



Ral Aars has been the DeSoto Eagle Stadium announcer since 1999. He has been introducing the halftime performances of the Eagle Marching Band and the DeSoto Eaglettes drill team since 1990.

He and wife, Barbara, with sons Christian, James, and Michael moved to DeSoto in 1984. They started attending Eagle football games in 1988, and have missed only a couple of games since.

All three sons are honor roll graduates of DHS, and each was in the top 10 in his class. Barbara served as president of the High School PTA and president of the DeSoto Service League.

Ral played high school football as a running back in Clifton, Texas, where he was also an all-state hurdler for two years. He attended Baylor on a track scholarship where he earned a bachelor's degree, and then completed a master's at Michigan State University.

He is the managing partner of *eHealthPartners, Inc.*, a software company that provides technology systems to the health care insurance industry.