

most unforgettable was held in celebration of Mobile's Bishop Toolen's 50th anniversary. Catholic bishops from all over the world attended this observance, including the beloved Bishop J. Sheen.

Nationally known for its elaborate events, the Lakewood Club was selected, during a four-year period, as the site for parties in conjunction with the Junior Miss Pageant. TV talk show personality Mike Douglas hosted the first party, while Eddie Fisher and Debbie Reynolds, Ed McMahon and Michael Landon succeeded as host in the years that followed.

Lakewood received further notoriety in 1959 when All-Star Golf was introduced. This made-for-television event featured Jimmy Demeret as commentator with several legendary golfers such as Bobby Locke, Tommy Bolt, Dow Fensterwald, George Fazio, Billy Casper and George Bayer participating. One of the most memorable matches was between Bolt and Fensterwald. As a large gallery looked on, Bolt took the early lead and held a two-stroke lead through the 12th hole. Then, the match turned with a two-stroke swing as Fensterwald evened the match with a birdie at the par 3 13th while Bolt had a bogey. Fensterwald went on defeat Bolt by one and win the champion's check in the amount of \$2,000. Boy, how things have changed!

During this time, building lots were made available and homes began emerging along Azalea #1. B. R. "Babe" Wilson, shown in the photograph below, was the first resident and, soon many more followed. Mr. Wilson also had the further distinction of being Lakewood's first president. Under his 22 years of stewardship and nurturing, Lakewood blossomed seemingly taking on Babe's energetic personality and drive to succeed. Lakewood has always had strong, committed leadership. Mr. Charles F. Irons, a founding member of Lakewood, followed in Babe's footsteps as club president and served for 18 years. He was all things to all members and club employees. Mr. Irons was a hands-on president who never wavered as he was confronted daily with numerous problems, dealing with them with dignity and grace. He will be remembered for his unselfish service, not only to the Club, but to the entire Eastern Shore community as well.