

Historical Society of Laguna Woods

Presents

TED ROSENBAUM

Honoree for February 2007

TED ROSENBAUM hails from the Empire State -Brooklyn, N.Y. He received his early “learnin” in his city of birth followed by attendance at and graduation from Samuel J. Tilden High in New York City. He then matriculated at C.C.N.Y. City College of New York completing a Bachelor of Social Studies with Phi Beta Kappa rank. Columbia University conferred a Masters Degree upon him in 1939.

Our honoree’s working career began in 1940, but his major achievements began in 1952 and concluded with his retirement in 1986. During this thirty four year interlude Ted was a high school teacher of American History for eight years; Director of Capital Development at New York City’s Educational Alliance (15 years), the second largest social work agency of that time. Ted had the great fortune and experience of working with David Sarnoff (RCA & NBC), John Garfield and Eddie Cantor among other notables. From 1971 to 1986 our honoree was Director of Capital Development at Long Island Jewish Medical Center where he helped to procure financing for the first Regional Children’s Hospital to serve seriously ill children in the Queens -Long Island region.

Ted and Beth were married in 1950. The result of this union was daughters Lisa Pearl and Amy. Current extended family includes three grandchildren and related in-laws.

The Rosenbaums traveled extensively and left footprints in Europe, Asia, Central America, Africa and Alaska besides the “lower 48.”

Beth and Ted came to Laguna Woods Village (formerly Leisure World) in 1988. Ted became a Tennis Club member (15 years) and has been involved with Meals on Wheels emanating from the Florence Sylvester Senior Center plus his extensive and intensive activities for PNHP, People for a National Health Program, during the past 15 years. He has been legislative and political coordinator for PNHP and honored in 2006 for his very active participation at local, statewide and national levels.

During his very active social service and politically active career Ted has had a variety of accomplishments and levels of satisfaction. In his own words: “I guess I’ve been very fortunate because all my jobs had a common denominator -the fact that I felt good that my time and energy were spent doing something meaningful for others.”