



# Plano Pacers Running Club, Inc.

## Hall of Fame

The Plano Pacers Running Club was formed in 1978 by the City of Plano Parks and Recreation Department and a group of thirty local runners. The objectives of the Running Club were the promotion and encouragement of healthful jogging and distance running. The objectives were supported by stressing the fun and exhilaration of running and its contribution to physical fitness, weight control and health. The club was directed to stimulate and maintain motivation among runners by increasing communication among runners and prospective runners. The club's plan was to publish a newsletter, hold regular meetings, fun runs, races, running clinics and related programs. The club would also mobilize their influence to promote the development of trails, tracks and running support facilities within the city.

The Plano Pacers Running Club has successfully operated as a family-oriented organization for three decades. A great number of runners and non-runners have contributed to meeting the objectives defined by the City of Plano and the founding members. Starting this year, 2009, the Plano Pacers Running Club will establish a Hall of Fame to recognize those individuals who have made significant contributions to the club.

The Plano Pacers Running Club, Inc. would like to recognize Daniel M. Millet for his outstanding contributions to the club. Dan was president of the club for the years 1982 and 1983. Dan's leadership and individual contributions were a major force in the growth of the Plano Pacers Running Club. When Dan became president, the Plano Pacers Running Club was primarily a local organization with three fourths of the membership being Plano residents. When Dan completed his presidencies, the reach of the club had spread across the Dallas Fort Worth area with almost half of the membership coming from outside of Plano. During this two year period Dan grew the membership by almost one hundred and fifty percent.

Under Dan's leadership the newsletter was significantly improved in quality, content and volume. The newsletter contained complete training programs as well as expert technical advice. The comprehensive president's message gave credit and recognition to club members for their contributions and accomplishments, all intermixed with good humor. The club is grateful today for the written and photographic historical record those newsletters provide. Under Dan's leadership a number of points systems were introduced. One points system was implemented to recognize service to the club and the other points system to recognize member running accomplishments. Excellent clinics were presented to improve the running community's understanding of training methods and to help members establish realistic expectations. Dan expanded the club's involvement beyond the monthly and semi-annual races. This was done by the Plano Pacers Running Club teaming with the Cross Country Club of Dallas in 1982 to put on the Half Marathon. Dan directed the race. The Pacers also joined a number of area physical fitness clubs in 1982 to put on the Plano Triathlon. Dan is the only Plano Pacers Running Club member to have an annual club race named in his honor. Each June, the Plano Pacers Running Club puts on the highly regarded Millet Mile. Dan continues to be a source of inspiration, counsel and service to the Plano Pacers Running Club.

Through his hard work, communication and people skills, Dan has made significant contributions toward meeting the objectives of the Plano Pacers Running Club, Inc. For all the reasons documented in this letter the Plano Pacers Running Club takes great pride in naming Daniel M. Millet a charter member in the Plano Pacers Running Club Hall of Fame.

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James Royal, President

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