



The DRAWSHEET



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Ruby Flaaten 1944-2017

How will she be remembered? She may have been your friend, your classmate, your head nurse and for many of us Ruby was the face of the M-K Alumni Association. She was our answer gal for so many questions- "where do I go, how can I find, how much does it cost, when did this happen, who do I contact?" and so much more. She was the constant presence at reunions and in Board meetings. She served on the Alumni Association Board continuously from 1971 until 2010 in roles of president elect, president, vice president, finance committee, secretary and treasurer. We value her time and devotion that she gave to the M-K Alumni Association and treasure her memory.

Ruby Cheryl Flaaten, 72, died on April 24, 2017 at Lake Mills Care Center, Lake Mills, Iowa.

Ruby was born December 12, 1944 in Mason City, Iowa to Truman and Truly (Ones) Flaaten. She grew up on the family farm west of Kensett, Iowa, the oldest of four children. She was baptized and confirmed at Elk Creek Lutheran Church. She received her education at Northwood Kensett Schools graduating in 1962. Her advanced education was in Rochester, receiving a graduate nurse diploma from

Methodist-Kahler School of Nursing in 1965. Her nursing career from 1965-2000 was at Methodist Hospital in Rochester where she worked as head nurse on ENT. She was involved in Minnesota Nursing Association, American Nursing Association, and the M-K Alumni Association. Upon retiring in 2000, she came home to the farm and was caregiver for her mother. She served as Financial Secretary of her church for years and was involved in WELCA. Ruby was an avid reader, caregiver and leader. She was soft spoken and humble. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Trudy Bendickson. Ruby is survived by her sister, Karen Rollenhagen of Colorado Springs, CO, her brother Truman Kevin Flaaten of Sussex, WI, brother in law Drew Bendickson of Northwood, IA and six nieces and nephews.

THIS & THAT

As I write it is a crisp Nov day in Minnesota. Driving can be hazardous not because of road conditions but the deer the hunters are stirring up in the woods. Deer have not learned to look both ways before crossing the road! I can vouch for that as over the years three times my car has been smacked. I swear YOU do not hit them THEY hit you! Revenge was mine as they all ended up on my dinner table.

The board has been busy making plans for our 100th year celebration. Be sure and put the dates on your calendar. Lots of fun and special events are being planned. There will be entertainment at our Friday evening banquet and some surprise souvenirs to take home. We have had some very generous donations to offset the costs. Our **preliminary** planning indicates a very low cost for registration (if we have 300 attendees). We have had some very generous donations to offset the costs.

There are some optional events we are looking at : Foundation House Tea; Maywood tours; Rochester

Trolley Historic Tours. If there is some events you would really like please let anyone on the board know now. As always the more hands the lighter the work so if you would like to help with the planning/execution of the events shoot me an email.

This may be our last Hurrah so start communicating with your classmates for a spectacular get-together.

Wishing you safe travels and great fellowship for the coming Holidays. By Golly Be Jolly!

From your trying to carefully drive President Gayle Walters Miiler'68

**M-K Alumni Board Meetings
at 1:00 pm (1300):
Christ United Methodist Church
April 30, 2018
June 12, 2018
August 21, 2018
November 6, 2018**

Deaths

Marian Itse Kennedy '41
Mary Ann Henderson Zahasky '42
Hazel Nelson Fiedler '43
Eleanor Anderson Strankman '45
Alice Okamoto Uriu '45
Florence Heideman Buhrmann '47
Betty Schneider Curtis '47
Marian Ollila Steinmetz '47
Faith Wehinger Hinton '48
Donna Meyer Wussow '48
Helen Geneva Paur Coupal '51
Mary Ellen Westin Guse '51
Donna Artese '51
Betty Peterson Nelson '52
Sue Steil Strand '54
Wresa Hughbanks Adams '56
Margaret Thompson Moehnke '56
Shirley Hartzler Browning '57
Carol Swenson Fox '58
Gwendolyn Springborg Harvey '58
Marilyn Stoyke Stanchfield '58
Alice White Imburgia '59

Elaine McKernan Love '59
Mary Ann Peterson Knutson '60
Rebecca Fields Helmbrecht '61
Kathleen Jahns Popp '61
June Ferguson '61
Constance Anderson Crawford '63
Shirley Adamson Post '63
Ruby Flaaten '65
Neva Lundy Link '68
Joan Horstmann Hodge '70

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory of Neva Lundy Link '68

From: Shirley Sanders Schutz '68

Suzanne Stuber Mattson '68

In Memory of Connie Anderson Crawford '63

From: Diane Schlaeppi O'Shaughnessy '63

Mary Jo Bassett Maupin '63

Judy Becker Baldwin '63

Connie Bigot Tell '63

Jeri Stiles Lubahn '63

Lillian Anderson Sjong '63

Janet Mc Master Grimm '63

Jean Bird Kurkowski '63

Judy Dyar Reisdorf '63

Jean Engel '63

Ginny Blegan Seminara '63

Jan Hays '63

Diane Anderson Knudson '63

Chris Carlson Oslund '63

Jacquie Warburton Connelly '63

In Memory of Carol Crane Lemke '63

From: Jean Bird Kurkowski '63

In Memory of Helen Geneva (Paur) Coupal

From Allen and Ann Hale

In Memory of Joan Horstmann Hodge '70

From: Jennifer Jacobsen

Daniel & Paulette Buan

Shari Edge

Mollie & John Theel

Gayle Mille

Patricia Likos

Donna & John Duffy

Roy & Valerie Jorgensen

Becky & Don Hodkinton

Donald & Nancy Hansen

Ronald Bonnicksen

James Shaler
Alicia & Donald Rora
John & Karen Egan
Denise & Robert Larson
Jeremy Bierlein
Karen & Skyler Breitenstein
David & Kathy Zarling
Sue & Richard Olive
Luci Passe
Hazel Markham
Mr & Mrs Reagen Miller
Dawn & Craig Steinfadt
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Halcon Corporation
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Pam & Mike Thieke
Nathan & Sanfra Redalen
Leonard & Rose Parrish
Roland & Ann Truelson
Jean & Steven Schwarz
David & Mary Schrandt
Mayo Clinic Information Technology
Vicki Fretty
Pam Kyzer

100 Years: Honoring Our Past Celebrating Our Present Sharing Our Legacy

This is the theme of our reunion for 2018.

The tentative offerings for the reunion are : Tea at Foundation House, Trolley tours, Mayowood tour, Book signing by Virginia M. Wright-Peterson “Women of the Mayo Clinic”, and evening banquet with entertainment.

Information

Lodging will be at the Kahler Apache which is wheelchair accessible. Reunion is at Canadian Honker Event Center which is next to Kahler Apache.

Request

PLEASE send an email or postcard to the Alumni association so we can get an accurate count some of you already have so it isn't necessary to do it again.

Email: dsmoore@kmtel.com

Postcard: Methodist-Kahler Alumni Association
PO Box 654, Rochester, MN 55903

What does the future hold for the Methodist-Kahler Alumni Association? With the realization that in 3 years (2020) Methodist-Kahler School of Nursing will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the graduation of the last class of Methodist-Kahler students (1970), it's time to look to the future. Numbers of able-bodied alumni attending our yearly reunions has been steadily shrinking-no surprise as aging (and death) happens. The people on the Alumni Board who plan and volunteer at these reunions are blessed to continue aging right along with the rest of you.

The occasion of the All-School Reunion in September 2018 is the time to make a decision about the future. The planning committee is hoping for a large turnout of ALL class years of alumni for this special celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the founding of our school. When this broad representation across all recent classes is assembled at our Business Meeting, it will be time to vote on the future course of our beloved Alumni Association and its Board. PLEASE read the option(s) that your current Alumni Board will present in the "Drawsheet" that will come out mid-summer 2018, and come to the reunion in September ready to vote. At this time (2017), no option has been drafted; it's a weighty decision that requires careful deliberation.

We value your input on this matter; please contact your Board members via e-mail or letter to our post office box.

Class of 1970 - We strongly encourage all of our classmates to attend the 100th Anniversary All-School Reunion celebration on September 21 and 22, 2018, as there will be many special activities that are not normally part of M-K reunions. Because plans are fluid/undecided at this time, as to the future of the Alumni Association Board, we are unsure what a 50th reunion for our class in 2020, will look like. We are looking into planning a gathering with just our classmates, sometime during the 100th celebration weekend. Please watch for an email, from us, to discuss our options during the 2018 reunion and beyond!

Nancy Schavey Wille, Diana Prescher Treptow, Kathy Kinney Zarling

What does the future hold?

Drawsheet

Methodist-Kahler Alumni Association

November 2018

Mayo Foundation

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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), pin replacement & bills to Attention Treasurer

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.

2016 Reunion

September 16 and 17, 2016

Please note the web address has changed.

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