

# 1936-2018

## Texas Institute of Letters: Officers

(Question marks indicate missing names of councilors/new members.)

**1936 November 9, Dallas, First officers chosen at meeting in Hall of State, Fair Park, Dallas, during Texas Centennial Exposition**

**President:** Patrick D. Moreland, Austin; author; secretary to Gov. James V. Allred.

**Vice-President:** Stanley E. Babb, literary editor, *Galveston News*, Galveston

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Mary Hardin-Baylor College Belton.

**Councilors:**

Rebecca Smith, Fort Worth

Peter Molyneaux, Dallas.

**1937 June - Fort Worth; October 15 - Austin**

**President:** Patrick D Moreland, Austin

**Vice-President:** Stanley E. Babb, Galveston

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton

**Councilors:**

Rebecca Smith

J. Marvin Hunter

**1938 Dallas, Oct. 21 - Cokesbury Bookstore, Oct. 22 - Luncheon, Dallas Athletic Club**

**President:** Karle Wilson Baker, Nacogdoches

**Vice-President:** James H. Parke Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton

**Councilors:**

Walter Prescott Webb, Austin

Whitney Montgomery, Dallas

**1939 Dallas, Oct. 17 -- Business meeting, Cokesbury Book Store, Oct. 18 -- Awards Banquet Dallas Athletic Club**

**President:** Whitney Montgomery, Dallas poet

**Vice-President:** Lee M. Ellison, Denton (vice-president of Texas State College for Women)

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Mary Hardin-Baylor, Belton

**Councilors:**

Karle Wilson Baker, Nacogdoches

Walter Prescott Webb, Austin.

**1940 Oct. 18-19 - Denton, Texas State College for Women**

**President:** Rebecca Smith, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth

**Vice-President:** Arthur Sampley, North Texas State University, Denton

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton

**Councilors:**

Whitney Montgomery, Dallas

Lexie Dean Robertson, Rising Star

John Q. Beaty, Dallas.

**New Members:**

Umphrey Lee, president, SMU, Dallas

Frances Alexander, Kingsville

L.H. Hubbard, president, Texas State College for Women, Denton

E. P Conkle, Austin

Ruth Averitte, Fort Worth

Autrey Nell Wiley, Denton

A. B. Cunningham, Lubbock

Tom McNeal, Commerce

**1941 Oct. 24-25 - Fort Worth, Texas Christian University**

**President:** Arthur M. Sampley, North Texas State Teachers Collegte, Denton

**Vice President:** Fania, Wichita Falls

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton

**Councilors:**

Hilton Ross Greer, Dallas;

J. Frank Dobie, Austin

Rebecca Smith, Fort Worth.

**? New Members:**

**1942 Nov. 11, YMCA, Dallas**

**President:** Hilton R.Greer, Dallas

**Vice-President:** J. M. Dawson, Waco

**Secretary-Treasuer:** William H. Vann, Belton

**Councilors:**

Arthur Sampley, Denton

Tom H. McNeal, Commerce

Siddie Joe Johnson, Dallas

**? New Members:**

**1943 Oct. 29, YMCA, Dallas**

**President:** Hilton Greer, Dallas

**Vice-President:** Joseph M. Dawson, Waco

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann

**Councilors:**

Tom H. McNeal, Commerce

Siddie Joe Johnson, Dallas

Floyd Stovall, Denton.

**? New Members:**

**1944 Nov. 10, YMCA, Dallas****President:** Lexie Dean Robertson, Rising Star**Vice President:** Joseph M Dawson, Waco**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton**Councilors:**

Tom H. McNeal, Commerce

Floyd Stovall, Denton

Siddie Joe Johnson, Dallas

**? New Members:****1945 Nov. 9-10 Dallas****Southern Methodist University, Arden Hall -- in conjunction with 4-day Southwestern Book Fair sponsored by SMU)****President:** J.M. Dawson, Waco**Vice-President:** L.H. Hubbard, Denton**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton**? Councilors:****? New Members:****1946 Tenth Anniversary Meeting - Dallas, Nov 15 - Business meeting, Cokesbury Book Store), Nov. 16 - Awards banquet, Venus Restaurant****President:** L.H. Hubbard, Denton**Vice-President:** Lon Tinkle, Dallas**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton**? Councilors:****? New Members:****1947 Nov. 14-15, Dallas****President:** Lon Tinkle, Dallas**Vice-President:** Mabel Major, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton**Councilors:**

L.H. Hubbard, Denton

Carlos Castaneda, Austin

Fay Yauger, Wichita Falls.

**? New Members:****1948 Dallas, Nov. 12 -- Business Session, Cokesbury Book Store, Nov. 13 -- Awards banquet, Downtown Club****President:** Lon Tinkle, Dallas**Vice-President:** Mabel Major, Fort Worth**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton**? Councilors:****? New Members:**

**1949 Nov. 11 -- Dallas, Downtown Club****President:** Lon Tinkle, Dallas**Vice-President:** Roy Bedichek, Austin**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton**Councilors:**

Robert Rylee, Denison

Mabel Majors, Fort Worth

Tom Lea, El Paso.

**? New Members:****1950 Nov. 18, Downtown Club, Dallas****President:** Lon Tinkle**Vice-President:** Loula Grace Erdman**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann**? Councilors:****? New Members:****1951 Nov. 16 \_ Downtown Club, Dallas****President:** Lon Tinkle, Dallas**Vice-President:** Arthur Sampley, Denton**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann**? Councilors:****? New Members****1952 Nov. 14 - 15 Dallas, Cokesbury Book Store, Afternoon Session, Downtown Club, Awards Banquet****President:** Arthur M. Sampley**Vice-President:** Frank Wardlaw**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann**Councilors:**

Laura Hamner

Margaret Lee Wiley

Lon Tinkle.

**New Members:**

Willaim D. Barney, Fort Worth

Madison Cooper, Waco

Joe B. Frantz, Austin

Everett A. Gillis Lubbock

Phillip Graham, Austin

James K. Greer, Abilene

Elithe Hamilton Kirkland, Austin

Winifred Kupper, San Antonio

Ross Phares, Marshall

George Williams, Houston

**1953 Dallas, Oct. 30, Cokesbury Book Store, Oct. 31, Downtown Club**

**President:** J. Frank Dobie (1953-57)

**Vice President:** Allen Maxwell, Dallas

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton

**Councilors:**

Arthur Sampley, Denton

George Fuermann, Houston

Lexie Dean Robertson, Rising Star.

**New Members:**

Charles Carver, Waco

John Howard Griffin, Mansfield

W. W. (Bill) Johnson, Dallas

Warren Leslie, Dallas

William A. Owens, Dallas

Holland McCombs, Dallas

Luise Putcamp Jr., Dallas

Bonner McMillion, Marlin

Earnest Mossner, Austin

Margaret Young, Houston

**1954**

**No meeting this year**

**1955 (See Note A), March 3, Downtown Club, Dallas**

**President:** J. Frank Dobie (1953-57)

**Vice President:** Allen Maxwell, Dallas

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann, Belton

**Councilors:**

Arthur Sampley, Denton

George Fuermann, Houston.

**? New Members:**

**1956 March 10, Statler-Hilton Hotel, Dallas**

**President:** J. Frank Dobie

**Vice President:** Allen Maxwell, Dallas

**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann

**Councilors:**

Arthur Sampley

Madison Cooper

Anne Pence Davis.

**New Members:**

Martain Shockley

E. Hudson Long

Ronnie Dugger

Harry H. Ransom

**1957 Feb. 1, Downtown Club, Dallas**

**President:** J. Frank Dobie  
**Vice President:** Frank Wardlaw  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann  
**? Councilors:**  
**? New Members:**

**1958 Feb. 22, Downtown Club, Dallas**

**President:** Frank H. Wardlaw  
**Vice President:** Frank E. Vandiver  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** William H. Vann  
**Councilors:**  
 Allen Maxwell  
 Fred Gipson  
 Mabel Major  
**? New Members:**

**1959 March 13, Dallas - Downtown Club**

**President:** Frank H. Wardlaw  
**Vice President:** Frank E. Vandiver  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** William M. Hudson  
**Councilors:**  
 William H. Vann  
 Camilla Campbell  
 Allen Maxwell  
**New Members:**  
 Jerry Bywaters, Dallas  
 Charles W. Ferguson, New York  
 Horton Foote, New York  
 Andrew Forest Muir, Houston

(William H. Vann announced he would retire as secretary-treasurer before this meeting, and Wilson M. Hudson was chosen to succeed him, President Wardlaw appointed a committee with Lon Tinkle as chairman to prepare an expression of appreciation to Vann for his services. The citation was presented, emblazoned on a scroll designed by Carl Hertzog, saluting Vann for his 23 years of service and "dedication to the purposes of the Institute," formulated, in his own words, "to foster the growth and appreciation of creative writing in the state of Texas." Later, the Council was authorized to secure funds for the printing of a history of the organization which the retiring secretary-treasurer was requested to write.)

**1960 25th Anniversary Year, March 4, Houston**  
**(first time since 1941 for TIL to meet in a city other than Dallas)**

**President:** Frank Wardlaw, president  
**Vice President:** Frank Vandiver  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** William M. Hudson  
**? Councilors:**  
**New Members:**  
 William Arrowsmith

Robert Cotner  
 Ellen Clayton Garwood  
 Jean Holloway  
 Eloise Roach  
 Charles Ramsdell  
 John E. Sunder

**1961 Feb. 25, Driskill Hotel, Austin**

**President:** Frank Vandiver  
**Vice President:** Allen Maxwell  
**Secretary:** William H. Hudson  
**? Councilors:**

**1962 Feb. 17, Sheraton-Dallas Hotel**

**President:** Frank E. Vandiver  
**Vice-President:** E. Hudson Long  
**Secretary:** Llerena Friend  
**? Councilors:**  
**? New Members:**

**1963 Feb. 16, San Antonio**

**(first TIL meeting in this city)**

**President:** Hudson Long (1963-65)  
**Vice President:** Herbert Gambrell  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems  
**Councilors:**  
 Frank Vandiver,  
 Mabel Major  
 Martin Shockley  
**? New Members:**

**1964 Feb. 15, Dallas, Hotel Adolphus**

**President:** Hudson Long  
**Vice President:** Allen Maxwell  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** Martin Shockley  
**? Councilors:**  
**New Members:**  
 Paul F. Boller Jr, Austin  
 J. Y. Bryan, Corona CA  
 Edith Deen, Fort Worth  
 A. C. Greene, Dallas  
 Diana Hobby, Houston  
 Myra C. Livingston, Dallas  
 Thomas McGann, Austin  
 Joseph Milton Nance, College Station  
 Laurence Perrine, Dallas

T. V. Smith, Hyattsville, MD

**1965 Feb. 20, Hotel America, Houston**

(1965 program was dedicated to Dobie, who died in September, 1964, and his work. It was announced at Council business meeting that a project had begun to buy Dobie's Paisano Ranch as a refuge and retreat. The Council "undertook to provide a \$2,000 J. Frank Dobie Fellowship annually, and Carr P. Collins, donor of the Institute's Collins Award, agreed to contribute \$1,000 a year through the TIL toward a fellowship fund," according to William H. Vann in his *The Texas Institute of Letters: 1936-1966*.)

**President: Herbert Gambrell**

**Vice President:** Joe B. Frantz, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Martin Shockley

**Councilors:**

John Graves

Hudson Long

Mody Boatright

George Williams.

**New Members:**

Thomas F. Gossett, San Antonio

Leonard Sanders, Fort Worth

C. E. Shuford, Denton

Thomas Whitebread, Austin

Dorman H. Winfre, Austin

Walter F. McCaleb. Austin

Roger Shattuck, Austin

**Honorary Members: (all widows of Texas writers)**

Mrs. J. Frank Dobie, Austin

Mrs. Roy Bedichek, Austin

Mrs. Walter Prescott Webb, Austin

**Life Member:**

William H. Vann, a founder of TIL and its secretary-treasurer for its first 21 years.

**1966 Feb. 19, Sheraton - Dallas Hotel**

**President:** Herbert Gambrell, Dallas

**Vice President:** Joe B. Frantz, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Martin Shockley

**Councilors:**

John Graves

Hudson Long

Mody Boatright

George Williams

? **New Members:**

**1967 March 18-19 - Austin**

**President:** Joe B. Frantz, Austin



**Vice President:** A. C. Greene, Dallas  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** Martin Shockley, Denton

**Councilors:**

Herbert Gambrell  
 Diana Hobby  
 Mody Boatright  
 John Graves

**? New Members:**

**1968 March 23, Baker Hotel, Dallas**

**President:** Joe B. Frantz, Austin

**? Vice President:** A. C. Greene, Dallas

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Martin Shockley, Denton

**? Councilors:**

**New Members:**

Elroy Bode, El Paso  
 Larry L. King, Washington DC  
 Willie Morris, New York  
 Marshall Terry, Dallas  
 Edwin (Bud) Shrake, Austin  
 E. E. Dale, Norman, OK

**1969 March 15, Menger Hotel, San Antonio**

**(Officers, from letterhead of memo from Eddie Weems)**

**? President:** A.C. Greene, Dallas

**? Vice President:**

**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

**Councilors:**

Laura Furman, Lockhart  
 Elmer Kelton, San Angelo  
 Beverly Lowry, San Marcos  
 C.W. Smith, Dallas  
 Marshall Terry, Dallas  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**Fellows of the Institute:**

John Graves, Glen Rose  
 A. C. Greene, Dallas  
 Tom Lea, El Paso  
 Frank Wardlaw, Fripp Island, S.C.

**New Members:**

T. E. Fehrenbach  
 Ben K. Green  
 Lee McGriffin  
 Jane Gilmore Rushing  
 William D. Wittliff  
 John Graves

A.C. Greene  
 Tom Lea  
 Frank Wardlaw

**1970 March 20-21 - Dallas, Baker Hotel  
 (Officers, from letterhead of memo from Eddie Weems)**

**President:** A.C. Greene, Dallas

**? Vice President:**

**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

**Councilors:**

Laura Furman, Lockhart  
 Elmer Kelton, San Angelo  
 Beverly Lowry, San Marcos  
 C.W. Smith, Dallas  
 Marshall Terry, Dallas  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Donald Bartheleme  
 John Biggers  
 Henry Bullock  
 Robert Divine  
 Robert Flynn  
 Larry Goodwyn  
 Billy Porterfield  
 Henderson Shuffler

**1971 March 13 – Austin**

**President:** A. C. Greene

**Vice President:** Harry H. Ransom, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Martin S. Shockley, Denton

**Councilors:**

Paul Baker, San Antonio  
 A. C. Greene, Dallas  
 Holland McCombs, Dallas  
 Marshall Terry, Dallas  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Joseph L. Leach  
 Eugene McKinney  
 Stephen B. Oates  
 John Rechy  
 Charles Ray Ritcheson  
 John Greer Varne

**1972 March 18 - Dallas, Baker Hotel**

**President:** John Graves

**? Vice President:**

**Secretary-treasurer: Martin Shockley, Denton**

**? Councilors:**

**? New Members:**

James C. Lehrer

Kaye Northcutt

Warren Roberts

**1973 March 31- Houston**

**President:** John Graves, Glen Rose

**Vice President:** Harry H. Ransom, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Martin S. Shockley, Denton

**Councilors:**

Paul Baker, San Antonio

A. C. Greene, Dallas

Holland McCombs, Dallas

Marshall Terry, Dallas

William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

James Early, Dallas

Robert E. Ford, Dallas

Leon Hale, Houston

Lysander Kemp, Austin

E. M. Buck Schiwetz

Robert S. Weddle, Austin

Jesse Brewer McGaw

**1974 March 16 - Fort Worth, Sheraton-Fort Worth**

**President:** Harry H. Ransom

**? Vice-President:**

**Secretary-Treasurer: Martin Shockley**

**? Councilors:**

**New Members:**

Mary Brinkerhoff, Dallas

Dr. Albert C. Outler, Dallas

Francis Abernethy, Nacogdoches

John W. F. Dulles, Austin

Pete Gunter, Denton

Dan Jenkins, New York

John H. Jenkins III, Austin

Shelby Hearon, Austin

Bill Holman, Austin

Elmer Kelton, San Angelo

Jim Lee, Denton

Bill Moyers, Washington DC

Isla Skipsna Rothrock, Fort Worth

Chester Sullivan, Stephenville  
John Williams, Denver CO

**1975 March 15 - Austin, Driskill Hotel**

**President:** William D. Wittliff, Austin

**Vice-President:** Marshall Terry, Dallas

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Warren Roberts

**Councilors:**

John Graves, Austin

Wilson Hudon

A.C. Greene

Paul Baker

Bill Broyles

Shelby Hearon

**New Members:**

William Broyles, Austin

Lolah Burford, Fort Worth

Preston Jones, Dallas

Michael, Mewshaw, Austin

Charles Oliver, Dallas

Robert Sherrill, Washington DC

**1976 April 10 - Dallas, Baker Hotel**

**President:** William Wittliff, Austin

**Vice President:** Marshall Terry, Dallas

**Treasurer:** Warren Roberts

**? Councilors:**

**New Members:**

Elizabeth Warnock Fernea

Stanley Marcus

Carmen Perry

C. W. Smith

Griffin Smith Jr.

Ron Tyler

Barbara K. Walker

John Manchip White

**1977 April 2 -San Antonio, Menger Hotel**

**President:** Marshall Terry, Dallas

**Vice President:** Shelby Hearon, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Warren Roberts, Austin

**Councilors:**

William Broyles, Austin

James Early, Dallas

John Graves, Glen Rose

A. C. Greene, Dallas

Leon Hale, Houston  
 Wilson Hudson, Austin  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Anne Barnstone  
 Jim Bones  
 Paul Burka  
 Gary Cartwright  
 Seymour (Ike) Connor  
 Greg Curtis  
 James Hoggard  
 Elizabeth John  
 Katherine Taylor Marshall  
 Christopher Middleton  
 Evelyn Oppenheimer  
 Michael Ryan  
 Thomas Thompson  
 Giles Tippet  
 Bryan Woolley

**1978 March 18 - Austin, Driskill Hotel**

**President:** Marshall Terry, Dallas

**Vice President:** Shelby Hearon, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Warren Roberts, Austin

**Councilors:**

William Broyles, Austin  
 James Early, Dallas  
 John Graves, Glen Rose  
 A. C. Greene, Dallas  
 Leon Hale, Houston  
 Wilson Hudson, Austin  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin  
 Joseph M. Dawson

**New Members:**

Max Apple  
 Eldon Branda  
 Miguel Gonzales-Gerth  
 Carlton Lake  
 Beverly Lowry  
 Walter McDonald  
 Prudence Mackintosh  
 Sherry Kafka Wagner

**1979 March 31 - Dallas, Hotel Adolphus**

**President:** Shelby Hearon, Austin

**Vice-President:** William Broyles, Austin **Secretary-Treasurer:** Marshall Terry, Dallas

**Councilors:**

James Early, Dallas  
 John Graves, Glen Rose  
 A. C. Greene, Dallas  
 Beverly Lowry, Houston  
 C.W. Smith, Dallas  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Jack Myers  
 Jan Reid

**1980 March 29 - Austin, Driskill Hotel**

**President:** Shelby Hearon, Austin  
**Vice-President:** William Broyles, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** Marshall Terry, Dallas

**Councilors:**

James Early, Dallas  
 John Graves, Glen Rose  
 A. C. Greene, Dallas  
 Beverly Lowry, Houston  
 C. W. Smith, Dallas  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

William Allen  
 June Arnold  
 Ronald L. Davis  
 Laura Furman  
 Pete Gent  
 Stephen Harrigan  
 Cynthia Macdonald  
 Dave Oliphant  
 Monroe K. Spears  
 Richard West  
 Allen Weir

**1981 April 11-12 – Austin, Friday Mountain, former ranch of Walter Prescott Webb, near Austin**

**President:** Shelby Hearon, Austin  
**Vice-President:** William Broyles, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** Marshall Terry, Dallas

**Councilors:**

James Early, Dallas  
 John Graves, Glen Rose  
 A. C. Greene, Dallas  
 Beverly Lowry, Houston  
 C. W. Smith, Dallas

William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Albert Goldbarth, poet

Susan Wood, Houston, poet

David Wevill, Austin, poet

Harryette Mullen, Galveston , poet

Lorenzo Thomas, Houston, poet

Carolyn Osborn, Austin, short story writer

Lloyd Lyman, College Station, director Texas A&M University Press

William Martin, Houston, historian, professor, Rice University

**1982 April 3-4 - near Austin, Friday Mountain, former ranch of Walter Prescott Webb,**

**President:** C. W. Smith, Dallas

**Vice-President:** Beverly Lowry, San Marcos

**\* Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

**Councilors:**

John Graves, Glen Rose

A. C. Greene, Dallas

Stephen Harrigan, Austin

Kaye Northcott, Austin

Marshall Terry, Dallas

William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Bill Brett, Hull

Elizabeth Forsythe Hailey, Studio City CA

Harry Hurt III, Houston

Naomi Shihab Nye, San Antonio

Stanley Plumley, Houston

Kurth Sprague, Austin

Alan Tennant, Austin

Leslie Ullman, El Paso

**\* Weems served until 1990.**

**1983 April 8-9 - near Austin, Friday Mountain, former ranch of Walter Prescott Webb**

**James Michener, banquet speaker**

**President:** Beverly Lowry, San Marcos

**Vice-President:** Stephen Harrigan, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

**Councilors:**

Laura Furman, Austin

Elmer Kelton, San Angelo

Kaye Northcott, Austin

C.W. Smith, Dallas

Marshall Terry, Dallas

William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

William Virgil Davis, Waco  
 John Ericson, Perryton  
 Roland Hinojosa-Smith, Austin  
 Mary Gray Hughes, Evanston ILL  
 Molly Ivins, Austin  
 Gary Jennings, New York City  
 Phillip Lopate, Houston  
 Bruce McGinnis, Amarillo

**1984 March 31 - Houston, Shamrock Hotel**

**President:** Beverly Lowry, San Marcos  
**Vice-President:** Stephen Harrigan, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco  
**Councilors:**

Laura Furman, Austin  
 Elmer Kelton, San Angelo  
 Kaye Northcott, Austin  
 C.W. Smith, Dallas  
 Marshall Terry, Dallas  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Frederick Barthelme, Hattiesburg MI  
 James Crumley, El Paso  
 Reginald Gibbons, Evanston ILL  
 Allen Hannay, Austin  
 Don Hendrie, Tuscaloosa AL  
 Nicolas Kanellos, Houston  
 David Lindsey, Austin  
 Nicholas Lemann, Austin  
 Pattiann Rogers, Houston  
 Ntozake Shange, Houston  
 Dale Walker, El Paso  
 David Weber, Dallas

**1985 April 13 - San Antonio, Gunter Hotel**

**President:** Stephen Harrigan, Austin  
**Vice-President:** Kaye Northcott, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco  
**Councilors:**

Laura Furman, Austin  
 Elmer Kelton, San Angelo  
 Beverly Lowry, San Marcos  
 C.W. Smith, Dallas  
 Marshall Terry, Dallas  
 William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New members:**



Rosellen Brown, Houston, novelist  
 Rosemary Catacalos, San Antonio, poet  
 Don Graham, Austin, editor and nonfiction writer  
 Jack Kent, San Antonio, children's book author  
 Karl Kilian, Houston, book store owner  
 James Kunetka, Austin, novelist  
 Terry Pringle, Abilene, novelist  
 Edward Swift, New York City, novelist  
 Whitley Strieber, New York City, novelist/nonfiction writer  
 Lawrence Wright, Austin, nonfiction writer

### **1986 50th Anniversary Meeting**

**March 22 - Dallas**

**Hall of State, Fair Park**

**Banquet, Hotel Adolphus**

**President:** Stephen Harrigan, Austin

**Vice President:** Kaye Northcott, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

**Councilors:**

Laura Furman, Lockhart

Elmer Kelton, San Angelo

Beverly Lowry, Austin

C. W. Smith, Dallas

Marshall Terry, Dallas

William D. Wittliff, Austin

**Fellows of the Institute:**

John Graves, Glen Rose

A. C. Greene, Dallas

Tom Lea, El Paso

Frank Wardlaw, Frigg Island, S.C.

**New members:** Judy Alter, Fort Worth Robert Benton, New York City Don Carleton, Austin

Richard Condon, Dallas Robin Doughty, Austin Dick Reavis, Granger Bill Shearer,

Fredericksburg

### **1987 March 21 - San Antonio, St. Anthony Hotel**

**President:** Kaye Northcott

**Vice-President:** Laura Furman

**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

**Councilors:**

Donald Barthelme, Houston

Elmer Kelton, San Angelo

C.W. Smith, Dallas

Marshall Terry, Dallas

William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:** Jean Andrews, Austin, author/artist Robert Compton, book editor, *The Dallas Morning News* Joe Coomer, Azle, novelist Allen Lacy, Linden NJ, novelist Cormac McCarthy,

El Paso, novelist Pat Mora, El Paso, poet Elizabeth Fagg Olds, Washington DC , author Larry Swindell, book editor, *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* Barbara and Fred Whitehead, Austin, book designers Roasalind Wright, Chelsea MA, novelist

**1988 April 9 - Boerne, Guadalupe River Ranch**

**Banquet Speaker: Grace Mojtabai, author of *Blessed Assurance***

**President:** Kaye Northcott, Austin

**Vice-President:** Laura Furman, Lockhart

**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

**Councilors:**

Donald Barthelme, Houston

Stephen Harrigan, Austin

Elmer Kelton, San Angelo

C.W. Smith, Dallas

Marshall Terry, Dallas

William D. Wittliff, Austin

**New Members:**

Robert Caro, New York City, nonfiction writer

Walter Hauptman, Brooklyn NY, playwright/short story writer

Edward Hirsch, Houston, poet

Andrew Hudgins, Cincinnati OH, poet

Lawrence Kelly, Denton

A. G. Mojtabai, Amarillo, nonfiction writer

Clay Reynolds, Beaumont, novelist

Paul Ruffin, Huntsville

Leon Stokesbury, Marietta GA

**1989 April 29 - Austin, Four Seasons Hotel**

**President:** Laura Furman, Lockhart

**Vice-President: Robert Flynn, San Antonio**

**Secretary-Treasurer:** John Edward Weems, Waco

+ **Recording Secretary:** C. W. Smith, Dallas

**Councilors:**

Don Carleton, Austin

Elizabeth Warnock Fernea, Austin

James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

Walter McDonald, Lubbock

Bryan Woolley, Dallas

Lawrence Wright, Austin

**New members:**

R. S. Gwynn, Beaumont, poet

Olive Hershey, Houston, poet/novelist

Joyce Gibson Roach, Keller, folklorist, writer

+ **The new office of Recording Secretary was added in 1989.**

**1990 April 28 - Austin, Four Seasons Hotel**

\* **President:** Robert Flynn, San Antonio  
**Vice-President:** Bryan Woolley, Dallas  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Councilors:**

Don Carleton, Austin  
Elizabeth Warnock Fernea, Austin  
Leon Hale, Houston  
Prudence Mackintosh, Dallas  
Walter McDonald, Lubbock  
Lawrence Wright, Austin

**New members:**

Wendy Barker, Boerne  
Robert Fink, Abilene  
William Harrison, Fayetteville AR  
Dave Hickey, San Diego CA  
William Roger Louis, Austin  
Annette Samfrd. Gamado  
Roland Sadowsky,  
Michael Zagst, Wimberly

\* In January, 1990, Laura Furman resigned after moving into the office in 1989. She and her husband Joel Barna, had adopted a son a few months earlier, and she felt that she needed to devote more time to caring for the enlarged family. She was succeeded by Vice-President Robert Flynn. In February, 1990, John Edward Weems retired as secretary-treasurer of TIL after serving in that double capacity for nearly 10 years. James Hoggard succeeded as secretary-treasurer. The two jobs had been divided by the Council at its meeting in 1989, but Hoggard would occupy the double office until the division was completed.

**1991 April 13 - Bandera, Mayan Guest Ranch**

**President:** Robert Flynn, San Antonio  
**Vice President:** Bryan Woolley, Dallas  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Councilors:**

Don Carleton, Austin  
Elizabeth Warnock Fernea, Austin  
Leon Hale, Houston  
Prudence Mackintosh, Dallas  
Walter McDonald, Lubbock  
Lawrence Wright, Austin

**New Members:**

Rick Bass, Troy MT  
Denise Chavez, El Paso  
Roberta Fernandez, Houston  
Dan Flores, Lubbock  
Dagoberto Gilb, El Paso  
Genaro Gonzalez, Edinburg  
Ray Gonzales, San Antonio

Ken Harrison, Dallas  
 Daryl Jones, Boise ID  
 Tino Villanueva, Boston MA

**1992 April 11 - Fort Worth, Worthington Hotel**

**President:** Bryan Woolley, Dallas  
**Vice-President:** Lawrence Wright, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Councilors:**

Judy Alter, Fort Worth  
 Don Carleton, Austin  
 Elizabeth Warnock Fernea, Austin  
 Leon Hale, Houston  
 Prudence Mackintosh, Dallas  
 Walter McDonald, Lubbock

**? New Members:**

**1993 March 20 - Melrose Hotel, Dallas**

**President:** Bryan Woolley, Dallas  
**Vice-President:** Lawrence Wright, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Councilors:**

Judy Alter, Fort Worth  
 Wendy Barker, Boerne  
 Don Carleton, Austin  
 Alison Cook, Houston  
 William Virgil Davis, Waco  
 Prudence Mackintosh, Dallas  
 James Magnuson, Austin  
 Susan Wood, Houston

**New Members:**

Joel Barna, Austin  
 Robert Draper, Austin  
 Mike Cox, Austin  
 Leon Metz, El Paso  
 Gillian Conoley,  
 Rick DeMariniis, El Paso  
 Sarah Bird, Austin  
 Elizabeth Crook, Austin  
 Jeff Long,  
 James Michner, Austin  
 Joe Sears, Austin  
 Jaston Williams, Austin  
 Bill Moyers, Washington D C

**1994 April 16 - Melrose Hotel, Dallas**

**President:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Vice-President:** James Magnuson, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** Judy Alter, Fort Worth

**Councilors:**

Wendy Barker, Boerne  
 Sarah Bird, Austin  
 Alison Cook, Houston  
 William V. Davis, Waco  
 Dagoberto Gilb, El Paso  
 Don Graham, Austin  
 David J. Weber, Dallas  
 Susan Wood, Houston

**Fellows of the Institute:**

John Graves, Glen Rose  
 A.C. Greene, Salado  
 Tom Lea, El Paso  
 John Edward Weems, Waco  
 William Wittliff, Austin

**New members:**

Jay Brandon, San Antonio, novelist  
 Donald E. Chipman, Denton, historian  
 Terry Dalrymple, San Angelo, novelist/editor  
 Lars Eighner, Austin, writer  
 Jan Jarboe, Austin, journalist  
 Paulette Giles, San Antonio, poet/writer  
 Malcolm McLean, Georgetown, historian  
 Angela Shelf Medearis, Austin, children's book author  
 Robert Phillips, Houston, poet/short story writer  
 Timothy Seibles, Provincetown MA, poet  
 Audrey Slate, Austin, Paisano Writing Program Co-ordinator  
 Howard Swindle, Dallas, journalist  
 Steven Weinberg, Austin, philosopher/science writer

**1995 April 8 - San Antonio, St. Anthony Hotel**

**President:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Vice-President:** James Magnuson, Austin  
**Secretary-Treasurer:** Judy Alter, Fort Worth  
**Recording Secretary:** Alison Cook

**Councilors:**

Sarah Bird, Austin  
 William V. Davis, Waco  
 Dagoberto Gilb, El Paso  
 Don Graham, Austin  
 James Ward Lee, Denton  
 Carolyn Osborn, Austin  
 Jan Reid, Austin

David J. Weber, Dallas

**New Members:**

J. California Cooper, novelist/playwright

Skip Hollandsworth, journalist

Pat Little Dog, novelist/essayist

Paula Mitchell Marks, historian

Sandra Scofield, novelist

Tom Zigal, novelist

**1996 April 13 - Houston, Houstonian Hotel**

**President:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

**Vice President:** Don Graham, Austin

**Secretary Treasurer:** Judy Alter, Fort Worth

**Recording Secretary:** Alison Cook, Houston

**Councilors:**

Sarah Bird, Austin

Dagoberto Gilb., El Paso

James W. Lee, Denton

Carolyn Osborn, Austin

Robert Phillips, Houston

Jan Reid, Austin

Mimi Swartz, Austin

David J. Weber, Dallas

**New Members:**

Alfred Crosby, Austin, historian

Stephen L. Hardin, Pflugerville, historian

Arnoldo de Leon, San Angelo, historian

Terry Jordon, Austin, geographer

David Montejano, Austin, sociologist

James Lee Burke, Missoula MT, novelist

Mary Willis Walker, Austin, novelist

Jane Roberts Wood, Dallas, novelist

Donley Watt, Dripping Springs, novelist

Joan Lowery Nixon, Houston, children's author

Daniel Stern, Houston, author/playwright

Mark Busby, Wimberley, essayist/biographer

Tom Pilkington, Stephenville, essayist/critic

**1997 April 5 - Dallas, Le Meridien Hotel**

**President:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

**Vice President:** Don Graham, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Judy Alter, Fort Worth

**Recording Secretary:** Alison Cook, Houston

**Councilors:**

Michael Adams, Austin

Sarah Bird, Austin

Dagoberto Gilb, El Paso  
 James W. Lee, Denton  
 Carolyn Osborn, Austin  
 Robert Phillips, Houston  
 Jan Reid, Austin  
 David J. Weber, Dallas

**New Members:**

Patricia Griffith Browning, Washington DC, novelist  
 Kathleen Cambor, Houston, novelist  
 Paul Christensen, College Station, poet/critic/short stories  
 Betsy Colquitt, Fort Worth, poet  
 Tom Curtis, Houston, journalist  
 Mary Karr, Syracuse NY, poet, nonfiction writer  
 Michael Lieberman, Houston, poet  
 Debra Munroe, San Marcos, short story writer  
 Isabel Nathaniel, Dallas, poet  
 Lisa Sandlin, Santa Fe NM, short story writer  
 Marc Simmons, Cerillos NM, Western historian  
 Fran Vick, Dallas, writer/editor, publisher  
 Marion Winik, Austin, nonfiction writer

**1998 April 4 - Houston, Houstonian Hotel**

**President:** Don Graham, Austin

**Vice-President:** Carolyn Osborn, Austin

**Secretary-Treasurer:** Judy Alter, Fort Worth

**Recording Secretary:** Alison Cook, Houston

**Councilors:**

Michael Adams, Austin  
 Mark Busby, San Marcos  
 Terence Dalrymple, San Angelo  
 James W. Lee, Denton  
 Paula Mitchell Marks, Buda  
 Robert Phillips, Houston  
 Jan Reid, Austin  
 Tom Zigal, Austin

**New Members:**

Tracy Daugherty, Corvallis, OR, novelist/short story writer  
 Tom Dodge, Midlothian TX, essayist/short story writer  
 Louis DeBose, Austin, journalist/editor *Texas Observer*  
 David Farmer, Southlake TX, nonfiction, editor  
 Sam Haynes, Arlington, historian  
 Katherine Hester, Frankfurt-am-Main, Germany, short story writer  
 Joe Holley, Austin, journalist/writer of fiction, nonfiction  
 John Irsfeld, Las Vegas NV, novelist  
 Fritz Lanham, Houston, book editor, *Houston Chronicle*  
 David Lee, Cedar City UT, poet

Terence McNally, New York, playwright  
 Susan Prospero, Houston, poet  
 Judyth Rigler, San Antonio, book editor, *San Antonio ExpressNews*  
 Edward Snow, Houston, translator/art historian  
 Elliott West, Fayetteville AR, historian

**1999 April 10 - Austin, Omni Austin Hotel-Downtown**

**President:** Don Graham, Austin  
**Vice-President:** Carolyn Osborn, Austin  
**Secretary:** Mark Busby, San Marcos  
**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Recording Secretary:** Paula Marks, Buda

**Councilors:**

Donley Watt  
 Elizabeth Crook, Austin  
 Terry Dalrymple  
 R.S. Gwynn  
 Olive Hershey  
 Tom Pilkington, Stephenville  
 Mary Willis Walker, Austin  
 Tom Zigal

**New Members:**

Neal Barrett Jr., Austin, novelist  
 John Bloom, (writing as Joe Bob Briggs), NY City,  
 journalist/humorist  
 Jerry Bradley, Canyon, poet  
 Kay Cattarulla, Dallas, producer  
 Max Crawford, Livingston MT, novelist  
 B. H. Fairchild, Claremont CA, poet  
 James Hannah, College Station, short story writer  
 John T. Irwin (writing as John Bricuth), Baltimore MD, poet  
 Bill C. Malone, Madison WI, historian  
 James Sanderson, Beaumont , novelist/short story writer/essayist

**2000 April 15 - San Antonio, Menger Hotel**

**President:** Carolyn Osborn, Austin  
**Vice-President:** Tom Zigal, Austin  
**Secretary:** Paula Marks, Buda  
**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton

**Councilors:**

Mark Busby  
 Kathleen Cambor (first term ends in 2002)  
 Robert Compton (first term ends in 2002)  
 Joe Holley (first term ends in 2002)  
 Elizabeth Crook, Austin



Terry Dalrymple  
 R.S. Gwynn  
 Olive Hersey  
 Tom Pilkington, Stephenville  
 Donley Watt

**New Members:**

Carlos Blake, El Paso and Deland FL, novelist  
 Ewing Campbell, College Station, short story writer/novelist  
 Bill Crider, Alvin, novelist  
 Jesus F. de la Teja, Austin, historian  
 Dave Hamrick, Austin, Barnes & Noble Books, regional manager  
 Richard Holland, Austin, editor/critic  
 Joe Lansdale, Nacogdoches, novelist  
 Jose Limon, Austin, folklorist  
 John Rechy, Los Angeles, novelist

**2001 March 31 - Dallas, Doubletree Hotel**

**President:** Carolyn Osborn, Austin  
**\*\* Vice-President:** Mark Busby, Wimberley  
**Secretary:** Paula Marks, Buda  
**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls  
**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton, Garland

**Councilors:**

Elizabeth Crook, Austin  
 Terry Dalrymple  
 R.S. Gwynn  
 \*\*\* Olive Hershey  
 Joe Holley, San Antonio  
 Tom Pilkington, Stephenville  
 \*\*\*\* Mary Willis Walker, Austin

**New Members:**

Jacques Barzun, San Antonio  
 Liz Carpenter, Austin  
 L.D.Clark, Smithville  
 LaVerne Harrell Clark, Smithville  
 Jack Heifner, New York  
 Jack Jackson, Austin  
 John Miller Morris, Austin  
 Lou Rodenberger, Baird  
 Maryln Schwartz, Dallas  
 William Browning Spencer, Austin  
 Doug Swanson, Dallas  
 Jesse Sublett, Austin  
 John Taliaferro Austin  
 Abraham Verghese, El Paso.

\*\* Tom Zigal resigned as vice-president in January, 2001, and Mark Busby was

appointed to succeed him by President Osborn, with the approval of the Council.

\*\*\* Olive Hershey was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Kathleen Cambor, appointed in 1999, who resigned in 2001.

\*\*\*\* Mary Willis Walker was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Donley Watt, appointed in 1999, who resigned from the council in 2001. After Zigal's resignation, Watt had been appointed vice-president. He resigned later in 2001 for health reasons.

### **2002 March 23 - Austin, Radisson Hotel**

**President:** Mark Busby, Wimberley

**Vice President:** Joe Holley, San Antonio

**Secretary:** Paula Mitchell Marks, Buda

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard

**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton, Garland

#### **Councilors:**

Jerry Bradley, Beaumont

Tom Dodge, Midlothian

Olive Hershey, Houston

Richard Holland, Austin

Tom Pilkington, Stephenville

Fran Vick, Dallas

Mary Willis Walker, Austin

**New Members:** Ai, Albany TX, poet Felix D. Almaraz, San Antonio, historian Carolyn Banks, Bastrop, author Bruce Bond, Denton, poet H. W. Brands, Austin, historian Randolph "Mike" Campbell, Denton, historian Mylene Dressler, Houston, author Shirley Ann Grau, Houston, author Lynn Hoggard, Wichita Falls, poet/translator Judith Kroll, Austin, poet Rosa Shand, Austin and Spartanburg NC, author Carlton Stowers, Cedar Hill, nonfiction writer

### **2003 March 29 - Galveston, Hotel Galvez**

**President:** Mark Busby, Wimberley

**Vice President:** Joe Holley, San Antonio

**Secretary:** Fran Vick, Dallas

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard

**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton, Garland

#### **Councilors:**

Jerry Bradley, Beaumont

Tom Dodge, Midlothian

Clay Reynolds, Denton

Richard Holland, Austin

David Hamrick, Austin

Mary Willis Walker, Austin

#### **New Members:**

Beverly Adcock, Raleigh, N.C

Jerry Craven, Amarillo

Kate Lehrer, Washington D.C.

Bryce Milligan, San Antonio  
 Celia Morris, Washington DC  
 Tim O'Brien, Austin  
 Joe Nick Patoski, Wimberley  
 Rick Riordan, San Antonio  
 Frederick Turner, Dallas  
 Robert Utley, Georgetown  
 Laura Wilson, Dallas

**2004 March 27 - Fort Worth, Radisson Plaza Hotel**

\* **President:** Dave Hamrick, Austin

**Vice President/Secretary:** Fran Vick, Dallas

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton, Garland

**Councilors:**

Jerry Bradley, Beaumont

Tom Dodge, Midlothian

Carol Dawson, Austin

Dick Holland, Austin

Clay Reynolds, Denton

Mary Willis Walker, Austin

**New Members:**

Anita Bunkley, Cypress, author

Oscar Casares, Brownsville, novelist.

Cheryl Chapman, Dallas, book editor, Dallas Morning News

David Edmunds, Richardson, author.

Kinky Friedman, Medina, novelist

Jeff Guinn, Fort Worth, author/book editor, *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*

Bill Minutaglio, Austin, nonfiction author

Frances Neidhardt, Sherman, poet.

Kathleen Peirce., Wimberly, poet.

\* In June, Joe Holley, who had become TIL president in March, resigned to take residence in Washington, D. C., where he had taken a job at the *Washington Post*. Dave Hamrick was chosen to succeed Holley as president, and Fran Vick agreed to serve as vice president as well as continuing her duties as secretary until a successor could be appointed.)

**2005 April 30 - Austin, Stephen F. Austin Hotel**

**President:** Dave Hamrick, Austin

**Vice President/Secretary:** Fran Vick, Dallas

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton, Garland

**Councilors:**

Jerry Bradley, Beaumont

Tom Dodge, Midlothian

Carol Dawson, Austin

Dick Holland, Austin

Clay Reynolds, Denton

Jim Sanderson, Beaumont

Jane Roberts Wood, Argyle

**New Members:** Hugh Aynesworth, Dallas, author, nonfiction Stephen Michaud, Dallas, author, nonfiction John Blair, San Marcos, author. Mary Margaret Farabee, Austin Gregg Garrett, Austin H. Palmer Hall, San Antonio, essayist, poet.

Kurt Heinzelman, Austin, poet, translator, scholar. James Hynes Steven Kellman, San Antonio, critic, essayist, biographer. Gary Levergne, Austin, true crime writer. Darwin Payne, Dallas, author of nonfiction, publisher.

David Searcy, Dallas, author.

### **2006 April 2 - Austin, Marriott Capitol Hotel**

**President:** Fran Vick, Dallas

\* **Vice-President:** Paula Marks, Buda

**Secretary:** Darwin Payne, Dallas

**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton, Garland

#### **Councilors:**

John Miller Morris, Austin

Lou Rodenberger, Baird

Carol Dawson, Austin

Clay Reynolds, Denton

Jim Sanderson, Beaumont

Jane Roberts Wood, Argyle

**New Members:** Ricardo Ainslie, Austin

Ben Fountain, Dallas Kimberly Willis Holt, Amarillo

Davis Liss, San Antonio .....Jan Epton Seale, McAllen

dj Stout, Austin

W.K. (Kip) Stratton, Austin

\* Paula Marks agreed to return to the Council to serve as vice-president until Vick's term ended in 2008 and a new slate of officers was chosen.

### **2007 April 14 - Dallas, Park Cities Hilton Hotel**

**President:** Fran Vick

**Vice President:** Paula Marks

**Secretary:** Darwin Payne

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard

**Recording Secretary:** Robert Compton

#### **Councilors:**

Carol Dawson, Austin

Fritz Lanham, Houston

John Miller Morris, Austin

Clay Reynolds, McKinney

Lou Rodenberger, Baird

Jim Sanderswon, Beaumont

Jan Seale, McAllen

Jane Roberts Wood, Argyle

**New Members:**

Kent Biffle, Rockwall, journalist  
 Ty Cashion, Huntsville, historian  
 Deborah Crombie, McKinney, novelist  
 Charles (Chip) Dameron, Brownsville  
 A. W. (Bill) Gray, Dallas, novelist  
 Stephen Graham Jones, Lubbock, novelist  
 Richard G. Lowe, Denton, historian  
 R. Lee Maril, Greenville NC  
 Karen Olsson, Austin, author  
 Ron Rozelle, Lake Jackson, author  
 Bill Sloan, Dallas, nonfiction writer  
 Willard Spiegelman, Dallas, poet  
 Claude Stanush, San Antonio, journalist  
 Andres Tijerina, Austin, historian  
 Betty Wiesepape, Dallas, nonfiction writer

**2008 April 19 - Dallas, Park Cities Hilton Hotel, Dallas**

**President:** William V. Davis

**Vice President:** John Miller Morris

**Secretary:** Darwin Payne

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard

**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepape

**Councilors:**

Fritz Lanham, Houston  
 Jim Sanderson, Beaumont  
 Jan Seale, McAllen  
 Ty Cashion, Huntsville  
 W.K. (Kip) Stratton, Austin  
 Frances Neidhardt, Sherman  
 Andres Tijerina, Austin

**New Members:**

T. Lindsay Baker, Rio Vista  
 Scott Blackwood, Austin  
 Robert Bonazzi, San Antonio  
 Emily Fox Gordon, Houston  
 James Hornfischer, Austin  
 Noel Parsons, Lubbock  
 Steve Wilson San Marcos

*Note:* Paula Marks resigned as vice president April 2008, having returned to serve in that office during the remaining term of President Fran Vick.

Robert Compton resigned from Council April 2008

Lou Rodenberger resigned from Council because of illness in April 2008 at end of first term.

**2009 April 17-18 - Hilton Hotel, Waco****President:** William Virgil Davis, Waco**Vice President:** John Miller Morris, Austin**Secretary:** Darwin Payne, Dallas**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepape, Richardson**Councilors:**

T. Lindsay Baker, Rio Vista

Ty Cashion, Huntsville

Emily Fox Gordon, Houston

Fritz Lanham, Houston

Frances Neidhardt, Sherman

Jan Seale, McAllen

W.K. (Kip) Stratton, Round Rock

Andres Tijerina, Austin

**New Members:**

Gregg Cantrell, Fort Worth, historian

Mike Cochran, Fort Worth, author/journalist

Steve Davis, San Marcos, author

Chitra Divakaruni, Houston, author

Jim Donovan, Dallas, historian/literary agent.

Chris Ellery, San Angelo, poet, English professor

David Haynes, Dallas, novelist/director, SMU creative writing program Jerome Loving, College Station. Author, professor of English, Texas A&amp;M

Dave Parsons, poet, founder Montgomery County Literary Arts Council.

Barbara Ras, San Antonio poet/director, Trinity University Press.

Geoff Rips, Austin, author./poet./former editor, *Texas Observer*

Benjamin A. Saenz, El Paso/novelist/short story writer

Amilcar Shabazz, Amherst, Mass./historian/director Afro-American Studies, University of Massachusetts

Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio, author/poet/books for children

Larry D. Thomas, Houston, Poet Laureate, State of Texas, 2008.

**2010 April 30 - May 1 - Austin, Radisson Hotel****President:** Darwin Payne, Dallas**Vice President:** Fritz Lanham, Houston**Secretary:** W.K. (Kip) Stratton, Round Rock**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls,**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepape, Richardson**Councilors:**

T. Lindsay Baker, Rio Vista

Ty Cashion, Huntsville

Robert Compton, Garland

Emily Fox Gordon, Houston

Kate Lehrer, Washington, D.C.

Frances Neidhardt, Sherman

Jan Seale, McAllen  
 Andrés Tijerina, Austin

**New Members:**

Susan Wittig Albert, Bertram, author/free-lance writer.  
 Joseph E. Chance, Edinburg, author/editor, military history  
 Light T. Cummins, Sherman, historian/author, Austin College  
 George Getschow, Flower Mound, writer-in-residence Mayborn Literary  
 Nonfiction Writers Conference of the Southwest, University of North  
 Texas, Denton  
 M. Jimmie Killingsworth, College Station, author/biographer/chairman,  
 English Department, Texas A&M  
 Rich Levy, Houston, poet/executive director, Inprint literary organization  
 Ann McCutchan, Denton, author/creative writing teacher  
 James McWilliams, Austin, historian, Texas State University, San Marcos  
 Debbie Nathan, New York, author of books, essays, and articles  
 on immigration, U.S.-Mexico border, and sexual politics  
 James S. Olson, Huntsville, author/professor of history, Sam Houston State

**2011 April 29-30 \_ Radisson Hotel Central, Dallas**

**President:** Darwin Payne, Dallas

**Vice President:** Fritz Lanham, Houston

**Secretary:** W. K. (Kip) Stratton, Round Rock

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepepe, Richardson

**Councilors:**

T. Lindsay Baker, Rio Vista  
 Ty Cashion, Huntsville  
 Robert Compton, Garland  
 Steve Davis, San Marcos  
 Kate Lehrer, Washington, D.C.  
 Frances Neidhardt, Sherman  
 Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio  
 Andrés Tijerina, Austin

**New Members:**

S.C. Gwynne, Austin, journalist, nonfiction author  
 Russell L. Martin III, Dallas, director, DeGolyer Library at Southern Methodist  
 University, director Book Club of Texas  
 Karla Morton, Denton, 2010 Texas Poet Laureate.  
 Jake Silverstein, Austin, author/editor of Texas Monthly magazine  
 James Smallwood, native of Terrell, author/historian.  
 Dominic Smith, Dallas, novelist/author/professor of English, SMU  
 Jerry Thompson, College Station, author/historian, Regents Professor at Texas A&M  
 International University.  
 John Waugh, Dallas, journalist turned historical reporter.  
 Robert Wooster, Corpus Christi, author/historian, professor of history, Texas  
 A&M Corpus Christi

**2012 April 13-14 Menger Hotel, San Antonio****President:** Darwin Payne, Dallas**Vice President:** Fritz Lanham, Houston**Secretary:** W. K. (Kip) Stratton, Round Rock**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepape, Richardson**Councilors:**

T. Lindsay Baker, Rio Vista

Ty Cashion, Huntsville

Robert Compton, Garland

Steve Davis, San Marcos

Kate Lehrer, Washington, D.C.

Frances Neidhardt, Sherman

Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio

Andrés Tijerina, Austin

**New Members:**

Norma Cantú, San Antonio, memoirist, editor, professor.

Sarah Cortez, Houston, poet, editor.

Justin Cronin, Houston, novelist, short story writer, professor.

Andrew Geyer, Aiken, S.C., novelist, short story writer.

Alan Govenar, Dallas, author, folklorist, filmmaker, photographer.

Manuel Luis Marínez, Columbus, Ohio, novelist, professor.

Jane Clements Monday, Huntsville, author, historian.

Deborah Parédez, Austin, poet, scholar.

Ben Rehder, Dripping Springs, novelist.

John Phillip Santos, San Antonio, author, poet, filmmaker, journalist.

Jim Schutze, Dallas, author, journalist.

Lonn Taylor, Fort Davis, historian, author, columnist.

Tim Tingle, Canyon Lake, author, storyteller, speaker.

Sergio Troncoso, El Paso/New York, author, novelist, short story writer, essayist.

Emilio Zamora, Austin, author, historian, editor.

Gwendolyn Zepeda, Houston, novelist, short story writer, blogger.

**2013 April 5-6 \_ Embassy Suites Conference Center, San Marcos****President:** W.K. (Kip) Stratton, Austin**Vice President:** Andrés Tijerina, Austin**Secretary:** Jan Reid, Austin**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepape, Richardson**Councilors:**

Rico Ainslie, Austin

T. Lindsay Baker, Rio Vista

Robert Compton, Garland

Steve Davis, San Marcos

Rolando Hinojosa-Smith, Austin



Kate Lehrer, Washington, D.C.

Ann McCutchan, Denton

Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio

**New Members:**

Paul H. Carlson, Ransom Canyon, author, historian.

Christopher Cook, Czech Republic, novelist, short story writer.

Rod Davis, College Station, author, journalist.

Gerald Duff, Lebanon, Ill., novelist, short story writer.

Stephanie Elizondo Griest, Corpus Christi, author, journalist.

Janice Shefelman, Austin, children's book author.

John Spong, Austin, author, journalist.

**2014 April 4-5 \_ Embassy Suites Conference Center, San Marcos**

**President:** W.K. (Kip) Stratton, Austin

**Vice President:** Andrés Tijerina, Austin

**Secretary:** Steve Davis, San Marcos

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepape, Richardson

**Councilors:**

Rico Ainslie, Austin

Robert Compton, Garland

Rolando Hinojosa-Smith, Austin

Kate Lehrer, Washington, D.C.

Ann McCutchan, Denton

Karla Morton, Denton

Jan Reid, Austin

Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio

**New Members:**

Alan Lee Birkelbach, The Colony, poet, children's books author.

Pamela Colloff, Austin, magazine journalist.

Max Evans, Albuquerque, author, screenwriter.

Gene Fowler, Austin, playwright, author, journalist.

Christine Granados, Fredericksburg, author, journalist.

Diana Lopez, Victoria, young adults author, short story writer.

Domingo Martinez, Seattle, author.

Steven Saylor, Berkeley, CA, novelist, essayist.

William Seale, Jasper, author, editor.

Ann Weisgarber, Sugar Land, author.

Lowell Mick White, Austin, poet, short story writer, novelist.

David Marion Wilkinson, Austin, novelist, screenwriter, producer.

**2015 April 10-11 \_ Hilton University of Houston Hotel, Houston**

**President:** Andrés Tijerina, Austin

**Vice President:** Steve Davis, San Marcos

**Secretary:** Darwin Payne, Dallas

**Treasurer:** James Hoggard, Wichita Falls

**Recording Secretary:** Betty Wiesepepe, Richardson

**Councilors:**

Rico Ainslie, Austin  
 Sarah Cortez, Houston  
 Rolando Hinojosa-Smith, Austin  
 Russell Martin, Dallas  
 Karla Morton, Denton  
 Jan Reid, Austin  
 Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio  
 Jerry Thompson, Laredo

**New Members:**

Gregg Barrios, San Antonio, playwright, poet, journalist.  
 Michael Berryhill, Houston, poet, journalist.  
 James Crisp, Raleigh, NC, historian.  
 Nan Cuba, San Antonio, novelist, journalist.  
 Benjamin H. Johnson, Chicago, historian.  
 William Jack Sibley, San Antonio, novelist, playwright, screenwriter.

**2016 April 15-16, Bullock Texas History Museum, Austin**

**President:** Andrés Tijerina, Austin  
**Vice President:** Steve Davis, San Marcos  
**Secretary:** Karla Morton, Denton  
**Treasurer:** W. K. Stratton, Austin  
**Recording Secretary:** Joe Holley, Houston

**Councilors:**

Sarah Cortez, Houston  
 Christine Granados, Fredericksburg  
 Kurt Heinzelman, Austin  
 Diana Lopez, Victoria  
 Jerry Thompson, Laredo  
 Sergio Troncoso, El Paso/New York  
 Ann Weisgarber, Sugar Land

**New Members:**

Sue Bishop, Laredo  
 Melissa del Bosque, Austin  
 Laurie Ann Guerrero, San Antonio  
 Kathryn Jones, Walnut Springs  
 James C. Kearney, Weimar  
 Joanne Leedom-Ackerman, Washington, D.C.  
 Cleatus Rattan, Cisco  
 Carol Coffee Reposa, San Antonio

**2017 April 7-8, Ardovino's Desert Crossing and Hilton Doubletree, El Paso**

**President:** Steve Davis, San Marcos  
**Vice President:** Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio  
**Secretary:** Karla Morton, Fort Worth

**Treasurer:** W. K. Stratton, Austin  
**Recording Secretary:** Joe Holley, Houston

**Councilors:**

Sarah Cortez, Houston  
 Christine Granados, Fredericksburg  
 Kurt Heinzelman, Austin  
 Diana Lopez, Victoria  
 Russell Martin, Dallas  
 Jerry Thompson, Laredo  
 Sergio Troncoso, El Paso/New York  
 Ann Weisgarber, Sugar Land

**New Members:**

Celeste Bedford Walker, Houston  
 David Bowles, Rio Grande Valley  
 Bobby Byrd, El Paso  
 Lee Merrill Byrd, El Paso  
 Cary Clack, San Antonio  
 Joe Ely, Lubbock  
 Alicia Gaspar de Alba, El Paso  
 Elizabeth Harris, Fort Worth  
 Cliff Hudder, Conroe  
 Baine Kerr, Houston  
 Attica Locke, Houston  
 C. M. Mayo, El Paso  
 Elaine Scott, Houston  
 Thad Sitton, Lufkin  
 Rosalyn Story, Fort Worth

**2018 April 6-7, Menger Hotel and La Villita, San Antonio**

**President:** Steve Davis, San Marcos  
**Vice President:** Carmen Tafolla, San Antonio  
**Secretary:** Sergio Troncoso, El Paso  
**Treasurer:** W. K. Stratton, Austin  
**Recording Secretary:** Joe Holley, Houston

**Councilors:**

Cary Clack, San Antonio  
 Sarah Cortez, Houston  
 Kurt Heinzelman, Austin  
 Diana Lopez, Victoria  
 Russell Martin, Dallas  
 William Jack Sibley, San Antonio  
 Jerry Thompson, Laredo  
 Ann Weisgarber, Sugar Land

**New Members:**

Daniel Chacón (El Paso)

Alfredo Corchado (Dallas/Mexico City)  
Marcia Hatfield Daudistel (El Paso)  
Katherine Hoerth (Beaumont)  
Michael Hurd (The Woodlands)  
Bret Anthony Johnston (Corpus Christi/Austin)  
Richard Linklater, (Austin)  
Sheryl Luna (El Paso/Denver)  
Kirk Lynn (Austin)  
Guadalupe Garcia McCall (Eagle Pass/San Antonio)  
Willie Nelson (Austin)  
Severo Perez (San Antonio/Los Angeles)  
Sasha Pimentel (Phillipines/El Paso)  
José Antonio Rodríguez (Rio Grande Valley)  
Mary Beth Rogers (Dallas)  
Ted Shine (Dallas)  
Steven Schneider (Rio Grande Valley)  
José Skinner (Puerto Rico, Rio Grande Valley.)  
Christian Wiman (Snyder, New Haven, CT)

### **Notes**

**Note A:** Since 1955, when TIL annual meetings began to be regularly held in the spring, terms of TIL officers generally have served 2-year terms (and are permitted to serve a second term of two years), beginning at the banquet/general meeting. Thus the current president presides at the Council meeting held before the banquet/general meeting, and the succeeding president begins a term at the conclusion of the banquet, and presides at the following two annual sessions.