

**LEISURE WORLD HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
PRESENTS  
**HOWARD & BETTY BAUMANN**  
Leisure Worlders/Villagers of the Month  
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HOWARD & BETTY BAUMANN were born in different parts of the U.S. – he is a native of Brooklyn, N.Y. and she is a “Hoosier” from Zionsville, Indiana. Both received their educational basics in their birth areas. Howard graduated from Erasmus Hall High and followed that by completing a mixed major degree at Long Island University. In addition, he had two years of medical training at Long Island College of Medicine. Betty is an alumna of Zionsville High and completed an Insurance Management Degree administered by the local Insurance Education Training Program.

Betty started her career in insurance in 1949 and retired in 1996. She held a varied group of assignments that included V.P. Assistant, Underwriter, Insurance Dept. Manager, AAA Salesperson and Customer Service Representative. Howard started working in 1938 and retired at about the same time as Betty. He also served four years in the U.S. Army with stints in Europe and the Pacific. Howard’s forte was in plastics/sales.

Howard and Betty met in Indianapolis in 1965 and, after a five year courtship, were married in 1970. Betty has two sons who produced grandchildren Steven and Jessica.

Both honorees were active in their prior community affairs. Betty volunteered at local hospitals and religious institutions. Howard was involved as producer, director, moderator of a CBS TV program and developed programs for a variety of ideas and organizations. Both were and are still very active in Kiwanis affairs. Howard was also involved in fundraising for worthy causes and the architect of a 1,100 mile Pan Am Games “Torch Run” in 1987.

Honors of all kinds came to Howard and Betty from Kiwanis; President, Lt. Governor, Diamond Hixon Recipient and Kiwanian Benefactor. Both of them served the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation and its various committees.

The Baumanns left vapor trails and footprints in Hawaii, England, Scotland, France, Germany, the Philippines and Japan.

Leisure World/Laguna Woods Village welcomed our honorees in 1997. Their community service bent was exemplified by their participation in the Men’s and Women’s Golf Clubs, Kiwanis, Garden Villas Association, City of Laguna Woods Committees, Bocce Club and the Florence Sylvester Senior Center. In addition, Howard served as Director/ 1<sup>st</sup> V.P. of Third Mutual Board and its committees plus Chairing the Broadband Committee.

The key words relating to accomplishment and satisfaction for Betty and Howard are “ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY” and “ENHANCE THE WELL BEING OF ANOTHER HUMAN BEING”.