

# **HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF LAGUNA WOODS**

Presents

## **Burt Goldstein**

Honoree of the Month

October 4, 2006

**Burt Goldstein** first saw the light of day in the “Big Apple” – New York City. He completed his basic “book learnin’” in his city of birth graduating from George Washington High. CCNY (City College of New York) provided him with a multitude of courses in the field of retailing. While at CCNY, he participated in the activities of Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity.

Burt’s career in retailing began in 1954. He spent 37 years with the M.H. Lamston Co. variety stores holding positions of Buyer (32 stores) and Vice President, Merchandising. He retired in 1991.

After retirement Burt contributed his talents to a variety of community/civic activities. He was a HICAP counselor, an AARP Tax Preparer and Financial Counselor for Seniors and taught computer operations to Seniors. He also functioned as President, Glen Cove (NY) Camera Club for four years. In addition, Burt enjoyed creating, producing and managing travelogue slide shows that were shown at senior centers, libraries and social clubs in Long Island (NY).

Shirley and Burt were wed in 1948 and this union produced three sons. The current extended Goldstein Family includes four grandchildren and in-laws associated with them.

Travel was an essential element in the Goldstein life style. They left imprints in many European, Middle Eastern and Oriental countries and attended 36 Elderhostels in addition to visiting many U.S. States.

Burt and Shirley arrived in Leisure World in 1999. Since that year Burt has belonged to the Camera Club (President 2002, 3 and 4) been Supervisor, Digital Photo Computer Lab, and is active as Supervisor/Lecturer for the Computer Club. He has also been photographer for the Niftys, a HICAP Counselor, Tax Preparer for AARP (6 years) and has created and maintained the Camera Club website. He created slide shows for the GRF Computer Advisory Group, the community’s 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Debbie Lamb’s (Rec. Dir.) Retirement and the New Jersey Club’s 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Our honoree has “made it a habit to assist with computer, photo and digital camera problems and is willing to make house calls to help residents in creating their memorable events.”