

**LEISURE WORLDER
OF THE MONTH
JULY 1995**

EARL D. DONALDSON

The Leisure World Historical Society is pleased to announce the selection of Earl D. Donaldson as Leisure Worlder of the Month for July, 1995. This event is sponsored by the Society and supported by the Rose Cortese Commemorative Fund.

Earl was born in Haxtun, Colorado and acquired his elementary and high school education in the city of his birth. Earl migrated to southern California to study dentistry at USC and graduated with a D.D.S. in 1943. He served in the U.S. Dental Corps for 3-1/2 years, concluding his service with the rank of Major. Subsequently, he returned to USC and graduated with an M.D.S. in Orthodontics.

Professional service and participation occupied a significant segment of Earl's dental accomplishments. He is a life member of the American Dental Society and held chairmanships and presidential posts in a variety of organizations in the dental profession.

Earl's life, despite extensive involvement in his chosen field, was not devoid of community service. He chaired the Long Beach YMCA for two years and was also active in Community Chest work. Earl earned Eagle Scout (With 3 Palms) status, was a Boy Scout Leader and served on the Eagle Review Board besides being a Long Beach Optimist Club director and founder of the first Orthodontic Study Club.

Earl and his wife Hilda moved to Leisure World in 1980, and he immediately plunged into the maelstroms of community activities that included the following clubs: Rock and Gem, Saddle Club, Men's Golf, Lawn Bowling, Travel, Ballroom Dance, California Club, World on Film and the Leisure World Historical Society. In addition to the foregoing, Earl has been involved in community governance, having served as a Director of Third Mutual Board and currently serving as Secretary on the GRF Board.

Hilda and Earl are the parents of Diane Louise, Dean Earl (dec.) and are proud grandparents of Lauren and Grant White and Jackson and Whitney Donaldson. They, too, succumbed to the travel itch and have spent time in Europe, Hawaii, Bermuda, Canada and exploring the U.S.A.

Earl's lifetime "Motivating force" was "...the influence and teaching of my parents and the positive support of my family and friends."