



PNG/KLS/SPLC 2023 Reunion

November 28, 2022 Newsletter

GREETINGS WANTOKS

In this email you'll find:

- information on the next Zoom Gathering - March 24th, 2023 7pm US CDT
- 2023 PNG reunion - some highlights plus reservations and fees
- a link to all videos associated with 'OUR MUMS' STORIES', our last Zoom Gathering on October 1, 2022

The Next Zoom Gathering

Date: Friday March 24th, 2023

Time: 7-9 pm US CDT

Memories of PNG

Three MKs Tell Their Stories from the 1970s & '80s'

Have you ever wondered what life was like for our younger wantoks in PNG? This is your chance to hear and discuss their memories and stories.

Panelists:

Heidi (Schardt) Hollingsworth

Grace (Senff) Payne

Jane (Sandager) Schubert

Mark your calendar and join us for an Interesting Gathering!

More information to come in the next newsletter.

The Next PNG Wantok Reunion

Thursday October 5 - Sunday October 8 2023

Where: Mount Olivet Conference Center in Farmington, MN, USA

Featured Speakers:

Ruth Van Reken - author and fellow MK. She will talk more about the effects of growing up in a third culture.

George Weiblen - University of Minnesota Professor of Plant and Microbial Biology, who visits PNG yearly for research that is centered on the interactions of flowering plants with insect pollinators and pests. He asked a question of our group in 2021: "How many of you have had malaria?" There were many raised hands.

Reservations: will begin in February 2023, with request for payment starting in May 2023

Fees: Rates cover all program and facilities costs

For the full three-day reunion

Motel Rooms - single \$561.00 all meals

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Dorm Boarders - \$365.00 all meals

For partial stay

Dorm - 2 nights 6 meals \$245.00

Day Guest - 1 meal \$55.00

Day Guest - 2 meals \$72.00

Day Guest - 3 meals \$83.00

More information coming in the February 2023 newsletter.

'Our Mums' Stories'

Zoom Gathering - October of 2022

Listening to the Mums was so enjoyable and touching as they covered many aspects of missionary life. The common themes of unexpected visitors, handling medical issues and saying goodbye to children headed to boarding school touched our hearts.

Videos of the large group presentation, final large group wrap-up, and of the three Mums interviewed (Mrs Marion Walck, Mrs Edna Kuder and Mrs Wanda Norden) are available by clicking on the blue link below.

Once in the link, use the video tabs to find the one you want to watch. Note that previous Zoom Gathering videos are also accessible through this link.

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLESkULnS-LMW6u-AmGBa6SJ0kGOg76DKf>

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We would like to get the word out to as many as possible.

Thank you.

PAST PNG REUNIONS IN MINNESOTA



First photo: 1974 - St Croix Falls, Minnesota. Mark Brandt, Jim Schulz, Paula (Schulz) Mitchell



Second photo: 1982 - Onamia, Minnesota. Craig Mansur, Bob Tuff, Bruce Mansur, Keith Moody, John Walck with toddler. Kneeling is Mark Brandt.



First photo: 1998 - Pioneer Park, Stillwater Minnesota. Maggie Tuff, Gertraud Schuster, Bob Tuff, Angela Frerichs, Dan Heist, Dianne Tuff, Mark Brandt, Cynthia (Mansur) Schoonover.



Second photo: 2003 - Pioneer Park, Stillwater Minnesota. Some Mums - Dorothy Mansur, Amee Brandt, and Florence Tuff.

The 2023 PNG Reunion Planning Committee

Mark Brandt, Paula (Erickson) Bergs, Phil Davis, Tim Johnson, Dawn (Daechsel) McLean, Paula (Schulz) Mitchell, Grace (Senff) Payne, Barb (Hueter) Reardon, Else (Helbig) Schardt, Cynthia (Mansur) Schoonover, Gary Schoonover, Mark Singh-Hueter, Dianne Tuff, Les Walck