

Lee Board of
County Commissioners
1887-2018



130 Years of Dedicated Service and Commitment to
the Citizens of Lee County, Florida

County Logos Through the Years



1887-1923



1924-1958



1959-1985



1986-1996



1997-2015



2015-Current

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Elections and Inauguration Ceremonies

"I, (Commissioner's name), do solemnly swear that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States of America and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State of Florida and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of Commissioner for Lee County, Florida on which I am now about to enter, so help me God."

Reciting the Oath of Office to become a member of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners has been the highlight of every inauguration ceremony since the first one in 1887. From 1894 to 2005, the ceremony was held in the County Courthouse Chambers or on the front steps of the Courthouse. From 1887 to 1893, when there was no County courthouse, the ceremony was conducted in the numerous rented facilities that served as the temporary courthouse.

A Lee County Commissioner serves a four-year term. Board members' terms are staggered such that there is an election for County commissioners' seats every two years, always on an even-numbered year:

- Districts 1, 3 and 5 held on presidential election years.
- Districts 2 and 4 held on non-presidential election years.

There have been two notable exceptions to this tradition:

- **May 1887** - All five commissioners' seats were up for election. This was the date of Lee County Government's creation, and thus there were no sitting commissioners prior to this election. Winners of the first election were William Towles, FA Hendry, Frank Wilson, Peter Nelson and John Powell.
- **November 2004** - Four commissioners' seats were up for election. It was a Presidential election year putting Districts 1, 3 and 5 automatically on the ballot. Additionally, the District 4 seat was on the ballot because Andy Coy resigned his seat earlier in the year to run for the U.S. House of Representatives. Winners that year were:
 - District 1 - Bob Janes
 - District: 3 - Ray Judah
 - District 4 - Tammy Hall
 - District 5 - John Albion

Annual Organization

Rule 4.01 of Lee County Administrative Code 1-3 requires the Board of County Commissioners to reorganize the officers of the Board annually, on the third Tuesday in November, by electing a Chairman and Vice Chairman to serve a one-year term. On election years, the inauguration ceremony precedes the Board's "reorganization meeting."



1894 - 1914

Lee County's Courthouses Main Street Fort Myers, Florida



1915 - Present

The two Lee County Courthouses have been located on approximately 1.75 acres of land known as "Courthouse Square" in downtown Fort Myers, acting as the physical and symbolic center of Lee County government since 1894. The Courthouse serves as headquarters and offices for the Lee County Board of County Commissioners.

Below are some highlights and milestones of the two courthouses over the years.

1887 - 1894	No permanent County Courthouse. Commissioners rented a room for meetings.
1894	December - First Lee County Courthouse was built for \$3,640. It was a two-story, wood-framed building without restrooms.
1910 - 1914	Great public debate over whether Lee County needed a new, larger courthouse.
1914	October 26 - First Courthouse destroyed by a crowd wanting a new courthouse. Commission Chairman Bill Towles led the demolition.
1915	December - Current Courthouse opened for business. It is a two-story, stone and brick building, and cost \$100,000 to construct.
1962	The Lee County Administration Building was built on Courthouse Square, abutting the County Courthouse. It was originally built with four floors, the 5th & 6th floors were added in 1976. Jail was located away from Courthouse Square.
1962-1989	The Commissioners moved their offices from the County Courthouse to the Administration Building, remaining there until it was restored 27 years later. During this time, Commission meetings were held in the 1st floor meeting room of the Administration Building.
1984	April 16 - The \$32.5 million Lee County Justice Center opened to the public. It included the jail, the courtrooms and the offices for the Judges, Public Defender, State Attorney & County Clerk. Once the officials moved into their new offices, the Courthouse sat vacant falling into disrepair due to lack of repair and maintenance until 1989.
1989	March 16 - The Courthouse was listed on the National Register of Historic Places by the U.S. Department of the Interior.
1989	September 22 - The Old Lee County Courthouse was restored to its original 1915 condition at a cost of \$5.15 million and reopened for business. Commissioners along with the area's Florida State House and Senate representatives moved their offices into the building. The commissioners' meeting room was transferred back to Courthouse Commission Chambers.
1994	Summer - The movie <i>Just Cause</i> , starring Sean Connery, was filmed at the Courthouse
2011	A large oak tree that had been planted in the 1800s at the front of the Courthouse was carved into an eagle in flight when the tree started to develop disease.
2015	The 100th Anniversary of the Courthouse was celebrated with a special reception. Items were collected for a time capsule which is sealed in the Clerk of Courts' vault.

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From 1823 to 1887, the area now known as Lee County was part of Monroe County (Florida Keys). On May 13, 1887, the Florida State Legislature created the County of Lee, the 41st county in the state. Geographically, it was Florida's largest county and named after Civil War Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee. The county included the area that today is known as Lee, Hendry and Collier Counties. Lee County's borders have not changed since then.

On May 17, 1887, Lee County held its first election for the Lee County Board of County Commissioners. The Board's first meeting was at 3:00 p.m. on July 4, 1887 and lasted an estimated 30 minutes.

Following are some facts and figures about the men and women who, as members of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners, have served the local citizens over the years.

History of Women who have Served as Commissioners

Betty Bowen	1974-1978	First Woman County Commissioner
Melvin Morgan	1983-1984	First African-American County Commissioner
Mary Ann Wallace	1984-1988	
Vicki Lopez-Wolfe	1990-1992	First Hispanic County Commissioner First Woman Port Authority Chairwoman
Tammy Hall	2004-2013	First Woman Named Commission Chairwoman (2006) Renamed Chairwoman (2010) First Woman County Commissioner re-elected (2006, again in 2008)

History of Commissioners Serving 10 or more Years

26 Years	Alvin Gorton	1929-1934, 1937-1958	12 Years	Wilson Pigott	1948-1960
25 Years	Harry Stringfellow	1927-1952	12 Years	Herman Hastings	1956-1968
24 Years	Ray Judah	1988-2012	12 Years	Julian Hudson	1960-1972
19 Years	John Manning	1988-2000, 2010-Present	12 Years	Kenneth Daniels	1962-1974
17 Years	Edmund Keen	1937-1954	12 Years	Frank Mann	1993-1994, 2006-Present
16 Years	Douglas St. Cerny	1990-2006	11 Years	Ranson Collier	1909-1920
14 Years	FJ Wilson	1887-1899, 1901-1903	11 Years	WE Phillips	1915-1925, 1929-1930
14 Years	William Gibson	1931-1935, 1938-1948	10 Years	Ed Parkinson	1899-1908, 1913-1914
14 Years	John Albion	1992-2006	10 Years	Andrew Coy	1994-2004
13 Years	Bruce Storter	1935-1948	10 Years	Robert Janes	2000-2010
12 Years	Walter Turner	1911-1923			

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Commissioners with Multiple Terms (Non-Consecutive Years)

4 Terms	Bill Towles	1887-1888, 1891-1895, 1913-1914, 1916-1918
2 Terms	FJ Wilsom	1887-1899, 1901-1903
2 Terms	Francis Hendry	1887-1889, 1911-1914
2 Terms	Ed Parkinson	1899-1908, 1913-1914
2 Terms	WE Phillips	1915-1925, 1929-1930
2 Terms	Alvin Gorton	1929-1934, 1937-1958
2 Terms	William Gibson	1931-1935, 1938-1948
2 Terms	Frank Mann	1993-1994, 2006-Present
2 Terms	John Manning	1988-2000, 2010-Present

Commissioners who were also Lee County Government Staff Members

Doug Taylor, Mike Roeder, Ray Judah

Commissioners' Political Party Affiliations

Over the years, a "Democratic Lee County" became a "Republican Lee County." From 1887 to the early 1960s, the Lee County political scene was dominated by the Democrat Party. During this period, only Democrats were elected to the Board. Consequently, every chairman of the board was a Democrat. It was quite common that there was no Republican vying for a specific position, and thus the Democratic primary determined who would fill the position.

From 1995 to the present, the Republican Party has dominated the political picture. During this period, only Republicans were elected to the Board. Typically there was no Democrat party opposition for many positions, and the Republican Party primary determined the winner for a position on the ballot.

The transition from a "Democratic County" to a "Republican County" took place during the mid-1960s to the mid-1990s with one exception: 1974 to 1976. During this transitional period, both Democrats and Republicans served simultaneously on the Board. The key period in this Democrat-to-Republican transition was 1972 to 1974. With the election of numerous Republicans in November 1972, *The News-Press* in an editorial stated "the day of the Democrat Party dominance is over in Lee County."

The first Republican majority on the Lee Board of County Commissioners occurred in November of 1972 when three Republicans served on the board. Jim Sweeney Jr. was the first Republican chairman in Lee County Commission history. The first all Republican Board of County Commissioners occurred in November 1974.

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Electing County Commissioners

Single district voting system vs. countywide voting system

1887 - 1951

All commissioners were elected in the primary elections by the single district voting system. This limited voters to voting for the one commissioner who would represent their district. Voters were not able to vote for commission candidates in the other four districts so commissioners only campaigned in their district, not countywide. During these 64 years, election winners took office in early January of the next year. Electing commissioners in the general election using the countywide voting system was a moot point until the early 1960s because rarely, if ever, did Republications run in the general election. With no Republican opposition in the general elections, the winner of the Democrat Party primary was going to be the next commissioner.

1951

Florida State legislative statute - HB 985, Ch. 27677, Laws of Florida - eliminated the single district voting system in Lee County. The Bill required members of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners to be nominated by voters at large. The conversion to a countywide voting system for the primary elections went into effect in 1952. From this point, all candidates for the Board of County Commissioners had to run a countywide campaign for all elections (primary and general). Because of an ugly episode of politics, the Florida Legislature enacted HB 985, a law that only applied to Lee County. Florida Gov. Fuller Warren suspended Lee Commissioners Leon Smith and Edmund Keen, both of whom had been charged with embezzlement. Robert Parks replaced Smith and Walter Hasley replaced Keen, who a month later, was found not guilty of all charges. Keen then returned to his seat on the Board and Hasley, after only a month as a Lee Commissioner, was no longer a board member.

1972

The Florida Legislature passed several new laws, county commissioners would now take office in mid-November rather than early January of the next year, as had been the practice in Lee County since 1887.

1988

Lee County voters vote against a proposed county charter by a 4-to-1 margin. Voters also vote against a proposal to change the voting system electing county commissioners from the countywide voting system to the single district voting system.

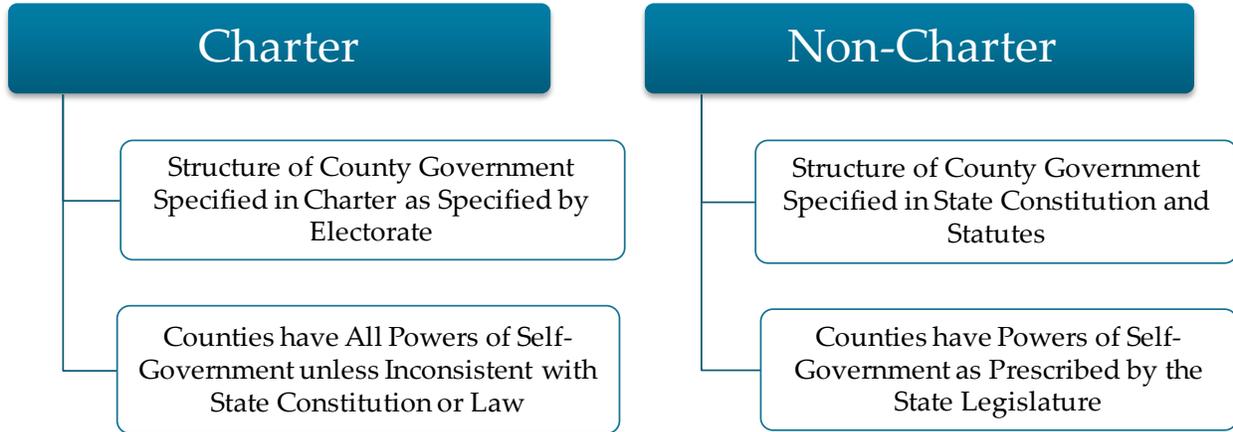
1996

The voters of Lee County adopted a Lee County Charter (aka Home Rule), effective Jan. 1, 1997. Lee County was the 16th out of 67 Florida counties to have a charter. *(Historical Note: In 1968, the Florida Legislature granted local voters the power to adopt charters to govern their counties. Charters are formal written documents that confer powers, duties, or privileges on the county. They resemble state or federal constitutions, and they must be approved, along with any amendments, by the voters of a county. According to several Florida constitutional scholars, the establishment of charter government was designed to remove the resolution of local problems from the state legislature's busy agenda and to grant the county electorate greater control over their regional affairs, such as deciding whether to use a district-wide or countywide election system for local officials).*

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Basic Differences between Charter and Non-Charter Counties:



Commissioners' Duties and Responsibilities Evolved over the Years

1887 to early 1970s - Commissioners earned a couple hundred dollars a month (the pay in the 1970s) for what was then a part-time job. Quite often, they were not in the courthouse. Consequently, each commissioner took care of daily governmental operations and matters within his district. Each commissioner had a barn in his district with his own trucks and men. Every morning about 6 a.m., from the barn, a commissioner would assign the men to do certain work in his district... mowing, putting in culverts, etc.

Dec. 1, 1971 - Commissioners hired Lavon Wisher as Lee County government's first county administrator. She became the administrative head for day-to-day operations of county government and was responsible for all county staff. In the years prior to the county having a county administrator, the chairman of the board of the County Commissioners held those duties. Now that the commissioners had hired a professional administrator, the Board evolved into a "board of Directors" overseeing big picture items (example – determining policies, controlling the budget, etc.) and no longer were involved with daily operations.

Annual Selection of the Chairman of the Board

The Annual Board Reorganization

Since 1993, the commissioners have followed a rotation schedule when electing the chairman and vice chairman. The rotation is based on the district number. Each of the five commissioners represents one district. Thus, as an example, the District One Commissioner would become the vice chairman once every five years and the following year he would become the chairman. After serving as the chairman for a year, he would "go to the back of the line" and eventually would become the vice chairman five years later. The rotation system is not a written and established county policy but rather a tradition and 'gentlemen's agreement.' Consequently, there have been years when the 'informal' rotation system was not used. Over several years, an individual could serve as chairman several times while another commissioner might never serve as the chairman.

The new chairman is selected at the beginning of the Board meeting on the third week of each November. At the meeting, the outgoing chairman opens the meeting and immediately asks the Lee County Clerk of Circuit Court to chair the meeting for purposes of selecting the new chairman. Nominations are offered by the commissioners and a vote is taken. When one commissioner receives at least three votes, the election process for the chairman is complete. At that point, the new chairman assumes control of the meeting from the Clerk and the new chairman asks for nominations for the new vice chairman. A vote ensues and when a vice chairman is elected, the Board moves on to other meeting agenda items.

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(Names noted in parentheses are those who replaced the Commissioners above them)

1887				
Francis Hendry	FJ Wilson	Bill Towles	John Powell	Peter Nelson
1888				
FA Hendry	FJ Wilson	Bill Towles (GM Omsby)	John Powell	Peter Nelson
1889				
FA Hendry (RP Thurben)	FJ Wilson	GM Ormsby (TT Eyre)	John Powell (Jacob Summerlin)	Peter Nelson
1890				
RP Thurben	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre	Jacob Summerlin	Peter Nelson
1891				
RP Thurben (JW Williams)	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre	RB Gilbert	Jacob Summerlin (Bill Towles)
1892				
JW Williams	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre	RB Gilbert	Bill Towles
1893				
JW Williams	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre	RB Gilbert	Bill Towles
1894				
JW Williams	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre	RB Gilbert	Bill Towles
1895				
JW Williams	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre	RB Gilbert	Bill Towles (Robert Lilly)
1896				
JW Williams	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre	RB Gilbert	Robert Lilly
1897				
JW Williams	FJ Wilson	TT Eyre (CF Tooke)	RB Gilbert (JK Ashmore)	Robert Lilly
1898				
JW Williams	FJ Wilson	CF Tooke	JK Ashmore	Robert Lilly
1899				
JW Williams (Ed Parkinson)	FJ Wilson (William Gorman)	CF Tooke	JK Ashmore	Robert Lilly
1900				
Ed Parkinson	William Gorman	CF Tooke	JK Ashmore	Robert Lilly

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1901				
Ed Parkinson	William Gorman (FJ Wilson)	CF Tooke (CB Swain)	JK Ashmore (EV Stevens)	Robert Lilly
1902				
Ed Parkinson	FJ Wilson	CB Swain	EV Stevens	Robert Lilly
1903				
Ed Parkinson	FJ Wilson (George Riddle)	CB Swain (A Heinisch)	EV Stevens (JC Anderson)	Robert Lilly
1904				
Ed Parkinson	George Riddle	A Heinisch	JC Anderson	Robert Lilly
1905				
Ed Parkinson	George Riddle	RW Gilliam	JC Anderson	Aiken Lee
1906				
Ed Parkinson	George Riddle	RW Gilliam	JC Anderson	Aiken Lee
1907				
Ed Parkinson	George Riddle	RW Gilliam	William Gomm	Walter Kaune
1908				
Ed Parkinson (JJ Davis)	George Riddle	RW Gilliam	William Gomm	Walter Kaune
1909				
JJ Davis	Ranson Collier	RW Gilliam	William Gomm	Walter Kaune
1910				
JJ Davis	Ranson Collier	RW Gilliam	William Gomm	Walter Kaune
1911				
LM Stroup	Ranson Collier	Francis Hendry	William Gomm	Walter Turner
1912				
LM Stroup	Ranson Collier	Francis Hendry	William Gomm	Walter Turner
1913				
LM Stroup (Bill Towles)	Ranson Collier	Francis Hendry	Ed Parkinson	Walter Turner
1914				
Bill Towles	Ranson Collier	FA Hendry	Ed Parkinson	Walter Turner
1915				
WE Phillips	Ranson Collier	EE Goodno	George Lightsey	Walter Turner

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1916				
WE Phillips	Ranson Collier	EE Goodno	GW Lightsey (Bill Towles)	Walter Turner
1917				
WE Phillips	Ranson Collier	EE Goodno	Bill Towles	Walter Turner
1918				
WE Phillips	Ranson Collier	EE Goodno	Bill Towles (CP Staley)	Walter Turner
1919				
WE Phillips	Ranson Collier	EM Reynolds	CP Staley	Walter Turner
1920				
WE Phillips	Ranson Collier (EG Wilkinson)	EM Reynolds	CP Staley	Walter Turner
1921				
WE Phillips	EG Wilkinson	EM Reynolds (RV Hedges)	CP Staley	Walter Turner
1922				
WE Phillips	EG Wilkinson	RV Hedges	CP Staley (John Morris)	Walter Turner
1923				
WE Phillips	EG Wilkinson (DS Boland)	RV Hedges (FG Thompson)	John Morris	Walter Turner
1924				
WE Phillips	DS Boland	FG Thompson	John Morris	AM Smith
1925				
WE Phillips (CJ Seagraves)	DS Boland	FG Thompson	John Morris	AM Smith
1926				
CJ Seagraves	DS Boland (SW Richardson)	FG Thompson	John Morris	AM Smith
1927				
CJ Seagraves	SW Richardson	Harry Stringfellow	John Morris	AM Smith
1928				
CJ Seagraves	SW Richardson	Harry Stringfellow	John Morris	AM Smith

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1929				
JW Blanding	Stanley Hanson	Harry Stringfellow	WE Phillips	Alvin Gorton
1930				
JW Blanding (Edgar Blount)	Stanley Hanson	Harry Stringfellow	WE Phillips	Alvin Gorton
1931				
Edgar Blount	William Gibson	Harry Stringfellow	BS Clay	Alvin Gorton
1932				
Edgar Blount	William Gibson	Harry Stringfellow	BS Clay	Alvin Gorton
1933				
Edgar Blount	William Gibson	Harry Stringfellow	BS Clay	Alvin Gorton
1934				
Edgar Blount	William Gibson	Harry Stringfellow	BS Clay	Alvin Gorton
1935				
Edgar Blount	William Gibson (Bruce Sorter)	Harry Stringfellow	BS Clay	Joe Carter
1936				
Edgar Blount	Bruce Sorter	Harry Stringfellow	BS Clay	Joe Carter
1937				
Edmund Keen	Bruce Sorter	Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	Joe Carter
1938				
Edmund Keen	Bruce Sorter	Harry Stringfellow	Joe Carter (William Gibson)	Alvin Gorton
1939				
Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter	Harry Stringfellow	William Gibson	Alvin Gorton
1940				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1941				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1942				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1943				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter

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1944				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1945				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1946				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1947				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1948				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	William Gibson	H. Edward Keen	Bruce Sorter
1949				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	Leon Smith	Edmund Keen	Wilson Pigott
1950				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	Leon Smith	Edmund Keen	Wilson Pigott
1951				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	Leon Smith (Robert Parks)	Edmund Keen	Wilson Pigott
1952				
Harry Stringfellow	Alvin Gorton	Robert Parks	Edmund Keen	Wilson Pigott
1953				
PB Crews	Alvin Gorton	Robert Parks	Edmund Keen	Wilson Pigott
1954				
PB Crews	Alvin Gorton	Robert Parks	Edmund Keen	Wilson Pigott
1955				
PB Crews	Alvin Gorton	Robert Parks	Dawson McDaniel	Wilson Pigott
1956				
PB Crews	Alvin Gorton	Robert Parks	Dawson McDaniel	Wilson Pigott
1957				
Mack Jones	Alvin Gorton	Herman Hastings	Dawson McDaniel	Wilson Pigott
1958				
Mack Jones	Alvin Gorton	Herman Hastings	Dawson McDaniel	Wilson Pigott
1959				
Mack Jones	George Hunter	Herman Hastings	Fred Huber	Wilson Pigott

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1960				
Mack Jones	George Hunter	Herman Hastings	Fred Huber	Wilson Pigott
1961				
Mack Jones	George Hunter	Herman Hastings	Fred Huber	Julian Hudson
1962				
Mack Jones	George Hunter	Herman Hastings	Fred Huber	Julian Hudson
1963				
Mack Jones	PA Geraci	Herman Hastings	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1964				
Mack Jones	PA Geraci	Herman Hastings	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1965				
Bruce Scott	PA Geraci	Herman Hastings	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1966				
Bruce Scott	PA Geraci	Herman Hastings	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1967				
Bruce Scott	PA Geraci	Herman Hastings	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1968				
Bruce Scott	PA Geraci	Herman Hastings	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1969				
Bruce Scott	PA Geraci	Chris Stafford (James Sweeny Jr.)	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1970				
Bruce Scott	PA Geraci	James Sweeny Jr.	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1971				
Bruce Scott	Walter Shirey	James Sweeny Jr.	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1972				
Bruce Scott (Charles Edwards)	Walter Shirey	James Sweeny Jr.	Kenneth Daniels	Julian Hudson
1973				
Dick Sayers	Walter Shirey	James Sweeny Jr.	Kenneth Daniels	George Goldtrap
1974				
Dick Sayers	Walter Shirey	James Sweeny Jr.	Kenneth Daniels	George Goldtrap
1975				
Dick Sayers	Bob Whan	James Sweeny Jr.	Betty Bowan	George Goldtrap

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1975				
Dick Sayers	Bob Whan	James Sweeny Jr.	Betty Bowen	George Goldtrap
1976				
Dick Sayers	Bob Whan	James Sweeny Jr.	Betty Bowen	George Goldtrap
1977				
Doug Taylor	Bob Whan	Roland Roberts	Betty Bowen Evans	Dick Steele
1978				
Doug Taylor	Bob Whan	Roland Roberts	Betty Bowen Evans	Dick Steele
1979				
Doug Taylor	Harry Rodda	Roland Roberts	Wade Scaffè	Dick Steele
1980				
Doug Taylor	Harry Rodda	Roland Roberts	Wade Scaffè	Dick Steele
1981				
Mike Roeder	Harry Rodda	Roland Roberts	Wade Scaffè	Ernie Averill
1982				
Mike Roeder	Harry Rodda	Roland Roberts	Wade Scaffè	Ernie Averill
1983				
Porter Goss	Roland Eastwood	Roland Roberts	Bill Fussell	Ernie Averill (Fred Bartleson) (Melvin Morgan)
1984				
Porter Goss	Roland Eastwood	Roland Roberts	Bill Fussell	Melvin Morgan
1985				
Porter Goss	Roland Eastwood	Mary Ann Wallace	Bill Fussell	Donald Slisher
1986				
Porter Goss	Charles Bigelow	Mary Ann Wallace	Bill Fussell	Donald Slisher
1987				
Porter Goss	Charles Bigelow	Mary Ann Wallace	Bill Fussell	Donald Slisher
1988				
Porter Goss (John Manning)	Charles Bigelow	Mary Ann Wallace	Bill Fussell	Donald Slisher
1989				
John Manning	Charles Bigelow	Ray Judah	Bill Fussell	Donald Slisher

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1990				
John Manning	Charles Bigelow (Doug St. Cerny)	Ray Judah	Bill Fussell	Donald Slisher
1991				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Vicki Lopez-Wolfe	John Albion
1992				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Vicki Lopez-Wolfe	John Albion
1993				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Vicki Lopez-Wolfe	John Albion
1994				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Frank Mann	John Albion
1995				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
1996				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
1997				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
1998				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
1999				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
2000				
John Manning	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
2001				
Robert Janes	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
2002				
Robert Janes	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
2003				
Robert Janes	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
2004				
Robert Janes	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Andrew Coy	John Albion
2005				
Robert Janes	Doug St. Cerny	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	John Albion

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2006				
Robert Janes	Brian Bigelow	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	Frank Mann
2007				
Robert Janes	Brian Bigelow	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	Frank Mann
2008				
Robert Janes	Brian Bigelow	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	Frank Mann
2009				
Robert Janes	Brian Bigelow	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	Frank Mann
2010				
Robert Janes (John Manning)	Brian Bigelow	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	Frank Mann
2011				
John Manning	Brian Bigelow	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	Frank Mann
2012				
John Manning	Brian Bigelow	Ray Judah	Tammy Hall	Frank Mann
2013				
John Manning	Cecil L Pendergrass	Larry Kiker	Tammy Hall (Brian Hamman)	Frank Mann
2014				
John Manning	Cecil L Pendergrass	Larry Kiker	Brian Hamman	Frank Mann
2015				
John Manning	Cecil L Pendergrass	Larry Kiker	Brian Hamman	Frank Mann
2016				
John Manning	Cecil L Pendergrass	Larry Kiker	Brian Hamman	Frank Mann
2017				
John Manning	Cecil L Pendergrass	Larry Kiker	Brian Hamman	Frank Mann

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Alphabetical Roster 1887 - 2018

A	Albion, John	1992-2006	H	Hall, Tammy	2004-2012	R	Richardson, SW	1926-1928
	Anderson, JC	1903-1906		Hamman, Brian	2012-Present		Riddle, George	1903-1908
	Ashmore, JK	1897-1901		Hanson, Stanley	1929-1930		Reynolds, EM	1919-1921
	Averill, Ernie	1980-1983		Hastings, Herman	1956-1968		Roberts, Roland	1976-1984
B	Bartleson, Fred	1983		Hedges, RV	1921-1923		Rodda, Harry	1978-1982
	Bigelow, Brian	2006-2012		Heinisch, A	1903-1904		Roeder, Mike	1980-1982
	Bigelow, Charles	1986-1990		Hendry, FA	1887-89, 1911-14	S	Sayers, Dick	1972-1976
	Blanding, JW	1929-1930		Huber, Fred	1958-1962		Scaffa, Wade	1978-1982
	Blount, Edgar	1930-1936		Hudson, Julian	1960-1972		Scott, Bruce	1964-1972
	Boland, DS	1923-1926		Hunter, George	1958-1962		Seagraves, CJ	1925-1928
	Bown, Betty	1974-1978	J	Janes, Bob	2000-2011		Shirey, Walter	1971-1974
C	Carter, Joe	1935-1938		Jones, Mack	1956-1964		Slisher, Donald	1984-1992
	Clay, BS	1931-1936		Judah, Ray	1988-2012		Smith, AM	1923-1928
	Collier, Ranson	1909-1920	K	Kaune, Walter	1907-1910		Stafford, Chris	1969
	Coy, Andrew	1994-2004		Keen, Edmund	1937-1954		Staley, CP	1918-1922
	Crews, PB	1952-1956		Kiker, Larry	2012-Present		St. Cerny, Douglas	1990-2005
D	Daniels, Kenneth	1962-1974	L	Lee, Aiken	1905-1906		Steele, Dick	1976-1980
	Davis, JJ	1908-1910		Lilly, Robert	1895-1904		Stevens, EV	1901-1903
E	Eastwood, Roland	1982-1985		Lightsey, GW	1915-1916		Storter, Bruce	1935-1948
	Edwards, Charles	1972		Lopez-Wolfe, Vicki	1990-1992		Stringfellow, HM	1927-1952
	Eyer, TT	1889-1897	M	Mann, Franklin	1992-94, 2006-Present		Stroup, LM	1911-1913
F	Fussell, Bill	1982-1990		Manning, John	1988-00, 2010-Present		Summerlin, Jacob	1889-1990
G	Geraci, PA	1962-1970		McDaniel, Dawson	1954-1958		Swain, CB	1901-1903
	Gilbert, RB	1891-1897		Morgan, Melvin	1983-1984		Sweeney, Jr., James	1968-1976
	Gibson, William	1931-35, 1938-48		Morris, John	1922-1928	T	Taylor, RD	1976-1980
	Gilliam, RW	1905-1910	N	Nelson, Peter	1887-1890		Thompson, FG	1927-1927
	Goodno, EE	1915-1918	O	Omsby, GM	1888-1898		Towles, Bill	1887-88, 1891-95, 1913-14, 1916-18
	Goldtrap, George	1972-1976	P	Parkinson, Ed	1899-1908, 1913-14		Thurben, RP	1889-1891
	Gomm, William	1907-1912		Parks, Robert	1951-1956		Tooke, CF	1897-1901
	Gorman, William	1899-1901		Pendergrass, Cecil L	2012-Present		Turner, WS	1911-1923
	Gorton, Alvin	1929-34, 1937-58		Phillips, WE	1915-25, 1929-30	W	Wallace, Mary Ann	1984-1988
	Goss, Porter	1982-1988		Pigott, Wilson	1948-1960		Whan, LH	1974-1978
				Powell, John	1887-1989		Wilkinson, EG	1920-1923
							Williams, JW	1891-1899
							Wilson, FJ	1887-1899 1901-1903

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