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GLOBE

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HONOREE OF THE MONTH



ANDREW SCHMIDT, FOR LAGUNA WOODS GLOBE

HONOREE OF MONTH: Dick Tyhurst is the Historical Society's Honoree of the Month for September. He is being recognized for his volunteer service, especially for his emergency HAM radio work and for his work with the Disaster Preparedness Task Force.

'A tireless promoter'

Dick Tyhurst is selected Honoree of the Month for his work with emergency radio groups and more.

BY CHERYL WALKER
THE LAGUNA WOODS GLOBE

Fifteen-year resident and retired engineer and teacher Dick Tyhurst has captured the Historical Society's vote as its Honoree of the Month for September. He will be honored in a ceremony at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5, at Clubhouse 6.

Tyhurst is president of the Aero-Space Club, secretary of the Ham Radio Club, wears a variety of hats in the Video Club, serves as docent at the Yanks Air Museum at China Airport and is staff commo-

dore at the Long Beach Yacht Club.

He is also a member of the Disaster Task Force, the Golden Rain Security Committee, the Historical Society, the city's emergency radio groups, the Recycler Bike Club, the Computer Club, the Continental Singers, the International Order of the Blue Gavel and the Science and Engineering Club.

Jean Chamberlain, second vice president of the Aero-Space Club, says Tyhurst, is a tireless promoter of the club and really deserves the accolades of the Historical Society.

But, she adds, his interests

and expertise are far reaching.

"He belongs to so much and everyone admires him greatly because he's so dynamic, energetic, ready to jump in and help no matter what the situation."

BACKGROUND

Tyhurst, a native of California, majored in history and geography at college but later segued into engineering at Northrop-Grumman where he worked on often top secret projects which even now he doesn't feel comfortable talking about.

The World War II veteran holds a Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Metal with five Oak Leaf Clusters as well as a European Theater of Operations ribbon and five battle

stars for his active duty service.

The avid man of the sea loves to sail, cruise, race and help others, particularly underprivileged youngsters, appreciate the ocean and respect its beauties.

One way he does the latter is by taking inner city kidson sailing ships owned by the Los Angeles Maritime Institute and helping them learn hands on how to sail.

Often the youngsters sail the Swift of Ipswich.

The ship started out in 1938 in Ipswich, Mass. then came to California in 1941 with actor Jimmy Cagney.

Cagney used it as his private yacht. For 40 years, the ship was used as a charter vessel.