Ruth Reid AM receives Lifetime Achievement Award

Belated congratulations are due to our Patron Ruth Reid AM for recently receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award for her contribution to Volunteering in Western Australia.

Ruth was joint recipient of this award with Bill Gaynor OAM at the awards ceremony on May 15, 2013. The following is quoted from the Volunteering WA award recipients document.

"Ruth Reid began her life-long involvement with community service in 1966 when she arrived in Perth and volunteered with Save the Children Foundation.

The breadth and scope of her voluntary work over the next 46 years is reflected in the diverse range of projects, not for profit organisations and charities she worked with, and supports.

Ruth spent many years at Carson Street School, and South Kensington High School, assisting children with special needs. She volunteered with the Association for the Blind and St John's Ambulance, and as the wife of former WA Governor, the late Professor Gordon Reid, she founded The Friends of Government House.

Ruth has been or is, the Patron of many community organisations, including the School Volunteer Program, Society of Women Writers, Midnight Youth Theatre Company, and the Autism Association of WA, to mention a few.

At the age of 91 she continues her voluntary service as Patron of UnitingCare West's Rainbow Project for people living with mental illness."

Ruth has been WAGS Patron since 1996 and continues to attend WAGS events.

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Congratulations to Ruth Ried on receiving this well deserved award.