

Leisure World Historical Society of Laguna Hills, California Inc.

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"LEISURE WORLD GOVERNANCE--WHAT NOW" TO BE TOPIC OF SOCIETY MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 21

Dr. Leon A. Bosch, former Professor at Northwestern University, will be the featured speaker at the next General Meeting of the Leisure World Historical Society at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, in Dining Room 1 of Clubhouse 3.

Dr. Bosch came to Leisure World in 1975 and over the last 16 years has played a leadership role in the political and educational life of our community. He served two three-year terms on both the Third Mutual and Golden Rain Foundation Boards and he was President of both in his third years.

Bosch has also been active in Orange County affairs, having served as Director Member of both the Orange County Growth Management Commission and the Master Transportation Plan (Measure M) in 1989 and 1990. All this makes him uniquely qualified to discuss the problems of Leisure World governance.

Come and hear his presentation in DR 1, CH 3 on Tuesday, May 21, at 2 p.m. Question and answer period will follow. Refreshments served. All residents are welcome. For further information call Victor Brink (770-2613) or Claire Still (859-7678).

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Elizabeth Hepler
Susann Patterson
Hershel Rickard

Maurice Ostomel
Katherine Pennington
Verabelle Stratford

Sustaining Membership: Margaret White

NEW OFFICERS AND BOARD ELECTED

Elected at the Annual Dinner Meeting of the Society on March 20 were: President, Claire Still; First Vice President, Rex Perkins; Second Vice President, Betty Hohwiesner; Secretary, Evelyn Shopp; Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, Robert Dozier and Vernon McGuire. Board members are Victor Brink, Susanna Hartman, Tracy Strevey, Blanche Tanous, Eugene Conser, Leon Bosch, Harry Grossman, Ruth Smitherman and James Hinkle.

A GENTLE REMINDER - HAVE YOU PAID YOUR 1991 DUES? NO? THEN WHY NOT
PUT A CHECK IN THE MAIL TODAY?

HATS OFF TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Our Chairman of Volunteers, Irene Puhmann, has had to resign for health reasons, but we would like to thank her for a job well done and hope she will continue her interest in the Society. Thanks, too, to Ruth Truitt who has been coming regularly on Mondays to do whatever needed to be done. But she, too, feels she must resign as a volunteer. Our sincere thanks to Ruth.

Marion Olson merits a sincere thanks for her work as coordinator of our files on Club and Associations. In addition to maintaining the records on Leisure World's many organizations, she has been contacting the clubs to secure a summarized history and up-to-date officers' roster of each.

Betty Narboe merits a vote of thanks for her service during the past two years as our Hospitality Chairperson. This meant that she arranged for refreshments at our meetings generally, and even baking some of the treats herself. She was regularly assisted by husband Edward. Betty also coordinated plans for our annual dinners in 1990 and 1991. For all this service we sincerely extend our warmest thanks.

IN MEMORIAM

Nadine Froman, our March 1989, Leisure Worlder of the Month, died March 27, 1991.

Evelyn Rickard, member since 1981, died February 21, 1991.

ARCHIVES ACQUISITIONS

Archives Chair Helen Clark reports the following acquisitions to our collection:

From LeRoy Wolever, Historical Records of the Rod and Gun Club
Trudy Aronson, Sunday Discussion Club folders
Jeanette Byrne, Early Leisure World serial publication
M. Busby, Easton Robert file
Soroptimists Club, Presidents Reports
Doyle Selden, University of Michigan Reports
El Toro Marine Air Base material
Jim Hinkle, Periodical of Historical Society of Southern California
Pat Green, Old Clippings and Post Cards
Ebell Club, additions to previously deposited materials
Debby Lamb, 15 pairs of Leisure World salt and pepper shakers*

*When Leisure World at Laguna Hills opened in 1964 the dishes in Clubhouse One were all beautifully decorated with the Leisure World Seal. Over the years the dishes disappeared either through normal breakage or, as was suspected, losses to 'souvenir' hunters. The Historical Society has a full set in the Archives (under lock and key!) so these newly uncovered artifacts will be awarded as door prizes at our May 21 meeting in Clubhouse Three.

LEISURE WORLDERS OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the following Leisure World residents who have been honored by the Historical Society and HomeFed Bank for their outstanding contributions to the benefit of our community:

Those honored since our last listing are:

1990

- June Lewis R. Wood, purchasing director for Bullock's for 40 years, former President of Mutual 50, Opera 100, and Vice President of Saddleback Hospital Association.
- July Dorothy Brink, former Director of Public Ceremonies at Columbia University has been active and held office in several L.W. clubs.
- August Ed Linzer, former Administrative Director of the Rose Kennedy Center of Research, is active on the GRF Earthquake and Disaster Task Force, the Community Association, and the establishment of the Adult Day Care Center.
- September Mary Stevens Reed Callicott, Educator, Professor of USC's Overseas Graduate Program, Secretary-Treasurer of the 600 League.
- October James R. Hinkle, Retired Army Colonel, practiced law and was County Judge in Iowa. Served on Board of United Mutual, Historical Society, and several GRF Committees.
- November Harry Grossman management consultant; his career in the aircraft industry included work on the submarine Nautilus. Served as President of Mutual 73 and on the Boards of Third Mutual and GRF.
- December James O. Ito, horticulture specialist, uses his expertise for the Garden Club, Third Mutual Grounds and Maintenance Committee and GRF Grounds and Water Committee. Has also served as Director for Third Mutual and GRF.

Our next NEWSLETTER will carry names of our 1991 LWOMs.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Friends:

This is our last Newsletter until Fall. Officers have been elected recently and we are looking forward to a great 1991-1992 year. We need volunteers to help with office matters. We need persons willing to assist in planning programs for next year (Rex Perkins will be glad for your suggestions). We need women willing to serve on the Hospitality Committee. There are only three meetings a year when refreshments are served (the first one will be in October) so anyone willing to lend a hand in this area please call me or stop by the Society office in Room 25 of the Administration Building on Friday afternoons between 2 and 4.

Meanwhile, hope you all have a great summer, but don't forget the Leisure World Historical Society!

Claire Still
President

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