

## AYR ALAN AND JANE ROSI PATTISON PASSION AWARD

### HAROLD KELTNER TRIBUTE:

Harold Keltner was the originator of “Y” Indian Guides in St. Louis in 1926. This Parent-Child activity was one of the first Mentoring programs in the YMCA. In recognition of Harold Keltner and his ability to communicate the needs for mentoring and development of other Parent-Child programs in the YMCA this award is given to a person who has shared their verbal and written communication talents and skills to inform and share the Mission and Purpose of the AYR/YMCA organizations.

Information – Information – Information. Everyone seeks it and everyone wants it but only a few individual’s possess the talent necessary to be creative and original in expressing their thoughts and concerns in communicating with others using the verbal and written word. Whether sharing the Spiritual renewal message, providing needed information and/or updates or developing training and educational materials, communication skills are an art in its most wonderful form. In the likeness of Harold Keltner, these nominees are persons of courage and vision to see and communicate a need for new direction.

### INTRODUCTION OF ALAN AND JANE ROSI PATTISON:

Alan Pattison retired in 1981 and Jane Rosi Pattison retired in 1996. Since that time they both have shared and given of their time, energy and support to the Allen-Stone AYR Chapter growth and development via communication and leadership.

According to Scotty Washburn, Alan, one of oldest members at age 90 has served the chapter for over 30 years in numerous positions and Jane joined in after her retirement for the last 15 years including the role of Co-Presidents in 1987 – 89. Currently they are the Publisher and editor of the Pacific Northwest Old Guard News.

Those of us in AYR know the most important service to our members is the regular publication of the Chapter Newsletter. Alan and Jane are the longest serving Chapter Editors of a newsletter through the evolution of IARD, NAFYR and now AYR.

The Allen-Stone Chapter serves the largest geographic area in AYR. The newsletter is six pages and published five times each year and mailed to more than 300 YMCA retirees in Alaska, British Columbia, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington.

Therefore, it is timely and fitting to nominate them both for their faithful and always inclusive development of the Chapter Newsletter along with numerous other volunteer services over the years to the Allen-Stone AYR Chapter membership.

(THIS IS ALL THE INFORMATION SCOTTY SUBMITTED FOR THE PATTISON'S NOMINATION. PERHAPS YOU CAN ADD TO THIS VIA THEIR CAREER BENCHMARKS ETC.)

JOHN 17:21 AWARD STATEMENT:

In John 17:21 Jesus prays for his Disciples saying "THAT THEY MAY ALL BE ONE FATHER! MAY THEY BE IN US JUST AS YOU ARE IN ME AND I AM IN YOU. MAY THEY BE ONE SO THAT THE WORLD WILL BELIEVE YOU SENT ME"! It is this application of unselfish giving and oneness for all humanity that was instilled in the Disciples that is also found in Alan and Jane Rosi Pattison who have given of themselves for the betterment of our movement, their Chapter and for humanity.

We wish to recognize these 'INTREPID' hero's from our YMCA family who have not only excelled in their careers but also in their retirement and have made significant accomplishments in developing, supporting and communicating their Christian Passion with others.

The Pattison's are a great example and model of what the nature of the YMCA and AYR is all about. As noted by John R. Mott "YMCA DIRECTORS AND LEADERS MUST BE GREAT IN CHARACTER". The Pattison's exemplify by their life and actions the image of historic leaders like Harold Keltner and John R. Mott.

RECOGNITION OF ALAN AND JANE ROSI PATTISON:

Our Praise Song reminds us of the Pattison's dedication and application: "I REFUSE TO SIT AROUND AND WAIT FOR SOMEONE ELSE TO DO WHAT GOD HAS CALLED ME TO DO MYSELF. OH, I COULD CHOOSE NOT TO MOVE BUT I REFUSE"! The Pattison's always knew it was time for them "TO FOLLOW THROUGH AND DO WHAT THE PATTISONS WERE MADE TO DO"!

The Pattison's are not able to travel as much as they use and could not be with us today but I would ask Scotty Washburn to stand and accept the John 17:21 Passion Award for them. We have been assured that this award will be presented with honor and tribute to the Pattison's at the next meeting of the Allen-Stone Chapter of AYR.