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## Windy City gal blows into Leisure World



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Maryan Feingold has had many honors bestowed on her by various organizations she has been involved with. The newest honor is being Leisure Worlder of the Month for January.

## Honoree is credited with starting many clubs

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**W**hen Maryan Feingold blew into town, so did a number of new clubs.

The Chicago, Swingin' Singles, Windy City and Yiddish Clubs were all founded by this Leisure World dynamo with the laughing eyes.

Now, the Historical Society has recognized her as its choice for Leisure Worlder of the Month for January. And no wonder.

For, besides founding and actively participating in the above community organizations she's a member of B'nai B'rith, ORT, Opera 100, the Kool Kats, the Country Hotshots, the Historical Society, the Theatre Guild and the London, New York and Hikers Clubs.

The onetime Mrs. Senior America of Orange County and winner of the Tower of David Award for service to the Jewish Community is also a Saddleback Hospital Associate and Volunteer and life member of ARMDI, the City of Hope,

Na'Amat and Heritage Pointe.

Hazel Hollreiser, Country Hotshots of Leisure World president, says Feingold is a real asset to the group. "She really knows how to encourage

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### Ceremony Facts

**Who:** Maryan Feingold  
**What:** Leisure Worlder of the Month for January  
**Where:** Clubhouse 6  
**When:** 10 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 6  
**Sponsor:** Leisure World Historical Society

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and get people to work and do a job.”

Myron Greisdorf, president of Temple Judea, says Feingold is a “very valuable member” of any organization she’s part of and not the least of her assets is her friendly attitude, “She’s always smiling.”

Ed Korklin, fellow Windy City Club member, agrees and adds that “Her charm and warm personality are evident in every organization she’s with - she’s well liked, she helps others and she does so much.”

**Background:** The native of Chicago is a wife, mother of three and a retired high fashion buyer for two Saks Fifth Avenue stores in the her hometown: downtown on the famed Miracle Mile and in the northern suburb of Skokie.

She moved to Leisure World in 1979 and started the Chicago Club “because I didn’t know a soul.” The venture was such a success that the group broke the fire codes for occupancy at its first meeting and has flourished ever since.

Feingold says “I love everything” - and her club initiating and participation reflects that claim.

For example, the “Rhine-

stone Cowboy” lover, plays the guitar and sings and was a natural to join the County Hotshots where her often flamboyant attire and sparkle add to the fun.

And her desire to preserve the language of her ancestors, resulted in her founding the Yiddish Club.

She even is thinking of starting a new club just for swinging singles like herself who like to travel and foresees no problems in making that a reality. “I have no problem getting people to work with me.”

Feingold admits she has “tremendous energy and enthusiasm for life.” She also works out at the gym with weights, does aerobic exercises, walks daily and maintains (within seven pounds) the weight she had as a young girl.

“I just enjoy being on the go,” says Feingold pointing out that she crams so much into her daily schedules that at the beginning of each month she maps every date into a calendar - to make sure she doesn’t miss a thing.

Every day, too, Feingold approaches with gusto and no matter what happens she says, “I never get down.”

“I always see the glass as half full instead of half empty -- you know the old saying, ‘When life gives you lemons, make lemonade.’”