

# **Leisure World**

OF THE MONTH

## **Ernest J. Billman**

During his business career, Ernest J. Billman, President of the Golden Rain Foundation, was regarded as a leader in Southern California's Title Insurance industry. He is now Chairman of the Board, Retired, of Safeco Title Insurance Company.

Since he and Mrs. Billman retired to Leisure World he has been an active member of the Men's Golf Club, Men's Social Club, Opera 100, Rod and Gun Club, Kee Club and the United Methodist Church. In addition, he has served as Vice President and Director of Mutual 44 and is serving all the residents of Leisure World as President of the Golden Rain Foundation. He was elected Director of GRF in 1974, served as Vice President in 1965-76 and became President in May of this year.

Upon graduation from high school, Ernest Billman applied for a job with the Title Guarantee and Trust Company and ever since his working years have been spent in Title Insurance and allied fields.

In 1929 he was assigned to the Realty Tax and Service Company which was a Tax and Bond reporting company in which Title Guarantee and Trust had an interest. After two years as Assistant Manager he returned to Title Guarantee where he commenced training to be a Title Officer, expanding his activities into Escrow work and ultimately was placed in charge of public relations.

Mr. Billman left Title Guarantee and Trust Company in 1938 to become Vice President of Los Angeles Escrow in charge of expansion. Since then he has held top executive positions in Southern Title and Trust Co., Land Title Insurance Company, Security Title Insurance Co., of which he became President, Director and Chairman of the Board.

Although retired, he is still Chairman of the Board of Security Title Corp., Hawaii, and a Director of American Title Company. He is also Chairman of the Board, Retired, of Safeco Title Insurance Company.