

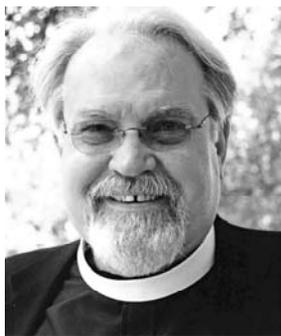
Press Release - Tulia ISD announces the Tulia ISD Hall of Fame Class of 2018. The Hall of Fame recognizes alumni, faculty, and staff who have demonstrated notable accomplishments or provided significant contributions to their school, community, or society. This year, the selection committee has selected from those nominated three outstanding individuals to be inducted into the Tulia ISD Hall of Fame. The inductees are:



George Bozeman, Jr.— Graduated Tulia High School in 1955. Mr. Bozeman began his musical training by taking piano lessons from Gladys Humphreys in Tulia. His passion for music led him to major in organ performance at North Texas University in Denton. Following college, he apprenticed as an organbuilder with Otto Hofmann of Austin, who was one of the pioneers of the revival of the tracker organ in the U.S. Early in his career, he had several opportunities to work with various architects, and eventually served as vice president of a Dallas firm. These experiences provided him a thorough grounding in architectural matters relating to the organ. In 1967, he received a Fulbright grant which allowed him the opportunity to study organ, harpsichord, and organbuilding with some of the European masters of the time. On returning to the U.S., he founded a firm in Lowell, MA, which he later relocated to Deerfield, NH in 1976. His career highlights include completing 70-plus pipe organbuilding projects in more than 20 states from 1971 until retirement in 2005. As an accomplished organist and composer, Mr. Bozeman has performed hundreds of recitals throughout the U.S. including in the famous Methuen Memorial Music Hall in Methuen, MA. Internationally, he performed in noteworthy recitals at Heilig-Kreuz-Kirch in Berlin, Germany, the Anglican Church in Basseterre, St. Kitts in the Caribbean, and for International Societies and Institutes of Organbuilders in Mexico and Canada. He has written many professional articles and reviews in journals devoted to the pipe organ, and has made three professional CD recordings. Mr. Bozeman continues his longstanding career as the organist and choir director for the First Congregational Church of Pembroke, NH, and still enjoys performing recitals in the United States and Germany.



John Powell Clayton, Ph.D. – Graduated Tulia High School in 1961. Dr. Clayton earned a B.S. in Religion from Hardin-Simmons University, a B.Div. from Southern Seminary in Louisville, KY, and a Masters Degree from Baylor University. In 1975, he earned a Ph.D from the University of Cambridge in England, which is recognized as the second best university in the world. Believing it was impossible, Dr. Clayton applied for, and received, a position teaching at the University of Lancaster in Lancaster, England, where he worked his way up in the academic ranks to become head of the department. He remained with the University for a quarter century and under his leadership, Lancaster emerged as one of the leading schools for religious studies in the United Kingdom. In 1991, John was the first American in the 900-year history of the University to be asked to deliver the prestigious Stanton Lectures in Philosophy of Religion. In 1997, Dr. Clayton began a tenure with Boston University as professor, chair of the Department of Religion, and Director of the Graduate Division of Religious and Theological Studies, where he remained until his death in 2003. At the time of his death, he was recognized as the world's leading authority on Paul Tillich, a famous theologian. Books were John's first love and he had a great thirst for knowledge. He was an Honorary or Visiting Professor at the University of Stirling, Scotland, Rice University, and Bayreuth University, Germany. He enjoyed traveling extensively, and over his lifetime accumulated and authored a vast religion and philosophy library. In gratitude to Hardin-Simmons University, who recognized Dr. Clayton with a Distinguished Alumni award and named him to the Hall of Leaders, he arranged to have over 2,800 volumes gifted to their library upon his death. The teachings and writings of Dr. Clayton have been studied by students of all faiths throughout the world. He is remembered as a kind friend, a wise and witty advisor who charmed and challenged his students to think, and a scholar whose company was a delight.



The Very Reverend Douglas Travis, D.Min., D.D. – Graduated Tulia High School in 1971. As a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. Travis graduated cum laude with honors in religion from Trinity University in 1975. Additionally, he holds four graduate degrees, including a Master of Sacred Theology in Spiritual Direction from the Center for Christian Spirituality at The General Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry from Perkins School of Theology at SMU. He holds an M.A. from the University of Chicago Divinity School and in 2008 was granted an honorary doctorate by The General Theological Seminary in New York. Dr. Douglas Travis was ordained into the Priesthood of the Episcopal Church, the 4th generation of his family to enter Christian ministry. He held the position of Dean and President of the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, serving for seven years, six as President. At his retirement, he was granted the status of Dean and President Emeritus. Prior to that, he served four parishes, two of them as rector. Since retiring from the Seminary of the Southwest, Dr. Travis has renewed his devotion to, and practice of, spiritual direction. For example, he has served as a spiritual director for the Living School, a program sponsored by the Center for Action and Contemplation whose founder is Franciscan Friar Richard Rohr. Dr. Travis hopes to devote the remainder of his life to spiritual direction, small group work, and teaching. His primary interest is in the manner in which spiritual practice lends itself to personal transformation. Since leaving Tulia, Dr. Travis has lived in San Antonio, Chicago, New York City, Dallas, The Woodlands, and Albuquerque. Regardless of his zip code, Doug carries his love for Tulia with him and enjoys sharing the rich traditions of his hometown with those in his path. The Bishop of Northwest Texas, The Rt. Rev. Scott Mayer, reflects that Dr. Travis is known for his intellect, thirst for knowledge, honesty, integrity, sense of humor, compassion, courage, humility, and capacity to love others and that “it may be true that you can take the boy out of Tulia, but you can’t take Tulia out of the boy” and for that he is grateful. Doug and his wife, Pam, have been married for 42 years. Pam is an attorney with the Environmental Protection Agency. They have two adult daughters, Sasha is an actor and Nyssa is a psychotherapist. Dr. Travis likes to be called.....Doug.

Tulia ISD and the community can be proud of the many outstanding individuals who have walked the halls of our schools. The Hall of Fame Class of 2018, plus many others who will be honored in future years, have represented leadership, character, and service. We are proud of and excited about our 2018 class. The Tulia ISD Hall of Fame Class of 2018 will be inducted May 7, 2018. The induction ceremony will be at 2:30 in the HS auditorium and a reception will immediately follow from 3:30 – 5:00 pm. The community is invited and encouraged to attend.