

Plano Pacers Running Club, Inc. Hall of Fame

The Plano Pacers Running Club was formed in 1978. The Plano Pacers Running Club has successfully operated as a family-oriented organization for four decades. It is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization, totally dependent on its membership's time contribution. A great number of runners and non-runners have contributed to meeting the objectives defined by the founding members. Starting in 2009, the club established a Hall of Fame to recognize those individuals who have made significant contributions to the club.

The Plano Pacers Running Club would like to recognize Charlie and Terry Gonzalez for their contributions to the club. Charlie and Terry joined the Plano Pacers in 2008 and began volunteering at races in 2009. By 2013, the Plano Pacers had been without a designated president for several years. Charlie and Terry stepped up and accepted the role as co-presidents. In their role as co-presidents they went far beyond what was expected and required. They assumed other roles and became visibly active in the Metroplex running community. Charlie and Terry always wanted to do what was best for the members and to enhance the running experience. Their friendships and friendly manner helped the Pacers gain many new members and runners.

The following are some of the service roles they served:

- Co-presidents for four years (2013-16). Historically this has been a one or two year position.
- Terry has served as club treasurer during their time leading the club and continues to serve as club treasurer.
- Prior to becoming co-presidents Charlie and Terry served as awards coordinator and continued that role while co-presidents. This included ordering and purchasing awards and bringing the awards to each race and recycling when possible.
- Charlie and Terry were faithful attendees of the monthly Prediction Runs and also volunteered at the Prediction Runs when needed.
- City of Plano Relations While this is a responsibility of the president, Charlie spent time meeting and building a relationship with the Plano Recreation Department. The department had instituted new rules and had new personnel. Charlie worked hard to lessen the negative impact to the Plano Pacers.
- Goodwill Potentially the biggest impact made by Charlie and Terry was a result of their "all-in" involvement in the Metroplex running community while serving. They participated in races together and in many social events held by the running community. Neither has ever met a stranger. These actions reflected very positively on the Plano Pacers. As a result, participation has remained strong at Pacers events.
- Terry worked with Plano Senior High School to recruit volunteers to help out at the monthly races and prediction runs.
- Charlie and Terry have graciously hosted Plano Pacer volunteer appreciation parties.

Through their hard work and dedication, Charlie and Terry have made significant contributions toward meeting the objectives of The Plano Pacer Running Club. For all the reasons documented in this letter the club is proud to name Charlie and Terry Gonzalez members of the Plano Pacers Hall of Fame.

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