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NEWSLETTER May 1988

JOINT MEETING: On Friday, May 20, we will be hosts to the Saddleback Area Historical Society for our annual joint meeting with them. Our Program Chairman, Dick Hauptfleisch, has enlisted the services of an outstanding local speaker, Dr. Martin Weitz.

Dr. Weitz is a widely-travelled educator who, having held residential lectureships in a half-dozen major universities, is now active in many civic causes through Rotary International, the International Platform Assn., and the National Conference of Christians and Jews. In Leisure World, he is a past president of the Academians, is on the emeritus faculty of Saddleback College. He was Leisure Worlder of the Month for January, 1985.

At 9:30 A.M., in the Community Room of Home Federal Savings, corner of Valencia and La Plata in Laguna Hills, Dr. Weitz, anticipating Memorial Day, will give us a timely discourse on the subject: "Who is Your Favorite American?".

LIFE MEMBERS: Having saluted those of our members who paid more than the minimum at dues time, let us now give tribute to the special group who, whether in our early days or recently, have supported the Society to the extent of \$100 with a Life Membership:

Adler, Dr. Stuart W.; Arnold, E.B.; Arnold, Joan F.; Ashleigh, Eleanor; Balzarino, Charles A.; Bertram, John P.; Brink, Victor; Brown, Jean D.; Burks, Virginia; Clark, S. Cushman; Coates, Rissa; Danielson, Mrs. D.A.; DIckinson, Mrs. Eleanor; Drebert, Carroll;

Driscoll, Alfred M.; Dozier, Robert; Drane, Mrs. Mary; Finley, Mrs. Sara E.; Garton, Mrs. Pauline; Gilliland, Dolores; Hamilton, Mrs. Edith; Hansen, Kathryn G; Hanson, Albert; Hanson, Madelyne G.; Hartman, Susanna; Hetzel, Mrs. Mary B.; Hinkle, James R.; Hunter, Hugh; Iaqovo, Joseph; Johnson, Constance M.; Jones, F. Marjorie; Klein, John S.; Larson, Helen; Leonard, Olive; LeRoy, Edwin M.; Luhring, John W.; Manns, Mrs. Gene H.; Matchett, Bruce; Miller, Dr. Mildred S.; McGuire, Vernon L.; Potter, Albert M.; Price, William (honorary); Robertson, Marilyn C.; Robinson, Freda E.; Self, Luther B.; Shopp, Evelyn H.; Shopp, William H.; Short, Dr. Edwin; Smith, Janet; Smitherman, Ruth; Sopp, George C.; Southworth, Mrs. Mabel; Strevey, Dr. Tracy; TeGroen, Dirk M.; Trail, Merle; Welday, Lura D.; White, James C.; Woolett, Mrs.Jean; Zimmerman, Paul B.

APOLOGY: Sorry for a slip in editing our last Newsletter. It is new Board member Victor Brink who formed the Institute of Internal Auditors; Herb Troy is the one who had been a major executive at General Motors.

LEISURE WORLDER of the Month to be honored with the customary ceremony on Wednesday, June 1, will be Evelyn Shopp. Evelyn is chairman of the Associates of Saddleback Hospital, our own Secretary on the Board of the Historical Society, and active in many other community groups. Out-going honoree for May is Al Potter, member of the boards of a dozen clubs and of Golden Rain. These gatherings at 9:30 A.M. in Clubhouse Six are sponsored jointly by Home Federal Savings and the Historical Society. All Leisure Worlders and their friends are cordially invited.

ARCHIVES: Among recent acquisitions reported by Archives Chairman Helen Clark, are two leather-bound, saddle-sized scrap-books from the Saddle Club, each covering close to a decade, and a massive file on the Leisure World Democratic Club which includes a history of its early days by charter member Mary Cornelius.

RECENT EVENT: The Mercury Savings Lunch last April 26 was a great success. A sell-out crowd came to hear Mr Fred Klose tell about the endless facilities for historical research now available at the western branch of the National Archives in the Ziggurat in Laguna Niguel. Our thanks to Program Chairman Dick Hauptfleisch for such an outstanding occasion.

THE BOOK: The book for Leisure World's 25th Anniversary, which the Historical Society has undertaken, now has a schedule for both its dozen authors and for the mechanical production. These were presented at a meeting of those involved on April 29. Editor-in-chief Tracy Strevey and Managing Editor Victor Brink clarified the diverse audiences for which the book will be intended; Production Manager Gene Conser exhibited a mock-up of the actual volume and announced proposed type size and lay-out. The schedule calls for distribution of the book around mid-June of next year.

IN MEMORIAM: The Society deeply regrets the death of Robert L. Price, longtime member and co-founder of the Historical Society. His contributions have been outstanding. As Board member, officer and committee chairman, editor and writer, and most especially his knowledge of the past history of Leisure World, made him an invaluable member of the Society. His leadership and influence in policy discussions and the role of the Historical Society will be greatly missed by all. We wish to extend to his wife, Eleanor, and the family our sincere sympathy.

HAPPY SUMMER: This will be our last Newsletter until the fall. We hope you all have a fine summer and will look forward to seeing you again in September.

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