



# The Flywheel

Thursday, August 30, 2007

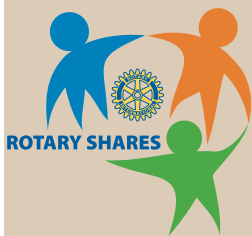
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## Denton Rotary Club

Chartered  
May 1, 1920  
District 5790  
Club No. 1779

P. O. Box 1622  
Denton, Texas  
76202

Meeting Time:  
Thursday, Noon  
Radisson Hotel



Major Patrick McAfee poses with USO Representatives at DFW Airport

### Welcoming the Troops

Major Patrick McAfee was the speaker on August 23. He is the Commander of the DFW Army Rest & Recuperation Program. He and his team are in charge of coordinating all the military personnel who come in and out of the airport on their two week leaves. You've seen the crowds on TV and Major McAfee

provided behind-the-scenes information on how the troops are met every day of the week. Troops having R and R in the Eastern half of the U.S. come back to the U.S. by way of Atlanta. However, there is not a similar welcoming at that airport.

The DFW management, American Airlines, the USO, VFW, and volunteers of many organizations coordinated by the North Texas Commission were singled out for particular praise. It is truly an emotional and uplifting experience for the troops and for those who attend the welcome home.



The legendary Tuskegee Airmen made a special appearance to greet returning troops. [Click here to learn more about the Tuskegee Airmen](#)

As it turned out, Gary Conwell, the Flywheel editor was already scheduled to be at DFW Friday morning with Denton Regional and other HCA hospitals and many other groups. Those meeting the troops included the Tuskegee Airmen who were in the DFW area attending an annual reunion.

## August 23 Meeting Featured Induction, Award

We had the privilege of inducting Robert Ramirez into Rotary. Robert is a Guardianship Attorney with Coopender & Ramirez Attorneys and Counselors, PLLC. He is a graduate of SMU School of Law, Texas A&M University Graduate School of Business and St. Mary's University School of Business.

Robert's interests include scuba, boating, water skiing, running, men's ministries, automobiles



*Club President Sonja Rogers congratulates Rick Woolfolk on receiving his third Paul Harris Fellow*

and ROTARY! We're excited to have Robert as a new member.

Rick Woolfolk was presented his third Paul Harris Fellow. As you know, a Paul Harris Fellow is an individual who contributes or in whose honor or memory is contributed \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation.



*Ron Aldridge presents the Rotary membership pin to Robert Ramirez*

### Some Dates to Remember:

Board of Directors Meeting will be **September 5**.

**October 18** will be a mystery event at 7 p.m. at the Oakmont Country Club.

## E-Club Makeups Online

The following is a partial list of chartered Rotary e-clubs who are participating in the Rotary E-Club Project. When making up online, why not try some of these different venues?

### ENGLAND

Rotary E-Club of London Centenary  
(hear the tower bells)  
[www.erotarylondon.org](http://www.erotarylondon.org)

### USA

Rotary Club One  
<http://www.rotaryclubone.org/>  
Rotary e-Club of District 7890  
<http://www.rotaryclub7890.org/>  
Rotary e-Club of NY1 of D-7150  
<http://www.rotaryclubny1.com/>

Rotary e-Club of the Southwest  
<http://www.rotaryclubswest.org/>  
Rotary E-Club of Southeast USA and the Carribean  
[www.rotaryclub34.org/](http://www.rotaryclub34.org/)

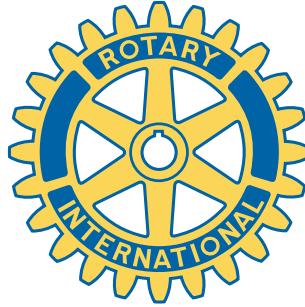
All you have to do is spend 30 minutes online, review one or more of the programs available at the site, answer some questions, click on the makeup form, read it carefully and forward it to Margaret Griffin. You're done and you have attendance credit!

**LET'S STRIVE FOR  
100% ATTENDANCE**

## Focus on Membership

Remember it's crucial for the Denton Rotary Club to gain new members. Here a few thoughts:

The Membership Committee works with the following club committees to meet membership goals: Public Relations (elevate the image of the club in the community), Service Projects (projects relevant to members that involve non-Rotarians) and Club Administration (plan weekly programs that educate members about Rotary).



And we want all members to be active.

If you are not on a committee, take a look at the list and volunteer.

## New Edition of *Rotary Basics* Now Available



The 2007-08 edition of *Rotary Basics*, the annual guide to all things Rotary, is here! The eight-page publication has been updated with new facts and figures for the Rotary year, and now boasts a more user-friendly look.

In addition to providing a crash course in Rotary history and demystifying RI terms, *Rotary Basics* is a thorough introduction to RI and Rotary Foundation programs and membership benefits and responsibilities. Released each August to coincide with Membership and Extension Month, *Rotary Basics* helps clubs educate new and longtime Rotarians alike. It's also an excellent recruiting tool.

Find it in the August issue of *The Rotarian* or [download it by clicking here](#).

**Check this out: It's a free publication from Rotary. Great for New and Old members. You should be able to click on the download link and print or save the Guide.**

### Attendance Report

August 23, 2007

Members present: 57

Makeups: 0

Percentage for this meeting: 67.06%

**Guest Speakers:** Major Patrick McAfee, DFW Personnel Assistance Point Commanding

### **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?

## August 30th:

Todd Dodge,  
University of  
North Texas  
Football Coach

## September 6th:

Tim Sandifer,  
Project Manager  
of United  
Equities, Inc.  
Development  
Company for Fry  
Street area near  
UNT

### 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 Ser-  
geant-at-Arms*  
John Shrader and Ralph Flesher: *Co-  
Historians*  
George Alatzas: *Director, Club Awards*  
Becky Opperman: *Chaplain*  
Bill Cissell: *Director, Grants & Develop-  
ment*  
Dick Stewart: *Music Director*

### 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*  
Gary Conwell: *Club Bulletin*

### Club Service (B)

Steven Coburn: *Director*  
Don Barnes, Sarah Muniz: *Fellowship*  
Harv Kitchens: *Fundraising*  
Tom Phillips, Ricky Grunden: *Programs*  
John Cabrales, Jr.: *Public Relations*  
Jo Ann Ballantine: *Web Site*  
Dick Stewart: *Magazines*

### 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*

### 2007-08 Directors

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



Wilfrid J. Wilkinson:  
International President

Dave Mason:  
District Governor



Sonja Rogers:  
Club President

### Vocational Service

Larry Aaron: *Director*  
Quinn McColly: *Career Development*  
Vicki Smith, Mary Ann McDuff: *RYLA*  
Rick Woolfolk: *Vocational Awareness*  
Lilia Bynum: *Vocational Awards*  
Derv Hudgens: *4-Way Speech*

### 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*