

**The Presbyterian Health, Education and Welfare Association (PHEWA)
2011 Biennial Social Justice Ministries Conference**

**The John Park Lee Award
Call for Nominations**

John Park Lee was born in Germantown (Philadelphia), Pennsylvania in 1903. He graduated from Princeton University and in subsequent years was employed in public relations in New York, as a newspaper reporter in Philadelphia and in government service for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the city of Philadelphia, and the federal government.

For ten years he served as the administrator and lay therapist in the C. Dudley Saul Clinic for Alcoholics at the St. Luke and Children's Medical Center in Philadelphia.

In 1950 he assumed the position of Director, Division of Welfare Agencies of the Board of Pensions, United Presbyterian Church in the USA. In 1956 he added to his responsibilities, Secretary, Office of Institutional Chaplains, Department of City and Industrial Work, UPC(USA) Board of National Ministries, and Executive Secretary, National Presbyterian Health and Welfare Association (now the Presbyterian Health, Education & Welfare Association- PHEWA). During this period, he coordinated the health and welfare efforts of the denomination, guiding the National Presbyterian Health and Welfare Association through its organizational period, helped to establish national Presbyterian standards for neighborhood centers, homes for the aged, institutional chaplains, children's homes and health services. He was a leader in sensitizing the church to its opportunities for mission, and pressed agency staff toward exceptional quality.

In 1963 Whitworth College conferred on John Park Lee the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters in recognition of his meritorious contributions to the church and society.

Few have done more to advance the total program of health and welfare in the Presbyterian Church (USA). His efforts are the foundation upon which services have been developed by PHEWA. It was the desire of the Association in establishing this award in 1969 to recognize and perpetuate the qualities of concern, sensitivity and involvement, singularly exemplified in John Park Lee.

Please take the time now to nominate someone from your network of friends or colleagues for this prestigious award. (over) → → →

