissy Haslam and Gov. Bill Haslam at his inauguration in 2011.

2011 - It was history-making year. Republicans control both the Senate (20-13) and the House (64-34), as well as the Governor's office. Beth Harwell is elected Speaker of the House, the first female in TN history to hold that position.

2012 - With Republicans in the clear majority, this is the first time in the state's history that the GOP has been in charge of the process of drawing district territories for state legislators and Tennessee's Congressional seats.

2013 - Following November elections, Republicans pickup additional seats in both houses giving them an unprecedented super majority in both chambers - 26 to 7 in the Senate and 70-28-1 (one independent) in the House. The House adopts rule changes that limit each House member to 15 bills per year, or a total of 30 for the 108th Tennessee General Assembly.

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TML Past Presidents

Listed below are TML's distinguished presidents - all were able, dedicated public servants. Most were re-elected for many long terms of office and had outstanding records of achievement in their own communities.

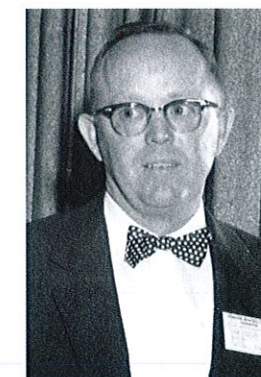
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- 1942 - Don Campbell, Mayor, Tullahoma
- 1943 - Glen King, Mayor, McKenzie
- 1944 - John S. Bernard, Mayor, Greeneville
- 1945 - S.S. Cox, City Manager, Murfreesboro
- 1946 - L.D. Hamner, Mayor, Dyersburg
- 1947 - J. Ross Reed, Mayor, Greeneville
- 1948 - Louis Johnson Jr., Commissioner, Cookeville
- 1949 - George Smith, Mayor, Jackson
- 1950 - D.W. Moulton, City Manager, Kingsport
- 1951 - William D. Baird, Mayor, Lebanon
- 1952 - William D. Baird, Mayor, Lebanon
- 1953 - Floyd Burrow, Mayor, Milan
- 1954 - Rudy Olgiati, Mayor, Chattanooga
- 1955 - Ben West, Mayor, Nashville
- 1956 - Hardy Graham, Mayor, Union City
- 1957 - Dave Burkhalter, City Manager, Johnson City
- 1958 - Sam Ridley, Mayor, Smyrna
- 1959 - Claude Armour, Vice Mayor, Memphis
- 1960 - George McInturff, Vice Mayor, Chattanooga
- 1961 - William C. Keaton, Mayor, Hohenwald
- 1962 - T.C. Chapman, Mayor, Brownsville



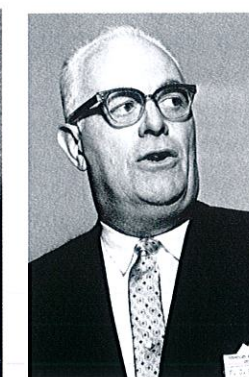
Some of the great municipal leaders of the 1950s: Memphis Vice Mayor Claude Armour, Lebanon Mayor Bill Baird, and Chattanooga Mayor Rudy Olgiati.



Ben West
Nashville Mayor
(1955)



Sam Ridley
Smyrna Mayor
(1958)



William Keaton
Hohenwald Mayor
(1961)



Y. D. Moore
McKenzie Mayor
(1965)

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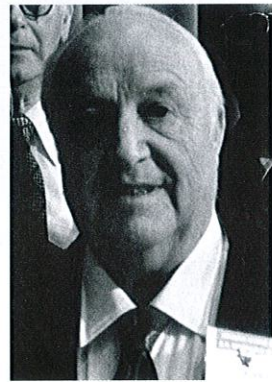
- 1963 - Earl Smith, Mayor, Greeneville
- 1964 - Travis Price, Mayor, Springfield
- 1965 - Y.D. Moore, Mayor, McKenzie
- 1966 - Robert A. McNeese, Councilman, Oak Ridge
- 1967 - Beverly Briley, Mayor, Metro Nashville
- 1968 - W. D. Frizzell, City Manager, Union City
- 1969 - Leonard Rogers, Mayor, Knoxville
- 1970 - Charles Crow, Mayor, Clarksville
- 1971 - Henry Loeb, Mayor, Memphis
- Dave Lanier, Mayor, Dyersburg
- 1972 - Al Bissell, Mayor, Oak Ridge
- 1973 - Dr. James Powers, Mayor, Waverly
- 1974 - Tom Hall, Mayor, Millington
- 1975 - Harry Dethero, Mayor, Cleveland
- 1976 - Dr. Stacey A. Garner, Mayor, Pulaski



Beverly Briley, Nashville Mayor (1967)



Charles Crow
Clarksville Mayor
(1970)



Al Bissell
Oak Ridge Mayor
(1972)



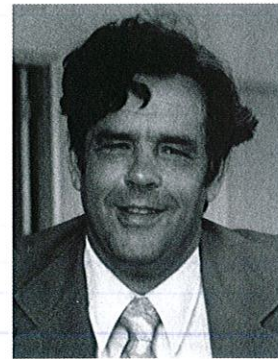
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Bob Conger
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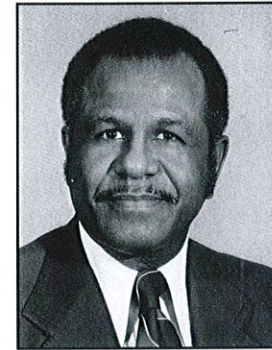
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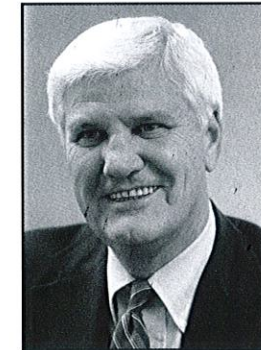
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Nashville Mayor Richard Fulton (1979); Memphis Mayor Wyeth Chandler (1977); Chattanooga Mayor Pat Rose (1978); and Knoxville Mayor Randy Tyree (1981).



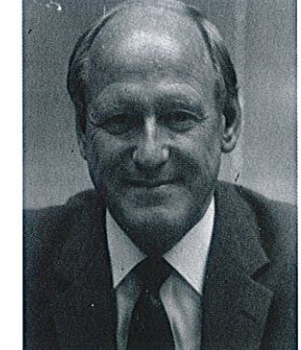
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Mayor (1984)



Gene Roberts
Chattanooga Mayor
(1987)



Bill Revell
Dyersburg Mayor
(1989)



Charles "Bones" Seivers
Clinton City Manager
(1990)



Joe Jackson
Murfreesboro Mayor
(1991)



Roy Pruett
Oak Ridge Mayor
(1992)

- 1977 - Wyeth Chandler, Mayor, Memphis
- 1978 - Pat Rose, Mayor, Chattanooga
- 1979 - Richard Fulton, Mayor, Nashville
- 1980 - Bob Conger, Mayor, Jackson
- 1981 - Randy Tyree, Mayor, Knoxville
- 1982 - J. Dan Buckner, Mayor, Dickson
- 1983 - Joe Taylor, Mayor, Brownsville
- 1984 - John Franklin, Sr., Vice Mayor, Chattanooga
- 1985 - Ted Crozier, Mayor, Clarksville
- 1986 - Dick Hackett, Mayor, Memphis
- 1987 - Gene Roberts, Mayor, Chattanooga
- 1988 - Roy Worthington, Mayor, Manchester
- 1989 - Bill Revell, Mayor, Dyersburg
- 1990 - Charles "Bones" Seivers, City Manager, Clinton

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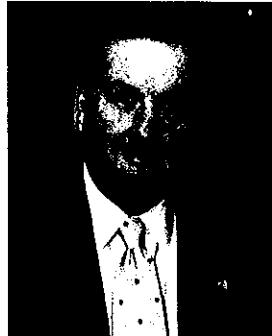
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- 1992 - Roy Pruett, Mayor, Oak Ridge
- 1993 - Tommie Goodwin, Mayor, Trenton
- 1994 - Don Trotter, Mayor, Clarksville
- 1995 - Charles Farmer, Mayor, Jackson
- 1996 - Victor Ashe, Mayor, Knoxville
- 1997 - Dan Speer, Mayor, Pulaski
- 1998 - George Harvell, Jr., Mayor, Millington
- 1999 - Margaret Mahery, Mayor, Athens
- 2000 - Jerry Sharber, Mayor, Franklin
- 2001 - Sam Tharpe, Vice Mayor, Paris
- 2002 - Tom Rowland, Mayor, Cleveland
- 2003 - Barbara McIntyre, Mayor, Columbia
- 2004 - Bob Kirk, Alderman, Dyersburg
- 2005 - John Franklin, Jr., Councilman, Chattanooga
- 2006 - Tommy Bragg, Mayor, Murfreesboro
- 2007 - Tommy Green, Mayor, Alamo
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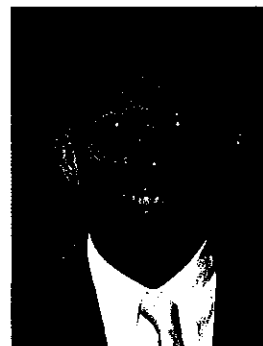
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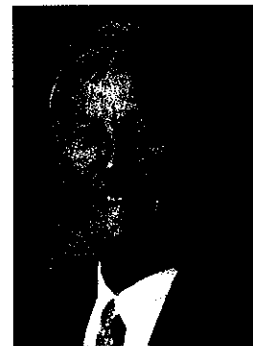
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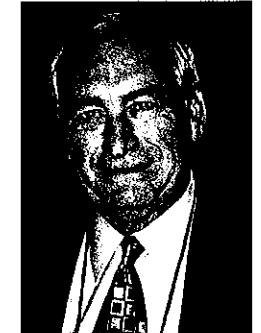
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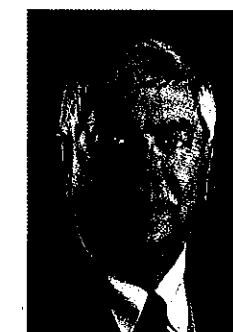
Bob Kirk
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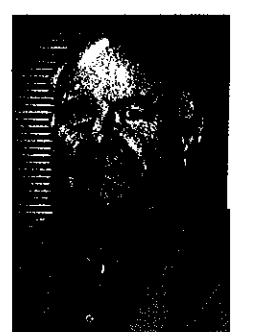
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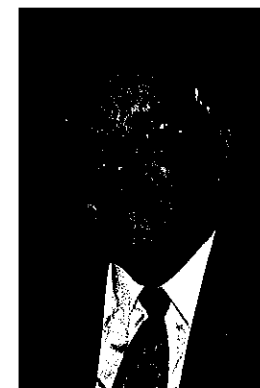
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Kay Senter
Councilmember Morristown
(2011)



Ken Wilber
Portland Mayor
(2012)



Allen Barker
Humboldt Mayor
(2013)

TML Mayors of the Year

A Mayor of the Year has been honored annually since 1954. The first two years of the awards program a large, medium and small sized city mayor were recognized. Beginning in 1956, just one mayor from the entire state was recognized. In 2003, the Mayor of the Year award was named after longtime TML supporter and Trenton Mayor Tommie Goodwin, who died unexpectedly while serving in office. Mayors are recognized for their intelligence, effectiveness, hard work, dedication, and sacrifice.

- 1954 Mayor P.R. Olgiati, Chattanooga - Large City
- Mayor J. Brents McBride, Lewisburg - Medium Sized City
- Mayor Malcolm Vincent, Bolivar - Small City
- 1955 Mayor I. P. Yancey, Somerville - Large City
- Mayor Ed Lindsey, Lawrenceburg - Medium Sized
- Mayor John R. Long, Jr., Springfield - Small City
- 1956 Mayor Clark M. Kiser, Greeneville
- 1957 Mayor Frank Gray, Jr., Franklin
- 1958 Mayor W. C. Keaton, Hohenwald
- 1959 Mayor William D. Baird, Lebanon
- 1960 Mayor Fred I. Womack, Fayetteville
- 1961 Mayor Jack Hay, Lexington
- 1962 Mayor Steger Webb, Milan
- 1963 Mayor L.W. Loyd, South Pittsburg
- 1964 Mayor John Sam Ridley, Smyrna
- 1965 Mayor C. D. Harper, Hartsville
- 1966 Mayor J. Travis Price, Springfield
- 1967 Mayor Y. D. Moore, McKenzie
- 1968 Mayor Ralph Kelley, Chattanooga
- 1969 Mayor Charles W. Tamer, Sneedville
- 1970 Mayor Harry Dethero, Cleveland
- 1971 Mayor Leonard Rogers, Knoxville
- 1972 Mayor I. P. Yancey, Somerville
- 1973 Mayor H. S. Moss, Goodlettsville
- 1974 Mayor Al K. Bissell, Oak Ridge
- 1975 Mayor Ivan Johnston, Lawrenceburg
- 1976 Mayor Jimmy Powers, Waverly
- 1977 Mayor Bob Conger, Jackson
- 1978 Mayor Joe Taylor, Brownsville
- 1979 Mayor Stanley Shields, Maryville
- 1980 Mayor Tom Hall, Millington
- 1981 Mayor Stacey Garner, Pulaski
- 1982 Mayor Byron Hale, Clinton
- 1983 Mayor John Johnson, Morristown
- 1984 Mayor Roy Worthington, Manchester
- 1985 Mayor Herb Davis, Milan
- 1986 Mayor Willis H. "Tex" Maddox, Lebanon



1963 South Pittsburg Mayor L. W. Loyd



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1965 Hartsville Mayor C.D. Harper



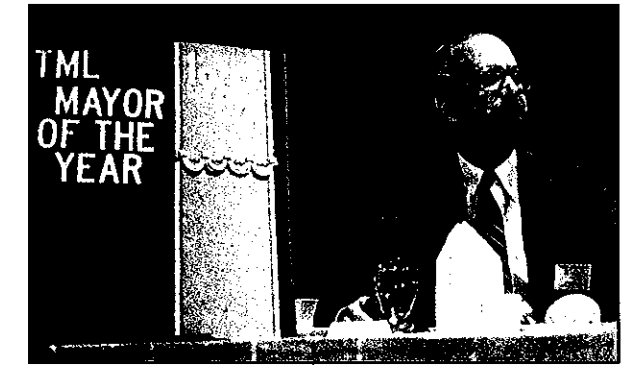
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TML Mayors of the Year



1979 Maryville Mayor Stanley Shields

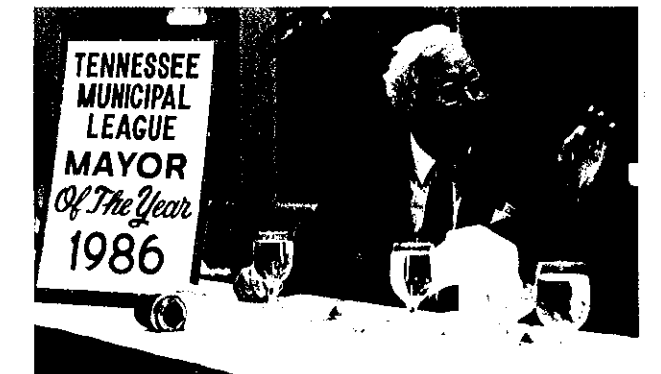
- 1987 Mayor Bill Revell, Dyersburg
- 1988 Mayor Joe Jackson, Murfreesboro
- 1989 Mayor Gene Roberts, Chattanooga
- 1990 Mayor Jeanne Wilson, Newport
- 1991 Mayor Bob Leonard, Farragut
- 1992 Mayor Harry Boosey, Adamsville
- 1993 Mayor George Harvell, Jr., Millington
- 1994 Mayor Dan Speer, Pulaski
- 1995 Mayor Don Mull, Alcoa
- 1996 Mayor Billy Hobbs, White House
- 1997 Mayor Tom Love, Greeneville
- 1998 Mayor Phil Bredesen, Nashville
- 1999 Mayor Charles Farmer, Jackson
- 2000 Mayor Tommie Goodwin, Trenton
- 2001 Mayor Margaret Mahery, Athens
- 2002 Mayor Johnny Piper, Clarksville
- 2003 Mayor Tommy Green, Alamo
- 2004 Mayor Tom Rowland, Cleveland
- 2005 Mayor Tommy Bragg, Murfreesboro
- 2006 Mayor Webb Banks, Brownsville
- 2007 Mayor Eddy Ford, Farragut
- 2008 Mayor Dale Kelley, Huntingdon
- 2009 Mayor J. H. Graham, III, Crossville
- 2010 Mayor David Gordon, Covington
- 2011 Mayor Curtis Hayes, Jr., Livingston
- 2012 Mayor Keith McDonald, Bartlett
- 2013 Mayor Bryan Atchley, Sevierville



1983 Morristown Mayor John Johnson



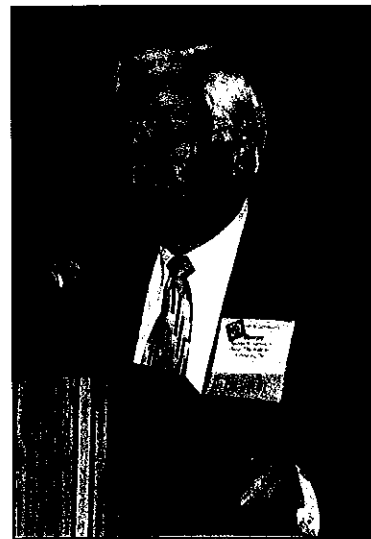
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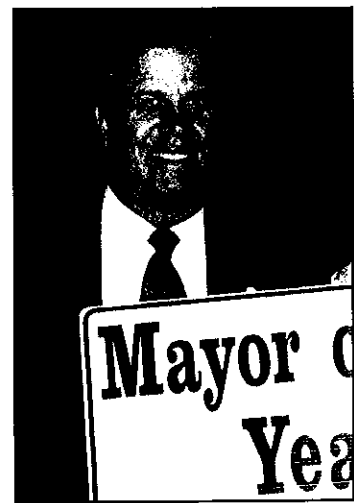
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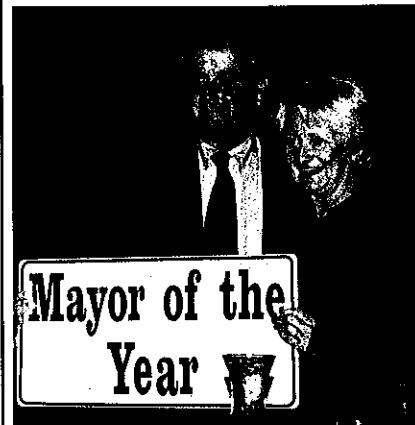
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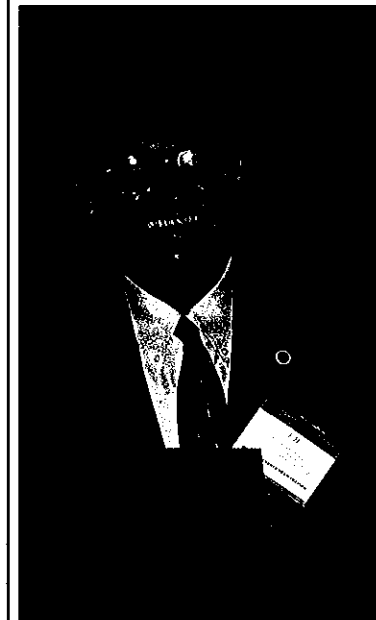
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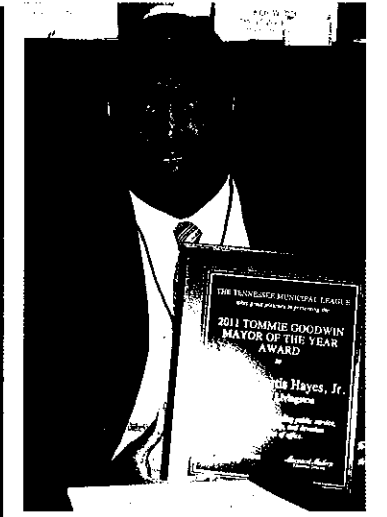
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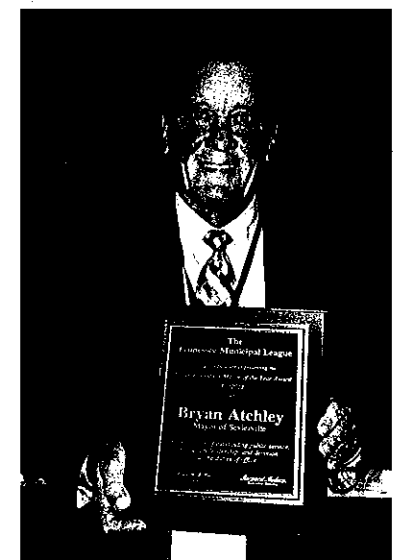
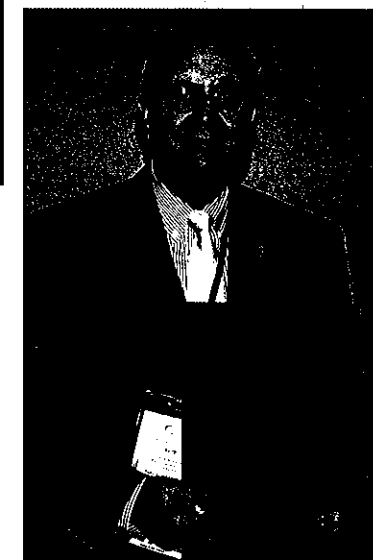
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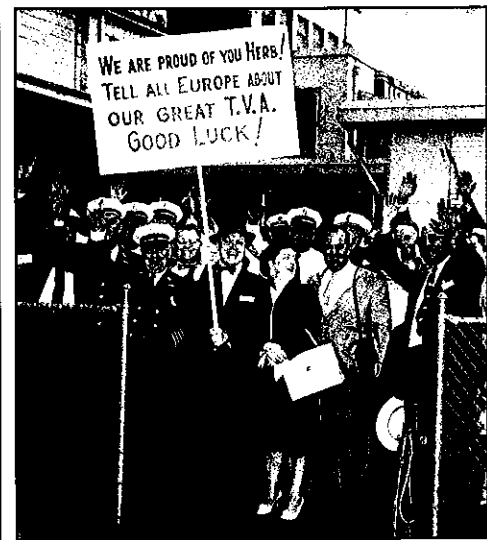


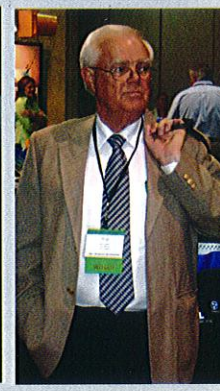
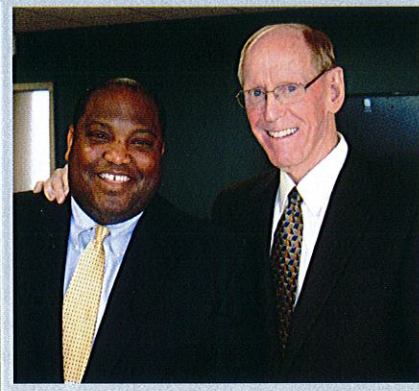
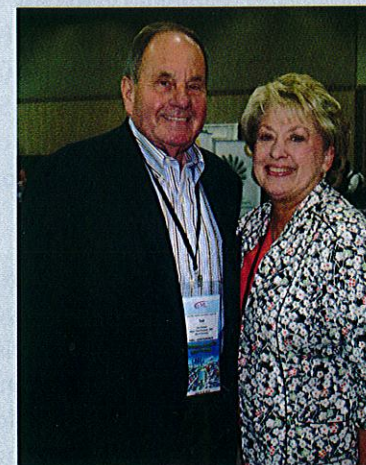
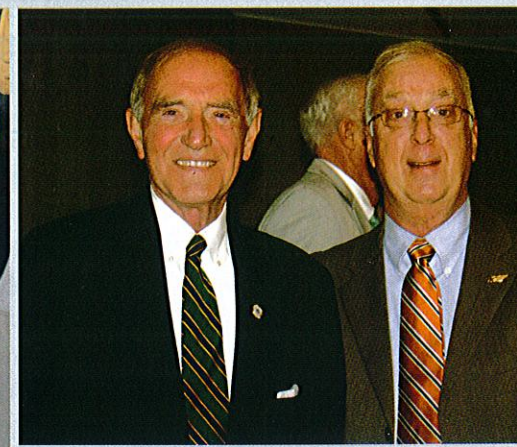
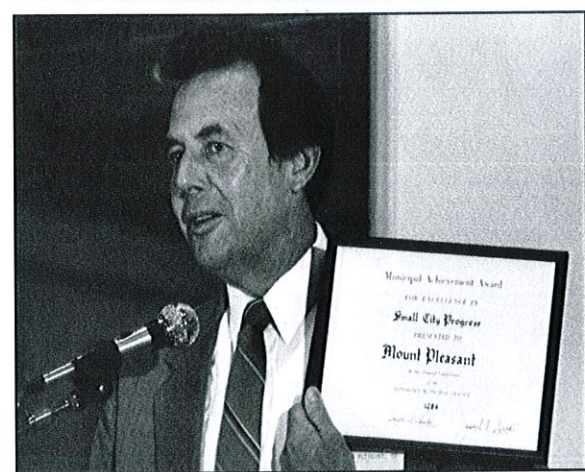
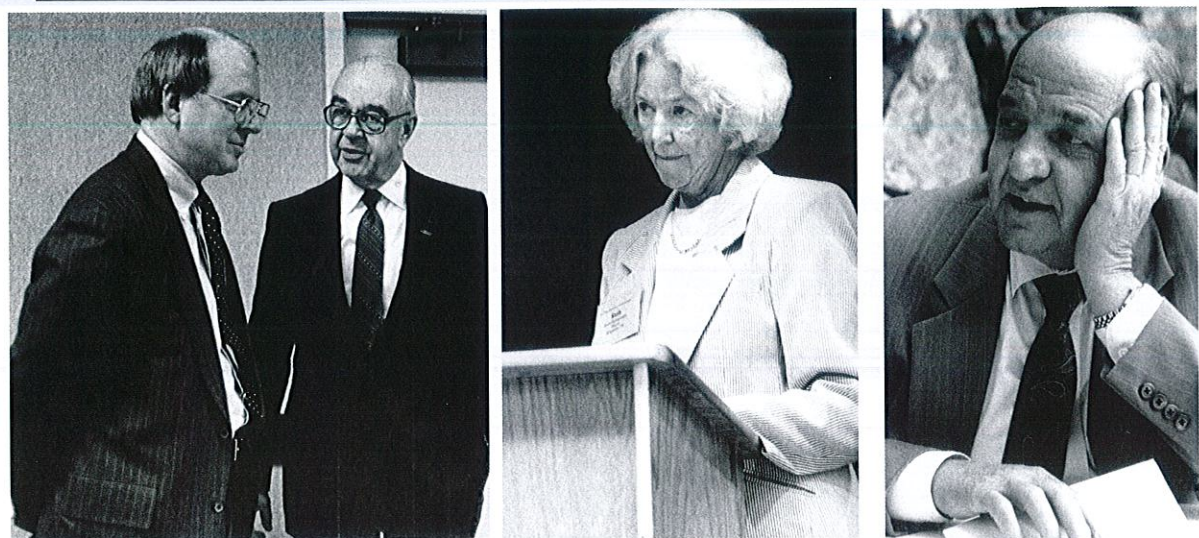
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TML Affiliate Organizations



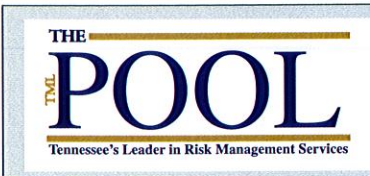
Charles "Bones" Seivers
TMBF President & CEO



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Dawn Crawford
Pool President & CEO



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Celebrating 75 Years of City Progress

As TML embark's on its 75 plus years of service, we can only hope that we honor the work of those who came before us, and make it our mission to leave something even greater for those who will come after us.



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