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President's Letter

Seasons Greetings to you, our Alumni! Since I last wrote to you, a few things have happened and I will share with you my thoughts on them. St. Marys School of Nursing celebrated their 100th Anniversary in September. I was invited to say a few words from our Alumni. It was well attended and they plan to dissolve their Alumni Association in 2020, at the same time their last Class will celebrate their 50th Anniversary. Our School of Nursing, will be celebrating their 100th Anniversary in 2018. Do you want a celebration, before you say, Yes. Think about how old you will be and if you want to plan this Party. The way I look at it, it will have to be the graduates from the 60's and the Class of 1970 that will have to do it. Should our Alumni association also dissolve in 2020? This will be an item we will begin voting on for the next 5 years at our Annual meeting. If we do dissolve, what about our Great Alumni Room, should we vote to give everything to the Mayo Historical Unit? It is because of Mayo, that we have what we do have. Your Board has been working closely with them and I know they feel as strongly as we do, that these things should be preserved for generations to come. I would be very sad if I knew they would be tossed in a Dumpster!

Your Board, along with Class Reps of the Classes ending in 2 and 7 have begun to plan your Reunion for 2007 and this year it will be held in September. We will also bring back the evening Banquet, which the Alumni have requested. You will have a great opportunity to take a Bus Tour of Rochester, down Memory Lane to see where you spent 3 years of your life, granted you will have to use your past memories of what once was and is no more and now is a building or parking lot.

Please continue to access our Web Page, as we do have some great pictures as well as our M-K Story. (<http://www.mayo.edu/alumni/mksnaa.html>) If you have any questions or concerns about your Alumni Association please contact me. Rudd7175@msn.com or 507-288-7175
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A Blessed Holiday Season to you and your Loved Ones.

Harriet Grein Rudd

M-K Alumni Board Meetings

Tuesday- May 1, 2007
7:00 PM
RMH dining RM #6

Tuesday- August 21, 2007
7:00PM
RMH dining RM#5

Tuesday- September 4, 2007
7:00 PM
RMH dining RM#6

Saturday-September 22, 2007
10:45 AM
Ballroom Rochester Marriott Hotel

There will be a coffee in the RMH cafeteria Friday evening. Saturday will be the Alumni Brunch Meeting and in the evening a dinner at the Rochester Marriott Hotel. A bus tour of the various locations of MKSH will be guided by Carol Ann Wallace. She has a vast knowledge about the area and history and will make the tour very interesting. Please join us.

Please come to the reunion or send a note to share with us.

I am looking forward to sharing memories with you. We were special students; we worked hard, and learned deeply the nursing duties needed to get us through life.

Mary Ann Class of '67

THIS OLD DORM...REMEMBERED! You lived WHERE?

I think we all had at least six different addresses while we were students at KSN and M-KSN!

Recently I had the occasion to review the history of our dormitory names; it seems three of them were called "Junior Hall" at different times. Three were hospitals; (Kahler-Stanley), (Maxwell-Olmsted), (Clara Madsen-Colonial '49 Bldg.) prior to being dorms, one was a hotel (Junior Hall-Clayton) and several were private residences.

Never did we have a dormitory built for our school. There were several plans to accomplish this but need for hospital beds always came first. Most notably, the Worrall Hospital was planned to be a dormitory but just before it was completed the need for patient beds was greater than anticipated and it opened as a hospital in 1919.

A couple of weeks ago I visited Maxwell Hall aka: "Maxwell-Guest House" as it has been called for several years. It looks pretty much the same as it did when we called it "home". It has lived a good life albeit, I feel we shall see its' demise in the near future. The property has been sold!

Built in 1877, it has been known by 8 different names in its' 129 years and has had 2 different locations, first, at 217 1st Avenue SW and at its' present address at 426 2nd Avenue SW. It was moved in 3 parts in 1928 to where it stands today. I would estimate nearly 3500 of us lived in this dear old structure at one time or another during our 3 years of training. During my visit recently I was given a sign: "Christopher Graham Hall

Methodist-Kahler School of Nursing". It isn't known how this sign arrived at Maxwell Hall however we are very pleased to receive it into our historical collection. In fact it has a prominent place in our current display at the History Center of Olmsted County. The present display has a student nurse in full uniform with pictures of the dormitories we lived in here in Rochester. I hope many of you in the area can drop by the History Center and see it.

Carol Ann Wallace '55 Historic Preservation Committee

DEATHS

Mabel Anderson '31
Helen Kauppila Nordman '34
Aili Waisa Smith '35
Edna Sorensen Anderson '36
Irma West Fatheree '36
Mabel Mork Gates '37
Dorothy Ryan Brandom '38
Leona Bakalyar Parkovich '38
Mary Westrum Roberts '38

Florence Morgan '39
Jean Larsen Anderson '40
Virginia Casterton Davis '41
Frances Goethe Tompkins '41
Charlotte Bigford Chamberlin '42
Irene Gustafson Kornberg '42
Margaret Hobyan Tapp '43
Berenice Lund Savage '44
Marion McFarland Henke '45
Frances Beall Giuliani '46
Fern Schmidt '50
Ruth West Ward '51
Mildred Balcome Schwabenland '52
Helen Christie Erickson '54
Janice Everett '55
Sandra Sween Wemeier '56
Marilyn Norgard Coleman '57
Virginia Tollifson Stevens '62

MEMORIALS

Nina Pladson '27
from Patricia Wessels Adams '56

Helen Kauppila Nordman '34
from Florence Koski

Edna Sorensen Anderson '36
from Diane Anderson Knudson '63

Marion McFarland Henke '45
from Kathleen Lockwood Harr '45
from Patricia Bullis Hostetler '45
from Velma Jacobson Stieber '45
from Lois Arneson Winch '45

Donna Templeton Christensen '46
from Delores Verbick Kepp '46
from Pauline Rolstad Loos '46
from Carol McAuley Young '46

Patricia Strauch Backman '50
from Margaret Tellekson Ashworth '50

Fern Schmidt '50
from Margaret Tellekson Ashworth '50

Ruth West Ward '51
from Mary Burnham Asprey '51
from Joan Hoog Whiting '51

Helen Christie Erickson '54
from Lucille Rolandt '54
from Ruth Nygren Fiek '55

Janice Everett '55
from Joan Hoog Whiting '51

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Dear Kahler grads of 1942,

Our 65th Class Reunion will be Sept. 21st and 22nd 2007. We are hoping that as many as possible will be able to attend. Yes, I know we are in our 80's and travel is not as easy any more.

Please write me a note if you are unable to come or have someone write for you.

It is always a fun time with various activities those days.

Those who are unable to attend will be missed.

1947
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Greetings to the young at heart of the class of 1952 -55 years ago!

We hope you will join us for our reunion. There are many changes. Rochester is now the third largest city in Minnesota. The Mayo Clinic continues to finish floors in the Gonda Building, and there is a plaza between the Plummer and Mayo buildings. Methodist Hospital has a new front entrance, and another new building is being built on the Edith Mayo site.

We look forward to seeing all of you on September 21st and 22nd. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to send us photos and or a note telling about yourself and your family.

Please note the Alumni web site which is in this Drawsheet.

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Greetings! It does not seem possible that we graduated from M-K 50 years ago, but it has been and remember when we all came to Kahler Hall, so young and sleek and we had the world by the tail and we would have it all. We have had a lot and we have also had our trials and tribulations, and because of it we are stronger and still love and care more deeply then before. Thus as you look at your calendar for 2007, please mark the 21st and 22nd of September with plans to return to Rochester, so we can celebrate. As you send out your Email or mail your Christmas cards please remind our Classmates of our 50th Reunion. If you have email address please make sure that both Marlene and I have it.

Have a Blessed Holiday Season and we look forward to seeing you in September!!

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Dear Class of 1962,

45 years has passed since our days at M-K. Can you believe it? We are looking forward to a wonderful reunion and hope many of you will be able to attend. The dates for the reunion will be Sept. 21st and 22nd 2007. Saturdays' events will be at the Rochester Marriott Hotel and we are bringing back the dinner. I'd also like to encourage you to take the bus tour of Rochester. Carol Ann Wallace does a fantastic job on these tours. Come see how Rochester has changed! If you are unable to attend the reunion we would love to have a letter and pictures to get us up to date on you. Contact us if you have questions or concerns.

1967
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Hello to the Class of 1967,

How can it be that all of these years have gone by? I used to think that perhaps, I had been referring to another's life, but strange how I can remember so many things. It must truly be my life. I am sure that you will join me in the "Where did the time go?" and "It seems to be going faster as I get older." I hear these comments frequently at work and home.

Here is your chance to come to the Big 4-0 Reunion for our Class. We can share the crazy stories about the classes and pranks at the school and dorms. Bring pictures of the family and student days to bring us up to date on the happenings in your life. If you can not attend, we will enjoy hearing from you, send a letter or e-mail. Oh the modern means of communication, yes!

Address changes/Transcripts

Changes and corrections should be sent to:
Methodist-Kahler Alumni Association
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Transcripts may be requested from the alumni association through the above address,
Or by requesting them directly from:

Mayo Records Management
North Warehouse 1-117
105 5th Street NW
Rochester, MN 55901

Requests for transcripts must be made

- In writing (not by phone) and include the name you graduated by,
- Year of graduation
- Number of transcripts needed
- Any forms that need to be completed
- Address where transcripts are to be sent
- Any deadline dates
- Your current name and address.

There is no charge for transcripts. Transcripts sent to individual alumni will not have an official seal.