

RAYMOND E. GROS  
Honoree of the Month – November 2009

Born in New Orleans, LA, Ray spent his long and rewarding working career in law enforcement and fire investigation. During this period he earned a PhD degree in Human Relations from Newport International University, which was of great help to him in understanding and working with a great variety of people. He moved to California in 1955 after serving in US Navy.

He has five children, ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Ray and his wife Charlotte, of 32 years moved to Laguna Woods in 2001 where he immediately became active in a wide variety of Community activities.

He served two terms on the Board of Third Mutual, where among other things he was Chairman of the Security Committee, a position he also held at one time for GRF.

He is the current Vice President of Earthworks, a member of the City of Laguna Woods Greening of the Woods Committee and a Director of the Laguna Canyon Foundation.

He spent 20 years with the Torrance Police Department as detective and investigational specialist of homicides, robbery and fire related crimes. In past years he was part owner of a Cancer Center in the City of Torrance, in which he became involved because of a family history with the disease and worked with patients on Medical Hypnosis to help them with pain control and relief.

When questioned as to which of his many activities and accomplishments have been most important and personally satisfying over the years, Ray indicated that “being involved with my Community and assisting others (as was the case with cancer patients) gave him a great sense of fellowship and was most important to him”. “There are so many people here who give so much of themselves for our Community that it is my great pleasure to work with them”.