Elaine Morgado

Honoree of the Month March 2007

Born and educated in New York, Elaine worked as a Public School teacher in New York City, Dugway, Utah, Winston-Salem, NC and finally for 19 years in Atlanta, GA. In 1980 she earned a PhD in Curriculum and Instruction and Educational Administration from Georgia State University

She was married for 29 years to Allan Weinstein and they had two sons, one of whom is now deceased. Her second son, Drew, is currently Professor of Psychology and Director of Graduate Training at Emory University in Atlanta GA. He is married to another Psychologist, Dr. Laura Westen, and they have two daughters.

A most talented pianist from an early age, Elaine was a Summer Camp Music Counselor for five years, a Ballet Pianist in NC for five years, a part time Ballet Pianist for the Atlanta Ballet, and Ballet Pianist for six years for Ballet Pacifica. During the summers while living in Atlanta, Elaine worked as a Technical Information Specialist for the Centers for Disease Control.

She married John Morgado, in 1988 and they moved to what was then called Leisure World in 1998, where she immediately became a consummate Volunteer in many activities.

Elaine is the official Historian for both the City of Laguna Woods and the Reform Temple of Laguna Woods and a member of the Laguna Woods Historical Society Board, where she is Coordinator of Volunteers. She was Social Chair and Trip Planner for the Garden Centers Club and is currently Secretary. Elaine is a member of the American Association of University Women and first video/reader in their CREST Program., She has been a Volunteer tutor in the ESL program at Saddleback Hospital and reading tutor at Lake Forest Elementary School..

During her "spare time she has served as pianist-accompanist for many singers and musical performances in Laguna Woods. When she is not Volunteering somewhere, Elaine and her husband John love to travel, mostly by car, and are avid Western Square Dancers.