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#### **Coach Sean Miller**

Posted by Robert Logan on Aug 23, 2013



As Sean Miller begins year five at the helm of the University of Arizona men's basketball program, he does so knowing that his multifaceted approach to building a program has paid lasting dividends in Tucson. The facts certainly justify the assertion:

His 96 wins in his first four years are more than any UA coach and more than any

other current Pac-12 coach in his first four seasons in the league. Arizona is averaging 24 wins per season under Miller, an improvement over the average of 20.0 victories per year in the four seasons before his arrival.

Arizona has compiled a 48-24 (.667) league record in Miller's first four seasons in the Pac-12. Not only does that record tie for the best in the Pac-12 in that span, but since the conference expanded to 10 teams in 1978-79, Miller is one of only two coaches to win 48 conference games in his first four seasons in the league, joining UCLA's Steve Lavin, who went 49-23 (.681) from 1996-2000. No Pac-12 team has more road wins in conference than Arizona's 19 since Miller took the reins of the program.

After allowing 72.0 points per game in 2009-10, UA has yielded fewer than 70 points on average in each of the last three seasons: 67.9 in 2010-11, 62.7 in 2011-12 and 63.6 in 2012-13. The Wildcats have held opponents to 60 points or less on 40 occasions during Miller's tenure.

UA has been one of the nation's top teams at defending the three-point line under Miller's guidance, allowing opponents to shoot just .312 from long range in that time. In 2010-11 and 2011-12, Arizona opponents shot just a combined .289 from the arc.

Arizona's climb back to the elite level of college basketball began on April 7, 2009, when Sean Miller was named just the program's sixth appointed head coach in the last 87 years. In the time since that announcement, Miller has given the Wildcats the stability, confidence, focus and guidance of a leader who's found success everywhere he's been. Arizona went 16-15 in Miller's first season in Tucson, making drastic improvements along the way and establishing his belief that there is no such thing as a quick fix. Hard work and a dedicated effort each day breed success, and his student-athletes have honored that process each day since.

The 2010-11 squad won 30 games, captured the Pac-10 regular-season championship, advanced to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament's West Region and produced the No.

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**Coach Sean Miller (RCOT Members Only)**  
 Aug 28, 2013 11:30 AM - 01:30 PM

**Coach Sean Miller (Guests/Visiting Rotarians)**  
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**2013 Havasupai Annual Hike**  
 Oct 10, 2013 - Oct 13, 2013

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2 pick in that year's NBA Draft. Additionally, Miller reestablished and rejuvenated recruiting ties that have allowed the Wildcats to land three-consecutive top-10 recruiting classes.

In Miller's second season, Arizona essentially increased its production across the board, while simultaneously lowering the production of its opponents in key statistical categories. That improvement culminated in a 30-8 record and the Pac-10 title, Miller's fourth in his first seven years as a college head coach.

Those statistical improvements were also evident on the individual level, as the 2010-11 Wildcats displayed more poise, were more fundamentally sound and were stronger and more assertive on the court, all of which were a testament to Miller's total program development.

Nowhere was that individual development better displayed than with Derrick Williams. After garnering Pac-10 Freshman of the Year honors in 2010, he blossomed into a consensus All-American and the conference Player of the Year as a sophomore. In two years' time, Williams went from the least heralded of Miller's initial five-man recruiting class to the second overall pick in the 2011 NBA Draft.

Miller was rewarded for a season in which Arizona reached as high as No. 10 in the national polls with Pac-10 and NABC District 20 Coach of the Year accolades.

The 2011-12 UA team won 23 games and advanced to the postseason, collecting back-to-back 20-win seasons for the first time in five years. For the second-straight season, UA finished in the top-five nationally in three-point field goal percentage defense and limited opponents to an average of 62.7 points per game, a figure that was the lowest for the program in more than two decades. The Cats played in the Pac-12 Tournament final for the second year in a row and had a pair of all-conference honorees.

Miller's 2012-13 Arizona team captivated the nation with its electrifying 14-0 start before tying for second in the Pac-12 and earning the second NCAA Tournament berth of his tenure. UA reached its second Sweet 16 under Miller, where it fell to Ohio State in a classic back-and-forth affair. The Wildcats finished with a 27-8 record, their third-straight 20-win season. Two Miller protégés – Solomon Hill and Mark Lyons – were rewarded for outstanding seasons with first-team All-Pac-12 honors. The 2013 NBA Draft was a significant night for the UA program under Miller, as Hill became the 18th first-round draft pick in program history when the Indiana Pacers selected him 23rd overall. Grant Jerrett gave Arizona two picks on the night when his name was called with the 40th overall selection.

Prior to moving west, Miller completed five seasons as head coach at Xavier from 2004-09. He owns a career coaching record of 216-90 (.706) in nine years as a collegiate head coach to go with four conference regular-season championships, one postseason tournament title and two 30-win seasons. Miller's 30-7 record in 2007-08 set a Xavier record for victories in a season and helped earn him A-10 Coach of the Year honors.

Miller began his stint at Xavier after stops at North Carolina State, Pittsburgh, Miami (Ohio) and Wisconsin. He has coached for 17 teams that have advanced to postseason play in 21 years on the collegiate sidelines, including six NCAA Tournament berths in his nine years as a head coach. He has two Elite Eight and two Sweet 16 appearances to his credit and owns an 11-6 (.647) record in the tournament.

A native of Beaver Falls, Pa., Miller was born Nov. 17, 1968. He and his wife, Amy, have three sons, Austin, Cameron and Braden. He attended high school at Blackhawk High School and earned his bachelor's degree in communications from Pittsburgh in 1992.



#### President's Letter

Posted by David Gallaher on Aug 23, 2013

We had a great crowd at this week's meeting and had some fun with our good sport Mike Orcutt, for his great article on Angel Valley Funeral Home in the Green Valley News. We thank Mike and the rest of his STAR group for their great presentation to our new members. A big welcome also goes out to our newest members Gerry Snelling and Daryl Ross into the best Rotary Club in Tucson!

It was exciting to hear about all of the new positive developments going on downtown and the amount of private investment is kind of staggering. Hopefully Rio Nuevo plays a positive role in more developments in the downtown area. This past week's speaker, Fletcher McCusker, who now sits on the Rio Nuevo board, has provided some badly needed leadership in turning Rio Nuevo around. Thanks also to member Mark Irvin for the countless hours of volunteering on this Board as well.

If you haven't visited one of the many new eateries downtown you are missing out on some of Tucson's finest new restaurants. They are excellent. Also, check out Second Saturdays celebrations. There is great entertainment and thank you to Fletcher for his early sponsorship of these regular events since their inception. Downtown is alive!

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#### Our Sponsors



We will miss you this coming week as I will be fishing with fellow members Mark Irvin and Marshall Dennington. Your very capable and fantastic President Elect Mary Martin, will be filling in for me for one of the best meetings of the year with Sean Miller. Wear your colors of Red and Blue!!! We expect over 250 people.

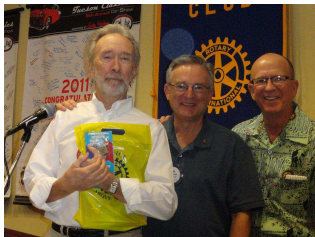
Finally, please remember past District Governor Val Scanlan and her fight against her brain cancer. Val has served our District well and needs some financial help at this time as her insurance has been an issue since this personal battle began about six months ago. You can send a donation straight to Val at Valerie Scanlan, PO Box 12813, Tucson, AZ 85732. Send cards and notes as well. She could use the support from all of us.

Have a great week and Go Cats!

#### Mystery Editor August 21

Posted by Ed Mystery on Aug 22, 2013

President DAVE GALLAHER opened the meeting with some sad news, asking Rotarians to sign bulletins for JANIS COTTEN and KARL MEYER, who are ill, and for a moment of silence for DARREL STEWART, whose father passed away. We celebrated birthdays with SUZANNE LAWDER and MIKE SCHULTE, and DOT KRET gave a Happy Jackson to promote the Affordable Care Act Forum, featuring PETER BEAHAN, on August 28, right before our meeting with Sean Miller.



It's always a pleasure to introduce a new member but this week we had two: TED FORSBERG presented GERRY SNELLING, and CHUCK SAWYER introduced us to DARYL ROSS.

MARSHALL DENNINGTON and his wife Cathy brought German Rotary Exchange student, Domenik Dresch, who with some prompting claimed PRESIDENT DAVE is his favorite fishing guide. In honor of Building Freedom Day, MARCIA KRUMWIEDE asked for volunteers to help with Habitat for Humanity on September 11. BRUCE JACOBS made a call for items to include in the silent auction, held during the Friday night dinner before the car show, and recognized some generous Rotarians: CHRIS EDWARDS, GEORGE DARLING, PAT LENNAN and PRESIDENT DAVE. JOE NEVIN asked for support for a fundraiser for Past District Governor Val Scanlan, who is suffering from an inoperable brain tumor. MARK IRVIN introduced speaker Fletcher McCusker, chairman of the Rio Nuevo District and "one-man wrecking crew" in downtown Tucson, who told us about all of the great new restaurant and entertainment venues opening up there. Thanks to \$209 million in private investment since 2008, Tucson is being called the next Austin, Texas. In a good way!



#### TAKE A HIKE!

Posted by Jeffrey Heath on Aug 23, 2013

Hiking has been a tradition within our club for at least 30 years. Long ago Rotary hikes were a warm up and prep for running on the Rotary marathon team. It's still that, but much more. Hiking with fellow Rotarians is really an invitation to get to know one another better and to enjoy each other's company at a relaxed pace. It's also an opportunity to get outdoors to exercise those 26 bones and 19 muscles in each foot and the 4 bones and 13 muscles in each leg.

Rotary hiking has evolved to include both formal and informal hikes. Formal hikes are well planned and organized with a leader. We had terrific leadership from Tom Andrews this past March, who got 20 of us down and back out of the Grand Canyon after a year of several formal training hikes, all of which were fun. The Club's hiking legacy has included hikes in the Catalinas, Santa Ritas, Rincons, Chiricahuas, and so on. What other city offers such a great variety of hiking experiences, from the desert to the pine country, so close to home? Everyone is encouraged to join us, including friends and family. Our objective has always been to increase our numbers.

Some members may hesitate, wondering if they are fit enough to hike with those of us

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who hike on a regular basis. The short answer is, yes, please join us! Neither age, size, nor speed should be factors. Fun, exercise, and camaraderie should! As the 'Vice Mayor of Sabino', Sid Hirsh says, "If I can do it, an octogenarian with a bad leg, anyone can do it." And he is right. Several of us also hike on the weekends. I usually send an informal email notice weekly to anyone expressing an interest in hiking/walking on the weekend. There is no checking in or confirmation needed. "Those who show are those who go", as we like to hit the road or trail at the announced time.

For the past couple years, Sid and I have walked Tumamoc Hill most every Saturday morning, then join the 'Mayor of Sabino', Kevin Wong and others on Sundays up the tram walk at Sabino Canyon. We will also occasionally take on more ambitious hikes like Blacketts Ridge, and we are always open to suggestions. Please consider joining us, or feel free to create your own intra-club hiking group. Email me at [jheath9990@aol.com](mailto:jheath9990@aol.com) if you wish to be included on the weekly hiking notices.



#### Welcome New Member

Posted by Dorinna York on Aug 23, 2013

Please welcome the following member into the Rotary Club of Tucson. She will be introduced to the club at a meeting in the near future.

**New Member:** Nancy Purdin

**Classification:** Service Industries: Travel

**Sponsor:** Jack Marek



#### Menu for August 28th at The DoubleTree - Ballroom - Eastside Entrance

Posted by Dorinna York on Aug 23, 2013

**Plated Salad** ~ Wedge Salad with Cucumbers, Carrots and Dried Tomatoes, with Blue Cheese and Balsamic Dressings.

**Sonora Flank Steak** ~ marinated in Honey, Balsamic Vinegar and Port, served with Sliced Seasoned Red Potatoes, Broccoli and Carrots, Assorted Rolls and Butter, Assorted Cookies served family style, Coffee, Decaf or Iced Tea.

**Vegetarian option if reserved by Monday noon:**

**Portabella Mushroom Napoleon** ~ Layers of Grilled Vegetables and Grilled Portabella Mushroom, Roasted Corn, Spicy Salsa and finished with Fresh Herbs.

**Fresh Fruit Plate if reserved by Monday noon.**

**Gluten Free meals available by advance reservation only.**

#### Membership and Attendance

Posted by Dorinna York on Aug 23, 2013

Membership		Scholarship Cups	
Active Members	166	Cash Contributions	\$ 37.00
Active Members Attendance Exempt	55	Quarterly with Dues	\$ 240.00
<b>Total Active Members</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>Total Scholarship Cups</b>	<b>\$ 277.00</b>
<b>Honorary Members</b>	<b>16</b>		
<b>Meeting Attendance August 21, 2013</b>		<b>Raffle</b>	\$ 192.00
Active Members	98	<b>Auction</b>	\$ 0.00
Active Members AE	16		
LOA/Honorary Members	1		

<b>Total Members Present</b>	<b>115</b>
Guests	11
Guests of the Club	3
Visiting Rotarians	0
<b>Total Meeting Attendance</b>	<b>129</b>