



# The Flywheel

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## Denton Rotary Club

Chartered  
May 1, 1920  
District 5790  
Club No. 1779

P. O. Box 1622  
Denton, Texas  
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Meeting Time:  
Thursday, Noon  
Fremaux's



### Past Presidents Pontificate on Prior Practices

by Kimberly Karl, Flywheel Editor



It is not often that a program is such that Rotarians remain seated past the 1:00 hour, but this brainchild of our President, Eva Poole, held even the busiest of members glued to their chairs. Twenty-one Past Presidents graced us with accomplishments of their year of service. From Jack Cross (1967-68) through Sonja Rogers (2008-2009), tales of accomplishments, accolades, and adventure wound their way through the years. More than once, our own dear Wilkes Berry's name gathered applause. Chuckles ran through the audience as Jack Cross told of the Exer-Genie program, and from the presidents through the next several years, we learned that many of our presidents shared intrigue with that special demonstration! (There may even still be an Exer-Geni remaining in an attic or two around Denton). Stories of the Ramada fire with the only surviving Rotary article, our Bell, remaining, placed a new value on its existence.

The stories gained momentum as the years clicked on, and we became more sophisticated in our endeavors. The Polio Plus project was in its second year for Ralph Flesher's term, the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our club was a treasured experience during John Sigmund's reign, and Danny Mitchell spoke of his term reverently, paying tribute to Wilkes and the special guest speaker program that started in his presidency. Rick Woolfolk spoke of his term's support to Kiwanis when their Fourth of July event had a burnout and of the accumulation of funds that would lead to sponsoring more and more projects. Mary Ann McDuff, our first woman president, had a litany of accomplishments, including our crowning glory, the beginning of RYLA, and Euline sharing the story of the Assistant District Governor wondering if it was wise to have two women in a row as president. Little did he know how powerful these two women were!

Richard Stream put in place greater financial oversight, revised bylaws and had the winner of the 4-Way Test provide a program for all to enjoy. Mark Burroughs achieved recognition on a district level of 63 clubs and helped receive a \$15,000 matching grant for women in Egypt to establish businesses; he also spearheaded sending 25 bulletproof vests discarded by Denton police to our sister city in Mexico. Tom Philips started up the long lost chili supper, worked toward establishing Honored Guest Day and spearheaded the RYLA memorial program. Ken Ingram celebrated the 100-year anniversary of Rotary International and brought in the Children of the Dump, which started our international involvement with Nicaragua. Horace Brock was fortunate to celebrate the Rotary Centennial at the International conference in Chicago and provided a fitting tribute to Wilkes Barry by adding 14 new Paul Harris Fellows. Ron Aldridge proudly served during the year we received many accolades for the club's accomplishments at the District conference, including Roteract, Interact, and being presented with the overall recognition of the Governor's Cup. The program wound to a close with our last President, Sonja Rogers, who summed up the feelings of all of the presidents when she said, "It was an honor and a privilege to serve as a Denton Rotary President."

## Interact Moments

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by Cheryl Ellis

We had a pep rally on a recent Friday. The kids sifted in between Wednesday and Friday and got their blue permission slips to get out of class. (We just keep them in the folder taped to the file cabinet). On Friday, they got out of their classes at the right time, came down to my room, dumped their things in the closet, and headed for their [ushering] duty stations.

When we started the school song at the end, you could see a sea of royal blue Interact shirts stringing down the aisles to the bottom where they line up on both sides to keep kids moving toward the exits and off the gym floor. It's just a really heartwarming thing to see all 50 of these Interact kids just doing their parts and being so proud to do so.

We had a brand-new student and brand-new member at the most recent Interact meeting. Kathy Valenzuela was being honored as a soccer player at the pep rally and couldn't perform her usher duties, so she took the new girl to her duty station after the Interact meeting and told her what to do. We loaned her a shirt to wear, and on Friday, she showed up in my classroom just like the rest and did exactly what Kathy "taught" her to do.

SO, because you guys buy their shirts, a new student on this huge campus already had a niche. She has become a visible part of something big and important in our school.

I want to tell you something else:

Last week, two of the classes took a field trip. Each student had to wear a shirt which identified them as a Ryan High School student. Several of those kids wore their Interact shirts! I just happened to pass them in the hall when they were returning. I thought that was cool. I think it might also mean that their Rotary Interact shirt is the only one they have that identifies them as a Ryan student; if it weren't for you, they wouldn't have one. Thank you for the doors you open for our kids.



Here is another example of Rotary's making a difference. This morning, when I arrived at 7:15, there was a new student already in my room doing her homework **wearing her Interact shirt** (which she just earned/received last week!) because that is her niche! She feels comfortable in the "Interact room." Other kids come in and out before school, and now she knows all of them. When we visited for the first time, she told me that her mom drops her off early in the mornings, and I had told her that I get here early and she was always welcome. She has been coming in, but today she had on her Interact shirt.

We have narrowed down the PAL candidate list to 45, down from 567 to 200 to 115 to 70 and now to 45. I am getting a RYLA application to each of those students. Any of these 45 should be good RYLA candidates.

Your RYLA deadline is Sunday, March 15th, so I've made the Ryan deadline Thursday, March 12th.

### Interact Facts:

\***Interact** is short for "International Action"

\*The first Interact club was chartered in **1962** at Melbourne High School in Florida

Source: Rotary International Website

# What will Rotary look like 10 years from now?

By Arnold R. Grahl *Rotary International News* — 18 February 2009

Incoming district governors would like to see club membership grow significantly in the next 10 years, perhaps to two million, and have that membership be younger and more diverse.

The more than 530 district governors-elect are also unanimous in their hope that Rotary will help eradicate polio by 2019.

Those were just a few of the ideas that surfaced during a training exercise held during the 2009 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA, in January. The incoming district governors were given the opportunity to write down what they thought Rotary would look like 10 years from now.

The group discussion was one of several exercises that were based on the RI Strategic Plan 2007-10 and designed to help the future leaders identify the causes of conflict and the benefits of building consensus.

In each of the 28 discussion rooms, participants were divided into groups of four district governors-elect, who listed their ideas on easel pads.

Some ideas topped each group's list. For instance, virtually everyone included having Rotary help end polio by 2019. Some of the participants suggested that Rotarians will be celebrating the fifth anniversary of polio eradication by then.

Increasing membership also made it to the top of almost every list. Some wanted to see 1.5 million club members 10 years from now, while others projected an increase to 2 million. Currently, there are approximately 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide.

To read more, click [here](#).



Incoming Governor Barry Kalar of District 5180 (California) makes a point during a discussion group at the 2009 International Assembly.

*Rotary Images/Monika Lozinska-Lee*

**February is World Understanding Month. Learn more about your world!**

## The Rotary 4-Way Test

Is it the TRUTH?  
Is it FAIR to All Concerned?  
Will it Build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?  
Will it be BENEFICIAL to All Concerned?

### Attendance Report:

February 19, 2009  
Members Present  
49 of 83  
Percentage for this meeting  
59.04%

### Guest Speakers:

Past President's Presentation:  
*Hosted by current Denton Rotary Club President Eva Poole*

### Guests of Rotarians:

Pat Heath  
*Guest of Millard Heath*

### Rotarian Guests:

Bob Bishop  
*Hurricane Creek*  
Bob Leith  
*Rotary Club of Denton South*  
Gary Toothaker  
*Rotary Club of Mission, TX*

## Meetings

### February

26th:

Interact  
Presentation,  
Ryan High

### March

5th:

Bruce Painter,  
Author of Three  
Success Secrets  
for Tough Times

### March

12th:

Jim Duncan,  
North Texas  
Renewable  
Energy

### March

19th:

TBA

## 2008-09 Officers

President – Eva Poole  
President Elect – Larry Aaron  
Past President – Sonja Rogers  
Treasurer – Robert Seay  
Secretary – John Iverson  
Sergeant-at-Arms/Song Leader – Dick Stewart  
Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms – Tom Syler  
Co-Historians – John Shrader  
and Ralph Flesher  
Cheryl Hedric – Executive Secretary  
[CHedric@datcu.org](mailto:CHedric@datcu.org)

## Club Service (A)

### Larry Aaron – Director

Attendance – Doreen Rue  
Classifications – Tim Mangrum  
Club Bulletin – Demi Prentiss  
and Don Barnes  
Membership – Mark Ragsdale  
Membership Development – John Shrader  
and Jack Cross  
Membership Retention – Harv Kitchens  
Rotary Information – Jack Cross  
Bylaws – Mike Gregory  
Audit – Danny Mitchell

## Club Service (B)

### Steven Coburn – Director

Fellowship Activities – Don Barnes  
Fundraising Projects – Harv Kitchens  
Magazine – Dick Stewart  
Program – Lilia Bynum  
Public Relations – John Cabrales

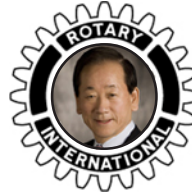
## Community Service

### Charles McCarty – Director

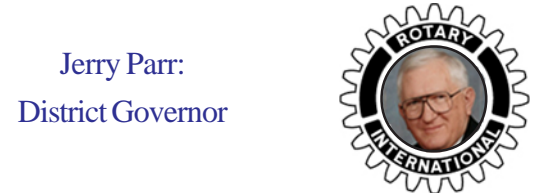
Community Development – Ricky Grunden  
Environmental Protection – Ray Croff  
Human Development – Condell Garden  
Partners in Service - Bill McKee  
Scholarships – Olive Morton  
Blood Drive - Virginia Langston-McDaniel

## 2008-09 Directors-At-Large

Condell Garden – Club Family  
Mike Gregory – Bylaws  
Ricky Grunden – Community Service Projects  
Harv Kitchens – Fundraising Projects  
Olive Morton – Scholarships



Dong Kurn Lee:  
International President



Jerry Parr:  
District Governor



Eva Poole:  
Club President

## Vocational Service

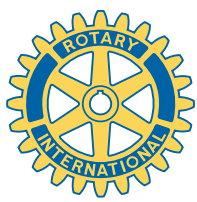
### Gary Conwell – Director

Career Development – Dan Leal  
RYLA – Vicki Smith and Mary Ann McDuff  
Vocation at Work – Karen Dickson  
Vocational Awards – Bruce Burleson  
Vocational Awareness – Penny Gee  
Four-Way Speech Contest – Tim Mangrum

## International Service

### Margaret Griffin – Director

World Community Service - John Cooper  
Mexico Project – Horace Brock  
Nicaragua Project – Herman Oosterwijk  
Rotary Foundation – Ken Ingram  
PolioPlus – Rob Seay



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Highlighted Name...Past Club President NAME IN CAPS...Paul Harris Fellow \*...Paul Harris Sustaining Fellow ♦...Bequest Society †...Foundation Benefactor

Highlighted Name...Past Club President-Other ☺...Perfect Attendance: October ☺+...Perfect Attendance YTD ☺☺...Perfect Attendance since July 2007

☆...Past Dist. Gov. ★...Assistant Dist. Gov.

"I would like to think that the pioneering days of Rotary have only just begun. There are just as many new things to be done as ever there were. Rotary must continue to pioneer or be left in the rear of progress."

Paul P. Harris, 1947