

LEISURE WORLDER OF THE MONTH

DR. LUCILE ALLEN

LAGUNA HILLS—She dedicated her life to education. And now, after arriving to Leisure World in 1979, she is actively participating on many committees and programs to bring fresh ideas to the community.

To acknowledge all she has done, Lucile will be honored as "Leisure Worlder of the Month," on Wednesday, January 4. Her special ceremony will be held at 10:00 a.m., in Clubhouse Six. The public is invited to attend the program, which is sponsored jointly by Home Federal Savings and the Leisure World Historical Society.

Lucile, a native of Texas, married there and taught the advanced placement students at Highland Park High School in Dallas. While in Texas, she was a lecturer for the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health.

She received her doctorate from the Columbia University Teachers College in 1945. She also served as Executive Secretary and Chief Administrative Officer of the Woman's Foundation which awarded scholarships and fellowships. She served as program chairman and coordinator of "The White House Conference on the Family" and was chairman for the American Council on Education conference on "Women in the Defense Decade".

In 1945, Dr. Allen went to Cornell University where she became professor in the graduate program and served in the coordinating office with the Dean of Men as Dean of Women. She was also president of the New York State Guidance and Personnel Association.

In 1952, she became the Dean of Pennsylvania College for Women, the fifth oldest women's college in the U.S. She presided at the meeting that changed the name of the college to Chatham, honoring the Earl of Chatham, William Pitt.

In 1959, Lucile retired to become president of her family's wholesale hardware company. She quietly refused the presidency, and after two years she returned to education. She accepted the position of Associate Professor and Dean of Women at Stanford University where she remained until 1965, when she again retired to live with her brother who had terminal cancer. She came out of retirement for a short time to act as special assistant to the president of Fresno State University for two years.

Her career included Chairman of the Hazen Foundation New England conference, Board of Governors of Cornell University, New York Hospital School of Nursing, and the American Association of University Women's National Committee on Higher Education.

She served on the National Advisory Board on Civil Defense under President Eisenhower and served on two committees of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare: the Committee on Financial Aid to Higher Education and Committee on Strengthening Institutions.

While at Chatham College, she served on the State Executive Board of Academic Deans. She also chaired the evaluation study made by the Ford Foundation on Chatham College. She served as secretary of the National Association of Women Deans, Administrators and Counselors and later served two years as President of that organization.

Since Lucile's arrival to Leisure World, she has become very involved in community activities.

She has served two years on the Board of Fifth Mutual. She also has served a three year term in the Golden Rain Foundation.

Lucile was Vice President and Program Chairman of AAUW. She was on the nominating committee of GRF, and served on the board of Academians. She is chairman of cultural affairs for the Silver Anniversary of Leisure World Chairman of Ways and Means Committee of AAUW and chairman of "Money Talks" study group. She is also a member of GRF Memorial Committee.