

## Supreme Court rules states can require online retailers to collect sales tax

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Route Fifty

States gained new power to collect sales taxes from online vendors that are not located within their boundaries, as the U.S. Supreme Court sided with South Dakota over a group of retailers who challenged the constitutionality of a state law there.

The decision has implications for state tax revenues, particularly in the long-term. But many of the largest online

vendors have already agreed to pay sales taxes, so the near-term effects on state budgets could be limited.

In *South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc.*, the legal dispute centered on a state law the South Dakota legislature passed in 2016 requiring out-of-state retailers that meet certain conditions to collect and pay sales taxes.

Justice Anthony Kennedy delivered the court's opinion, which tosses out the so-called "physical presence rule" that See **ONLINE** on Page 9

## Shelbyville Mayor Cartwright elected League president

The Tennessee Municipal League recently elected its 2018-2019 board of directors during its annual conference in Knoxville. Shelbyville Mayor Wallace Cartwright was elected president.

As president of the League, Cartwright will lead the organization as it determines and proposes legislation cities want passed into law. He also plays a major role in the National League of Cities, which represents municipalities with Congress and the federal administration.

"TML has been very instrumental in supporting legislation for cities of all sizes. Large and small communities across the state are looking for similar solutions to local problems," said Cartwright. "As president, I will work hard to accomplish the League's goals and legislative priorities."

Other board elections include three vice presidents: Jill Holland, mayor of McKenzie; Mike Werner, mayor of Gatlinburg; and Ken Moore, mayor of Franklin. TML vice presidents are traditionally in line to serve as president.

The TML board also includes past TML presidents, mayors of Tennessee's largest cities, eight district directors, and eight at-large directors.

The eight district directors, representing their section of the state, were nominated and elected



Wallace Cartwright  
Shelbyville Mayor

during district caucuses. They are: District 1: Todd Smith, Greeneville city manager; District 2: Tony Cox, Morristown city administrator; District 3: Bill Graham, Dayton councilmember; District 4: J.H. Graham, Crossville mayor pro tem; District 5: Richard Driver, Lafayette mayor; District 6: John Hickman, Waynesboro city manager; District 7: Mike French, Somerville alderman; and District 8: Edmund Ford, Jr., Memphis councilman.

The eight at-large directors were nominated by a five-member nominating committee composed of municipal officials statewide. See **BOARD** on Page 4

## Dyersburg's Bob Kirk, Columbia's Christa Martin honored with new annual award

The Tennessee Municipal League honored long-time Dyersburg Alderman Bob Kirk and Columbia Vice Mayor Christa Martin at their 79th Annual Conference in Knoxville for their dedicated years of public service.

Kirk has announced his plans not to run for reelection, following nearly 51 years of service on the Dyersburg Board of Mayor and Aldermen. During his tenure on the Dyersburg board, Kirk has been actively involved in the Tennessee Municipal League. Kirk has been to every TML Conference since he was first elected as an alderman, serving on the TML Board of Directors and as TML Board President for 2004-5. He is presently chairman of the Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund and served on TACIR for eight years.

In recognition of his dedicated service, the Tennessee Municipal League is honoring Kirk with a new award that will bear his name, The Bob Kirk Local Government Leadership Award. The award will be presented each year to a council member, alderman, or commissioner who has shown themselves to be an outstanding public servant to both their municipality and their community, and continues to go above and beyond the call of duty to better his or her community.

The inaugural recipient of the Bob Kirk Local Government Leadership award is Columbia



Dyersburg Alderman Bob Kirk and Columbia Vice Mayor Christa Martin were honored during the TML Annual Conference for their dedicated service to their city and community.

Vice Mayor Dr. Christa Martin who was first appointed to the Columbia City Council in 1992. She held a seat on the council representing Columbia's Third Ward until 2014, when she was elected vice mayor, becoming the first black woman to hold the position in Columbia. She also serves as an at-large member of the Tennessee Municipal League Board of Directors.

In addition to her work on the city council, Martin has worked

## Franklin's Ken Moore named Mayor of the Year by TN Municipal League

Franklin Mayor Ken Moore was named the 2018 Mayor of the Year by the Tennessee Municipal League at their 79th Annual Conference in Knoxville.

Each year since 1954, the Tennessee Municipal League has honored a city mayor that typifies the attributes of intelligence, effectiveness, hard work, dedication, and sacrifice. To honor his service to his community both as an elected leader and medical professional, TML is proud to announce Franklin Mayor Ken Moore has been selected as the 2018 Mayor of the Year.

Elected to the Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen in 2007, Moore originally served as an alderman-at-large before going on to serve as Franklin's vice mayor in 2008. He was elected as the city's mayor in 2011, but his service to the public began long before then.

In his tenure as mayor, Moore has overseen a new campus of Columbia State Community College locating to Franklin, led the efforts to make Franklin a top 25 sustainable city, served as chair of the Middle Tennessee Mayors' Caucus, and won the Leadership in Regional Thinking and Action Award at the Power of Ten Summit.

To combat issues including transit, economic development, and other issues, Moore has also served with groups including the Executive Committee of the Metropolitan Planning Authority, Executive Committee of the Regional Transit Authority, Executive Committee of the Greater Nashville Regional Council, and Executive Committee of the Mayors Caucus.

For Moore, the goal of his work as mayor is making sure his community has good schools and a high quality-of-life while still maintaining low taxes. He has also worked to make government more accessible to a wider variety of people, creating YouTube video segments known as "Moore with the Mayor" where he discusses everything from historical preservation to local events and festivals to arts and culture to healthy living to his own furry friends. His unique "State of the City" addresses never fail to both inform and entertain.

Franklin's online presence



Franklin Mayor Ken Moore was named the 2018 Mayor of the Year by the Tennessee Municipal League. He is pictured here with his wife Linda.

under his leadership has also expanded to include social media posts and videos highlighting the behind-the-scenes work of municipal employees, educational videos about city issues and policies, and showcasing the lighter side of city leadership.

After graduating from Tennessee Technological University and the University of Tennessee College of Medicine, Moore served as a general medical officer in the

U.S. Army at Fort Bragg, N.C., before continuing his training in orthopedics at the Campbell Clinic in Memphis.

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Collegedale City Manager Ted Rogers was named as TCMA's City Manager of the Year. He is pictured here with his wife Becky and Eric Stuckey, TCMA vice president and Franklin city administrator.

## Collegedale's Ted Rogers honored with TCMA award

Founded in 1916 as the new site of what would become Southern Adventist University, Collegedale officially incorporated in 1968 and has since grown to a population of more than 11,000 today – far from the 175 students who originally lived in the area.

More than just a college town, Collegedale has grown to be a center of arts, culture, industry, and transportation, and its success and rapid growth would not have been possible without the 12 years of dedicated service given to the community by Collegedale City Manager Ted Rogers.

It is for this reason that the Tennessee City Management Association (TCMA) recognized Ted Rogers as City Manager of the Year for 2018. Rogers was presented the award at the 79th Annual Conference of the Tennessee Municipal

League (TML) held at the Knoxville Convention Center.

The award is presented each year to acknowledge Tennessee managers, administrators, or assistants who have made exceptional contributions to their community and profession.

Rogers was appointed as Collegedale's city manager in 2006 and has since developed and led his management team to a high level of professionalism, resulting in a unified commitment that contributed to Collegedale becoming one of the fastest growing cities in Tennessee. Rogers holds degrees in allied health, education, management, and a master's degree in administration and leadership. He has achieved the professional designation of "Credentialed Manager" as defined by the ICMA. He is also a See **MANAGER** on Page 4

# NEWS ACROSS TENNESSEE



## BARTLETT

Engineered Medical Systems, LLC, will expand in Bartlett, investing \$10.5 million and creating 40 new jobs in the area. Founded in 2003, Bartlett-based EMS manufactures surgical instruments, implants and specialty medical devices. EMS will expand its existing facility by adding approximately 57,000 square feet of manufacturing and office space. The company currently operates a 40,000-square-foot facility at 3325 Appling Road in Bartlett. Construction is scheduled to begin in the third quarter of 2018.

## COLLIERVILLE

The town of Collierville will begin work on a \$2.3 million drainage improvement project south of Town Square. The funds for the project will come from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) administered through the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. The drainage improvements will focus on two areas, one of which, is the Alcorn Village neighborhood, Friendship Cove and Hurdle Drive area. Drainage improvements will consist of installing a large drain pipe in existing open drainage ditches, which will be able take on more water volume thus providing more effective flood control. After the drain pipe is installed, the open ditches will be filled in over the pipe creating a safer drainage system. In addition to creating a safer system, it will also greatly reduce the maintenance required. Open drainage ditches require mowing and routine cleaning out of debris. However, the newly constructed closed system will not need the same level of maintenance.

## CROSSVILLE

The city of Crossville is home to a new Division of Forestry Work Center, which was opened by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture and local officials with a tree-planting ceremony and open house. The work center consolidates three Forestry offices into one centralized location that will save costs, improve workflow efficiency, and provide a place for Forestry personnel to store and maintain wildland firefighting equipment. The building also houses a call center for burn permit requests and space to host outreach and educational events for the community. Area Forester Brad Canfield is based at the new work center to assist woodland owners with property stewardship, including technical assistance, forest planning assistance, cost-share assistance, forest health assessments and forestry information.

## FRANKLIN

The city of Franklin ranked as the eight-fastest growing city in the nation according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The city grew by 4.9 percent between July 2016 and July 2017, according to recently released population estimates. Booming regional job growth, public school performance, and other factors led to Franklin's growth. Franklin was also one of eight cities in the top 15 fastest growing cities located in the South. Franklin also earned the top spot as the fastest-growing city in Tennessee based on U.S. Census data.

## GERMANTOWN

The city of Germantown has received a \$12,500 grant to host a National Endowment for the Arts Big Read event. Germantown is the only organization in the state of

Tennessee to receive an NEA Big Read grant to host a community reading program between September 2018 and June 2019. The NEA Big Read in Germantown will focus on The Namesake by Pulitzer Prize winning author, Jhumpa Lahiri. Germantown's partners in this community reading initiative include the India Community Fund for Greater Memphis, WKNO-FM, Germantown Community Library, Germantown Performing Arts Center, Germantown Community Theatre and the Germantown Education Commission. For more information about the NEA Big Read, visit [arts.gov/neabigread](http://arts.gov/neabigread).

## GREENEVILLE

The Greeneville Police Department has received accreditation from the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police (TACP) following a 3-year, in-depth assessment process, which was a goal of retiring Chief Terry Cannon. According to Cannon, GPD will now receive a \$100 per officer discount on its liability insurance through the TML Risk Management Pool. The Law Enforcement Accreditation program, administered by TACP's Professional Standards Committee, is intended to encourage co-operation, recognize professional standing, encourage professional services and ensure public safety throughout the state of Tennessee. GPD joins 67 other agencies across the state, including the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) and Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP), who have achieved this recognition. The professional standards of the program are designed to enhance and assist each department in operations and practices to promote and encourage adherence of all police officers to high professional standards of conduct and performance.

## KNOXVILLE

City officials and Old City Association members recently cut the ribbon on two West Jackson Avenue streetscape projects in Knoxville, accounting for nearly \$2.5 million in upgrades. The bigger project totaled more than \$1.64 million in federal and local funding, and involved sidewalk improvements, KUB electrical relocations, telecommunications enhancements, street lighting and landscaping on the south side of West Jackson Avenue. The north side will be completed in the future, in conjunction with the redevelopment of the McClung Warehouses site. The second streetscape project totaled a little more than \$830,000 and involved sidewalk improvements, KUB gas relocations, street lighting and planting of street trees between North Central Street and the eastern ramp connecting Jackson to Gay Street.

## MANCHESTER

Black Rifle Coffee Company (BRCC) will locate its new operations in Manchester, investing \$6 million and creating 52 new jobs in the next five years. BRCC is a veteran-owned and operated coffee company that specializes in roasting and distributing premium, small-batch, roast-to-order coffee to its customers around the globe. All BRCC blends are available in whole bean and ground varieties. The company also has many roasts for purchase in single-serve coffee rounds. With this new location, BRCC will be better equipped to increase production capacity to keep up with growing demand. The company plans on producing roughly seven million pounds of coffee at the new facility.

## MORRISTOWN

The city of Morristown recently saw its ISO rating improve from a 3 to a 2, meaning homeowners and businesses in the area could see lower insurance premiums. ISO evaluates the fire department, water supply, emergency communications system, and everything it takes to respond to a fire emergency. City Administrator Tony Cox said the continued efforts of the local 911 office, Morristown Utility Service, and the water utility districts are a big part of supporting the Morristown Fire Department's improvements. Most U.S. insurers of homes and business property use ISO's Public Protection Classifications in calculating premiums. In

general, the price of fire insurance in a community with a good rating is substantially lower than in a community with a poor rating.

## NASHVILLE

The city of Nashville has been awarded the 2019 NFL draft, beating out cities including Las Vegas, Denver, Kansas City, and a combination bid from Cleveland and Canton, Ohio. NFL officials said the ceremony and street party on First and Broadway to celebrate the unveiling of the new Tennessee Titans' uniform was one of the reasons Nashville scored the draft. The first televised draft was broadcast by ESPN in 1980, but it wasn't a fan event until 1995, when the league moved it to Madison Square Garden in New York. It was held in Radio City Music Hall for nine straight years before it began traveling to locations around the country, most recently including Chicago; Philadelphia; Arlington, Texas; and Dallas.

## OAK RIDGE

The U.S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge Reservation supports more than 34,000 jobs and has become America's biggest non-defense research laboratory as well as one of the world's biggest producers and recyclers of nuclear weapons and a major environmental cleanup site. Last year, the DOE allocated \$3.4 billion to its Oak Ridge facilities, employing 12,618 workers at the site through DOE and its contractors. A study conducted by Booz Allen Hamilton estimated that for every one job created by the DOE and its contractors at Oak Ridge an additional 1.7 jobs were created across the state. Additionally, the lab and its contractors create a total economic impact of \$5.6 billion in East Tennessee. Research by the DOE generated 2,300 patents and licenses, including 127 in 2017 alone. The facility also generates \$32 million in state and local taxes.

## SPRINGFIELD

The city of Springfield has been upgraded from A1 to Aa3 by Moody's Investors Services, one of the premier credit rating agencies in the nation. According to Moody's, the upgrade reflects Springfield's growing tax base, stable financial position and solid General Fund reserves. Moody's issued the rating on May 8 assigning the rating to the city's \$10.15 million General Obligation Public Improvement Bonds, Series 2018. Proceeds from these bonds will be used for much needed public improvement projects such as the extension of Batson Parkway, Martin Luther King, Jr. Park improvements, Phase 3 of the Springfield Greenway and the city's contribution to the new airport terminal building.

## SURGOINSVILLE

Ware Manufacturing, Inc. will expand its facilities in Surgoinsville, creating 32 new jobs and invest \$1.1 million. Ware Manufacturing, Inc. is an industry leader in the manufacturing and distribution of new and innovative products for pets. With this expansion, Ware Manufacturing will expand its current operations in Surgoinsville's Phipps Bend Industrial Park to make room for new equipment and growing demand.

## TULLAHOMA

The city of Tullahoma has launched a new application, the Near2 app, which allows local residents and visitors to get the most up-to-date information on local vendors, restaurants, exhibits, events, and activities all from their smart phone. Near2 partners with local businesses and organizations to deliver up-to-date information directly to a user's phone when he/she is in a designated location. Using the latest proximity technology, the app removes the need for a user to go looking for information they would traditionally have to search for – but only when they need it. The Near2 app connects people to timely, relevant and purposeful information that aims to enhance their experience(s). Using the latest proximity technology, Near2 bridges the gap between a person's mobile device and environment by delivering location and time-based information directly to the device's screen.

## Local family volunteers to help keep Covington clean



Covington Mayor Justin Hanson hands out supplies to Christy Haney-Bryson and her children after the family expressed a desire to help clean up Sherrod Avenue. The family said they wanted to help Covington Public Works and the city by making sure litter on their street was picked up. The family is one of many across Covington that have adopted local streets or neighborhoods to help keep them clean year-round.

## Tullahoma brings local arts alive



Residents and visitors to Tullahoma came out for the city's Arts Alive event, sponsored by the Tullahoma Arts Center, South Jackson Civic Center, and Tullahoma Arts Council. Gallery showings, artist demonstrations, and a juried exhibition were held over two days, bringing out local artisans, crafters, food trucks, and art lovers.

## LED traffic lights come to Hohenwald



The Hohenwald Police Department directs traffic as the city replaced its traffic lights with LED bulbs. The city worked with the Meriwether Lewis Electric Cooperative to replace the bulbs, which will be more cost effective and last longer.

## Morristown breaks ground on major road, public facility projects



Officials with the city of Morristown break ground on a 50-acre property that will provide a new community center and a new facility for the city's public works department. A new road presently under construction will lead to the future public works facility. Plans for the facility include housing public works equipment, repair shops, and offices. Construction on the public works facility is expected to be complete by summer 2019. The community center is still in concept-planning stages with the site being prepared for future construction.

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# Franklin receives 2018 TCMA Award for Municipal Excellence

As a community steeped both in history and a city with one of the fastest growing economies in the nation, leaders with the city of Franklin have worked to preserve the community's unique identity while still making it a welcome place for businesses to operate and residents to raise their families.

The efforts of Franklin officials to direct the city's long-term growth in a way that is not only manageable but maintains its quality-of-life is why the Tennessee City Management Association (TCMA) recognized Franklin with its 2018 Award for Municipal Excellence.

As Franklin updated its Major Thoroughfare Plan in 2014, city leaders realized that the rapid growth of their community needed a comprehensive planning effort that encompassed land use, transportation, infrastructure, historic preservation, and to meet the needs of local residents. The Franklin Board of Mayor and Aldermen decided to overhaul the city's 2004 Land Use Plan into a new plan: Envision Franklin.

The Envision Franklin plan articulates the long-term vision that will direct future development in a way that strengthens the city and creates exceptional places for people. Guiding principles and themes of the plan include managed growth, economic vitality, vibrant neighborhoods, historic preservation, natural beauty, exceptional design, connected community, and context-responsive infill. The plan includes 17 keystone design concepts, each of which are mapped with desired land uses, building form, site design, transportation, and special considerations.

The process brought together more than 250 citizens, developers, homeowner's associations, and other stakeholders to create a plan with clear and relevant guidance for the fast-growing community. City staff worked closely with the citizens over multiple neighborhood meetings to identify their vision for their community. Franklin also worked to develop programs that would improve service delivery to citizens as well as generate cost savings to the municipality.

One of the major goals of Envision Franklin was directing growth in such a way that it could be fostered by adequate infrastructure and services. Franklin worked with Smart Growth America to identify areas suitable for growth and then measures that would direct growth into those areas.

Franklin conducted a year-long height overlay study that looked at expanding areas allowing up to 12 stories in locations supported where infrastructure is most robust. The resulting map creates a predictable development form and focuses higher intensity toward I-65, while maintaining a pedestrian scale throughout the remainder of the city. This directs higher intensity of regional commercial, office and research development, multifamily residential, hotels, and assisted living into a localized area. Additionally, the height overlay allows the city to generate higher tax revenue on existing commercial properties while preserving outlying lands and keeping low tax rates for citizens. Companies can also expand their footprint in Franklin by building up rather than out.

Adoption of the height overlay study was followed by a proactive rezoning of land near the Interstate to allow for increased stories. Previously, these sites were rezoned on a case by case basis. Proactive zoning saves time and associated costs during the review process for staff, developers, and elected officials.

Envision Franklin also provides guidance and specificity to handle the city's significant growth and better defines the desired built environment by streamlining the collaboration between city and stakeholders. Franklin adopted proactive land planning practices and fiscally responsible methods of extending infrastructure to ensure both smart growth and the future fiscal stability of the city.

Preserving historic resources and sensitive environmental features was another task Envision Franklin has accomplished. The city formed a technical Infill Working Group to address infill development concerns within the



Franklin City Recorder Lanaii Benne, Executive Assistant Vicki Parr, Mayor Ken Moore, City Administrator Eric Stuckey, and Alderwoman Margaret Martin accept the 2018 TCMA Award for Municipal Excellence.

historic districts and surrounding areas. Their recommendations formed the historic residential design concept and guiding principles. Mapped areas show where the existing character needs to remain, transitional areas where change is appropriate, and infill opportunity sites.

To provide more connectivity, the plan incorporates trends in pedestrian-oriented development, connectivity, and strategically located neighborhood commercial nodes. The plan transitions from suburban to a more urban form through setbacks, parking placement, mixed uses, and expanded housing types. Planning staff and elected and appointed officials traveled to benchmark cities to study their guiding plans and built environments.

After years of work, community outreach, and discussion, the plan was passed by the Franklin Municipal Planning Commission in 2017. Since adoption, every zoning and land-use decision relies upon the plan's guidance. Staff are now able to guide property owners and developers with clear guidance and in a way that remains true to the city's vision. The new plan created more clear and concise guidelines such as:

- More accurate definitions of residential housing types including single-family, accessory dwellings, duplexes, townhomes, big houses, and multifamily, along with their appropriate design concept and location;
- Adding developer-requested plan amendments to the approval process;
- Creating exceptional places for people through design of new development, building form, uses, setbacks, activated streets, and pedestrian focus;
- Directing higher intensity and taller buildings toward I-65 where infrastructure can support a thriving economy comprised of a balanced mix of regional office, commercial, and multifamily uses;
- Preserving historic areas and established character and ensure contextually compatible infill development;
- Emphasizing active transportation for both destinations and recreation by connecting land uses through multi-use paths, sidewalks, and trails; and
- Protecting Franklin's natural beauty along its edges by preserving scenic corridors and view sheds as well as sustainable programs that provide a long-term benefit to the community.

Additionally, the city and consultants worked together to make Envision Franklin a sleek, user-friendly, image-heavy guide to define the community vision and provide the development community with the specificity needed to achieve that vision. The information is laid out for the user in a well-organized format so that the design concept can be identified and looked up alphabetically to quickly find the pertinent information in a structured, table format.

The material is content heavy, but not process heavy, adapting to the goal of this document and

today's need for quick information. The plan is web accessible with various online and on-the-go

platforms and hyperlinked to make moving through the document efficient.

## Kingsport's Kirby Walker wins TCAPWA Murphy Snoderly Award

Walker has increased education outreach about the importance of water tremendously

The Tennessee Chapter American Public Works Association awarded one of Kingsport's public works employees the 2018 Murphy Snoderly Award. Kirby Walker, a longtime employee of the Kingsport Water Department, accepted the award in Knoxville.

Walker, a lab technician, was nominated for his dedication to positive public outreach. In the decade that he's been with public works, Walker has proven not only his desire to learn, but an eagerness to share that knowledge with others through outreach programs.

"Not many people know just how much work goes into maintaining a city," said Assistant City Manager of Operations Ryan McReynolds. "Kirby's mission is to teach children about the behind-the-scenes activity in Kingsport—and to get them excited about it, so that they might one day decide to become a public works employee, too."

After the water department recently eliminated public tours due to safety concerns, Walker stepped in to fill the void. Last November, he visited Kingsport City Schools' fourth grade career fair to teach the children about the process of how water makes it from the river into people's homes. He brought photos, displays and gifts so the children would remember what they learned.

Since then, Walker has been visiting schools regularly. While school tours of the water department would annually bring in about

150 children, Walker's presentations over this school year reached more than 2,000 children.

"Kids need to understand the importance of safe, reliable drinking water. They need to learn at an early age to protect our water environment—creeks, rivers, lakes, ocean—and the importance of putting it back as clean as you found it because someone downstream needs it," Walker explained.

The award's namesake, Mur-

phy Snoderly, was an engineering and public works consultant for the University of Tennessee Municipal Technical Advisory Service. He believed that the "working people," who perform tasks like garbage pickup or pothole repair and without whom a city could not function properly, should be recognized for all that they do. Only operations level employees—working people—are eligible for the Murphy Snoderly Award.



Kingsport Water Department Lab Technician Kirby Walker, left, receives the 2018 Murphy Snoderly Award from Kingsport Assistant City Manager of Operations Ryan McReynolds. Walker developed his own outreach program to educate local children about city water.

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the University of Tennessee College of Medicine, Moore served as a general medical officer in the U.S. Army at Fort Bragg, N.C., before continuing his training in orthopedics at the Campbell Clinic in Memphis.

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ganizations including the Shalom Foundation to provide free surgery for children in need and also helped establish an outpatient clinic with the organization.

Moore has served as president of the Tennessee Orthopedic Society, The Tennessee Hand Society, and The Clinical Orthopedic Society, the second oldest orthopedic society in America. He represented Tennessee to the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons Board of Councilors for eight years.

Moore moved to Franklin in 2003 and soon became involved

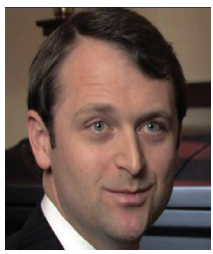
in local organizations including the Franklin Rotary Club, Building Lives Foundation Board, TMA Group Board, Williamson County and Franklin Chamber of Commerce Board, and chairman of the Columbia State Foundation Board.

Married to his wife Linda since 1985, Moore is the father of five and grandfather of six. When he is not serving as his city's mayor or as a local doctor, he can be found golfing, taking photographs, or teaching Sunday school at the Franklin First United Methodist Church.



## PEOPLE

**J. Ford Canale** has been appointed to the Super District 9, Position 2 Memphis City Council seat vacated by Philip Spinosa Jr. Canale is an East Memphis funeral director and works as a golf coach for Christian Brothers High School. It is Canale's first public office, though his family has made its stamp in local government and politics. Canale is the grandson of the late John Ford Canale Jr. who served for 30 years as a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Memphis. His great-grandfather, John Ford Canale Sr., served as a Shelby County Court Squire, a Democratic Party official, chairman of the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and as a close advisor to Tennessee governors.



J. Ford Canale

**William B. "Bill" Herbert IV** has been selected to serve in the position of director of the Metro Nashville Department of Codes and Building. Herbert succeeds 28-year director Terry Cobb who retired last month as the city's longest-serving department head. He joined the department in 2012 as the city's metropolitan zoning administrator. Before coming to Metro Nashville government, Herbert practiced land use and municipal and county law with Johnson & Herbert. He has also served as county attorney in Cheatham County and was senior attorney in the Metro Department of Law from 2003 to 2007. He is a graduate of Auburn University and the Samford Cumberland School of Law in Birmingham, Ala.



Bill Herbert

**Matt Rudder** has been promoted to the position of town administrator for the town of Dandridge following the departure of current administrator Melissa Peagler. Rudder assumed his new role on June 25 and has served as Dandridge's assistant town administrator and finance director since 2014. Before coming to the city, Rudder worked for the Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS) as a public management fellow and interned both at MTAS and with the Tennessee Legislature. He has a master's degree in public administration and a bachelor's in political science from the University of Tennessee, and he is a certified municipal finance officer.

**David Tillner** has been named the new chief of police for the town of Collierville. Tillner will succeed Chief Larry Goodwin, who retired on July 1. Tillner most recently served the



David Tillner

Collierville Police Department as its assistant chief, a position he has held since 2010. Before joining the department in 1989, Tillner served in the U.S. Marine Corps including serving as the White House Oval Office Detail for Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush, earning the Presidential Service Badge. After leaving the Marines, he joined the Collierville Police Department as a patrolman, serving on the SWAT team and then as a field training officer, crisis intervention team officer, and in the traffic unit. He was assigned to the detective division as an investigator in 1992 and was promoted to the rank of lieutenant in 1997. He also served as the field commander and traffic unit commander before his promotion to captain in 2000, where he served as a division commander.

**Craig Tindall** has been named as the new city manager for the city of Murfreesboro. Tindall has served as Murfreesboro's city attorney since 2015 when he replaced retiring City Attorney Susan Emery McGannon. Before coming to Murfreesboro, Tindall served as the city attorney for Glendale, Ariz., and as that city's deputy attorney from 2001 to 2013. He also advised clients in the private sector while with two law firms and served as General Counsel for the Arizona Coyotes of the National Hockey League in Phoenix. Tindall spent childhood years in Hendersonville, Memphis, and Phoenix, Ariz. He graduated from Arizona State University with a business degree and the Southern Methodist Dedman School of Law in Dallas.



Craig Tindall

**Nina Wingfield** will retire from her position as Director of Animal Services for the town of Collierville, a position she has held since 2004. A lifelong animal lover, Wingfield's career began as a fundraiser and volunteer for the Germantown Animal Welfare League. She then spent 18 years with the Memphis Humane Society, serving as an office manager and president of the board for three years. She started the Memphis chapter of the Society of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) and the Sunny Meadows Animal Sanctuary. In addition to her work with animal services, she has also served as a foster for animals and an educator on animal issues. She is a certified animal control officer and animal cruelty investigator. In her retirement, Wingfield said she will put her 20 years of volunteering with Shelby County Sheriff's Emergency Services to work as an active emergency medical responder and work with the Red Cross as an animal rescuer.



Nina Wingfield

## Knoxville Police Chief David Rausch named new TBI director

David Rausch, chief of police for the city of Knoxville since 2011, has been selected as the new director of the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation by Gov. Bill Haslam.

Rausch is the ninth person to hold the title of TBI director and began his duties on June 25.

"David brings a wealth of experience to the TBI and the proven leadership to continue the great progress the agency has made in making Tennessee safer," Haslam said of Rausch. "As police chief in Knoxville, he took on both urban and rural public safety issues and collaborated with local, state and federal partners to help address some of the region's most pressing crimes, such as gang activity and human trafficking."

A veteran of the U.S. Army, Rausch served in the Military Police Corps from 1986 to 1990. He



David Rausch

holds a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's in justice administration from the University of Louisville.

He began his career with the

Knoxville Police Department in 1993, rising through the ranks to serve as deputy chief and member of the special operations squad.

Rausch has served in multiple leadership roles in professional law enforcement organizations, including the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police and the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He was named 2017 Chief of the Year by the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police.

"I am honored and humbled the governor has selected me for this position," Rausch said. "The TBI is an excellent organization with amazing employees dedicated to serving the great state of Tennessee. I look forward to working alongside them to lead the agency into the next chapter and am excited to bring my vision and energy to serve in this capacity."

## MTAS consultants named UT MPPA Fellows



Four MTAS consultants were recently awarded the UT MPPA Fellows in Professional Practice at the graduate hooding and awards ceremony at the UT Knoxville Howard Baker Center. They were recognized for the numerous hours they dedicated to serving as guest lecturers for the master of public policy and administration program. Congratulations to Sharon Rollins, MTAS technical consultant program manager; Rex Barton, police management consultant; Dennis Wolfe, fire management consultant; and John Grubbs, human resources consultant.

## Gallatin K-9 team earns high honors at competition



Gallatin Police Department K-9 Handlers Austin McCurry and Jamison Pryor attended the U.S. Police Canine Association competition in Nashville recently and competed with 23 other teams. Officer McCurry and Tango placed second in evidence search while Officer Pryor and Battle placed second in overall novice and third on criminal apprehension. This is the third year in a row that the department and its canine unit have placed with high honors in the competition. From the left: Officer Jamison Pryor, Battle, Officer Austin McCurry, and Tango.

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## STATE BRIEFS



**Tennessee's Ocoee and Pigeon rivers have been listed among the top 20 whitewater rafting destinations in the U.S.** according to vacation-planning website TripAdvisor. The Ocoee River, located primarily in Polk County east of Chattanooga, is the most trafficked whitewater river in the country. The river's Class III and Class IV rapids are located through the heart of southern Appalachia and were the site of rafting competitions held during the 1996 Olympics. Meanwhile, the Pigeon River near Hartford offers beginner Class I and Class II rapids in its lower section and more challenging Class II and Class IV rapids in its upper section.

**Tennessee's statewide unemployment rate for April was 3.4 percent, the third consecutive month the rate has held steady.** The seasonally adjusted rate represents 0.6 of a percentage point decrease in unemployment compared to the same time period in 2017. April 2018 marks one year since Tennessee's unemployment rate dropped to 4 percent for the first time in recent history. In May 2017 the rate dipped to 3.8 percent and has remained under that mark ever since. The state recorded an all-time low unemployment rate of 3.3 percent in September of last year. That figure is just 0.1 of a percentage point lower than the latest rate. Statewide, Tennessee added an estimated 45,000 new jobs between April 2017 and April 2018. The largest increases occurred in the leisure/hospitality, professional/business services, and education/health services industries.

**The Tennessee State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO) has successfully completed all inspections of Tennessee's public marinas and docks.** The marina inspection program was created after the passage of Public Chapter 923 (2014)—more commonly referred to as the Noah Dean and Nate Act. The bill was named after Noah Dean Winstead, 10, and Nate Lynam, 11, who died tragically on July 4, 2012, after being electrocuted while swimming at the Cherokee Lake marina. The act requires that all public marinas and docks be inspected and that marina and boat dock operators must comply with equipment requirements preventing possible electrical shocks and electrocution.

**For the first time in history, the State Pooled Investment Fund (SPIF) has surpassed a \$12 billion balance.** State Treasurer David H. Lillard, Jr. reported the Tennessee Department of Treasury earned \$61 million last year for the state and local governments that participate in the SPIF. That \$61 million is additional monies earned by the Department on world investment markets - investment earnings that help provide the opportunity to better serve Tennesseans in the future. Managed by the Tennessee Department of

Treasury, the SPIF is made up of the state's cash, dedicated reserves and trust funds, and funds from local governments throughout Tennessee who choose to invest with the state. The Tennessee Department of Treasury actively invests this combination of savings and collections to help the State and local governments grow their financial resources safely and effectively. This active management reduces the need to raise taxes in order to fund day-to-day operations.

**Tennessee has seen the highest growth rate for international arrivals in the U.S.,** according to Tourism Economics. The amount of international air arrivals to Tennessee increased 11 percent over all with international travelers spending \$933.6 million in the state last year, a 38.7 percent increase in the past five years. While Canadians remain the top visitors to the Volunteer state, visitors are also coming from the U.K., Germany, Australia, and Mexico. Tennessee has also seen gains in travelers from Australia, Germany, and Japan whose visitorship to the U.S. has been slow growing. For overall visitation, Tennessee places among the Top 10 travel destinations in the U.S. for the fourth consecutive year.

**Consistent with national trends, Tennessee's teen pregnancy rates per 1,000 females declined from 49 in 2013 to 32.5 in 2016.** The most recent national data available is from 2013, when the teen pregnancy rate in the U.S. was 43 per 1,000 females. Despite these successes, teen pregnancy remains a significant problem in Tennessee. According to Power to Decide, adolescent parenthood is linked to many negative consequences for mothers, fathers and their children. Children born to teen parents are more likely to have low birth weights, live in low-income households, experience abuse or neglect, and enter the child welfare system than their peers.

**The Senate has passed a bill introduced by U.S. Sen. Lamar Alexander to expand the boundaries of Shiloh National Military Park.** The Shiloh National Military Park Boundary Adjustment and Parker's Crossroads Battlefield Designation Act would expand the boundary of Shiloh National Military Park to include three Civil War battlefields in Tennessee and Mississippi and designate Parker's Crossroads as an affiliated area of the National Park System. The military park is maintained by the National Parks Service and presently contains nearly 4,000 acres of land. The site typically sees a quarter of a million visitors yearly and is the final resting place of more than 3,500 soldiers who died during the Battle of Shiloh - also known as the Battle of Pittsburg Landing - as well as the home to the Shiloh Indian Mounds site. The bill will go back to the House of Representatives for their consideration.

## May revenues larger than budgeted

Department of Finance and Administration Commissioner Larry Martin announced that overall May revenues were \$1.1 billion, which is \$13.1 million more than the state budgeted.

"Total reported revenues in May reflect an increase compared to this time last year, but were very near the estimates for the month," Commissioner Martin said. "Sales tax and franchise and excise tax revenues, the state's largest tax revenue sources, exhibited growth compared to last year, but were slightly less than their budgeted estimates. Most of the month's growth over the budgeted estimate came primarily from two sources - the Hall tax and motor vehicle registration receipts. All other tax revenues, taken as a group, were less than the May estimates."

"With May revenues posting little gain compared to the budgeted estimate, year-to-date revenues made only a small advancement compared to last month. Nonetheless, as we near the end of the fiscal year, we are optimistic state revenues will exceed estimates at the end of the fiscal year."

General fund revenues were more than the budgeted estimates in the amount of \$6.2 million, while the four other funds that share in state tax revenues were \$6.9 million more than the estimates.

Sales tax revenues were \$2.1 million less than the estimate for May and they were 0.42 percent more than May 2017. May sales

tax revenues reflect retail business activity that occurred in April. For 10 months, revenues are \$67.5 million higher than estimated. The year-to-date growth rate for ten months was 4.24 percent.

Franchise and excise tax revenues combined were \$0.3 million lower than the budgeted estimate in May, and the growth rate compared to May 2017 was positive 12.81 percent. For 10 months, revenues are \$171.2 million more than the estimate and the year-to-date growth rate is negative 0.93 percent. However, adjusting for the one-time payments received last fiscal year and this fiscal year produces a positive year-to-date underlying growth rate of 5.87 percent.

Gasoline and motor fuel revenues for May increased by 14.39 percent compared to May 2017, and they were \$1.6 million less than the budgeted estimate of \$93.1 million. For 10 months, revenues have exceeded estimates by \$7 million.

Tobacco tax revenues were \$700,000 less than the May budgeted estimate of \$21.5 million. For 10 months, they are \$8.6 million less than the budgeted estimate.

Inheritance and estate tax revenues were \$100,000 less than the May estimate. On a year-to-date basis revenues for 10 months are \$3 million less than the budgeted estimate.

Hall income tax revenues for May were \$11.5 million more than the budgeted estimate. For 10

months, revenues are \$29 million more than the budgeted estimate.

Privilege tax revenues were \$1.2 million more than the May estimate, and on a year-to-date basis, August through May, revenues are \$21.3 million more than the estimate.

Business tax revenues were \$1 million less than the May estimate. For 10 months, revenues are \$14.9 million more than the budgeted estimate.

Motor vehicle registration revenues were \$5.9 million more than the May estimate, and on a year-to-date basis, revenues are \$21.8 million more than the estimate.

All other tax revenues exceeded estimates by a net of \$300,000.

Year-to-date revenues for 10 months were \$321.1 million more than the budgeted estimate. The general fund recorded \$276.4 million more than budgeted estimates and the four other funds \$44.7 million.

The budgeted revenue estimates for 2017-2018 are based on the State Funding Board's consensus recommendation of Nov. 29, 2016, and adopted by the first session of the 110th General Assembly in May 2017. Also incorporated in the estimates are any changes in revenue enacted during the 2017 session of the General Assembly.

These estimates are available on the state's website at <https://www.tn.gov/content/tn/finance/fa/budget-information/fa-budget-rev.html>.

## Collegedale's Rogers honored by TCMA

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municipal finance officer (CMFO) as awarded by the State Comptroller of the Treasury.

It was his extensive background in finance and management as well as his ability to make hard decisions that guided Rogers in bringing Collegedale back from the brink of bankruptcy and making it one of the most fiscally-secure cities in Tennessee. As health care costs continued to rise and cities across the country struggled to recruit and retain employees, he set relatively low parameters on the premiums employees pay, incorporated the amount into the personnel manual, and designed and implemented a retention and incentive plan that awards longevity with the city.

In 2015, Rogers spearheaded the creation of the Small Cities Coalition that brought together Collegedale, East Ridge, Lakesite, Lookout Mountain, Red Bank, and Soddy-Daisy to fight a proposed county tax structure change that would have taken a significant portion of sales tax revenue from local cities. Through an inter-local agreement, the coalition hired a communication strategist, and as a team, they developed a plan that successfully defeated the county's tax proposal.

Rogers creation of Collegedale's Planning and Economic Development Department has not only worked to develop the city

as a great place to live and work, it also earned the city a TML Achievement Award for Community Development last year. Rogers also created a director of parks and recreation for the city, which has led to the development and promotion of programs that have earned Collegedale recognition as a Healthier Tennessee Community.

Other initiatives Rogers has spearheaded for Collegedale include:

- Safety measures for city properties include a glass front in the administration area of the court clerk office and panic alarms at municipal buildings,
- Purchasing and renovating a structure into Collegedale's first Economic Development Center,
- Creating two public restrooms and an emergency response golf cart for the community,
- Purchasing a former Hamilton County library branch to create the Collegedale Public Library,
- Developing the structure for the city's key management system, and
- Designating city hall as a command center for natural disasters and emergency situations.

Rogers was also instrumental in the creation of the Collegedale Tomorrow Foundation, an organization that brings city leaders and members of the community together to make sure city development aligns with the cultural, recreational, and livability values of Collegedale

citizens.

A lifelong student of leadership, Rogers doesn't just work to improve his city. He is the author of "The Leaders Toolbox - Applied Concepts of Leadership," and has provided leadership training for public and private entities, including MTAS and the University of Tennessee in Chattanooga.

His desire to help others is evident in his work in emergency management. Currently a member of the National Disaster Medical System and serving on Disaster Medical Assistance Teams (DMAT), Rogers has been deployed to assist communities suffering from natural disasters such as the hurricanes and earthquakes in Houston, Naples, New Orleans, the Jersey shores and Haiti. His career spanned 31 years with the Tri-Community Fire Department and nearly 13 years with Hamilton County EMS. He remains a member of the Hamilton County 911 Board and was elected this year to serve as chairman of the Executive Board for the Chattanooga-Hamilton County/North Georgia Transportation Planning Organization.

The incoming president of the Tennessee City Manager Association, Rogers fully exhibits his belief to maintain the long view, build and maintain relationships, foster civility and mutual respect, and to be clear about your intentions while showing great resolve.

## TML elects new board

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They were then elected for a one-year term by a majority vote of the entire membership. Those directors are: Jimmy Alexander, mayor of Nolensville; John Clark, Kingsport mayor; Vance Coleman, Medina mayor; Avery Johnson, Cleveland vice mayor; Bobby King, Henderson mayor; Christina Martin, Columbia vice mayor; Lonnie Norman, mayor of Manchester; and Mary Ann Tremblay, Three Way vice mayor.

The chairmen of the Tennessee Municipal Bond Fund - offering low-interest loans for capital improvements - TML Risk Management Pool - providing affordable, dependable liability coverage to municipalities - also sit on the board.

The president of the the Tennessee City Management Association, a TML affiliate organization, also sits on the board as a voting member. The 2017-18 TCMA president is Ted Rodgers, Collegedale city manager.

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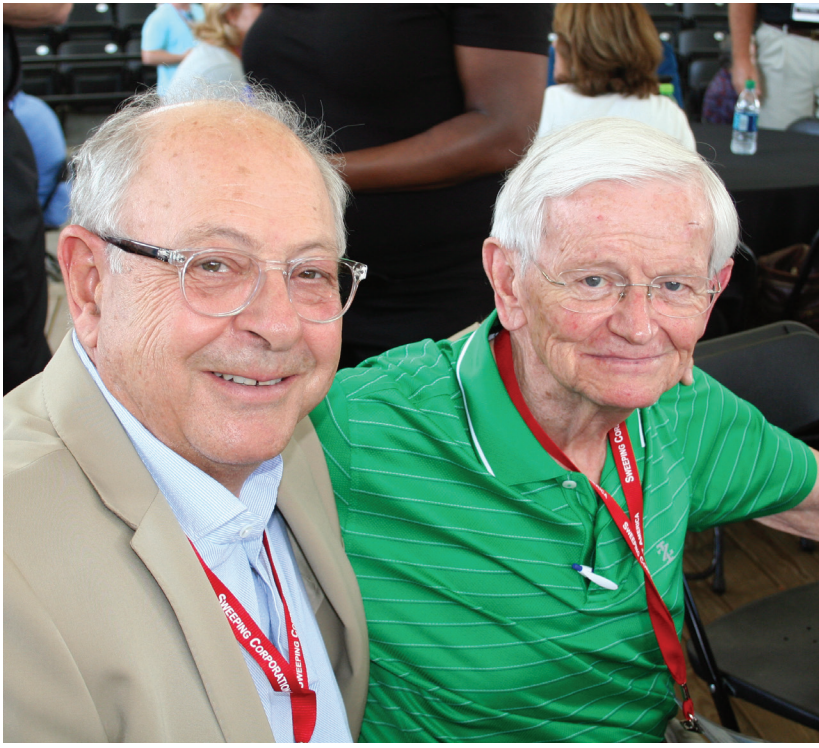
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# TML Annual Conference June 9-12 in Knoxville



Franklin Mayor Ken Moore and Columbia Mayor Dean Dickey.



Dyersburg Alderman Bob Kirk, Cleveland Mayor Tom Rowland, McKenzie Mayor Jill Holland, and Livingston Mayor Curtis Hayes.



Dr. Katie Cahill, associate director for the Howard H. Baker Jr. Center for Public Policy, moderates a gubernatorial forum featuring, from left to right, former ECD Commissioner Randy Boyd, former Nashville Mayor Karl Dean, House Minority Leader Craig Fitzhugh, and Speaker of the House Beth Harwell.



Dayton City Councilmember Bobby Doss and Building Inspector Ronnie Raper.



Morristown City Councilmember Tommy Pedigo and Portland Mayor Ken Wilber.



Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero, Gatlinburg City Manager Cindy Cameron Ogle, and Gatlinburg Mayor Mike Werner.



Clinton Fire Chief Archie Brummitt, City Manager Roger Houck, Senior Staff Administrator Bill Riggs, Councilmember E.T. Stamey, and Councilmember Larry Gann.

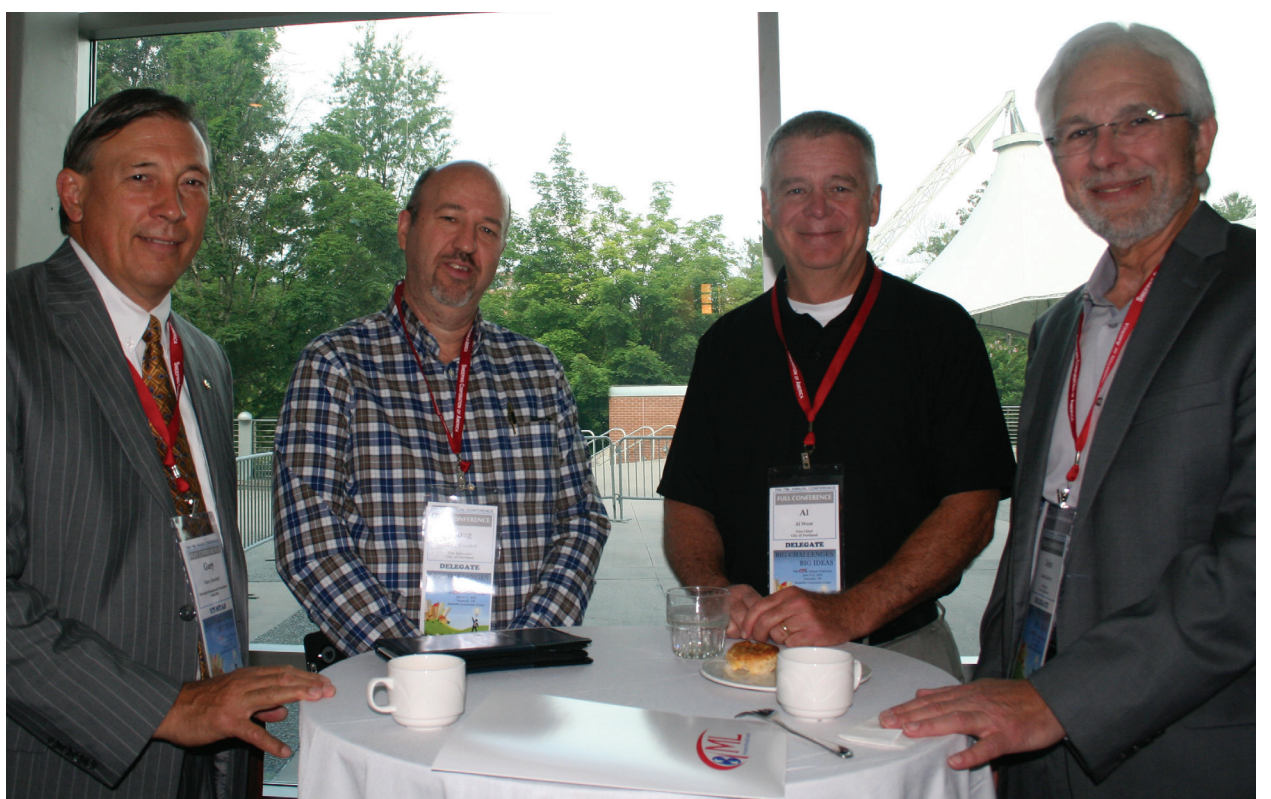


South Pittsburg Vice Mayor Paul Don King and City Administrator Gene Vess.



Above: Sparta Alderman Hoyt Jones and Mayor Jeff Young.

Right: MTAS Municipal Management Consultant Gary Jaeckel, Portland City Recorder Doug Yoeckel, Portland Fire Chief Al West, and Portland Alderman John Kerley.



# TML Annual Conference June 9-12 in Knoxville



Henning Alderwoman Carstella Douglas and Ripley Alderwoman Nyrita Alston.



Three Way Alderman Danny Wade, Teresa Wade, Vice Mayor Mary Ann Tremblay, and Jim Tremblay.



Soddy-Daisy Mayor Robert Cothran, Commissioner Rick Nunley, and Finance Director Burt Johnson.



Nolensville Alderman Larry Felts plays a carnival game with AARP Community Outreach Director Stacy Pennington at AARP's exhibitor booth.



Collegedale Commissioner Ethan White, Collegedale Assistant City Manager/CFO Michelle Toro, and Whitwell City Manager Todd Mistrot



MTAS Municipal Management Consultant Ronnie Neill and Henning Mayor Baris Douglas.



Fayetteville Mayor Jonathan Law, Emily Law, Alderwoman Violet Harry, and Mike Harry.



Medina Mayor Vance Coleman, Kay Coleman, Parks and Recreation Director Mike Hutcherson and City Recorder Kim Gilley.



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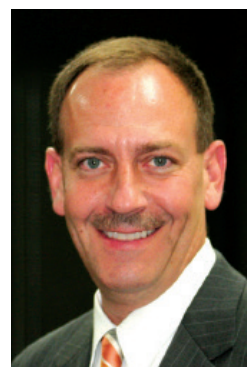
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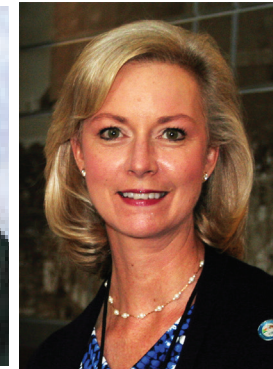
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