

Kudos: Honors and awards in the Dallas-area business community

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The North Texas Commission has honored six Dallas-Fort Worth businesses for their achievements in the 2005 Mentor-Entrepreneur Program. Awards were presented to **TXU** with **Advisory Link Inc.**, both of Dallas; **OMSS-Associates** of North Richland Hills with **Tin Man Welding Services** of Fort Worth; and **Aviall Services** of Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport with **Apex Engineered Solutions** of Addison. The Mentor-Entrepreneur Program works to develop the capabilities of women and minority-owned small businesses.

The Family Place, a nonprofit agency dedicated to ending family violence, recently appointed new members to its board of directors. They include **Calvin Colbert** of the Conference Board; **Keenan Delaney** of Affiliated Computer Services Inc.; **Marie R. Dufresne** of the Hay Group; **John M. Gala**, formerly of MBNA America; **Guadalupe Gonzales** of the FBI; **Frank Goodrich** of Baron & Budd PC; **Doug Hazelbaker** of CB Richard Ellis; **Steve Holland** of Crossmark; **Walter Holmes** of Interstate Batteries; **Mary Ann Johnson** of Texas Instruments; community volunteer **Kim Kelly**; **Terri Lowell** of Glazer's Family of Companies; **Paige Nash** of Dallas National Bank; **Stacy Repult** of Sammons Enterprises Inc.; **Keila M. Selders** of Southwest Airlines Co.; **Sandi Stevens** of Challenger, Gray & Christmas; community volunteer **Shauna Trieb**; **Manuel Charles Zaby Jr.** of Neiman Marcus Direct; and **Rachel Ziolkowski** of Jackson Lewis LLP.

Nancy Philabaum of Verizon has been elected president of the Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity board. Other officers are **Frank A. Rosi** of Home Depot, president-elect; **Manny San Miguel** of Abbott Laboratories, past president; **Vance Maultsby** of Maultsby & Co., audit and finance committee chairman; and volunteer **Jackie McCourt**, secretary. Newly elected board members are **Kenneth Rogers** of Haynes & Boone LLP, **Mark Shank** of Hughes & Luce, **Crayton Webb** of Mary Kay, Inc., **Vicki Smith Weinberg** of Haddock Investments and **Jaime Spellings** of Exxon Mobil Corp.

Zachry Associates Inc., an advertising, marketing and research agency in Dallas and Abilene, received a silver award in the Air Transport World Advertising Awards. Zachry was honored at Asian Aerospace, a trade show in Singapore, for its campaign in the component support category for Dallas-based Aviall Inc.

Fish & Richardson PC of Dallas has been ranked No. 1 in the IP Law360 survey of the most frequently hired patent litigation law firms in the U.S. IP Law360, a newswire for intellectual property professionals, researched federal court dockets to assess the number of new cases that law firms took on in 2005. Fish & Richardson was named lead counsel in 82 cases.

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