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The trustees are a highly accomplished, dedicated and energetic group of people who share an uncommon loyalty for, and commitment to, McMurry University and its status as one of the best universities of its kind in the country.

BISHOP W. EARL BLEDSOE, D.MIN.
*Bishop, United Methodist Church,
Northwest Texas/New Mexico Episcopal Area*

Board Member: 2013 to present

W. Earl Bledsoe is the resident bishop of the Northwest Texas/New Mexico Episcopal Area of the United Methodist Church. Following his election to the episcopacy in July 2008, he served four years in the Dallas area. He received a B.A. from West Texas State University, 1982; Master of Divinity, Perkins School of Theology, 1985; and Doctor of Ministry, Drew University, 1991.



Prior appointments include: superintendent of the Bryan/West District; pastor of Spring Woods UMC, Houston; and Cypress UMC director of Teaching Ministries, Texas Conference. Pastoral appointments include Bear Creek UMC, Houston; Hanham Methodist Church, Bristol, England; St. Andrews UMC, Ft. Worth; Wyatt Memorial UMC, Amarillo, and Anahuac Circuit, Anahuac, Texas.

Bishop Bledsoe serves on the General Board of Church and Society and is Chair of Strengthening the Black Church for the 21st Century (SBC21). He was a jurisdictional member of the Connectional Table, 2004-2008; Jurisdictional Episcopacy Committee representative, 2004; and General Conference delegate, 1992-2008. Additionally, he is a member of the boards of trustees of Southwestern University, McMurry University, TME, and ex-officio on the New Mexico Methodist Foundation Board. He also serves on the Central Conference Coordinating Committee.

Bishop Bledsoe is married to Leslie Jean (Bray), and they have six adult children.



BILL CAFFEY '73

Retired Business Executive - Koch Industries

Board Member: 2016 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters – Board of Directors

Wichita Eye Bank – Board of Directors

Catholic Charities – Board of Directors

Heartspring – Board of Directors



Bill Caffey '73, was born and raised in Albany, Texas. He graduated from McMurry University with a degree in chemistry. The following day he was employed by Koch Industries where he would work for the next 35 years.

Mr. Caffey began his career with Koch as a chemist for Koch Oil in Watonga, Oklahoma. He was promoted to Chief Chemist in 1976 for Koch Hydrocarbon in Medford, Oklahoma. He would later be promoted to Superintendent of Measurement and Quality Control, Manager of Technical Services, General Manager of Pipelines, President of Koch Gathering Systems and President of Koch Pipelines.

In 1992, Mr. Caffey was named vice president of Koch Industries for Operations Excellence. His responsibilities included supervising and improving operations for the domestic U.S. Operations. Those duties also included the application of Market Based Management, one of the keys to Koch's success developed by Charles Koch. During these years, the key tenets of Operations Excellence were developed along with the ability to apply those tenets to both the existing companies and the new acquisitions. A few of those tenets were one hundred percent compliance with government rules and regulations, world class operating cost structures and project costs, and the ability to right size organizations to achieve them.

In 1998, Mr. Caffey was named executive vice-president of Koch Industries and a member of the Koch board of directors. His duties included management of operations of Koch Companies worldwide, Koch's Corporate Operations Excellence Program, and Koch's Corporate Compliance Programs Worldwide. He also served on the board of directors for Kosa, Flint Hills Resources, Koch Pipeline, Koch Chemical Technology Group, and Invista. During part of this period, both the CFO and General Counsel of Koch Industries reported to him.

In 2005, Koch finalized the \$21 billion acquisition of Georgia Pacific. Charles Koch, chairman of Koch Industries, asked Joe Moeller, Koch Industries President and COO, and Mr. Caffey, to transfer to the Atlanta-based headquarters of Georgia-Pacific to incorporate the company into Koch Industries. Mr. Caffey was named Executive Vice President for Operations Excellence and Corporate Compliance and a member of the Georgia-Pacific board of directors. After implementing the three year plan for the transition of the Georgia-Pacific acquisition, he retired to his ranch in Texas where he raises Angus cattle and exotic animals.

LISA CHAVEZ '01
Attorney at Law

Board Member: 2016 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Abilene Community Foundation – Board Member
Abilene Junior Women’s Club – Treasurer
Abilene Education Foundation – Board Member
Served as Board Chair of Noah Project
Past Director of Abilene Bar Association



Lisa Chavez '01, is a partner with the Abilene law firm Wagstaff LLP. She attended McMurry from 1997 to 2001, graduating with a B.B.A. Summa Cum Laude. She attended Texas Tech Law School from 2002 to 2005, graduating Magna Cum Laude.

After law school, she joined the firm of Wagstaff LLP and specializes in business transactional and energy related work. Ms. Chavez represents a number of businesses in the oilfield industry. She is also experienced in the wind energy sector and has assisted in the development of numerous wind projects throughout Texas, including real estate, title policy and survey review, and in the preparation and review of title documents and wind leases.

She has one daughter, Lili Owens, age 6. Her sister Tanya Miles '01 also graduated from McMurry.

DID YOU KNOW?

History professors Dr. Donald S. Frazier and Dr. Stephen L. Hardin have been named to the advisory committee for the prestigious Handbook of Texas, the monumental historical encyclopedia of all things related to Texas history and culture published by the Texas State Historical Association. This venerable reference work has been around since 1952, with major updates in 1972 and 1996. The latest print edition has more than 23,000 entries.



REV. RICHARD W. EDWARDS, M.TH.

Area Representative for TMF, formerly Texas Methodist Foundation

Trusteeship Committee Chair

Board Member: 2013 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Lubbock Methodist Hospital Systems – Board Member

Texas Tech Wesley Foundation – Board Member

Providence Place – Board of Directors

Kings Manor Hereford – Board Member



Richard Edwards was born in Plainview in 1951, raised in Tulia where he was a member of First UMC, and graduated from Tulia High School in 1969. After receiving a bachelor’s degree in Music Education from Texas Tech University in 1973, he attended Perkins School of Theology, SMU graduating with a Master’s of Theology in 1978. Before retiring June 30, 2016, after 41 years in the Northwest Texas Conference, Rev. Edwards served churches at Booker, Olton, Muleshoe, Dumas and St. Luke’s in Midland. He served the last eight years as the Lubbock District Superintendent.

Richard has served on numerous conference committees/boards and responsibilities including the Conference Council on Finance and Administration (four years as chairperson), the Board of Ordained Ministry (as chairperson of the continuing education committee and treasurer), the Conference Committee on Insurance, the Conference Board of Higher Education (two years as chairperson), and the Conference Board of Pensions and Health Benefits. In addition, he has served as chairperson for the Conference Committee on Worship, served on the Conference Ministry Team, the Bishop’s Dream Team, the Conference Committee on Nominations, the Bold New Directions Incubator and numerous district offices and as alternate delegate to General Conference and a delegate to Jurisdictional Conference.

He has served on the Board of Directors for Providence Place, the Lubbock Methodist Hospital Systems, the Kings Manor Retirement Systems, Hospice of Midland, Ceta Canyon Camp and Retreat Center, and West Texas A&M and Texas Tech Wesley Foundation.

Richard is married to Jo Beth and they currently reside in Ft. Worth. They are parents of three children: Chris ’99, an orthodontist in Ft. Worth, his wife, Alison and children Turner and Lena; Kevin, a computer software developer in Ft. Worth, his wife, Sally and sons Derrick and Nolan; and Kimberly ’09, a jr.high school teacher in Flour Bluff I.S.D., her husband, Josh Poorman ’09 and son, Carter.

SARA HERNANDEZ HUDMAN GRAHAM '63, B.A.
Trustee of Graham McAlister Company

Board Member: 1998 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Served as President of Abilene Board of Realtors
Served as President of Abilene Boys and Girls Club
Served on the Human Relations Board for the City of Abilene
Served on the Tax Increment Finance Board for the City of Abilene
Sustaining member of the Junior League of Abilene
Officer of P.E.O.
Serves on the leadership team at Wylie Christian Church as an Elder Emeritus



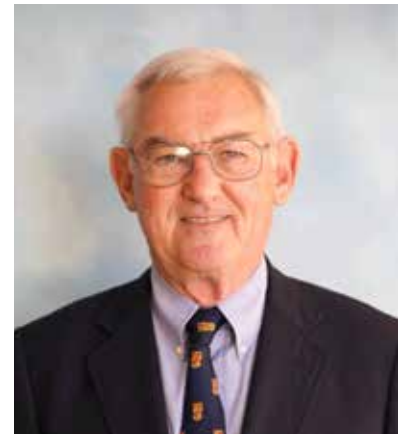
Sara Graham '63, works with her husband Paul in the ranching and cattle business, the self-storage business and the oil and gas industry. She is the mother of Victor Hudman '92, M.D., and Linda Aldrich, a teacher. She has five grandchildren, one of whom currently attends McMurry.

C. GIRVIN HARKINS '60, PH.D.
Retired University Professor and Industrial Scientist

Board Member: 2006 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Southwest Texas Annual Conference
National Eagle Scout Association
Hill Country Mission for Health



C. Girvin Harkins '60, a third-generation native Texan, Harkins was born and raised in Mitchell County. After McMurry, he earned M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in physical chemistry from Johns Hopkins University, and pursued postdoctoral fellowships in chemical engineering at UC Berkeley, Stanford, and Rice Universities. From assistant professor of materials research at Southwest Center for Advanced Studies (now UT Dallas), he then returned to Rice as senior research scientist and adjunct professor in Materials Science, and founded the Rice M.A./Ph.D. program in corrosion science and engineering. In parallel, he taught over 100 short courses for the National Association of Corrosion Engineers. Girvin joined Hewlett-Packard Laboratories (H-P) in 1978 to establish lab and field corrosion testing in support of the first commercial thin film disk drive. He then was appointed project manager for surface mount technology in H-P's Manufacturing Research Center, and later returned as Thin Film Department project manager for magnetic recording development. In parallel, Girvin was elected Visiting Fellow of Wolfson University, then Linacre University, at Oxford University where he coordinated the research of three H-P postdocs.

Upon early retirement from H-P, he joined Agilent Labs as principal project engineer in optical switching technology. He has been honored by McMurry as a Distinguished Alumnus, Cross and Flame awardee, and Science and Math Wall of Honor member.

HOPE HARMON '55, PH.D.

Retired President of HOPE Associates Inc.

Board Member: 2014 to present

Hope Harmon '55, a valedictorian from Lydia Patterson, earned a McMurry B.A. Cum Laude in English literature and a certificate to teach high school. She was offered a job to teach high school, and concurrently obtained an M.A. in Modern Languages at the University of Texas at El Paso. As university fellow, while studying for a Ph.D., at the University of Iowa she taught French and Spanish literature. Harmon taught at Jennings High School and Ladue High School in Missouri. She then went to Washington, DC to study Simultaneous Interpretation; and during this time she volunteered at the Lyndon B. Johnson Inaugural Committee. With a staff of five she was responsible for dispatching 5000 automobiles, chauffeured each by two West Point and/or Annapolis, to transport the foreign dignitaries invited to attend inaugural activities.

Harmon received a scholarship to study French culture at the University of Tours, France. Later, as University Fellow she earned a M.S. in Theoretical Linguistics and a Ph.D. in Applied Linguistics from Georgetown University, Washington, DC. While finishing the dissertation she worked as deputy director of the "Right to Read" Program at the department of Health, Education and Welfare. Soon after, she became Director of Education at the President's Cabinet Committee on Opportunities for Spanish Speaking People, with offices at the Executive Office of the President under President Richard Nixon. During evenings, week-ends and summer vacations she studied at the Universities of Vienna, Innsbruck, Oxford (UK), Universidad Nacional de Mexico, Johns Hopkins, and others. She also worked as a Senior Research Scientist at George Washington University, Academic Coordinator of World Instruction and Translation, and volunteered 14 years as Vice-President of the World Population Society. She participated as a speaker at city, state, national and international conferences, wrote over twenty articles on linguistic science, women's health and other issues. Hope was a consultant on child development at five universities in the US and prepared over 200 winning contract proposals during 18 years she was president of HOPE Associates Inc., a Washington, DC, Virginia and Huntington Beach, CA., consultant management corporation she founded April 1977.

Ten years after graduating from McMurry, she was honored as "Outstanding Young Woman of America" in St. Louis, Missouri. In June 2008 she was awarded The Congressional Medal of Distinction in Washington, DC for meritorious service to the nation.

She has been trying to retire since 1995, volunteering as President of the Garden Club, International Lyons Club, Junior Warden at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, as well as putting ten students through college. She lives in San Miguel de Allende, GTO, Mexico, San Antonio, and El Paso, Texas, where she has family.

SANDRA S. HARPER, PH.D.
President, McMurry University

Board Member: 2013 to present

Dr. Sandra S. Harper, a native of Dallas, Texas, began serving as the President of McMurry University on October 1, 2013. Prior to her McMurry appointment, Harper served as the President of Our Lady of the Lake College in Baton Rouge, Louisiana from 2006-2013 and as the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of Communication at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi from 1998-2006. Harper's other administrative posts included serving as the Vice President for Academic Affairs at Oklahoma City University and as the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at McMurry University. Harper served as a faculty member in the communication and theater department at McMurry University from 1985-1995.



Harper received her B.S. degree from Texas Tech University and her M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of North Texas. Harper also completed the Harvard Management Development Program and the Governor's Executive Development Program at the LBJ School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas. Harper is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Commission on Colleges and serves as its chair of the Compliance and Reports Committee on Substantive Change. She is the chair-elect of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas (ICUT) and the chair of the Texas United Methodist College Association. She also serves on the boards of the National Association of Schools and Colleges of The United Methodist Church, the Educational and Institutional Insurance Administrators, Inc. (EIIA), the Abilene Chamber of Commerce, the Abilene Industrial Foundation, and the Grace Museum. Harper was elected to serve on the United Methodist University Senate for the 2017-2020 quadrennium.

In 2011, Harper was named a Distinguished Alumna by the Texas Tech University College of Education. She is listed in *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who of American Women*, and *Who's Who in American Education*. Harper has received the Management Excellence Award from the Society for the Advancement of Management, the Y Women in Careers Award from the Corpus Christi YWCA, and the Outstanding Faculty Award and the Outstanding Administrator Award from McMurry University.

She is married to Dave Harper, who coached at Abilene High School for nine years and other high schools in Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana. The couple has two sons, who spent most of their childhood in Abilene. Justin Harper, a major in the United States Army, and his wife and four children are stationed in Kansas. Jonathan Harper is the Assistant Director of Equipment Operations in the athletics department at the University of North Texas. He and his wife live in Denton, Texas.

JOHN T. HENDRICK '73, B.B.A.
Certified Public Accountant

Treasurer, Finance Committee Chair
Board Member: 2013 to present

John T. Hendrick '73, has primarily been engaged in monitoring his private equity investments since July 2001. From July 1996 to December 1999 he was vice chairman and chief financial officer of The Cassidy Companies, Inc., one of the largest government affairs and public affairs firms in Washington, DC. He was also a managing director of Galway Partners, LLC, a Washington, DC-based merchant bank from July 1996 to June 2001. Prior to joining Cassidy and Galway in 1996, Hendrick was a general partner with Avalon Ventures, a San Diego-based venture capital firm, from 1987 to 1996. In addition, Mr. Hendrick co-founded and served on the investment committee of Innova Capital (formerly Poland Partners), a Warsaw-based private equity fund, from April 1994 to May 2012. Hendrick is a CPA and earned a B.B.A. degree in accounting from McMurry University in 1973.



DID YOU KNOW?

Five McMurry Psychology Department alumni have been recently accepted into graduate school programs beginning fall 2016. Rae'Von Wells '16 has been accepted into the University of North Texas M.A. Program to pursue a concentration in Sports Psychology. Rachel Wolfe '16 has been accepted into the M.S. in Clinical Psychology Program at Abilene Christian University. Lizzy Sharp '15 has been accepted into the M.S. in Counseling Program at University of North Texas. Rachel Schalk '15 has been accepted into the M.S. in Clinical Counseling and Marriage and Family Therapy Program at Hardin Simmons University. Candace Evans '16, a dual major in Sociology and Psychology, will be attending the Ph.D. in Sociology Program at University of Massachusetts-Boston.



JOLISA HOOVER '92
Elementary School Teacher

Board Member: 2015 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Texas Classroom Teacher Association District 13 Director
Published in the United Methodist General Board of Church and Society
newsletter "Faith in Action" and on their website Take Action
for Education



JoLisa Hoover '92, is president of the McMurry Alumni Board. A fourth-grade teacher with Leander Independent School District, she served as a Washington Teaching Ambassador Fellow working for the Office of Communication and Outreach and Office of the Secretary until August 2016. Fellows are placed in offices within the Department of Education for one year to work on education programs and policy matters. Over the year, Washington Fellows gain in-depth knowledge of department initiatives; provide their perspectives to senior staff; share relevant school and classroom experiences with internal and external audiences; and facilitate discussion among educators about policy in DC and in areas around the country as necessary. She will return to Texas in August of 2016 to be a fourth grade teacher at Reed Elementary in Leander ISD.

After graduating Hoover's teaching career began in Bryan, Texas where she first taught middle school reading. She then taught second and fourth grade and served as an at-risk specialist. While teaching in Bryan, Hoover earned a master's degree in educational psychology from Texas A&M University and an endorsement in gifted and talented education. In 2005, Hoover relocated to the Austin area to be closer to family and to teach in Leander Independent School District.

Hoover was recently selected for the Spirit of McMurry award, given to alumni of McMurry University who have excelled in their profession and served their community. Hoover was selected as the 2005 Houston regional winner of the H-E-B Excellence in Education Award in the leadership category for elementary school teachers and her class was recognized as a KBTX "Bright Smiles Class of the Week."

DID YOU KNOW?

McMurry alumna Diane Coddling '10, an English and Religion major who graduated from the Honors Program, has been accepted into the Ph.D. program in Sociocultural and Community Approaches to Education at the University of Delaware.

CARL HUBBARD '68, PH.D.

Retired Professor of Finance; Forensic Economist

Board Member: 2002 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Chair, Board of Directors – South Texas Children’s Home
Institutional Advisory Panel – Baptist Foundation of Texas

Carl Hubbard '68, graduated from Abilene Cooper High School in 1964. He then enrolled in McMurry and in 1968 graduated with a B.B.A. in Finance. After a 20-month sojourn in the army, he continued his education by completing an M.B.A. degree at Hardin-Simmons University in 1972 and then a Ph.D. in Economics from Texas Tech University in 1975. In June 1975, he began a 37-year career on the faculty of Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas where he taught mostly undergraduate courses in business financial management and investment analysis.

In 1979 Dr. Hubbard became a Chartered Financial Analyst. Over his career Hubbard has published 60+ articles, conference papers, and case studies on subjects in economics and finance. Since 1976, he has served as an economic consultant and expert witness.



MELODY HUNT '79, B.B.A.

President and Owner, Hunt Direct Marketing, Inc.

Institutional Development Committee Chair

Board Member: 2013 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

The Grace Museum - Past Board Chair
The Grace Museum - Co-Chair Advisory Board
Abilene Education Foundation - Advisory Board
The Historic Paramount Theater - Board Chair
Alliance for Women and Children - Advisory Board
St. Paul United Methodist Church - Finance Committee
Global Samaritan Resources - Board Member

Melody Hunt '79, is president of Hunt Direct Marketing, Inc., which she founded in January 2005. Hunt Direct Marketing, Inc. is a database and direct response marketing firm that specializes in the Broadway (New York) and performing arts community. While Hunt DMI's specialty is theater, she works with performing arts organizations of all genres. Prior to creating Hunt Direct Marketing, Inc., Hunt was the president and COO of Target Solutions, a Colorado based company from 2001 to 2004. From February 1993 thru June 2001, she was vice president of the Arts and Entertainment Division of MSGI Direct in New York City.

In 1979, Hunt earned a B.B.A. degree, with a concentration in marketing from McMurry University.

Hunt is very active in the Abilene community. She is a member of the St. Paul United Methodist Church and is a long-time volunteer at the Methodist Food Pantry.



SANDRA MADDOX, PH.D.

Retired Educator

Secretary

Board Member: 2015 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Chair of First Methodist Church, Richardson

Chair of Childcare Committee

PK through College Education Committee member for University of North Texas

Grant writer for non-profits



Sandra Maddox received both her B.A. and M.S. degrees from Baylor University and her Ph.D. from the University of North Texas. She retired in 2014 after over 35 years in K-12 Education. Dr. Maddox was appointed in 2005 as deputy executive director of the Region 10 Education Service Center, where she had oversight of five major divisions, 435 personnel, and a total budget of over six million dollars annually. Prior to her Region 10 experience, she worked in public education in Waco and other districts. While at Region 10, Dr. Maddox had extensive state-wide educational responsibilities including state educational projects such as Homeless Education and Dyslexia including the development of the State Handbook for Dyslexia Education and its accompanying app in 2014.

Dr. Maddox is currently the small business owner of People in Touch, a company specializing in increasing independent opportunities for senior adults to engage in life by going out and re-connecting. She is the mother of five children, two of whom received a degree from McMurry.

AUSTIN PITTMAN '91, M.H.C.D.S.

Health Care Executive

Immediate Past Chair

Board Member: 2008 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Board of Directors Inclusive Health

Board of Directors the National 4-H organization

Board of Managers at SharedClarity



Austin Pittman '91, is the chief executive officer of UnitedHealthcare Community and State, a \$29 billion division of UnitedHealth Group. He leads the nation's largest health benefits company delivering quality health care for 25 state governments. He previously was president at UnitedHealthcare Networks. He also served as chief growth officer for UnitedHealthcare Employer & Individual, the largest business division within UnitedHealthcare Group.

Pittman has worked in the healthcare industry for more than 20 years. He earned a B.S. degree from McMurry, a M.S. degree from Amberton University in Dallas, Texas, and a M.S. in Health Care Delivery Science from Tuck School of Business and Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth College. Austin also served in the United States Marine Corps.

REV. GEORGE C. PRICE, JR. '74

*Abilene District Superintendent,
Northwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church*

Board Member: 2016 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Ceta Canyon Board of Trustees – Board Member

Camp Butman Board of Trustees – Board Member



Rev. George Price '74, currently appointed as the Abilene District Superintendent for the Northwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. Before that he served several churches in the conference, including: Quitaque-Flomot, Claude, Spur-Dickens, Canadian, Slaton, Littlefield, Gruver and Childress.

Reverend Price was born and raised in Levelland, Texas, where he graduated from Levelland High School in 1969. After graduating from McMurry with a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education, he attended Asbury Seminary where he received a Master of Divinity degree in 1978. He then returned to the Northwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Reverend Price has served on boards and committees within the conference. He has served on the Ceta Canyon board of trustees, the Conference Finance and Administration Committee, the Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits, the Camp Butman trustees and the Conference Leadership Team.

George is married to Karen Kelley Price '71, a retired elementary school teacher. They were married in 1971 and have three sons: Jeremy, who, with his wife, Jennifer, heads a humanitarian relief organization in White River, South Africa; Zachary, who with his wife, Anneke, is an agricultural trainer and educator with an organization in Chiang Mai, Thailand, and Caleb, who is an event production manager in Austin, Texas.

DID YOU KNOW?

As the United Nations prepares for the election of a new Secretary-General, Political Science Professor Dr. Tina Bertrand is one of four global experts asked to provide input into the election process by the non-governmental organization (NGO) 1 for 7 Billion Campaign.

RICHARD QUY '70

University Administrator and Professor

Board Member: 2015 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Board of Directors of the Texas Wesley Foundation

Richard Quay '70, was born in Oklahoma and grew up in Abilene. He attended Abilene schools graduating from Cooper High School and then McMurry with a B.A. in Chemistry. In graduate school, he received M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in physical chemistry from Rice University, and an M.A. in education from Pepperdine University. He was an active member of First United Methodist Church throughout his years in Abilene. He married McMurry alumna Cindy Pickett '70; they have two children and three grandchildren.



Quay served five years in the US Army, including a stint in missile development at Redstone Arsenal, and eventually retired at the rank of Lt. Colonel from the US Army Reserve in 1996. Out of graduate school in 1979, he joined the Research and Development department of CONOCO Chemicals (later CONDEA Vista Company) where he served in various research positions including the directors of Polymer Research and Environmental Research. He also held corporate positions in the company's polymer, surfactant, and industrial chemical businesses.

After leaving industry he served 11 years as the director of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at the University of Texas (UT), Austin. He directed the department's personnel, facilities and daily operations, taught chemistry, and supervised the design and execution of department renovations and new construction including the 2011 Norman Hackerman Building. He was selected as the university's outstanding supervisor in 2010. While at UT he served as a member of the board of directors of the Texas Wesley Foundation for several years. Since retiring in 2012, he has served as adjunct professor of chemistry at St. Edward's University in Austin.

DID YOU KNOW?

Art Professor Kathie Walker-Millar has been named the 2015 winner of the Higher Education Division Outstanding Art Educator Award from the Texas Art Education Association (TAEA).

DAVID M. SHOUP '91, B.B.A.

***CEO of Constructors, Inc., and Roswell Ready Mix
General Partner of TDM Leasing***

2nd Vice Chair and Buildings and Grounds Committee Chair

Board Member: 2012 to present

David M. Shoup '91, is the major stockholder and CEO of Constructors, Inc. and its Subsidiaries and Affiliates in Carlsbad, New Mexico and Southeastern New Mexico. His companies are heavily involved in the construction, trucking, material supply, and oilfield industries in Southeastern New Mexico and West Texas areas.



Shoup is a graduate of McMurry's Business School. Following his graduation he joined the family business founded by his grandfather George Shoup, Sr. in 1958. In 1997, he assumed control of the businesses and from then to the present he has overseen and managed growth of his company from a small local construction and material supply company to a regional presence.

Shoup also serves as a bank director for the Carlsbad National Bank, in Carlsbad New Mexico, as a board member of the Carlsbad Department of Development, a trustee of Epworth United Methodist Church, an active member of the Carlsbad Rotary Club, and many other civic organizations. David and his wife Christy have three children.

RICHARD M. (RICK) STIVERS '71, B.B.A.

***Retired Chief Financial Officer, Deaconess Health System,
Evansville, Indiana, 1988-2010***

1st Vice Chair and Institutional Oversight Committee Chair

Board Member: 2013 to present

Rick Stivers '71, served 32 years as a chief financial officer and senior executive in large healthcare systems, community and specialty hospitals, health maintenance organizations (HMOs), and physician multi-specialty groups. His experience includes board governance for publicly held, privately held and not-for-profit organizations. Prior to his healthcare career, he served as a Captain in the U.S. Army Finance Corps for six years.



STEVE SUNDBY '75

Senior Administrator, AT&T

Board Member: 2015 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Past President of San Antonio Downtown Alliance
Board Member of Central Texas Chapter of CoreNet Global
Boerne First United Methodist Church

Steve Sundby '75, was born in Abilene and graduated from McMurry University in 1975 with a B.B.A. degree in Economics. In 1978 he earned a Master of Public Administration degree from Texas Tech and in 1979 he was hired as a management trainee by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Since then, he has held numerous positions within SBC Communications and AT&T, most recently as director- CRE Portfolio Management & Transactions.



During his career in the telecommunications industry he has participated in the technological and structural evolution of AT&T. Keen among his accomplishments is helping lead the transformation and streamlining of one of the world's oldest and largest portfolios of corporate real estate into a flexible platform of 21st Century space. In this endeavor he has managed teams, projects and budgets all through-out the USA and abroad.

Sundby has been a licensed Texas Real Estate Broker for over thirty years and holds CCIM board certification. He is past president of the San Antonio Downtown Alliance and has served in numerous charitable and civic organizations. Currently he is on the board of the Central Texas Chapter of CoreNet Global and is active in Boerne First United Methodist Church.

Sundby is married to Bonnie Wynne Sundby '75. They have two adult sons, Sean and Eric. He enjoys the outdoors and working on his Hill Country ranch.

DID YOU KNOW?

Shelby Holiday Williams '16, of Bedford, Texas, has been accepted into the fall cohort group for the Doctorate of Physical Therapy program at Texas Women's University.

M. LYNN VARNER YEARWOOD '70, M.A.

Retired Health Insurance Executive

Chair

Board Member: 2010 to present

Civic and volunteer activities:

Board President and Board Member of Ready Readers, St. Louis, MO
Volunteer of the Year and Partner of Social Venture Partners, St. Louis, MO
Vice President of Board St. Louis College Preparatory Academy, St. Louis, MO
Board of Directors of St. Louis Charter School
Alzheimer's Association Volunteer
Junior League Volunteer of the Year, Alton, IL
United Way Allocation Committee, St. Louis, MO
Trainer for United Way BoardLink, St. Louis, MO
Lead Volunteer for College Bound, St. Louis, MO
Repertory Theatre Volunteer Board, St. Louis, MO
Board of Directors of Washington University Women's Society



M. Lynn Yearwood '70, began her career as a high school teacher at East Alton-Wood River Community High School in Wood River, Illinois. She taught a wide variety of English, speech, and theater classes for 13 years. During that time, she also served as English Department Chairperson and later as Humanities Division Chair. She transitioned out of education in 1986 and led both single and multi-site organizations for over 16 years in health insurance management. While her career began in training and development, it then migrated to organizational planning and development shortly after joining General American Life Insurance Company. She transitioned again to operations management and served in increasingly senior and broad assignments including vice president of Operations at General American Life Insurance (later Great West) and later as chief operations officer and vice president of Technology at HealthLink, a subsidiary of Anthem. She has held management and budget responsibility for multiple office locations across the country, including over 1,000 employees and \$70M budgets. Functional accountabilities included: Provider Data Base; Health, Dental, and FSA Claims and Customer Service; Compliance; Information Technology; Project Management; Training and Development; Process Improvement and Auditing.

She holds a B.A. in English and Speech from McMurry University; an M.A. in Organizational Communications and certification in Educational Supervision and Leadership from Southern Illinois University. She completed post-graduate studies in University Educational Administration at Saint Louis University. Lynn has been married to her husband Darrell for 43 years. They make their home in suburban St. Louis, MO. They have one adult son who lives in Portland, ME.

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Learning as the journey of life.

Excellence as the goal of life,
and Service as the measure of life.

