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Abstract: **Samuel Lake Steffee**

Mr. Steffee relays an under-told story of the success of Richmond's Polly Ryon Hospital. Joe Clyde Wessendorff hired Mr. Steffee to work at Polly Ryon in 1989. Together they ushered the hospital through the changes necessary to keep it a viable entity in Fort Bend County.

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Interview Summary

People (in order mentioned in interview)

Joyce Steffee – Wife
Sarah Steffee – daughter
Cathy Steffee – daughter
David Steffee – son
Joe Clyde Wessendorff
Diz Ansel
Hilmer Moore - Mayor of Richmond
Milton Lane
Billie Wendt – Polly Ryon Board of Directors
Bill Hartman - Polly Ryon Board of Directors
Stanley Kucherka - Polly Ryon Board of Directors
Jeff Council - Polly Ryon Board of Directors
Roland Adamson - Polly Ryon Board of Directors
Jack Moore - Polly Ryon Board of Directors
Thomas Dumler, MD
Michael Bornstein, MD
Loise Wessendorff

Places / Businesses

Abilene Christian University
University of California at Berkeley
Methodist Hospital in Houston
Polly Ryon Hospital, Richmond, TX
Vinson & Elkins Law Firm
The George Foundation
OakBend

Events

BS Degree in Business Administration
Master of Public Health, Degree in Hospital Administration
Malpractice law suits
Converting Polly Ryon to a Municipal Hospital Authority