

LEISURE WORLD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PRESENTS

SEYMOUR J. WELLIKSON

Leisure Worlorder of the Month

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SEYMOUR "SY" WELLIKSON was born and raised in Wilmington, Delaware. He received his basic and secondary education in his home town, graduating from Harrington High. His advanced scholastic achievements were garnered at Temple University - - BS, Journalism and MS, Education. As an undergraduate he belonged to Pi Lambda Phi fraternity.

Sy's working career commenced with ownership and presidency of Sage Folding Box Co., 1948-1973. His initial "faux retirement" occurred the later year. However, he utilized his education MS as a teacher of Trainable Mentally Retarded in the Philadelphia School District, 1979 to 1990 - his "final retirement" date.

Our Honoree found time to associate with two Pennsylvania B'nai Brith Lodges as Founder, Member and President. He participated in the religious life of his synagogue as Mens' Club Member and School Board Chairman to complement his presidency of the Valley Forge Towers Social Club. Sy was also a Democratic Party Committeeman in several Pennsylvania townships and a five year member of Philadelphia's Special Olympics Committee.

The union of Seymour and Miriam in 1947-48 produced two daughters and a son. The extended Wellikson family includes four grandchildren and two great grandchildren plus assorted in-laws.

The individuals of Group Wellikson have left footprints in North and South America, Europe, Britain, Asia, Australia and New Zealand. They have left "splash marks" while taking 14 worldwide cruises.

Seymoure and Miriam came to Leisure World in late 1989 and Sy became active within and outside the walls of the community. He joined the Nifty, New York and Keyboard Clubs, the L.W. Theatre Guild, British-American Theater (Producer, Writer, Director and Performer) and Board Member of the Community Civic Association. He also has participated in the civic life of Leisure World as Third Mutual Director/President and currently serves as GRF Secretary/Parliamentarian. He has volunteered his talents and time at Laguna Playhouse, South Coast Reperatory, Saddleback Civic Light Opera ("Angel" and Performer) and Brandeis Univ. Womens' Saddleback Chapter as Bulletin Editor and President.

Seymour Wellikson's greatest satisfaction stems from his "Public Service through philanthropic organizations and civic groups". His motivation/accomplishments derive from " - - - a sense of social consciousness and civic pride - - - to serve the interests of any community of which I am a part."