



Denton Rotary Club

Chartered May 1, 1920
District 5790 • Club No. 1779

P. O. Box 1622 • Denton, Texas 76202

Meeting Time:
Thursday, Noon
Radisson Hotel

www.dentonrotary.com

The Flywheel

Thursday, August 2, 2007

2007-08 Officers

Sonja Rogers	President
Eva Poole	President-Elect
Ron Aldridge	Past President
Margaret Griffin	Secretary
Rob Seay	Treasurer
Dick Stewart	Sergeant-at-Arms
Tom Syler, Dave Barrett	Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms
John Shrader, Ralph Flesher	Co-Historians
George Alatzas	Director, Club Awards
Becky Opperman	Chaplain
Bill Cissell	Director, Grants & Development
Dick Stewart and Phillip Young	Music Directors

Club Service (A)	Eva Poole, Director
Mark Ragsdale	Membership
Margaret Griffin	Classification
John Shrader, Jack Cross	Membership Development
Carolyn Ishee, Harv Kitchens	Membership Retention
Doreen Rue	Attendance
George Hopkins	Audit
Pete Bradbury	Club Bulletin

Club Service (B)	Steven Coburn, Director
Don Barnes	Fellowship
Harv Kitchens	Fundraising
Tom Phillips, Ricky Grunden	Programs
John Cabrales, Jr.	Public Relations
Jo Ann Ballantine	Web Site
Dick Stewart	Magazines

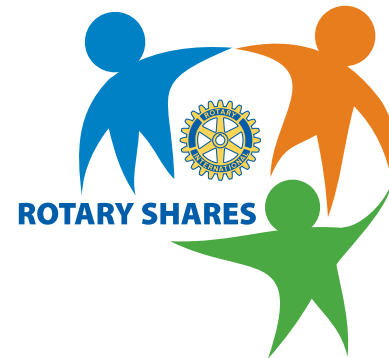
Community Service	Charles McCarty, Director
Tom LaPoint, Mary Gotcher	Environmental Services
Rick Woolfolk	Blood Drive
George Alatzas	Human Development
Michelle Cunningham	Scholarship
Bill McKee, Carolyn Ishee	Partners-in-Service
Ricky Grunden	Community Development

International Service	David Barrett, Director
Herman Oosterwijk	International Youth
Bill Cissell	HIV/AIDS
Horace Brock	World Fellowship
Bob Peterson, Bruce Sandelin	Rotary Foundation
	World Community Service

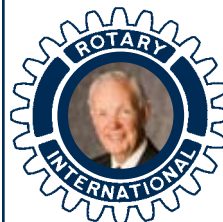
Vocational Service	Larry Aaron, Director
Gloria Anderson	Career Development
Vicki Smith, Mary Ann McDuff	RYLA
Rick Woolfolk	Vocational Awareness
Lilia Bynum	Vocational Awards
Derv Hudgens	4-Way Speech

2007-08 Directors

Larry Aaron	Jack Cross
George Alatzas	Mary Gotcher
David Barrett	Ricky Grunden
Bill Cissell	Charles McCarty
Steve Coburn	



Rotary International
2007 - 2008 Theme



Wilfrid J. Wilkinson
International President



Dave Mason
District Governor



Sonja Rogers
Club President

Today's Program:

District 5790 Governor Dave Mason



President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson's TRAVELOGUE

July 2007

I began my year as president-elect with great anticipation, but the past 12 months have been more remarkable than I realized they would be. I can only imagine what my year as 2007-08 RI president will be like. As RI president, I look forward to serving Rotary to the best of my abilities.

During my year as president-elect, I acted as an ambassador for Rotary International. Everywhere I went, I shared with others information about the amazing humanitarian efforts Rotarians are involved in every day.

One of my most memorable meetings as president-elect was in February 2007 with Pakistan's president, Pervez Musharraf. I was there to accept the Sitara-e-Eisar Award (the Star Award for Courage and Sacrifices), which was created especially for Rotary to recognize its work in the aftermath of the South Asia earthquake that hit Pakistan in October 2005. I was so proud of all the Rotarians who had responded to that area's need for assistance during that terrible time.

While I was there for the award, President Musharraf generously took almost an hour out of his full schedule to talk with me. He praised Rotarians' efficiency in delivering aid after the earthquake and how well Rotarians worked locally with the army.

We also discussed polio eradication efforts in Pakistan, which is one of the four remaining polio-endemic countries. I was elated when President Musharraf expressed his commitment to eradicating polio.

While I was the one lucky enough to spend time discussing these issues with President Musharraf, it was really the work of the Rotarians that was being recognized. Time and time again, Rotarians have accomplished near miracles as they acted locally, but thought globally. I've always believed that as Rotarians we don't just sit around and talk about helping others. As Rotarians, we share the love we have for our fellow human beings, and we help whenever we can.

During the course of my president-elect duties, there were many places where my wife, Joan, and I traveled that will always be etched in our memories. We visited an Afghan refugee camp in Pakistan; toured a Rotary eye bank in India; gave babies polio vaccine drops while in Tanzania, Africa; and met fellow Rotarians in Beijing, China.

Another highlight of my president-elect year was the 2007 International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. It was here to all of the incoming Rotary governors that I first announced my theme of Rotary Shares. From everything I've seen during my 45 years in Rotary, and I saw it again at the 2007 RI Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, I know how true it is that Rotary Shares.

More times than I can count, Rotarians have shared their hospitality, friendship, resources, and compassion with me. Now, in my presidential year, it's my opportunity to graciously return the favor.

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?

RI President Urges Every Rotarian to Bring in New Members

With Rotary's demographics changing and membership decreasing in North America, Rotarians must "change the way we think about membership," RI President Wilfrid J. Wilkinson told attendees at a presidential membership conference held 20-21 July in Nashville, Tennessee, USA.

"The current recruitment practices of clubs can't continue," Wilkinson said. "What needs to happen is for every Rotarian in every club to bring in one qualified new member every year."

Inviting new club members is one way Rotarians can live up to this year's theme of Rotary Shares, said Wilkinson at the conference. The conference is one of a series of seven events to be held in July and August in Canada and the United States. In July the conferences were held in Philadelphia; Nashville; and South Bend, Indiana. In August, the conferences will be held in Denver; Vancouver, B.C.; San Jose, California; and Fort Lauderdale, Florida. If those events prove successful, similar ones may be organized in other parts of the world.

The two-day conferences include plenary sessions, panel discussions, and workshops on topics such as generational differences, demographic changes, potential new members, and the challenges of service organizations.

Wilkinson cited RI research showing that only 18 percent of Rotarians in a given club ever bring in a new member. But inviting qualified, active members is "the single most important thing that you can do for your club and community," he said. To survive and continue to meet communities' increasing needs, Wilkinson stressed, "Rotary needs to grow."

The goal of the presidential conferences was for Rotarians to come away with plans for finding and keeping club members. Wilkinson noted, however, that there's no one-size-fits-all solution for Rotary clubs.

"Rotary Shares," he said, "and each one of us must take it upon ourselves individually to share the gift of Rotary membership with one new person – this year, and every year to come."



August is
Membership and Extension Month

Attendance Report

July 26th, 2007

Members Present 42
 Makeups 0
 Percentage for this Meeting 50.00%

Guests

The following Guests attended the
 July 26th Meeting

Guest Speakers **Topic**
 Lee Keith Am. Legion - Girls State & Boys State

Guests **Guest of:**
 Betty Overall Becky Opperman
 Guy Watts Lilia Bynum

Other Guests
 Anna & Pete Sidoti Parents
 Christy Sineni Ron Sineni
 Doreen Rue Prospective Member
 Jake Gannon Boys State
 Mitch Dawson Boys State
 Ron Sineni Vocational Award Winner
 Sarah Muniz Prospective Member
 Stephanie Sidoti Girls State

Rotarian Guests **Club**
 Bob Bishop Hurricane Creek - Van Alstyne, Texas
 Chad Melton Dove Mountain- Tucson, Arizona

Leave of Absence

Tom LaPoint..... 7/19/2007 to 11/1/2007
 Dan Mauldin 6/15/2007 to 8/26/2007

Makeup Options

Colleyville PM	Tuesday	Noon	Bellisimo's Italian Restaurant
Denton South	Tuesday	6:45 am	Radisson
DFW	Friday	Noon	Hyatt Airport- West Tower
Flower Mound	Thursday	Noon	Salerno's
Gainesville	Wednesday	Noon	First Baptist Church
Keller	Tuesday	Noon	The Round House
Lewisville	Wednesday	Noon	Groto-Highland Village Rd & FM 407
Lewisville AM	Thursday	7:00 am	Village Grill - 2250 FM 407
Metropport	Friday	7:00 am	Mariott Solana Hotel
Sanger	Tuesday	Noon	Sanger Community Center

Please note the Rotary Club you visited when you turn in your "make-up" card.
 Meetings must be made-up within 2 weeks before or after the meeting missed.
 Need more meeting options? Visit RI's website www.rotary.org

Rotary Club

Board of Directors Meeting
Noon, Wednesday, August 8, 2007

DATCU • Administration Building

IMPORTANT CLUB INFORMATION

Payment of dues, correspondence, etc. for the Club should be sent to the Club's official mailing address: Denton Rotary Club
 P.O. Box 1622, Denton, TX 76202.

Please submit *Flywheel* information to WheelerPress: fax 940-383-4250 or email: print@wheelerpress.com. Deadline is Wednesday noon.
 Cheryl Hedric, Executive Secretary – 940-380-7448, chedric@datcu.coop

Please bring your magazines to our Thursday meetings and place them on the piano, so that the Magazine Committee can distribute to area hospitals and retirement centers. Thank you.