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## **Texas Healthcare Trustees Installs 2010 Board of Directors**

AUSTIN (Jan. 5, 2010) – **Rosemary Burns**, member of the board of managers at East Texas Medical Center Athens, has been named chair of the Texas Healthcare Trustees, a statewide organization for those serving on the governing boards of hospitals and other health-related organizations in Texas. Her one-year term was effective Jan. 1.

**Jimmy Wynne**, trustee at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Kaufman, is chair-elect of the group. **Sharon Joseph**, member of the Hill Country Memorial Hospital Foundation board in Fredericksburg, was named treasurer and **Randy Clapp**, J.D., trustee at West Wharton Hospital District (El Campo Memorial Hospital), is secretary. THT's immediate past chair is **Andrew Stern**, past chairman of the board of directors at Medical City Dallas Hospital.

District representatives installed to serve two-year terms on the board include **Romeo Lopez**, board president at Starr County Memorial Hospital in Rio Grande City, District III; and **Sr. Marie Therese Sedgwick**, member of the board at Providence Healthcare Network, in Waco, District VII. Elected to a one-year term was **Marvin Marcell**, board member at OakBend Medical Center in Richmond, District IV. **Steve Lackey**, board member at Bellville General Hospital, was elected to a two-year term as member-at-large.

District representatives continuing on the board of directors include Lilia Escajeda, trustee at Northwest Texas Healthcare System in Amarillo, District I; Virgil Trower, trustee at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa, District II; Richard Dennis, board member at Palo Pinto General Hospital in Mineral Wells, District V; Bobbie Banks, board president at Mitchell County Hospital in Colorado City, District VI; and Stephen "Steve" Dufilho, board chairman at CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Health Care in San Antonio, District VIII.

Members-at-large continuing on the board include Levi Davis, member of the board of directors at Methodist Hospital of Dallas; Barry Blackman, trustee at Methodist Healthcare System San Antonio; Francine Rowe, trustee at Electra Memorial Hospital; and A.T. “Gus” Blackshear Jr., member of the board of trustees at Memorial Hermann Healthcare System in Houston.

Two hospital executives representing the Texas Hospital Association and the Texas Organization of Rural & Community Hospitals also serve on the THT board. **Tim Lancaster, FACHE**, president/CEO of Hendrick Health System in Abilene and a member of the THA Board of Trustees, is the THA representative. **Steve Gularte**, chairman of TORCH, represents that organization on the THT Board.

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#### **About Texas Healthcare Trustees**

Austin-based Texas Healthcare Trustees is a statewide association whose members are the governing boards of Texas hospitals, health systems and health-related organizations. THT provides education, advocacy and leadership for its members. Membership includes more than 450 governing boards and represents nearly 4,000 trustees. THT is the oldest trustee organization in the country, founded in 1961, and is affiliated with the Texas Hospital Association. For more information about THT, visit [www.tht.org](http://www.tht.org).