

27 May 2014

To My Dear Fellow Starr King Graduates,

It's been quite a year in the life of Starr King School for the Ministry. I very much hope that you will come and celebrate past and future of the school this year at General Assembly. We will get to honor and say farewell to Rebecca Parker after 25 years of transformative leadership and service to the school, and we will get to welcome the new President, Rosemary Bray McNatt. My work this year as an interim minister has reminded me of the importance of honoring what has been as we embrace future possibilities. Doing one without the other makes a transition less complete. We get to do both together this year at GA.

We will do our gathering differently this year. Rather than having two separate receptions honoring Rebecca, your Graduate Association Exec Team has accepted the school's invitation to participate in an event on Saturday evening for the whole Starr King Community.

We will celebrate together on Saturday, June 28 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Grand Ballroom in the Biltmore Hotel, in Providence, RI.

We usually also conduct a business meeting to elect officers, but we will not have our meeting in person this year. We'll be in touch with you soon about how that process will work.

While our Graduates Association will not convene an official meeting, we still do need to collect our annual dues of \$15 per grad. We also invite your generosity beyond that number which will allow us to provide, once again, an annual gift to the school – a tradition we have had to forgo in recent years. I hope that we can honor Rebecca's ministry and legacy at Starr King with a generous gift.

Please send the enclosed form with your dues and gifts (receivable by Tuesday, June 17) to our Treasurer:

Jaco ten Hove
654 Madison Avenue N.
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

Forms are also available on SKSM's website: www.sksm.edu/graduates/graduate_association.php

This is my last year as your Graduates Association President and it has been an honor to serve you and the school. Alas, I will be unable to join you at GA this year, so I will offer my fond farewell as your president now. And I offer my gratitude to you all for supporting the school over these years. If you have any questions, please email me at deworsnop@uuma.org.

What a wonderful time to stay connected to the school we love. So I hope you can attend the reception on Saturday, June 28 in Providence.

Warm wishes,

Dana Worsnop, SKSM '02
President of the Graduates' Association