

## FY19 San Antonio Board of Trustees



### **Bobby Rios— Board Chair**

Bobby is the Chief Financial Officer at Bartlett Cocke General Contractors. He attended the University of Texas in Austin where he graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting. He has a 12 year old daughter named Alix. Bobby served as the Light The Night’s Corporate Walk Chair in 2013 and joined the Board of Trustees in 2013.

**John B. Abeyta, CRPS\***  
Vice President at Morgan Stanley



### **TJ Caplinger**

TJ has been involved with LLS since June, 2006 through various campaigns. He started through Team In Training in 2006, where he met his wife Melissa. Mr. Caplinger has played a major fundraising role in every campaign and ran for MWOY in 2016. When not working with LLS or playing with his children, he is busy with his newest venture, Medina River Coffee.

### **Tiffanie Clausewitz**

Mrs. Clausewitz is a partner at Rosenblatt law Firm, graduating from St. Mary’s University School of Law in 2008. She was awarded The San Antonio Young Lawyer’s Association Mentor of the Year in 2018 and earned the title of “Texas Rising Star” last year. Tiffanie is a member of the Texas Bar Association and the Bexar County Women’s Bar Association, and is active on numerous San Antonio committees.



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**Dr. Mary Kay Cooper, Past Board Chair**

With degrees in English, applied theology, and higher education, Dr. Cooper is currently the Director of Alumni Affairs at Texas A&M—San Antonio. In her free time, she acts as triathlon and marathon coach for LLS's Team in Training as well as a fundraising mentor and team assistant. Dr. Cooper enjoys swimming, cycling, and spending time with her husband, Eric, another Team in Training triathlon coach. She still hates running.



**Kelly Cunningham**

Ms. Cunningham is employed as a loan officer for CLM Mortgage and has almost 20 years experience in the home building industry. Kelly began her involvement with LLS in 2010. She started a family Light The Night Team called "Lymphoma NOT Welcome Here", raising over \$3000 the first year. In 2016, Kelly was the Co-Chair for the Light the Night walk. Kelly's dream is to find a cure so that the devastation that cancer brings is never felt again.

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**Joan W. Edelen**

Joan W. Edelen, CPA, is a Summa Cum Laude graduate from McMurry University where she earned a BBA in Accounting. Joan is currently the CEO of Safe Showers, LLC and has served as CFO, Controller, and Vice President of Finance at several national companies with revenues exceeding \$100 million. Joan co-chaired son Daniel's 2013 Man of the Year campaign for LLS and their "Daniel's



**Meg Grant**

Meg Grant is the senior vice president of marketing for Digital Defense, Inc. She oversees the company's marketing initiatives, including market analysis, brand development and public relations. Meg is an active member of the San Antonio cybersecurity community serving as the company's community relations representative for their work with Cyber Security San Antonio, Cyber Texas, Alamo ISSA and SA Women in Technology.

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**Brittan Griffith**

Brittan Griffith is a Marketing Manager at USAA supporting the bank. She oversees the campaign strategy, creative development, and all marketing initiatives for USAA Auto Loans and the USAA Car Buying Service. She has experience in building marketing strategies, creating market research plans, and developing integrated marketing campaigns. Ms. Griffith is a thirteen year Leukemia survivor and has been involved with LLS since 2004. In 2014, Brittan won the title of the Woman of the Year by raising over \$125,000.



**Phillip Halliday**

Phillip Halliday is responsible for tenant representation, acquisitions and landlord representation on behalf of his clients in Central and South Texas. In addition to tenant representation, Phillip is focused on sourcing asset & land acquisition opportunities for his clients across Central Texas. Away from the office, Phillip enjoys fly-fishing and spending time in the outdoors.

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**Angie Lozano**

Angie Lozano has been a freelance Certified Shorthand Reporter for over 31 years. Her background also includes two terms as the Bexar County Court Reporting Association President, as well as being a current member of the Texas Deposition Reporters Association. Angie was Runner up for the LLS Woman of the Year in 2013 and is the Chair of the “Models of Courage” Fashion Show, benefiting LLS.



**Steve McHugh**

Steve graduated from the Culinary Institute of America. He completed his externship and began working in New Orleans. He worked his way up to John Bosh's restaurant August, where he worked tirelessly after Katrina to clean the restaurant and feed FEMA workers. Steve moved to San Antonio to open Besh's new restaurant Luke. He was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma in 2010. He has since opened a restaurant of his own at the Pearl called Cured.

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**Robert Miller**

Bob Miller is a Booz Allen Vice president leading the firm's Facility Infrastructure and Environment business. He has more than 25 years experience including 7 years in the US Navy Civil Engineers Corps and most recently 19 years in Facility and Environmental consulting. Bob is passionate about community partnerships and serves on the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society LTN Walk Executive Committee and also chairs a scholarship committee for a Texas A&M Endowed Scholarship which has grown to over \$100,000.



**Jennifer Nack**

For over 15 years, Jennifer has helped many San Antonians either find the home that is right for their lifestyle and investment or sell their home to the right buyer. A business background in marketing provides Jennifer has a strong foundation to properly evaluate market conditions. Jennifer is a member of the San Antonio Board of REALTORS (SABOR), the Texas Association of REALTORS and the National Association of REALTORS. She is also recognized as a Relocation Specialist and a USAA Preferred Agent.

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**Richard Ojeda**

Native to San Antonio, Mr. Ojeda has always had a passion in the food industry, owning several restaurants over the years. He currently is the founder and owner of Black Tie Affairs, the largest Hispanic-owned catering company in San Antonio. In May 2014, Richard was named "Man of the Year through LLS, raising over \$220,000 and ran as an All Star in 2017, raising over \$153,000, becoming the National Man of the Year All Star.



**Anthony Rouse**

Anthony Rouse is the Vice President of Strategic Planning & Market Analysis for Valero Energy Corporation. He has over a decade of experience analyzing and forecasting key industry trends impacting the downstream business. Mr. Rouse has a Masters in Business Administration from Rice University and also holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from the Missouri University of Science & Technology.

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**Laurie Saunders**

Laurie Lewis Saunders was born and raised in San Antonio and graduated from the University of Texas with a degree in Marketing, School of Business. Laurie is a lymphoma survivor and her family has been fundraising for LLS since 2010 and is committed to helping find a cure for cancer and for helping others who are undergoing cancer treatments and therapies. Because of her love for antiques, Mrs. Saunders owns the décor and antique shop, Rooms and Gardens.



**Bryce Seki—Vice Board Chair**

Bryce is the Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary at Pioneer Energy Service Corporation. Bryce has been involved with LLS for many years and has been active in various events such as TNT and Light the Night and ran for our Man Of the Year in 2014, raising over \$130,000.

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**Kim Tindall—Board Secretary**

Kim became involved with LLS in 2011, when she ran for Woman of the Year, raising over \$50,000. She also ran and won the All Star Woman of the Year in 2014, raising over \$100,000. Kim Tindall was awarded the 2015 Women's Leadership Award by the San Antonio Business Journal and named one of San Antonio's most Inspirational Women in 2016.



**Ken Trainer**

Ken began his career with Chesmar Homes in 2009 after a distinguished 20 year career with a large national home builder. He has also served on the Board of Houston and San Antonio Builders Associations, the San Antonio Economic and Development Foundation, UTSA College of Business Real Estate Finance and Development and Texas State University Construction Advisory Board. Mr. Trainer co-chaired the 2016 Light the Night Walk and joined the Board Of Trustees in 2017.

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### Jasmin Wynd

Jasmin is a Senior Process Engineer in the Financial Advice & Services Group at USAA. Previously, Jasmin worked as a Transformation & change Management Consultant for Booz Allen Hamilton. She graduated with a MBA in Management and a MA in Industrial Organizational Psychology from St. Mary's University. Jasmin and her husband, Scott, routinely serve as mentors on the Team In Training (TNT) Triathlon Team and together have raised over \$18,000 for LLS.



### John Wright— Board Treasurer

John Wright is the Market Managing Partner for RSM US LLP in the Austin/San Antonio area. John has more than 26 years of public accounting experience in multiple industries. He has been featured in the "Leading an Accounting Firm: The Pyramid of Success" by Troy Waugh and has been an Executive Committee member for the Junior Achievement Board and served on the board for Fundacion Esperanza. John has a bachelor degree in Business Administration and accounting from Texas State University in San Marcos.

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**William Behnke**

William G. Behnke is Founder of The Behnke Group. A passionate sales leader in direct sales, marketing, sales management, and business development with a specialization in the health care market, he has more than 20 years experience selling to C-suite executives and to boards of directors of health insurance companies and hospitals. In 2017, his daughter Ella, was the inaugural Student of the Year raising over \$334,000 and also named the “National” Student of the Year.

**Dr. Ruben Mesa**

Dr. Ruben Mesa is the director of the Mays Cancer Center, the newly named home to UT Health San Antonio MD Anderson Cancer Center. He has been involved in myeloproliferative Neoplasm (MPN) research for more than 20 years. Dr. Mesa has been the principal investigator /co-principal investigator of more than 70 clinical trials and has co-led investigations of several other drugs for cancer. He is a fellow of the American College of Physicians and certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in internal medicine and medical oncology.

