

DAWN MUSSELMAN INSPIRATIONAL SWIMMER 2015

The Pacific Northwest Association Local Masters Swimming Committee
proudly presents the
2015 Dawn Musselman Inspirational Swimmer Award to

Sally Dillon

Sally, your fellow PNA board member Arni Litt summarizes your primary qualification as this year's Inspirational Swimmer by noting how you were there at her first meet in 2000 cheering on this new competitor. "Little did I know at that time that we were in the same age group and often swam the same events; Sally, of course, several faster heats ahead. We even swam relays together one year." By your example you are an inspiration to all PNA swimmers. You willingly share your training knowledge and experiences, offering friendly encouragement to all.

Kathy Casey notes how you demonstrate dedication "above and beyond" what most people could achieve in difficult situations. When others or life events try to deter you from the task at hand, you always continue to forge forward to completion without complaint, amazing and inspiring those of us around you.

Over the years, Arni, like the rest of us, has observed your unwavering support of Masters swimming, having "never known you to not be working for all of us even when you're on vacation." Your strong commitment to PNA Masters Swimming is evident in the many years you have served on the PNA board, joining soon after moving to the Pacific Northwest in 1998.

Before that, serving Southern Pacific Masters and Pacific Masters, you developed your passion for pool and open water swimming and became instrumental in the development of Masters swimming. As an active USMS member and volunteer since 1972, further proof of worthiness for our award is indicated by USMS bestowing the Ransom J. Arthur award on you in 2006!

Finally, you certainly exhibit good sportsmanship at all times through many years as a swimming official, your dedication to open water rules and safety, and passion working for recognition of others' volunteer efforts at both the LMSC and National levels.

Sally, for your inspiration to the entire membership of the Pacific Northwest Association of Masters Swimmers by your example of good sportsmanship, encouragement and commitment, the PNA is proud to recognize you as our Dawn Musselman Inspirational Swimmer for 2015.

For the PNA Board:



Lisa Dahl, President

For the Selection Committee:



Steve Peterson, Selection Committee Chair