Leisure Worlder of the Month

Ernest Webb

Think shuffleboard, and chances are you'll also think of Ernest "Ernie" Webb. He may have done more to promote the game and spread its popularity than anyone else in Leisure World.

Ernie has contributed substantially to the welfare, growth and enjoyment of our community for the past 18 years of his residence in Leisure World. His time and talents have been devoted primarily to the popular game of shuffleboard. His teaching the fundamentals of the game to hundreds of newcomers to Leisure World has led to championship players and teams with recognition for our community wherever they have been in competition. His largest beginners' class was for 275 residents and contributed to building the shuffleboard to a peak of more than 1,100 members and he hasn't stopped there.

Ernie's shuffleboard activity was not limited to benefiting Leisure World residents, for he became president of the California State Shuffleboard Association, vice president of the National Shuffleboard Association and recently completed his fourth term as president of the International Shuffleboard Association. He has been responsible to many innovations and refinements in State, National and International rules and regulations of play. Ernie was responsible for bringing County, State, National and International recognition to Leisure World through the hosting of tournaments here. His contributions have been recognized through having been inducted into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame and the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

His business career included engineering assignments with General Electric in Schenectady, New York, Iron Fireman Manufacturing Co., where he was vice president for engineering and production and his own company, Webb Industries Inc., from which he retired from before moving to Leisure World in 1966.

He is a member of Lake Hills Community Church, and is a past president of the "Keen Agers." He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church in Bay Village, Ohio. His present activities also include Kiwanis, bridge, golf and traveling.