

Maxine McIntosh

Honoree of the Month - April 2011

Born in nearby Orange, CA, Maxine graduated from Chapman University and a few years later completed her Master's degree at the University of San Francisco.

After 52 years of full and part-time teaching she continues to substitute teach in Irvine Secondary Schools whenever she has a spare day.

Married to Donald for 55 years, they have had three children and four grandchildren.

Before her arrival in our Community, Maxine was involved with a number of organizations dedicated to meeting the needs of physically and mentally challenged clients of all ages and was a Fulbright Exchange Teacher in Great Britain during which stay she was invited to tea with Queen Elizabeth. As she puts it so well, "I never met a President but I travelled 8000 miles to a foreign country to meet a Queen".

Before becoming involved in Laguna Village Governance, she volunteered on the TV-6 Trading Post, was on the Board of the Laguna Canyon Foundation and Community Civic Association and is the current President of the Friends of the Village.

Over the past six years she has served on a number of GRF and United Mutual Committees and for three years was a member of her housing Mutual Board.

She has worked on the GRF nominating committee and currently serves with the GRF Inspectors of Elections.

When questioned as to what aspect of her life has been Most Personally Satisfying she readily replied "marrying the right guy and raising three incredible children". Also high on her list was helping her seriously crippled eldest son, Tod develop a strong sense of self worth although imprisoned in a tight spastic body. Two weeks before he passed away at age 37 he told Maxine that it was "still a good life".