

The Mighty '70ers Newsletter



Chair's Corner

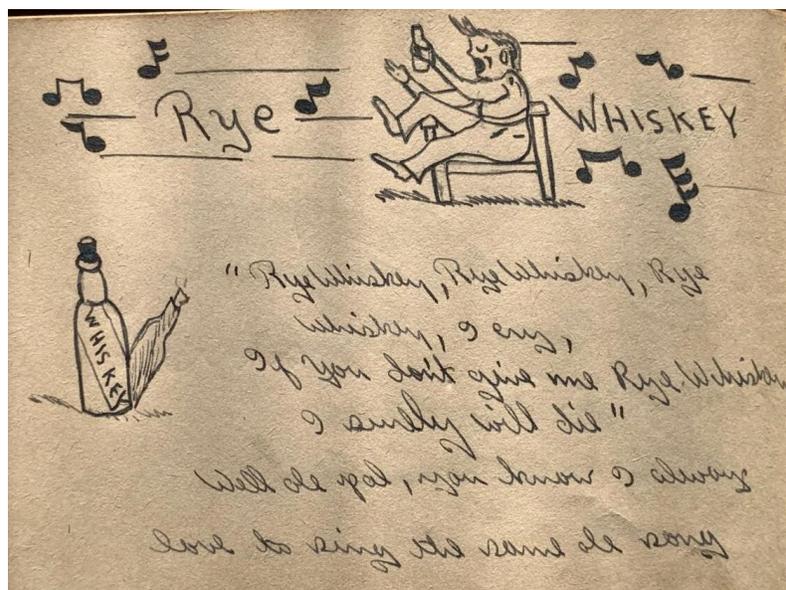
Kathy McIntire Sutton, Chair

I hope you have received your COVID shots. I am getting my second one this Thursday. I hope those who got yours did not have any side effects, or if you did, they were mild.

I have a couple of exciting news.

Remember the Rye Whiskey song that Paul McComb and Angela Petrone Stratiy sang during our Gallaudet days and our 50th virtual class reunion? We all loved watching them sing the song over and over. Mary Limoni Kraus sent me a copy of that song that she found in an autograph book from one of the Virginia School for the Deaf and for the Blind students. It was handwritten and drawn in 1942 - 79 years ago! I was so excited to see it. I was so surprised to see that it was a familiar song to those before our time. I wonder when did this song started in Gallaudet? If any of you know when it got started, please let me know.

I contacted Paul and Angela to find out more about the song. Angela was at the 1965 Summer School when George Johnston and Bernard Bragg sang that song. She loved it. She wanted to do the song, so she asked Paul. He agreed to do it with her. We all got to see it several times every year.



We are still trying to find our missing/lost class members. We are not giving up on them. I found one! Yay! After a year of trying, I found Barbara Carter Firestone. I knew she lived in Tucson, AZ. When I found out that a friend of mine used to live in Tucson, I asked her if she knew Barbara. She did. I asked if she could find out where she is and give her my contact information. Barbara called me! I was so thrilled to talk with her. She is doing well.

Here is a list of the missing/lost class members. Please read the names and contact Fred Pickering if you know where they are or have passed on– fpic47@gmail.com.

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| 1 Astbury, Elizabeth L. | 13 Lujan, Alejandro H. |
| 2 Barbur, Kenneth Swan | 14 Martin, Donald Patton |
| 3 Becher, Kenneth J. | 15 Metters, Robert |
| 4 Bishop, Jeffrey | 16 Morrison, Jerrold S, |
| 5 Chye (Lee), Lulu Louise | 17 Schwebke, Michael R |
| 6 Cook, Gary | 18 Selinger, Donna K. |
| 7 Eliot, Lynn D | 19 Shoremake, Dennis |
| 8 Emanuel, Clifford D | 20 Stephenson, Rita R. |
| 9 Jones, William K. | 21 Trengrove, Janice R. |
| 10 Jordan, John M. | 22 Wagstaff, Paul Alfred |
| 11 Lane, Eric Sheldon | 23 Waivers, Michael |
| 12 Lankford, James F. | |

