

Dear Alumni,

At the October 2018 Board meeting, a request was approved to provide a \$5000 grant for the purchase of teaching materials and manikins for the HOPE program in Sierra Leone. The Lee Olive Harrison Fund will be used to underwrite this activity. It was established to support basic nursing education efforts.

The Board was notified of the Jan. 2019 death of Dorothy Aeschilman. She made significant contributions to Project HOPE starting in 1960 as the head nurse on the *SS HOPE*. She traveled to many ports of call, participated in land-based activities and established nursing education programs in China. An Alumni Association fund was previously established in her honor by HOPE colleagues. Donations can be made in her memory.



Board activities have focused on planning for the November 2019 reunion in San Francisco, a review of the by-laws, strategic planning and finalizing distribution of the China Monograph which was published in June 2018. Board members are currently calling alumni to update their contact information. Cataloguing and reviewing items in the HOPE Archives is an ongoing project coordinated by Deb Reister and Irene Machado.

The future of the Alumni Association is a topic for discussion. We anticipate a restructuring of activities to meet the needs of the diverse groups of alumni who make up our organization which include those from the ship era, land-based programs, disaster teams and Navy missions.

We invite everyone to attend the reunion, Nov. 1-2, to hear an interesting group of speakers, reminisce about HOPE activities, and meet current and former colleagues. An association business meeting will be held. Abbott is supporting the Friday evening social hour. Business cocktail attire is required for the Saturday banquet.

Sincerely,  
Sharon R. Redding RN, EdD, CNE President  
Project HOPE Alumni Association

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REUNION REGISTRATION

November 1-2, 2019  
Marines' Memorial Club & Hotel  
609 Sutter Street • San Francisco, CA 94102  
800-562-7463 • marinesmemorial.org



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Voyages/Programs Served: \_\_\_\_\_

**YES, I will attend the Alumni Association Reunion!**

**Please also register the following person(s):**

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\$250 registration per person for the full reunion  
(Includes Friday social hour; Saturday general meeting, lunch, dinner banquet.) # of people: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$111 registration per person for the Saturday banquet only # of people \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet entrée options: Filet Mignon # \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon: # \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION. DUE: August 15, 2019.**

Make your check payable to PROJECT HOPE REUNION. Send form with check to: Irene Machado, 4770 Wellington Street, Hudsonville, MI 49426; 616-669-0596; machado.irene@gmail.com

Check here if you do not want your name listed in reunion materials.

### HOTEL ROOM RESERVATIONS

Call the hotel directly at 800-562-7463. Rate: \$269 plus 18% tax/night. Rate code: Project HOPE 2019. Available until September 30.

*We note with sadness the recent passing of some of our members.*

<b>ALUMNI NAME</b>	<b>DATE OF DEATH</b>	<b>MISSION</b>	<b>CITY/STATE</b>
Dr. Charles M. Gluck	7/12/2018		Salt Lake City, UT
Betty C. Gendler, RN	6/24/2018	Tunisia, Iquitos Peru	Fort Collins, CO
David W. Downey	6/16/1931	Ceylon	Kalispell, MT
Nina Smoke	8/15/2018	International Development Millwood	Winchester, VA
Dr. Mohandas Bhat	?	Brazil, Natal	Rockville, MD
Susan Elizabeth Cote	8/28/2018	Indonesia, DR	Portland, ME
Dr. Joseph S. Kretchmar	4/17/2018	Sri Lanka	Shorewood, WI
Capt. Harry R. Hatharasinghe	7/24/2018	Ceylon	Los Angeles, CA
Dr. William M. Moss	9/23/2018	Ceylon	Santa Ana, CA
Dr. Sue McCutcheon	10/20/2018	New Guinea, Columbia	Pittsboro, NC
Maggie Kong, RN	10/29/2018	China	Ontario, Canada
Linda Heatwole, RN	11/11/2018	Columbia	Staunton, VA
Arlene E. Langseth	9/28/2018	Brazil, Barbados	Lexington, MA
Dr. John McBratney	11/30/2018	Natal	Dartmouth, MA
Sister Mercita Pipp (Mary)	1/2/2019	Cartagena, Columbia	Little Falls, MN
Dr. Munro L. Strong	6/9/2018	Armenia	San Francisco, CA
Charles Rex Witherspoon, DDS	1/7/2019	Nicaragua	Springfield, MO
Shari Carley	5/10/2012	Nicaragua, El-Salvador, Peru	Beloit, WI
Carmen Holcomb, RPh	7/27/2016	Columbia	Sierra Vista, AZ
Dorothy Aeschliman	1/29/2019	Colombia, Ecuador, Ceylon, China, Saigon, Guinea, Peru	Reston, VA
Dr. Ralph M. Hulett	1/7/2019	Grenada, India, St. Lucia, Kenya, Nepal & Madagascar	Ann Arbor, MI
Bruno Kwapis, DDS	8/30/2015	Jamaica	Belleville, IL
Mary Krol	9/4/2018	Peru	Park Ridge, IL