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## Lewis Alessandri Nominated for the Locksmith Ledger Gale Johnsson, Legends of Lock Industry Award.

**June 6, 2024 – East Hartford, CT – Yankee Security Convention**, a 501C3 charitable organization committed to the promotion and further education of the locksmith and security industry is excited to announce that long-time industry legend, Lewis Alessandri, has been nominated for Locksmith Ledger's new Gale Johnson Legends of the Lock Industry Award.

This award program was launched in 2024 in memory of the late editor-in-chief of Locksmith Ledger, and his lasting impact on the locksmith industry. Nominations were secured by April 15th and industry members were able to be nominated or nominate themselves. For the award, nominees from all industry segments are welcome: commercial locksmiths, institutional locksmiths, industry educators, locksmith distributors and lock and tool manufacturers, among others.

Candidates for the award, including Lewis Alessandri were nominated for having 15 years or more experience in the security industry plus have shown demonstrated leadership in their company and/or a recognized industry organization. Additional award criteria considered included proven job commitment, leadership, industry involvement, achievements, and contributions and/or innovations to the locksmith market.

Yankee Security Convention's nominee, Lew Alessandri, is a true legend in the locksmith industry and the force behind the growth of Pasek Corporation, the largest locksmith/security company in the greater Boston area. As President of Pasek for several decades. Lew was ahead of his time in offering electronic access control and CCTV monitoring to complement the physical security products being offered.

In addition, Lew was an integral member of the Yankee Security Convention. He and a group of locksmiths representing each of the 6 New England states, had a vision to present educational opportunities and networking for security professionals living in the Northeast.



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That vision developed into the Yankee Security Convention, which will celebrate its 44th year in 2024. Lew and his wife Betty remained active on the Board of Directors for the Yankee event for over 35 years. Indeed, he is the heart and soul of the event and a truly worthy candidate for this prestigious Award.

Lew was also a Founding Father of the Massachusetts Locksmith Association and generous with his time, talents, and gifts to the North Bennett Street School locksmith training program. The North Bennett Street School is the oldest trade school in the country and over the years Lew held several positions with the school, including Advisor to the Locksmith program.

The 2024 Legends of the Lock winners will be recognized in the July issue of Locksmith Ledger and online at [www.locksmithledger.com](http://www.locksmithledger.com). For more about the award program, visit the Locksmith Ledger website.

Please join the entire Board of Directors and extended family of the Yankee Security Convention in wishing Lewis the best with his nomination and this lifetime of industry achievement.

### **About Yankee Security Convention**

Yankee Security Convention, Inc., is a not-for-profit trade organization, formed in 1978 by a group of New England locksmiths. Through their dedication to the industry and a keen understanding that the region needed a venue to showcase the advancement of the trade, the first show was successfully held in Chicopee, MA. The organization is run by a volunteer Board of Directors. The proceeds from the Convention help fund scholarships for Locksmiths and their families to further the trade throughout New England.

### **Additional Information**

For more information on becoming an exhibitor or a show sponsor, companies are encouraged to contact [exhibitor@yankeesecurity.org](mailto:exhibitor@yankeesecurity.org) for more details or visit the website. Trade show registration is free if you register before October 5, 2024, after which it is \$15 per person. Please visit [www.yankeesecurity.org](http://www.yankeesecurity.org) to register for classes and the trade show. Note that classes sell out early so act now to secure your spot. For more information contact [info@yankeesecurity.org](mailto:info@yankeesecurity.org). You can also support the industry by learning more and visiting [yankeesecurity.org](http://yankeesecurity.org) and following on [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).