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This and That from Gayle

The board is facing many challenging decisions about the future of M-K reunions & the alumni association. Some decisions have already been made.

Reunion 2015: Please carefully read the insert about this year's reunion as there are several changes.

Reunion 2016: Will be held at the Ramada by Apache Mall which will have handicap accessibility, free parking, and for those staying at the venue a continental breakfast with their room.

Reunion in 2017 & 2019: No reunion held. Classes will celebrate in 2018.

Reunion 2018: The 100th year celebration will include special events not offered before. One event already booked is "tea" at the Foundation House. A special reunion booklet will also be available. The committee is working on some other options we think you will enjoy. Please put the dates Friday September 21 & Saturday September 22, 2018 on your calendar. You will not want to miss this reunion!

Start filling up your "piggy" bank as the 100th year celebration will cost more for registration & events due to the special events planned.

Recruiting Board Positions: To assist Darleen Reese Bennett '65 with Treasure responsibilities we would like one a co-treasurer. The board meets 4 times yearly (April, June, August & November) for 2 hours beginning at 2 PM plus the Friday/Saturday yearly Reunion Days in September. Time commitment outside board meeting depends on the position.

The reunion preparations are our main focus for the year with other topics as they arise. Working from a Master Reunion Planning list tasks are delegated to board members and preparation goes very smoothly.

2018 Committee members: Thanks for those stepping forward we have a core group for this committee now but still needed are Alumni willing to serve on subcommittees. Decisions need to be made & preparations begun. The core group will meet with sub groups to work on individual activities with one person from the subgroup attending/reporting to main meetings. Possible offerings include bus tours of Rochester, uniform style show, "blessing of the hands" ceremony & 100 year anniversary

booklet. If you are interested in helping with any activities give Gayle a call/email.

I am in my second year of straw bale gardening. Loving it - minimal amount of time I have ever spent to get so much produce. More time for grandchillin' & of course M-K! Enjoy your summer! See you in September!

Gayle Walters Miller '68 President-irnutmeg@msn.com
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**M-K Alumni Board Meetings
at 2:00 pm (1400):
Christ United Methodist Church
August 25, 2015
November 3, 2015
Annual Meeting- Kahler Grand Hotel
September 18 & 19, 2015
Classes ending in 0 and 5**

General Reunion class info:

Please phone, e-mail or write your class representatives with any changes to your information - especially send e-mail address (if you have one) and phone numbers. Contact your class representative if you can help them in any way or if you have some ideas to make your year special. If you have stories about your time at M-K or as a nurse please write them down and send to your President plus bring to share during open mike at the Reunion.

Classes of 1940 and 1945: Nancy Kollar Moore '65 M-K Alumni Association Vice-President call 507-287-6475.

Class of 1950: Dear Classmates, The time is coming up fast for our 65th reunion. I hope we will have a good turnout-if you are unable to come please send a picture or note as to how and what you are doing. Looking forward to seeing you. Maxine Rupprecht Kalmes, 2909 Wellington Lane SW, Rochester, MN 55902, phone-507-288- 7658.

Class of 1955: Classmates of March & September of 1955. Our reunion year is here again and the celebration is Sept. 18&19. We'd love to see you all come. If you have any questions, call me at 507-282-8362.

Geri Meyers Griebenow

Class of 1960: "Greetings, Great Class of 1960! Our **55th reunion** is coming up, and we so hope **all of you can be here**. I have just taken the challenge of Class Representative, replacing the very able Shirley Anderson Ackerman. (Shirley is tending to the pressing needs of her very ill husband, Al.)

The Board has fun, happy things planned for Friday afternoon and evening, then Saturday morning and noon of Sept 18 and 19. We will plan an additional event for Saturday early evening, just for our class - your input is requested!

And we strongly urge you to come! It is great fun to renew friendships, remember the good times and the bad times, and perhaps rewrite a bit of history! If it has been a long time since you were back in Rochester, you will be please and amazed to see the growth and changes: We are now gearing up to be a World Destination Medical Center.

Also, we encourage you to contact classmates that have been out of touch for a while, and share the excitement of these reunions. **Ask them to please come**, and ask them to provide us with their names, address, phones and emails. Also, if you are receiving this Drawsheet, be sure your information is up-to-date, and send in corrections as needed. **We don't want to loose track of you! Looking forward to seeing all of you."**

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Class of 1965: Greetings to the Class of 1965. It is "50" and it will be fun to see everyone. As discussed elsewhere, activities are being planned for your enjoyment. On Friday from 2 to 4 pm, the Historic Preservation Room on Colonial 5 will be open. A silent auction is planned to sell about six chairs from various areas that we used in the 1960's. There will be time for dinner (on your own) and then the social starts at 7 pm. Bring photo albums and stories to share. If you are interested in joining others for dinner on Friday night and Saturday night, please let me know. Some of us have rented a house about 5 blocks from the Kahler Hotel and we plan to host a dessert buffet in the evenings.

If you cannot make it to Rochester, please send a summary of your life, your career, and your family. We will share it with your classmates.

Also, we have talked about the members of our class donating to the Methodist-Kahler Scholarship fund in memory of our deceased classmates, and in honor of our 50th Anniversary.

Looking forward to seeing you!

Sincerely,

Helen (Lichtblau) Myers myers.helen.e@gmail.com

Audrey (Ingram) Boysen ajboysen@icloud.com

Class of 1970: We are looking forward to our 45th reunion celebration. Special events are being planned to follow the M-K afternoon activities and also after the annual meeting to socialize, share memories and update each other about our lives, careers and families. (All plans will be finalized ahead of the reunion.)

Please email Nancy Schavey Wille at normwille@charter.netor, Kathy Kinney Zarling at kathleenzarling@gmail.com to let us know if you are planning to attend this year's reunion and which day or both days. Please let us know, at your earliest convenience, and by July 30th, at the latest, so we can make plans. We look forward to hearing from you and ask that you send an update on YOUR LIFE, by email or snail mail, by the end of July, whether you are coming or not, so that we might put a scrapbook together.

Kathy K Zarling

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Rochester, MN 55901

Nancy J Wille

3546 Old Tyler Road

Red Wing, MN 55066

Vice-Presidents Message

To all Classes but especially Classes 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966. Your reunion is coming in 2016! It is my job to get Class Representatives. Every year this seems a little more difficult. Please return my calls and accept or refuse graciously or suggest someone who might be willing to be a representative for your class. Keep in mind that the person who usually is the representative may want a break or may be in poor health.

If you have never been a Class Representative why not give it a try. The duties are few and you can put as much effort as you want into the position. Being a representative can be very rewarding.

If your class does not have a representative your reunion may be very disappointing. The Board cannot plan your social activities. If you have questions about being a representative give me a call Nancy Moore 507-287-6475. GIVE ME A CALL AND VOLUNTEER- I'D LOVE IT.

Lodging

A block of rooms is available at the Kahler Grand Hotel for \$93.00 plus tax and fees per day. Reservations must be made by August 21, 2015. Call 1-800-533-1655

Deaths

Leona Stole Harriman Boehme '34
Jean Coffin Mickelson '43
Jeanette Spengler Johnson '44
Kathleen Evans Tingley '44
Phyllis Marie Mattson '46
Dorothy Schubert Creger '46
Elizabeth Doering Picha '48
Ruth Ann Nelson Kruta '52
Albert Doubek '53
Josephine Bisone Ringgenberg '53
Merilyn Seeman Bennett '54
Ethel Sindelar Klemsz '62
Nancy Lee Sherman '62
Connie Berg Shay '67
Mary Botten Adams '69

Scholarship Fund Contributions

In memory of: Dorothy Schubert Creger '46

From: Theresa White

In memory of: Ethel Sindelar Klemaz '62

From: Sue Heier Banholzer '62

Sandra Ruch Litsey '62

In memory of: Marjorie Behnke Parker '63

From: Jackie Warburton Connelly '63

Mary Behnke Cairy '68

Diane O'Shaughnessy '63

In memory of: Marie Landsverk Behnken '63

From: Diane O'Shaughnessy '63

In memory of: Verna Amundson

From: Helen Myers '65

In honor of classmates: Heidi Ubel Baruch; Dorothy

Deye Snow; Trudy Fatheree Eck

From: Jane Bessman Hawes '66

Nurses Notes

Does anyone remember working in a TB ward or the Gold Coast as a student?

Does anyone remember your affiliation group being invited to the home of Mrs. Thelma Merritt at some time during your M-K student days? Mrs. Merritt was president of the Rochester Methodist Hospital Auxiliary (aka "Pink Ladies"), and she invited the M-K students to her home for a tea or reception, usually after they had returned from their out of town affiliations. Do you have pictures from that event? IF so, would you be willing to scan them and send them to me @ shmattson@aol.com. Mrs. Merritt later hosted a welcome reception for Summer 3 Nursing Students at her home. It is because of her that current Mayo Summer 3 Nursing Students enjoy a welcome luncheon at the Mayo Foundation House each year. The staff in charge of Mayo's Summer 3 program are very much interested in seeing pictures of Mrs. Merritt hosting nursing students at her home.

M-K Scholarship Report

Wednesday May 13, 2015 was a historic day for the MK Alumni Association. The first two \$ 2000 Nursing Education Scholarships were presented to Caitlin Hainy and Wendy Moore.

Wendy Moore works in the Center for Sleep Medicine in Rochester and is attending the University of Mary for a Master's degree. Wendy has been a nurse at Mayo for 31 years.

Caitlin Hainy works in Preventive and Occupational Medicine in Rochester and is attending Winona State University for a Master degree.

Gayle Walters Miller '68 presented the background of the Scholarship and our Schools of Nursing. Gloria Lane Wiebush '52 presented the scholarship recipients.

The M-K Alumni Association is very fortunate to have the opportunity to be a part of the selection process. Several on the board read the applications (without knowing the name of the nurse) and ranked the candidates they preferred. Applicants with the highest rankings were selected to receive the scholarships.

As contributions continue the principal will grow. With that growth M-K will give multiple scholarships and/or give larger dollar amounts. Yearly the interest generated by the principal base will be available for scholarships. All donations go to the principal (interest bearing) therefore the fund will be self sustaining. All donations are tax deductible.

Sincerest thanks to all who have donated to the Scholarship fund. You made it happen!

Hail to Thee our Alma Mater!!! Any questions can be directed to Gayle Walters Miller '68 President Methodist-Kahler Alumni Association

Reunion Activities

Please bring this page with you to the Reunion

Friday, September 18, 2015

2:00- 4:00 P.M. The Historic Preservation Room on Colonial 5 Silent Auction

Our Historic Preservation Room (HPR) on the 5th Floor of the Colonial Building will be open for reunion attendees to visit, on Friday afternoon of the reunion from 2-4 PM. During the HPR open house on Friday afternoon, we are going to have a silent auction to downsize our chair collection. One chair from Rochester Methodist Hospital (Colonial Building) Lobby. The chair from the Elizabethan room. 2 desk chairs, no arms. 2 folding chairs, folding table. Vintage fabric drapes from Clara Madsen Hall. Terms for the auction will be cash or check only for your purchase, (we have no capability to accept credit cards). If you have the winning bid, you must remove your



purchase at the conclusion of the auction at 4:00 PM. It's cash and carry, only. Proceeds from the auction will go to our alumni association's general treasury funds. Norma Dison's books will be available, free for the taking

7:00-8:45 P.M. Methodist Hospital (Eisenberg) Employee Cafeteria. All these Friday activities are free and open to alumni and their guests; pre-registration is required by August 21, 2015.

Saturday September 19, 2015

- 8:30-8:45AM Registration - Mezzanine, Kahler Grand Hotel**
(late registrants may not be able to sit with their class)
(coffee, tea and water only)
- 9:00-10:15 AM Business meeting – Elizabethan Room**
(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-(no pictures may be taken while photographer is working)**
- 12:00 PM-1:00 PM Luncheon**
- 1:00 PM-2:00 PM**
- 2:00 PM Free time- self-directed outdoor sidewalk walking tour of Mayo**

Methodist-Kahler Alumni Reunion Registration

Name _____ (May use address labels) Class of 19 _____
Maiden Name _____
Address _____ City _____
State _____ Zip _____
E-mail address _____ Phone (_____) _____
(Please note change of address)

Friday September 18:

2:00-4:00 PM Historic Preservation Room Colonial, 5th Floor

7:00 - 9:30 PM Rochester Methodist Hospital cafeteria Social _____ number attending

Saturday, September 19

Kahler Grand Hotel (Mezaine & Elizabethian Room)

Registration: \$60.00 per Alumni number attending

*Guests are welcome to attend Friday Social and Saturday luncheon at a cost of \$ 35.00
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 _____

Registration due by August 21, 2015

Please add \$ 10 for registrations after August 21

Make checks payable to: Methodist-Kahler Alumni Association

Mail to: Methodist-Kahler Alumni Assn. Attn: Treasurer

Post Office Box 654

Rochester, MN 55903

Totals

\$ _____ Registration
\$ _____ Guest social & luncheon
\$ _____ Class picture
\$ _____ Total enclosed

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

Drawsheet

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July 2015

Mayo Foundation

Attn: Siebens 5

200 First Street SW

Rochester, MN 55902

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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 - dsmoore@kmtel.com

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

General Fund donations (not tax deductible), cap charms, pin replacement & bills

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.**

2015 Reunion

September 18 and 19, 2015

Please note the web address has changed.

<http://www.mayo.edu/mayo-clinic-alumni-center/methodist-kahler-school-nursing-alumni-association>
