



PERTH MODERNIAN SOCIETY

Sallie Elizabeth DAVIES

Student at Perth Modern School from 1951 - 1955

MODERNIAN FELLOW 2014

Sallie Elizabeth Davies (nee Hicks) came from Kalgoorlie and won a scholarship to Perth Modern School, commencing in 1951 and was a school prefect in her final year (1955). After training at the former Claremont Teachers College as a Home Economics teacher, Sallie was appointed as a teacher at Perth Modern School in 1961.

Today we recognise her, not as student or teacher, but because of the long and outstanding service she has given to the Perth Modernian Society.

Since the Society's inception in 1995 Sallie has contributed *inter alia*:

- as a Councillor and current Vice President of the Perth Modernian Society Council, wherein she has made many thoughtful contributions and to Governance matters;
- as a member of the Sphinx Foundation Inc. Board;
- as a member and current Chair/Secretary of the Historic and Museum Committee;
- as a member of the Communications Committee;
- as one of the hard working researchers and writers for the landmark history book titled: '*Perth Modern School: the History and the Heritage*' (2005);
- as editor since inception in 2009 of the eNewsletters;
- as a prime researcher and data entry person for the data base of members; and
- as one of the organisers of her cohort's class reunions.

Sallie has been enormously supported in all of this by her husband Jim Davies - also a Modernian, who has also contributed in many ways on his own account, thus making a great team.

In outside life, Sallie Davies has been recognised for her work in the establishment of the volunteering movement in WA, and she wrote and compiled the handbook titled: *Community Minded: a Handbook for Volunteers and for Voluntary Organisations* (1988).

Over the years many Modernians have contributed, but Sallie's participation is marked by her hard work, her willingness and her persistence when others have flagged. While others come and go, Sallie's vision and determination have driven the Society. By her example she has been an inspiration to us all. Sallie's efforts have inspired others to do their part to further the vital cause of public education.

Sallie Davies you have made an unparalleled contribution to the Society and thereby to the advancement of education at Perth Modern School.

The Perth Modernians Society is pleased to bestow upon you the honour of MODERNIAN FELLOW.

This award entitles you to particular consideration in all Society matters and functions.