

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS
Please consult the League [Web Calendar](#)

Jan 21– [Orientation For Officials that are Newly Elected, Re-elected, or Experienced, Crowne Plaza, Secaucus](#)

Jan 28-[Orientation For Officials that are Newly Elected, Re-elected, or Experienced, The Enterprise Center, Mt. Laurel](#)

Feb 3- [Budget Updates-PNC,Holmdel](#)

Feb 8-[20th Annual Mayor's Legislative Day, Statehouse, Trenton](#)

Feb 15-[Budget Updates-Conference Center at Mercer, West Windsor](#)

Feb 25-[Executive Leadership Training for Mayors and Council Presidents, Conference Center at Mercer, West Windsor](#)

- ✓ Mayor's Training Program
- ✓ Women in Government Day
- ✓ Newly-Elected Officials Seminar
- ✓ 20th Annual Mayor's Legislative Day
- ✓ Municipal Directory
- ✓ Access Your Local Leaders
- ✓ Retain Conference Sessions Digitally
- ✓ Police and Fire Labor Data Books

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Art Ondish, Mayor, Mount Arlington

As we begin what will certainly be a challenging year for municipal government, I ask you to dedicate some of your time to work with the League on important committees and legislative outreach.

Mayors across the state will need to make the extra effort to keep the Administration aware of the burdens imposed by mandates and costs that out-pace the general rate of inflation. Whether it is arbitration, the new 2 percent cap, fuel, insurance, sudden loss of aid or rapidly increasing education costs; we need your voice to make it clear that local government has limited options to manage these fiscal challenges.

We all have to share services, reduce services, and cut services but no matter what we must still deliver services. So I ask you to join together as a League and make sure the municipal effort to deliver services is appreciated as the Legislature and Administration deal with the State's fiscal challenges. We can not solve the State's problems by eliminating or crippling local services.

As the year progresses make sure you email or call our staff in Trenton. They will coordinate our effort and be sure that your voice, the municipal voice, is heard in the New Year.

Enjoy your new year and I look forward to working with you!

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MAYOR'S AND COUNCIL PRESIDENTS TRAINING OFFERED ONCE AGAIN!

-Contact Danielle Holland ext.118 or dholland@njslom.com

Due to overwhelming demand, the League will once again hold its special training program especially for Mayor's and Council Presidents at two locations! Each features presentations from the Department of Community Affairs, a panel discussion with MCANJ and NJMMA, an Ethics presentation, and a panel discussion featuring five Mayors with varying levels of experience. For more information on this program see page one of this newslines or, the [calendar](#) on our website.

SAVE THE DATE!!-

WOMEN IN MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT "WOMEN IN GOVERNMENT DAY"

- MARCH 9, 2012

-Contact Lori Buckelew ext 112 or lbuckelew@njslom.com

The Women in Municipal Government Committee will be holding their 4th annual "Women in Government Day" on Friday, March 9, 2012 at the Princeton Marriott. More details to follow.

SEMINAR FOR NEWLY ELECTED AND RE-ELECTED OFFICIALS

-Contact Danielle Holland ext.118 or www.njslom.org

Every year the League offers this important program in two locations throughout the state to help serve the needs of municipal officials who are new to their positions or want a timely update on issues. Each seminar includes a special luncheon open forum discussion designed to specifically update and answer questions from newly elected officials. Attend these programs and get the information and answers you need about your new responsibilities. See page one of this newslines or, the [calendar](#) on our web site for locations.

**ATTEND THE 20TH ANNUAL
MAYORS LEGISLATIVE DAY**

-Contact Danielle Holland ext. 118 or www.njslom.org

Be sure to register for the 20th Annual Mayors Legislative Day to be held February 8 at the State House Annex in Trenton. This is a great way to kick off your administration by hearing about the State's legislative agenda from the Governor, Administration officials, and key members of the Senate and Assembly. There will also be the notable Elected Officials Hall of Fame induction.

2012 MUNICIPAL DIRECTORY

-Contact Dee Kotch ext.115 or dkotch@njslom.com

The annual Municipal Directory will be mailed to all mayors the first week of March. There is no cost for this first copy. Additional copies are \$25 each. Use it to keep in touch with your colleagues around the state.

**NJLM HELPS MAYORS
ACCESS THE LEADERS**

-Contact Bill Dressel extn 122 or BDressel@njslom.com

If you need help accessing state leaders and agencies contact the League. Your staff in Trenton interact daily with all State leaders and agencies and regularly facilitates mayors' communication in our Capitol.

RETAIN CONFERENCE INFORMATION DIGITALLY

-Contact Michael Darcy ext.116 or MDARCY@NJSLOM.COM

Conference Copy [offers audio recordings](#) of the League sessions on CD-ROM for MP3 players. View the [interactive online floor plan](#) and a searchable exhibitor directory. Files of [speakers' power point presentations](#) can be downloaded after the conference from the League conference web page.

POLICE AND FIRE LABOR DATA CONTRACT BOOKS AVAILABLE SOON!

Contact Becky Wright at bwright@njslom.org to purchase your copy now.

The League's 2012 Police and Fire Labor Data Contract Books will be available soon! This series can be bought as a package or individually, and includes selected police and fire contract provisions, salary scales, and arbitration award summaries.