

## **ATA Officers/Directors for Fiscal Year 2017-2018**

**President: Brad Gulliford** has been a member of the ATA almost since its inception. Until recently, he worked in the UT Arlington Central Library, where he was developing a program in curating research data. Brad procured resources for scientists and engineers, monitoring developments in technology and academia. Before coming to UTA, he worked at United Technologies Corporation in Connecticut, providing information service to corporate R&D activities. Brad holds a master's degree in information resources management from the Syracuse University School of Information Studies.

**Secretary/Treasurer: John Barshes** earned a BSME at Illinois Institute of Technology and, after service in the US Air Force, received an MBA from Loyola. He began his career as a manufacturing equipment engineer at Johnson & Johnson and later joined Zenith Radio Corp in materials management. John relocated to the DFW area to be with Motorola Communications, later joining Avnet, Inc., where he directed U.S. and Mexico teams that managed a \$150 million inventory of electronic devices to support the manufacturing plans of over 300 customers. John recently retired from Avnet as VP/Director - Supply Chain Management.

**Past President: Roger Tuttle** attended Texas Tech and the University of Houston before earning a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Radio-TV-Film from TCU. He has an extensive background in promotions and public relations, serving with KTVT-Channel 11 (Promotion Manager/Public Service Director) and the UT Arlington College of Engineering (Communications Director). He has supported several non-profit organizations, including United Cerebral Palsy and the Association for Retarded Citizens. Roger also served on the board of directors of the Advertising Club of Fort Worth, where he coordinated the campaign introducing the 9-1-1 emergency response service in Tarrant County, and the American Cancer Society in Fort Worth, where he served on the "Smoke Free Fort Worth" campaign committee.

### **Board of Directors:**

**Diane Brewer** is a teacher with the Arlington Independent School District and coordinator of the engineering internship program for the District. She is also responsible for soliciting applicants for ATA scholarships. Diane graduated from Texas Wesleyan University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree and received a master's degree in education from the University of North Texas.

**James Ditto** was one of the founding members of the Mid-Cities Tech Club, which became the ATA, and was the ATA's president at one time. He attended UT Arlington when it was known as North Texas Agricultural College and Arlington State College. After earning an electrical engineering degree from SMU, he became a system engineer with Collins Radio/Rockwell. James has served as board chairman for the Arlington American Cancer Society and also as a member on the Tarrant County ACS board. At UT Arlington, James has served as a member of the Development Board, the Alumni Association Board, the Maverick Athletic 2020 Advisory Board, the Athletic Council, and others. In 2010, he received UTA's Distinguished Alumni Service Award, honoring individual achievements, contributions to industry or profession, community service and demonstrated loyalty to UT Arlington.

**Paul Shover** is the laboratory manager for the Civil Engineering Department at UT Arlington. For the past 39 years, he has worked in various governmental and industrial positions involving mechanical testing and failure analysis. Paul has an extensive background in the development of inspection equipment, testing procedures and performance specifications, primarily with the Texas Department of Transportation. He has served as president of both the Mid Cities Tech Club and the Arlington Technology Association.

**Richard Thut**, P.E., a registered mechanical engineer in Texas, is a senior consultant with HSB Solomon Associates. In this capacity, he develops and manages Solomon's engineering models and software applications worldwide. Richard has an extensive background in the operation, maintenance, and design of petroleum refineries and petrochemical plants. Richard graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering and also holds an MBA from The University of Dallas.