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**THOMAS F. (TOM) AND FRED A. SULLIVAN**

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TOM and FRED A SULLIVAN came together from two disparate geographic locations. Tom is a "native" Angeleno while Freda is a "migrant" from the Big Sky Country of Livingston, Montana. Both honorees received their basic A, B, Cs in their respective birth cities. Freda came to the suburban area of Los Angeles (Glendale, La Canada, Pasadena) with her parents. Tom completed his education with a BA from Occidental College (Speech, English and Economics) plus attendance at UCLA, USC and Stanford for certification in other subject areas (including acquisition of MS equivalency). Freda received an AA Degree from Glendale Junior College.

Tom spent 35 years in the petroleum industry as an analyst/senior analyst, manager in the broad areas of Personnel Administration, Employee Relations, Labor Relations and Human Resources. He retired in 1973. For her part Freda was a "stay-at-home" mom until the youngest Sullivan child was in high school. She became involved in a variety of civic/community activities.

Husband and wife contributed their joint talents to such diverse activities as school boards and country club boards. Tom served as president of three different school boards. Freda was involved with the local schools, PTA, youth groups, Scouts, Brownies and scheduling of transportation (ride sharing). She devoted 18 years in the La Canada-Flintridge area and provided 15 years of Service to the American Foreign Exchange Service (for foreign students) in five different area schools. When as a consultant to the Stamford, CT. and New York headquarters of the AFS. Both Tom and Freda received a number of certificates, plaques, etc. in recognition of their community/civic services.

Tom and Freda were married in 1940. The Sullivan nuclear family consisted of two daughters and one son. The current extended family includes eight grandchildren and a like number of great-grandchildren plus all related in-laws.

As a result of many career moves the Sullivans have left footprints "all over the earth"- Africa, Europe, Asia, North/South/Central America, the Orient, Australia, New Zealand - in addition to touring the U. S. A.

Leisure World became home to Tom and Freda in 1997. Both became active in a variety of things that included, for Freda, Chair of Information/Orientation Committee (Towers), Library Volunteer (Towers), Republican Club member and Deacon of the Geneva Presbyterian Church. Tom was a member of the Towers Mens Club and a Director/President of the Towers Board (Mutual 50). He also spent 18 months with George McGinnis attempting to "uniformize" all three resident Mutuals' Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. Tom, when Mutual 50 President, served on a variety of committees and attended regular GRF meetings.

Personal satisfaction for Tom and Freda comes from different perspectives (as might be expected). Tom's "good feelings" come from his 18 month document(s) revision experience and "My 65 plus years with a beautiful lady (inside and out) Freda, my lifelong helpmate." Freda's feeling of satisfaction derives from her experiences with AFS: "Taking students to speak at different places and seeking suitable homes - - - - .