



# The DRAWSHEET



METHODIST-KAHLER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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## This and That from Gayle

**Reunion:** As I write this I am in midst of events for a family Reunion. Celebrating the 90th birthday of the one remaining sibling of my mother resulted in three days of gatherings. Last night, enjoying the company of family, I was reminded of the enriching power of these get togethers. Monday, as I reflect over the weekend I know I will be amazed at how fast it went by and wish there had been more time to visit and enjoy the company of family. How blessed I have been to have this Christison Family to call my own.

Counting also as one of my blessing is to be your President. The best "perk" of being M-K President is to officiate each fall at the annual M-K Reunion activities. I so enjoy seeing returning Alumni greet classmates, hug, and chatter away, laugh, and tell stories. Even though this is not my anniversary year, returning alumni this year will include for me some "M-K Family" I have not seen for years. The bonds created during our days at M-K make us "family". A family to be proud of, hold on to and to cherish.

The insert in this Drawsheet is your guide to all the activities being organized to make 2012 the best reunion ever! Please bring it with you in September.

**Stories:** Wonderful stories are heard at Reunion. A book full of your stories can be produced for the 100th Year Anniversary Reunion only if you write down the stories to give to me. Please send me stories about training, classmates, instructors, nursing experiences post-graduation. Pictures are great also to go with the stories.

**Web Site:** I encourage you to check out our updated M-K website (past Drawsheets are on the site). Sandy Berndt Moore '66 continues to work on additions that will be interesting for you to view. Please note the web address has changed. Carol Ann Wallace '55 presentation "Six Decades of Kahler and Methodist-Kahler History" can be viewed on the web.

**Scholarship:** Since our working capital is extremely sound, donations to the scholarship fund are encouraged.

**Correspondence:** It is most helpful if all correspondence you send to M-K please state first name, maiden name, married name, year of graduation and current address of

graduate. If the Alumnus is deceased the current address of next of kin and a copy of the obituary are also beneficial.

**Contact** me at [irnutmeg@msn.com](mailto:irnutmeg@msn.com), 507-867-4732 (home), 507-421-8426 (cell), or by mail at MK Alumni (Attn: Gayle Miller) Box 654 Rochester MN 55903. If I don't answer the phone I'm probably spoiling grandchildren, digging in the dirt, scrapbooking or playing with kittens...just leave a message.

Many wonderful summer happenings to you and yours!  
Safe journey to returning Alumni for the Reunion activities!

Looking forward to seeing you in September!  
Gayle Walters Miller '68 President

**M-K Alumni Board Meetings**  
**Meetings at 2:00 pm (1400)**  
**Christ United Methodist Church**  
**August 28, 2012 & November 13, 2012**

**Annual Meeting September 21&22, 2012**  
**Years ending in 2 and 7**  
**Kahler Grand Hotel**

## Reunion Letters

### **Kahler Grads of 1942**

Greetings to my fellow classmates from Class of 1942 and all Methodist-Kahler alumni! I have continued to live in Rochester. I married Emil Zahasky who was an RN. He was the first male nurse to enter St. Marys School of Nursing. We had six children, nine grandchildren and two great-grandsons. We moved from our farm to Madonna Towers in 2008. My dear Emil passed away last year from Parkinson's disease.

I worked most of my career as a private duty nurse. I joined St Marys registry as it was the larger of the two hospitals and had steady work. I remember one young man who had polio and was confined to an iron lung. I cared for him every day for two and a half years without a day

off. He survived a few more years. The pay was good at \$5.00/eight hour shift. After that length of work I needed a change.

I have always been thankful for my good health, wonderful family, hard-earned education, the best health care from the Mayo Clinic and all my faithful friends. God's blessings to you all.

Mary Ann Henderson Zahasky '42

### **Class of 1947**

We are looking forward to seeing you on your 65<sup>th</sup> reunion . All events and activities are described in this Drawsheet. See you at the reunion.

M-K Board

### **Classmates of 1952**

Welcome to our 60<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion. Would you believe it!

Rochester has become a very dynamic, cosmopolitan city, worth seeing again. So do come and visit the city, talk over old memories, complain of our aches and pains and in general come and have a great time. Hope to see you all again.

Joan Provost Bowron '52, Gloria Lane Wiebusch '52 and Norma Greenler Dison '52

### **Greetings to the Class of 1957!**

It is time to celebrate 55 years since we graduated, as it is our 55th! In 2007, there were 42 of us that returned for our 50th, since then 2 have met their Maker. As you read the Drawsheet, you will see the Reunion Days are well planned with a lot to do, as you make your plans to return, remember it all starts on Friday, Friday is a day of walking, thus if you need a wheel chair, please have someone who can push you. Friday night, we can go out to Dinner at Michael's, Saturday night is Dinner at Inge and Gene's and we can close with a Good Bye Breakfast, on Sunday but we need Numbers for this to happen!

Please let Marlene or I know you're plans!

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### **Class of 62**

**50 years!** What a milestone. Hope many of you are planning to come to the reunion. If you can't come please send a letter and pictures so we can catch up on your life. Details about the reunion are in this Drawsheet.

Connie Immel Mayhew '62 Glenda Hoenk '62

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### **Class of 1967**

Dear Classmates of '67,

Well, things are getting finalized for the reunion. I really hope to hear from you if you cannot attend, letting us know about your life and travels.

For all of those attending the reunion, it will be interesting to hear all of the happenings and changes. We were strengthened by our years at MK. Let us remain in touch and keep our "three year grad" experience from being forgotten.

As I have heard from three women, only two attending, I have not made any arrangements for a dinner location for Saturday evening. I am sure that there are some that are more "local" and connected to a group they wish to share time with.

Looking forward to sharing our reunion together. We will have a good time.

Mary Ann Sedam Cox '67

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Rochester, MN

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### **Deaths**

Zorada Esther Hodge '37

Donna J. Ihrke Brackenbury '42

Lila Brekke Kravetz '42

Jean Bell Horstmann '44

Dorothea Alma Finstad Streiff '46

Elaine Mills Hinke '46

Margaret Swanson Brito '47

Elayne Lilienthal Schuler '47

Dorothy Chan Hanson '48

Ella Mae Bartley Ebert '50

Nancy Woltman Heins '51

Beverly Bowersox Skrukud '52

Joan Flitter Hyman '52

Delores "Dee" Zywicki Lawrey '52

Shirley Anne Belling Galey '53

Harley Henry Siemer '53

Betty Brunjes Andrews '55

Alice J. Olson Wagner '55

Elaine E Cordes Froyum '58

Marlys Tripp Heise '61

Pauline A. Zimprich Agan '65

Judith Bohlandar Jachim '65

### **Scholarship Fund Contributions**

Velma Olson Simon '44

Jane Kottke Pieter de Vries '63

Eloise Donna Mae Baumann Ragan '52

Winifred Pankratz Gilbertson '45

**In memory of** Krista Brademan(daughter of Julie Eldredge Lee '68)

by Gayle Walters Miller '68

**In memory of** Elaine Mills Hinke '46

by Dotty Schulz, Sharon King, John R. Valko, Jr.,and Peggy D. Groth

**In memory of** Ruth and Calvin Dagg

by Roberta Suzanne Howard Dagg '69

**In memory of** Kahler Married Nurses Unit 3

by Robert & Bev DeBus '63

**In memory of** Eloise Donna Mae Baumann Ragan '52

by Gloria Lane Wiebusch'52

**In memory of** Clela Harding Wallace '49

by Lois Anderson Tankersley '49

**In memory of** Mable Christine Brelje '48

by Faith Wehinger Hinton '48

**In memory of** Marlys Tripp Heise '61

by Grace Burmeister Gillies '61

**In memory of** her Aunt Christine Eriksen Stiles

by Marsha Eriksen Parker '66

**In memory of** deceased classmates

by Class of 1961

**In honor of** Diane Schaeppi O'Shaughnessy '63

by Gayle Walters Miller '68

**In honor of** Methodist- Kahler Faculty

by Mr. & Mrs. Allen Anderson  
(Emily Hennings Anderson '59)

**In honor of** Carol Ann Wallace '55

by Faith Wehinger Hinton '48

### General Fund Donations

**In memory of** Nancy Woltman Heins, '51

by Mary Asprey, '51

**In memory of** Betty Brunjes Andrews Sept. '55

by Ruth Nygren Fiek '55

**In memory of** Marlys Tripp Heise '61

by Jacquelyn Warburton Connelly '63

### Nurse's Notes

Kahler graduates! The Historic Preservation Committee has found some purple and gray fabric in the cupboard can any of you tell us what it was used for, a dance or tea? Put your thinking caps on and let us know.

### Lodging

A block of rooms is available at the Kahler Grand Hotel for \$85.00 plus tax per day. Reservations must be made by August 24, 2012.

Call 1-800-533-1655

## 2012 Methodist-Kahler Alumni Reunion Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday September 21: optional clinic tours at**

12:30 -1:15 PM History of Medicine \_\_\_\_\_ number attending

1:30-2:30 PM Plummer Carillon \_\_\_\_\_ number attending

2:30-3:30 PM Walking tour of Mayo/Gonda/RMH \_\_\_\_\_ number attending

7:00-9:00 PM Rochester Methodist Hospital cafeteria Social number attending \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday, September 22 Kahler Grand Hotel**

**Registration: \$36.00 per Alumni number attending \_\_\_\_\_**

*Guests are welcome to attend Friday Social and Saturday luncheon at a cost of \$25.00 all other activities are free number attending \_\_\_\_\_*

**Luncheon: Essex Salad- A blend of salad greens topped with dried fruit, crumbled bleu cheese, walnuts, grapes and grilled chicken served with raspberry vinaigrette & dessert**

**Class Picture: 5x7 \$14.00 per picture number wanted \_\_\_\_\_**

**Cap Charms \$ 20 each \_\_\_\_\_ number Gold \_\_\_\_\_ number Silver**

**Registration due by August 24, 2012**

**Please add \$ 10 for registrations after August 24**

**Totals:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Registrations

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Guest social &luncheon

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Class pictures

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cap charms

**Mail to: Diane O'Shaughnessy '63**

**Post Office Box 654**

**Rochester, MN 55903**

**Phone: 507-206-0666**

**\*If you have an allergy to anything in the salad please note it on your registration.**

**Please Save this for Future Reference**

Contact us at Methodist-Kahler Alumni Association ATTN: \_\_\_\_\_ Box 654 Rochester MN 55903

Address & email changes/deaths to Sandy Moore

Drawsheet articles/information to Sandy Moore (Drawsheet published in July and December)

General Fund donations (not tax deductible), cap charms, pin replacement & bills to Diane O'Shaughnessy

Illness & general questions to Gayle Miller

Scholarship donations (tax deductible)

Send to Mayo Clinic Department of Development 200 First St SW Rochester MN 55905 (Make check payable to "Mayo Clinic" with memo field note stating for M-K School of Nursing Alumni Scholarship Fund in memory of \_\_\_ or in honor of \_\_\_.

Attach note to include your first name, maiden name, married name, year of graduation, current address. See web site for other options.

Transcripts

Request from M-K Alumni Association care of Mayo Registrar's Office, 103 Guggenheim, 200 First Street, SW, Rochester, MN 55905. Request must be in writing and include: graduation name and year, current name and address, number needed and where to send, and include any forms to be completed. **There is no charge for a transcript.**

2013 Reunion

September 27 and 28, 2013

Please note the web address has changed.

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**Drawsheet**

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Rochester, MN 55905

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## Reunion Activities

**Friday, September 21, 2012**

This year's reunion activities have been expanded to include more activities on Friday afternoon. The festivities will begin at 12:00 noon on Friday. Hear our Kahler and Methodist-Kahler Alma Maters as you've never heard them before. Plummer Building Carillonneur, Jeff Daehn, will include them in his regularly scheduled Friday noon-time carillon concert. You must be outside in the vicinity of the Plummer Building to hear the concert, which lasts approximately 30 minutes

At the conclusion of the concert, take in any or all of the scheduled tours reserved exclusively for our alumni and their guests. Although there will be NO charge for any of these tours, pre-registration will be required so we can plan for an adequate number of volunteers to keep things running smoothly.

**The first tour** will start at the conclusion of the carillon concert, at approximately **12: 30 pm**; we will meet by the bronze doors of the Plummer Building, just off the Annenberg Plaza, to see 2 areas in the Plummer Building. The prestigious History of Medicine Library on the 15th floor currently displays books and artifacts from the Kahler and Methodist-Kahler Schools of Nursing. The Mayo Historical Suite on Plummer 3 includes artifacts related to nursing at Mayo, as well as the restored offices of William and Charles Mayo. Tour will conclude at **1:15 pm** groups will be guided from Plummer Building to Geffen Auditorium in the subway level of Gonda Building.

**For the second tour 1:30pm; Carillon Presentation** by Jeff Daehn, the Plummer Carillonneur, in Geffen Auditorium, Jeff Daehn will give us an exclusive presentation about the 56-bell Plummer carillon. It will conclude at **2:30pm**.

**The third tour at 2:30 pm**; an inside guided walking tour to see some of the changes to the downtown Mayo campus, in the Mayo, Gonda and Methodist Hospital (Eisenberg) Buildings. The tour will last approximately one hour, and will end **3:30 pm** in the Methodist Hospital lobby near the Center Street entrance. Note: the Plummer/Mayo/Gonda Buildings are not accessible to the public on the weekends and after-hours.

**If you need a wheel chair, please have someone who can push you.**

**The Friday Evening Social** will take place in the Methodist Hospital (Eisenberg) Employee Cafeteria at **7:00-9:00 PM**. All these Friday activities are free and open to alumni and their guests; **pre-registration is required by August 24, 2012.**

**Please bring this insert with you to the Reunion**

## Reunion Activities

Saturday September 22, 2012

Lobby of Heritage Hall, Kahler Grand Hotel

- 8:30-9:00 AM**                    **Registration-Lobby of Heritage Hall** (late registrants may not be able to sit with their class)  
**Windsor Hall** (coffee, tea and water only) Display of Silent auction items.
- 9:00-10:15 AM**                    **Business meeting - Heritage I**  
(Including a memorial in remembrance of deceased classmates and faculty)
- 10:15-10:45 AM**                    **Roving microphone** with Harriet Grein Rudd '57 Past-President
- 10:45-11:45 AM**                    **Pictures-Heritage I** (no pictures may be taken while photographer is working)
- 12:00 PM-1:00 PM**                    **Luncheon-Heritage III**
- 1:00 PM-2:00 PM**                    **"Six Decades of Kahler and Methodist-Kahler History"** Carol Ann Wallace '55
- 2:00 PM**                                **Free time-** self-directed walking tour of Mayo or  
visit our Historic Preservation Room.

### Silent Auction

During the 2012 reunion day Saturday (9/22) activities there will be a chance to bid on some items related to our nursing school during a silent auction. These items include: a painting from the Methodist-Kahler Nursing library, one Kahler School of Nursing cape, "assorted glassware serving pieces" from our alumni room, and 4 place settings of "Governor Clinton" pattern china. The items will be displayed in Windsor Hall. Bidding will conclude at the end of Carol Wallace's presentation. Terms will be cash or personal check only for winning bids. We will also be selling 5 Methodist-Kahler Alumni coffee mugs for \$5.00 donation each.

**Cap Charms:** Silver and gold cap charms will be available for \$20.00 at Treasurer's table Saturday or by preordering via Reunion Registration form..