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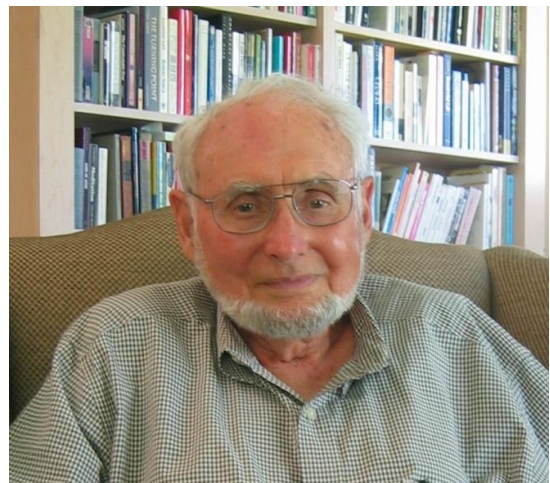


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Inland Northwest Community Foundation Mourns the Loss of one of its Founders

SPOKANE, WA, *October 1, 2010* —Inland Northwest Community Foundation (INWCF) mourns the death of Allan Toole, a founder and first Board president of this community foundation. Allan passed away Tuesday, September 21st.

In 1974, three members of Spokane’s Junior League, Molly Van Marter, Elinor Magnuson and Mary Heath, met with Allan Toole, a prominent attorney with Witherspoon, Kelley, Davenport & Toole, to share their vision of a community foundation for this region. Allan drafted the Articles of Incorporation that were then signed by 23 local leaders becoming one of the original founders of the Foundation.



Mark Hurtubise, INWCF President & CEO, says, “Allan’s dedication to the community and your community foundation resulted, 36 years later, in improving thousands of lives and hundreds of organizations – an outstanding testimonial to Allan’s values and talent. His legacy and guidance lives today throughout our mission and goals.”

A native of Spokane, Allan graduated from Gonzaga Law School in 1948 after four years of military service. Allan served as a Captain during World War II and was honorably discharged in 1946. He became a senior partner in the law firm of Witherspoon, Kelley, Davenport and Toole in 1954. He remained with the firm until his retirement in 1990.

Allan was passionate about his civic and philanthropic work and was honored by the Spokane County Philanthropy Consortium with the Outstanding Philanthropist of the Year award in 2000 and 2003. Allan loved his community. In 2006 he and his wife, Ainslie, established the Allan H. & Ainslie Palmer Toole Fund at INWCF. We are honored and grateful that Allan was able to start his charitable legacy through the community foundation he helped found.

Founded in 1974, INWCF now serves 10 Eastern Washington counties and 10 North Idaho counties to foster vibrant and sustainable communities in the Inland Northwest. The community foundation currently manages 285 funds valued at more than \$55 million and has awarded \$37 million in grants and scholarships since its inception, positively impacting thousands of lives in this region.

For more information on INWCF and its work in the Inland Northwest, please visit our Web site at www.inwcf.org. # # #