

G O D M O R N I N G !

Thursday, August 16, 2012

"Culture is Us!"



Ron Miller

President - Naples North Rotary

**"One night in Bangkok" ...
(actually 10 days)"**

Originally from Bethesda Maryland, Jim attended the UnivOriginally from Wisconsin, Ron attended the University of Wisconsin system where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education in 1974. He spent his career in education, and for the first 15 years was a high school teacher along with being a head football and basketball coach. Ron then received his Master of Science degree in Educational Administration from Winona State University in 1989 and from that point on he moved into the administration side of education and served as a High School Principal in both Wisconsin and Florida. Miller is retired from education and currently working as a Real Estate agent for Premiere Plus Realty Co., here in Naples, FL.

Since moving to Naples 10 years ago, Ron has been a member of the Naples North Rotary Club. He has had the privilege of being the Director of Service for the club and currently serves as the Club's President. His presentation today will focus on his trip to the International Rotary Convention in Bangkok, Thailand this past May, and will touch on a few highlights of the city and the convention.

Miller is married to the former Jan (JD) Hitzeman (a Funeral Director from Chicago, IL) and between them they have six children (four boys and two girls), two son-in-laws, and two grandchildren.

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The "Wizdumb" Table

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Capital Bank and The Naples Daily News for their generous sponsorship of the All-Star Football Classic.

August is Membership & Extension Month

Attendance Last Meeting

Members Present:	65	Winter Pigeons:	0
Makeups:	3	Student Guests:	0
Visiting Rotarians:	6		
Guests of Members:	1		

Did you make up?



Guest Speaker

Next Week: ?????

Last Meeting: Ken Kavanagh, Athletic Director,
Florida Gulf Coast University



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member	Birthday	Age
Wafaa Assaad	August 20	70

Member	Wedding Anv.	Years
Al Gal	August 20	18
Paul Jones	August 19	23
Greg Marler	August 20	24

Member	Club Anv.	Years
Ross Longmire	August 16	28
Mark Miller	August 16	28



Distinguished Rotarians

Rotarian	Honored
Doug Baird	Sept. 30, 2010
Heather Milner	Apr. 23, 2009
Lois Kluberdanz	Jun. 5, 2008

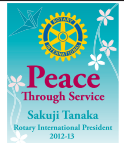


Rotarian of the Year 2012

Alex Garland, Jr.



**100% Paul Harris Fellows
or Sustaining Members**



Enhancing Rotary's image through service

By Claudio Spiguel, District 4560 Rotary Foundation Chair and a member of the Rotary Club of Guaxupé, Minas Gerais, Brazil

In the past few years, my Rotary Club of Guaxupé has hosted five Matching Grant projects with The Rotary Foundation. Two of these projects aimed at the purchase of vehicles for beneficiary organizations that support needy segments of the community. These vehicles have fulfilled the project objectives, and have been put to very good use.

They have also accomplished something else as important — they have elevated our club's visibility in the community and helped us attract new members.

Our first project purchased a car for a school for children and adolescents at social risk, so officials could provide transportation for students who came to the school in need of medical and/or psychological attention. The school is managed by the non-profit organization Associação de Apôio à Criança e ao Adolescente (Association for the Support of Children and Adolescents) of Guaxupé. Our international partner on this project was the Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood, Illinois, USA.

Our second project purchased a small ambulance for an agency called "Bom Pastor" (Good Shepherd) which provides dignified support for homeless individuals and drug addicts in rehab. The ambulance helps transport patients to and from area clinics. For this project we continued our partnership with the Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood, but also joined with two other clubs of the same district, the Rotary clubs of Northbrook and Deerfield, Illinois, USA.

With each vehicle, we made sure to "silk" them with the Rotary and Rotary Foundation logos, so they



Claudio Spiguel, third from left, and other members of the Rotary Club of Guaxupé, Minas Gerais, Brazil, with a car they purchased for a school for at risk youth.

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Please Join Us to Congratulate Earl & Thelma!!

Hodges Funeral Home
was founded on August 18, 1962 ...
the community of Naples would never be the same!

Join us in honoring
Earl & Thelma Hodges
for their 50 years of dedicated service to our community.

Saturday, August 18, 2012

Hodges Funeral Home at Naples Memorial Gardens
525 111th Avenue North - Naples, Florida 34108

4:00 - 5:00 pm Cocktails
5:00 - 6:00 pm Invocation & Commendations

- Invocation by Rev. Michael Harper, Director Pastoral Care, NCH
- Congratulatory Toast by Naples Mayor John Sorey
- Musical interlude performed by members of the Naples Philharmonic Orchestra

6:00 - 7:00 pm Reception
RSVP 239.597.3101 - Valet Parking

would be readily seen as they circulated throughout the community. This visibility brought in several new members last year, and has led to some potential new members this year.

We are currently working with the same partners on another Matching Grant project to purchase a mini-bus for the local chapter of the Associação de Pais e Amigos dos Excepcionais (Association of Parents and Friends of the Severely Handicapped). We will again decal the vehicle if the project is approved.

Projects such as these generate results that are palpable and visible in the local community. I encourage all Rotarians to make your service projects visible through similar means, and by doing so, enhance the image of Rotary through service