

# Pacific Northwest

## OLD GUARD NEWS ALLEN-STONE CHAPTER

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Coming EVENTS October 2021

#### KAUAI

Centuries ago, volcanoes from the ocean arose. They formed the Hawaiian Islands that we know.

To the south, the big island was formed. At the north end, Kauai was born.

From Samoa, Tahiti and Tonga the natives did arrive, To settle the islands, to work the land, they did strive.

Music, dance and language they brought. And together found a new culture they sought.

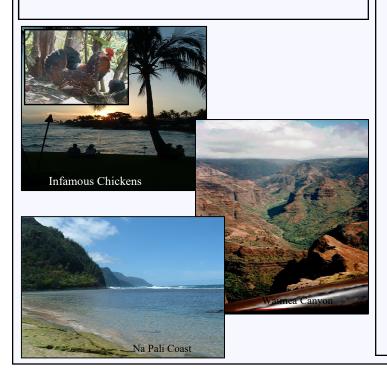
Sugar cane, pineapple and coffee they did persist. Thus became the crops at the top of the list.

Beautiful Kauai, a favorite place to go. Endless beaches, clear water and the pace is slow.

Smell of sweet Plumeria is in the air. The sight of red and yellow hibiscus makes you stop and stare.

You can hear doves coo in the trees, Red headed Cardinals fly in the breeze.

Kauai is known for its many wild chickens. The roosters chase the hens like the dickens.





To the north end is Princeville and Hanalei Bay, Those are my favorite places to stay.

Beaches Ani ni, Tunnels and Ke'e Are places to swim, walk and see.

Snorkeling in a lagoon is like being in a fish bowl, Colorful fish, turtles and hardly another soul.

If you don't like to lay in the sun so hot, There is a place in the shade, a perfect spot.

There are many trails to hike, longest on the Na Pali Coast. I was able to walk four miles so I can boast.

Mt. Wialeale stands proud and tall To spread record rain over all.

The wonderful food is not to be missed. Be sure to have a macadamia nut pie on your list.

The Huma huma nuku nuku apuia is the state fish. Ahi Ahi, Ono and Mahi Mahi are a favorite dish.

Poipu, Spouting Horn and Kekaha Beach are west side sights. Driving up Waimea Canyon is a wonder of the island, but hang on tight.

Year after year, I return to this paradise. Where else can you find a place so nice.

Jane Rosi-Pattison

### JOIN US IN KAUAI, HAWAII

February 21 -25, 2022

Royal Sonesta Resort in Lihue is situated on a protected bay. It is ideal for beach walking, swimming, snorkeling, paddle boarding or hanging out. It boasts the largest pool on the island and is a full service resort. Also, the resort provides a shuttle to and from the airport.



For rooms, contact <u>Caroline.asing@sonesta.com</u> giving arrival & departure dates, mailing address and phone number Fill out the form and mail to Gary Huff.

#### **Chapter Registration**

To register, fill out the registration form below and mail, with a check for \$100 per person to cover excursions, to Gary Huff, 450 Fox Hollow Rd, Sequim WA, 98382. Questions: Gary's email is <a href="mailto:glhuff2@olypen.com">glhuff2@olypen.com</a> or cell phone is 360-797-3018.

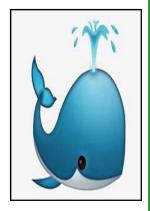
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HOLIDAY ZOOM
SATURDAY, DEC. 4, 2 PM PST
A VIRTUAL PARTY!
DETAILS IN LATE NOVEMBER
VIA EMAIL







## **RV Cluster Event for 2022**

July 25-28

Cape Kiwanda RV Resort

Pacific City, OR

Registration has begun.

Contact Jan Leigh for more info.
janetbleigh@gmail.com

#### **ALLEN-STONE 2020-2021 OFFICERS**

**Presidents –** Gary & Lony Huff glhuff2@olypen.com

Vice Presidents -

Treasurer - Jim Leigh

jimfleigh@gmail.com

**Past Presidents –** Tom Horsley & Cheri Brennan, thomaschorsley@outlook.com

## President's Message



#### ALLEN-STONE LEADERSHIP

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Does an active Y-retiree need a retreat? For me the answer is yes, especially when it's in a beautiful place, with lots of friends, old and new and someone else does the cooking. For the first time in two years we were able to get together at our annual retreat September, 13-15 at Seabeck. For me it was an inspiration and a lot of fun. Here's why.

Retreat chair Tom Horsley put together a super program to feed the spirit, mind and body. Jan Leigh led us in fun games and songs that kept us moving.

Walks on the beautiful grounds were always refreshing.

Rich Wallis and Mike Robinson made a presentation on the people of the Sioux YMCA and the impact that our new national service project can have. The reservation is spread out over 1,000 square miles. The project will partner with the Sioux people to build a village of 9 tiny homes near the YMCA in Dupree, South Dakota. The homes will mainly be used for staff and volunteers. And the project also plans to develop 9 outlying program centers to help further spread the services. All of us will have a chance to participate in a variety of ways, whether it's working at the site or giving money to make it happen. It will be a multi-year project, with lots more information to come out in January of 2022.

Jill Hallin, daughter of long time, former Y director, Earl Collins, educated us on the role the Y played in developing the Pacific Crest Trail. In the 1930's YMCA youth groups used a relay system to make the first 2,650 mile trek on the Canada to Mexico trail. They kept a log book that was passed on from group to group and was turned into a book called "The Relay Boys." Jane Rossi-Pattison and I, both avid hikers, never knew all that. Thanks Jill.

Mike Ellis, who is in a wheelchair because of a bicycle accident years ago, showed us a presentation on his trek to Mt Everest Base Camp 30 years ago. It contained the most beautiful pictures of the Himalayas that I've ever seen.

Don Leak led us in remembering our YMCA colleagues who have passed away since our last retreat in 2019.

Our treasurer, Jim Leigh reported that we are stable and that we will be able to donate money to causes that are dear to us. It is always fun to give money away.

Jill Hallin will chair next year's retreat. I can't wait. Please join us.



## **Treasurer's Report**

## Jim Leigh

## Y Alumni - Allen Stone Chapter Financial Report

INCOME	Budget 2020	Actual 2020	Budget 2021	As of 8/31/21
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Hawaii Conference	1,300.00	400.00		600.00
Shakespeare	5,800.00	4,620.00	4,600.00	
Shakespeare Refunds		(4,620.00)		
RV Outing				-
Seabeck	4,800.00	-	4,200.00	2,100.00
Donation/Membership	3,300.00	5,870.00	5,000.00	1,450.00
Carry Over/Miscellaneous	3,000.00	900.00		
Interest		0.96	1.00	

<b>Total Income</b>	\$ 16,900.00	\$ 7,170.96	\$ 13,801.00	\$ 4,150.00
EXPENSES	Budget 2020	Actual 2020	Budget 2021	As of 8/31/21
Hawaii Conference	1,300.00	1,330.00		
Shakespeare	5,800.00		-	-
RV Outing				-
Seabeck	4,400.00		4,200.00	-
Newsletter/Membership	1,700.00	1,563.52	1,700.00	1,118.49
Supplies/Stamps	300.00	193.40	300.00	
Memorial Garden	75.00		50.00	
Leadership Expenses	400.00		250.00	
World Service	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Other Donations	2,500.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	225.00			

<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 16,900.00	\$ 6,256.92	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 2,618.49
Net outcome	-	914.04	3,801.00	1,531.51

(1) Membership (\$1000 for 2021) ( \$450 for 2022) 2021 memberships: 134

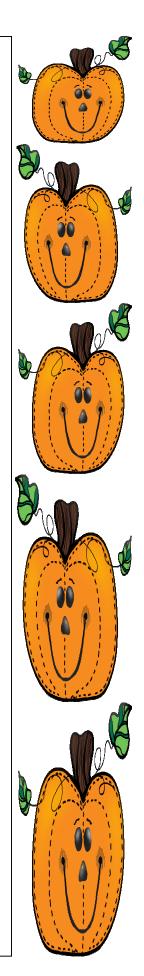
(2) Sioux \$1,500 (Approved 2020 - paid 2021)

#### **Contributions Approved at 9-15-2021 Annual Meeting**

\$1,000 World Service, \$500 Secours International,

\$500 EAF, \$500 Seabeck Capital Campaign,

\$2,000 Sioux YMCA - (\$500 Annual Campaign, \$1,500 National Y Alumni Service Project)



#### **Allen-Stone Chapter - Donation Form 2022**

Name(s)Date				
Address		State	Zip	
Preferred Telephone				
Do you wish to receive report	rts and newsletters via Email? Yes	No		
Donation to Allen Stone	§	_		
National Dues \$25.00	\$	_		
National Donation	\$	_		
Total Enclo	osed\$			

Please note: No national dues for lifetime members 90 years and older or for 1st year Y Alumni

Your donations are greatly appreciated! This allows your fellow officers to plan and provide Fellowship, Gatherings, Travel, Grants, and Newsletters to meet the interests of our Y alumni.

Please make your check payable to: <u>Allen-Stone Chapter Y Alumni</u>, and return to: Jim Leigh, 7760 Angel Falls Way, Redmond, OR 97756 253-219-0613 jimfleigh@gmail.com



Early Donation: *Mike Ellis Bob & Caroline Brooks* 

### Jill Hallin Erick and Jean Nelson

## Annual Meeting Wrap-Up

Allen-Stone Annual Business Meeting Minutes for September 14, 2021 Secretary - Lony Huff taking minutes. Joyce Leak asked why we don't have a secretary. We decided not to have one a few years back because there is no real purpose.

Finance Report for 2021. Treasurer Jim Leigh presented actuals for 2020 and year to date for 2021. He reported that we are stable, thanks to 86 contributing members. We should have around \$15,000 in our account at the end of 2021, after all expenses are in. We like to keep at least \$10,000 in the account. So we will have \$5,000 to donate. Donation recommendations discussed at the end of this meeting. Gary thanked Jim for his excellent work.

Leadership for 2022. Presidents – Gary and Lony Huff - Gary said that they will only be presidents thru 2022. Vice President-We still do not have a vice president, who would become president. Many people at this retreat have been president. We are an aging group but we are meeting our purpose and goals. Gary has been contacting potentials and asked for interested people to contact him.

**World Service**- Chair Tom Horsley reported that we raise around \$20,000 for world service and are on track to come close

to that this year. We are one of the top chapters.

**Membership** – Mike Robinson reported that a membership letter will be going out in a few weeks for people to donate for chapter membership for 2022.

**Seabeck Retreat**– Gary thanked Tom Horsley for an excellent Seabeck retreat. Next year, Jill Hallin will chair the retreat to be held on September 12-14. Jill suggested that we put together a buddy system for next year. Tom Horsley volunteered to go thru our membership list with Gary and come up with names who should be contacted by a potential buddy.

**Newsletter**-Gary thanked Jane Rosi and Sharon Robinson for producing one of the best quarterly newsletters in the country. Jane reported that the length of the newsletter (up to 12 pages) and the circulation numbers (496) are both growing. Jim Leigh said we are financially OK with this growth.

**Historian** – Don Leak reported that he and Tom Horsley are culling our historical records and will be scanning the records we want to keep. Don is working on a new member roll questionnaire.

**International Service Corps-** Mike Ellis is our representative to encourage overseas volunteers.



#### **Sioux YMCA Update**

With the adoption of the Tiny Homes and Twigs National Service Project, Y Alumni is making a significant investment in the future of the Sioux Y. For this reason, we want to keep our chapter members informed of the latest developments, both on the project and at the Sioux Y, so you can see for yourself the difference this investment will make in the lives of youth and families on the

Cheyenne River Reservation.

The National Service Project task force and its committees are working hard to lay the groundwork for a successful project. The project management committee is finalizing the design of the tiny homes and developing a project budget, while the promotion and fundraising committee is gearing up for a capital campaign in 2022. There is much work to be done in both areas and by the end of the year we hope to share more detailed information.

Good things are also happening at the Sioux Y. With COVID restrictions loosened, this past summer the Sioux Y was able to transition back to its traditional summer programming. The highlight for youth was the re-opening of the Y's resident camp, Camp Leslie Marrowbone, on Lake Oahe. Camp provides a welcome outlet for youth on the reservation where there are few organized recreational activities. Thanks to the efforts of Y Alumni International Service Corp volunteers during a 4-day service project at Camp Marrowbone in June, the facility was in tip-top shape when campers arrived. Watch this short video to



see camp in action.

This past summer the Y also restarted the day camp program at its facility in Dupree and served over 18,000 meals to youth in its feeding program designed to address the issue of food scarcity prevalent on the

reservation.

The Sioux Y depends on grants and donations to fund programs and services such as these which are offered at no cost. The Y's annual campaign is going on now, lead by the Board of Trustees. This campaign accounts for one third of the Y's operating budget and raises funds primarily through YMCAs, Y staff (active and retired), and Y related organizations. If you would like to participate in the campaign you can do so by going to the Sioux Y's web site) and clicking on the donate button. Thank you!

More news to come in the next newsletter!!

Rich Wallis

Allen Stone Chapter Member

Sioux Y Trustee



To view the video go to https://www.Facebook.com/ YMCACampMarrowbone1971/videos/376178594041902

#### YMCA WORLD SERVICE

The 2021 YMCA alumni World Service campaign is underway. It is time for all members to fill in the pledge form you received for your contribution. Please send the completed form to:

Tom Horsley 2608 175th. Ave. NE Redmond, WA 98052



## Did you know?

#### What is CRT

In this past year, reports of parents attending school board meetings to protest the teaching of Critical Race Theory, has been in local newspapers and the TV news. I was not sure just what this was referring to and not familiar with CRT. Looking up and reading descriptions and some basic background helped to understand what the fight is about.

CRT was officially organized in 1989, but workshops go back to the 60's and 70's. CR theorists believed that political liberalism was incapable of adequately addressing fundamental problems of injustice in American society.

Professor of Law at UCLA, Kimberle Crenshaw's description is: "It is a way of seeing, attending to, accounting for, tracing and analyzing the ways that race is produced," She said, "the ways that racial inequality is facilitated, and the ways that our history has created these inequalities that now can be almost effortlessly reproduced unless we attend to the existence of these inequalities."

Why is it important? CRT is important because it potentially provides a more realistic understanding of white racism in the US as not merely a set of negative attitudes toward other racial groups but also a body of law and in legal practices whose real world effect the oppression of people of color, especially African Americans.

With this simplistic description, there is no easy approach if we acknowledge the stark racial wars that exists makes the fight to teach CRT in schools not a simple answer.



#### ATTENDEES AT SEABECK

Mike Ellis

**Craig Frerichs** 

Jill Hallin

Bill & Ruth Heathman

Tom Horsley & Cheri Brennan

Gary & Lony Huff

Don & Joyce Leak

Jim & Jan Leigh

Eric Nelson

Mike Robinson

Jane Rosi-Pattison

**Bob Smeenk** 

Rich Wallis

#### **MEMORIAL GARDEN remembering**

Don Donhowe

Esther Dye

**Darwin Haines** 

Paul Kamamoto

Ann Nelson

Don Rea

Virginia Stout

Erich Gauglitz

Lloyd Arnold

Shirley Kline

Ronald Cofield

Joan Wolf

Jeanette Kawakami

**Audrey Harris** 

Bev Nyehart

Gary Vanes

Don & Joyce Leak organized the Memorial Garden remembering members who left in 2019-2021 Since the garden is impacted by the building of Pines, the ceremony was held on the patio. Members each gave a few statements about a person they wanted to honor.



Ruth Heathman is telling about her person while holding a mum that she will take home.

#### Page 8 Member News:

Jerry and Pat James moved home to Texas three years ago. We live in Austin, but some folks say "There's Austin and then there's the rest of Texas." We moved to Austin for a very good reason-Grandchildren and family. Since moving here, our first granddaughter has completed medical school and is now an intern at Dell Hospital in Austin. She is married to an Army doctor who is stationed in San Antonio. They are expecting our first great-grandchild in March. So exciting. God is good to keep our lives filled with children. We teach Sunday School and have a Thursday Bible Club at our home. We are planning a "Vacations by Rail" trip to the Smoky Mountains in October.

The picture was taken in Poulsbo before we moved to Texas.



For their recent 64th anniversary, **Don and Joyce Leak** hosted a luncheon for longtime friends from the University Christian Church in Seattle. The weather cooperated so persons could eat on the deck. They called it a reunion as the large church has been torn down. One friend who attended the luncheon serves on the board of the University Christian

Church Legacy Foundation. It was heartwarming to hear about the good works being done with the endowment funds from the sale of the church.





"Eric Nelson taking over the rocking chair on the Inn porch at Seabeck for parents Ollie & Ann Nelson,

#### Remembering

Esther Dye, beloved wife of Robert R. Dye, YMCA Exec at the local (LA, Honolulu), national (NYC & Chicago) and world (Geneva) levels, died peacefully on August 20, 2021. Although diagnosed with Alzheimer's in her early 90s, she continued to know and delighted in seeing her family, played the piano almost daily, and savored the printed word. Our favorite activity together was singing songs from her 1940s songbook or her favorite Frank Sinatra Anthology, where we'd sing 30-40 minutes straight. Esther still could sight read, process the words (or still remembered them), and sing right on pitch. She died just 8 weeks shy of 99! She very-much loved the trips she took with the Y Alumni when Bob was still alive, but didn't think it "proper" that she go as a single woman. She generously supported the YMCA each year. Her five children, seven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren miss her greatly and are planning a Celebration of Life service on Oct. 16, a day after her Oct. 15 birthday. We plan to end the service singing Sinatra's Young at Heart, as that song described my Mom perfectly! Lee Dye Takagi, her firstborn daughter.

#### **YMCA** Response to The Pandemic

Lorei Yeadon, CEO at YMCA of Greater Seattle gave presentation on how the Y has adjusted to the pandemic.

Seattle lost 52,000 members or 64% of membership. Staffing had 78% on standby. Unemployment costs in 2019 were \$28,000 and in 2020 it was



\$800,000. Another cut was to defund raises in 2020 due to loss of revenue. The coming challenge will be around restaffing to reopen facilities.

**Inclusion** is a little further along in Seattle than other places.

**Equity & Justice** for all is what they do as a role model in the community. It starts with embracing everyone; bring everyone together.

Nationally, **Diversity** is not as far along as Seattle "Y".

Wendy Bart, CEO Olympic Peninsula YMCA has only been CEO since June of 2020. Membership is 70% of their revenue.

Events in Y history and how they responded:

WWI

1918 flu pandemic – Y adapted facilities

Great Depression – Refocused on young people

2020 – Responded quickly. Child care for 1<sup>st</sup> responders, Provide meals or those who had received meals in school, Stay fit at home with virtual workouts, and Converting facility uses i.e. wide availability for school work.

#### Adjust and enrich to growing needs:

Youth & Adult enrichment, Family activities, Y hires a Family Resource Navigator connecting families to services needed through their programs.

#### The silver lining:

Increased board involvement – weekly check in calls, Increased staff & community engagement, 2020 - \$700,000 grant money & philanthropy combined, Government help in financially qualified for loans.

#### Future Focus:

Child Care Crisis, Expand support services for families, Address food insecurity, Address health crisis, Curb social isolation.

#### Wendy Bart,

CEO Olympic Peninsula YMCA



Great Times

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Attention: Want color pictures, clearer pictures, quicker delivery.

Let's go green. We would like to encourage your participation by email. For ease of communications please share your email address with Jane at pattisonjane1@gmail.com or Mike at mikiee.mike@gmail.com. Your address is not shared globally.

If you wish to discontinue receiving the newsletter in any format, please email Jane Rosi-Pattison or Mike Robinson.



#### New Camping Site



The Seattle YMCA is proposing an overnight camp and Environmental Education center and would eventually house 400 campers and a staff of 100. The area proposed for de-

velopment includes 643 acres of forest land on the north shore of Mineral Lake. It is located in Lewis County north of Morton, Washington.

In order to proceed with development, Greater YMCA of Seattle has submitted a request to Lewis County to change the current land use designation for those 643 acres from Forest Resource Land to Master Planned Resort. This land was formerly owned by Weyerhaeuser who sold it 15 years ago to Forecastle Timber Company of Wisconsin. They proposed subdividing it for individual home sites. However, when a local citizens group appealed, the zone

change was repealed and the project never went forward.

Locals have raised concerns and spoke out against the project with concerns about the additional costs to provide fire protection and emergency services for the increase of a camp to the area.

An important component of the program at this new site will be the partnership made with the Nisqually Indian Tribe to develop other programs to build awareness and appreciation of the natural environment and cultural history of the area. The Nisqually arrived in the northwest 10,000 years ago at the end of the last ice age and came from the Great Basin of now South America. Their land was from the base of Mt. Rainier to the southern shores of Puget Sound, Olympia, and north including what is now Joint Base Lewis McCord. There has been a continual influence of the Nisqually with their rich history and long occupation of this area.

#### The Y's Part in the Pacific Crest Trail

Jill Hallin, daughter of past members Earl & Joyce Collins, found the story about the development of the PCT and how the Y took part.

In the 1920's, a ranger for the forest service helped develop the Oregon Skyline Trail: Hood to Crater Lake.

Pat Montgomery, a teacher at WSU then Western Normal, had the idea of a Pacific Crest Trail and the idea of how to build a trail in the west.

Joe Hazard, a ranger at Mt. Rainier presented his idea of mountain top trail from Canada to Mexico of PCT spear headed idea of trail and in 1932 formed an organization, Mt. League of California. The project was to extend the John Muir trail and proposed names of High Sierra Trail or PCT.

In 1935, the YMCA became involved and asked to form 40 teams from 30 Y's in the west to hike and explore the trail in teams. They carried log books to record where they started and stopped in the 2300 miles of the summits the Sierra and Cascade ranges.

Warren Rogers, Alhambra YMCA took over idea of a trail in the 50"s.

1952 was the 1<sup>st</sup>. through hike of the trail: 1968 designated scenic trail in the US.

1993 officially all parts connected to form the 2,650 mile trail from border to border





Allen-Stone Chapter and fourteen members donated to the EAF Fund during the year of 2020. The EAF Fund appreciates the funds that have been given during the year of 2020 as the epidemic of coronavirus continues to disrupt the YMCA'S.

First quarter of 2021, the EAF provided seven grants totaling \$23,500. Two of the seven were to Y alumni members. Send Donations to: **EAF % YMCA USA, Financial Development** 

101 N. Upper Wacker Dr. 16th Floor Chicago, IL 60600

## Trekking in Nepal

Mike Ellis showed pictures at Seabeck taken in 1972-73 of his adventure on a 22 day trek to Mt. Everest climbers Base Camp. Guides were not used; he spoke the language and asked natives along the way for directions as he did not have a



map to follow. His adventure was 175 miles long.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### 2021

Dec. 4 – Holiday Zoom Event

### **2022**

January 12-15 New Orleans
YMC Alumni Reunion
February 21-25 Kauai, Hawaii
July 25-28
Cape Kiwanda RV Resort

TBD Spring
Ashland Shakespeare Festival
or

Chapter gathering in Idaho



#### Giving a Shout Out

To all members. Let us hear from you. Send in a tid bit of info to Jane. We would love to hear from you and include you in member news!

So what have you been up to?

#### Check these Websites Out:

YMCA Alumni — <a href="http://www.ymcaalumni.org">http://www.ymcaalumni.org</a>

YMCA Retirement Fund —<u>http://www.yretirement.org/default.aspx</u>

Allen-Stone Facebook — www.facebook.com search for Allen-Stone

#### **NEWS DEADLINE**

Deadline for articles/news for the Next Chapter newsletter is:

## **December 17, 2021**

Email to: pattisonjane1@,gmail.com

Or Send to: Jane Rosi-Pattison

2940 Harris St. Road, Kelso, WA98626



#### **October**

Tony & Joyce Sagare
Oct. 18 – 53 years

#### November

Tom & Donna Olivia

Nov. 23 – 51 years

Gary & Lony Huff

Nov. 21 – 52 years

Tom Horsley & Cheri Brennan

December

Jim & Jan Leigh

Dec. 21 - 51 years

Nov. 27 - 39 years



## **NEW RETIREES**



Susan Murnane, Portland, OR Barbara Abad, Tacoma, WA John Haskin, Frost Valley, NY Kimberly Muenz, Tacoma, WA Janet McClenahan, Boise, ID



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