



CONVOCATION OF THANKS

Saturday, May 4, 2019

Welcome

On behalf of the students and faculty of the Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine and Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences, thank you for attending the 2019 Convocation of Thanks. We welcome you in the hope you will feel the immense gratitude and respect we have for both your loved ones and for you, their gracious families and friends. May you embrace this opportunity to remember and celebrate the lives of your loved ones.

Our theme this year is the circle of life: the cosmic story of departure and rebirth which connects us in a never-ending chain from our ancestors to the children yet to be. We take this gathering as an opportunity to recognize the myriad gifts the young receive from those who have gone before, to empower us to live stories of our own in joy and hope. As we honor these beautiful lives, we also look forward with anticipation to the many patients whose lives will be changed for the better thanks to the gifts we have received from your loved ones.

We hope that you will join us in honoring the gifts of your loved one's presence in our lives. Just as we sit beneath the shade of trees planted by ancestors we never knew, may you find peace and healing in the knowledge that future generations will continue to prosper by those we remember today.

The Students of the Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine and the Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences

Program

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Welcome

Convocation of Thanks Student Coordinators

Caitlin Ayres

Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences

Hannah Case

Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine

Elizabeth Wlodyga

Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences

Faculty Remarks

Terry Regnier, Donor Program Coordinator

Mark Morrey, M.D., Orthopedics

Verena Schrier, M.D., Ph.D., Orthopedic Surgery

Musical Performance

"To Where You Are" by Josh Groban

Brandon Ghislain

Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine

Musical Performance

"Untitled Composition" by Donnie Pfeifer

Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine

Reflection

"Intimacy" by Jon Sussman

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Musical Performance

“It Is Well With My Soul” by Horatio Spafford and Philip Bliss

Rachel Hoverstad, Hanwen Wong, Nina Lautz, Val Keller, and Megan Fallert

Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences

Musical Performance

“Lullaby” by Billy Joel

Harvey Huang

Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine

Reflection

Riley Guillet

Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences

Musical Performance

“Never Alone” by Tori Kelly

Kristene Tadese

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Musical Performance

“Ribbon in the Sky” by Stevie Wonder

Ericka Wheeler

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Musical Performance

“Waiting on the World to Change” & “In My Life” by The Beatles

Ectopic Beats (Ericka Wheeler, Kristene Tadese, Christina Alexandres, Allisa Song, Eric Grewal, Lillian Peng, and Barrett Anderies)

Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine

Reflection

Megan Fallert

Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences

Musical Performance

“Into the West” by Howard Shore

Timothy Lee

Mayo Clinic Alix School of Medicine

Reading of Names

Convocation of Thanks Student Coordinators

Musical Performance

Color Guard Ceremony

American Legion Post 92

Closing Remarks

Zach Lovig, MDiv, Mayo Clinic Chaplain Services



Graphic created by Alyssa Thiel, representing the program theme.

Stephen	Lois	Doris	Donna
Mary	Linda	Edie	Cynthia
Marcella	Arthur	Alice	Mary
Constance	Dorothy	Mary	Gail
Judy	Bruce	Joni	Yvonne
Carol	Joan	Sandra	Marianne
George	Leslie	Betsey	Patricia
Joyce	Evelyn	John	Davis
Ruth	Carol	Kathleen	Jake
Allen	Steve	Laurence	Harold
Marie	Robert	Grace	Susan
Joel	Ray	Kathryn	Ilene
Hank	Alan	James	Joyce
Donna	Shirley	Dan	Michael
Ronald	Phyllis	Gunnar	Richard
Steven	Elizabeth	Vanessa	Anderson
Karen	Evelyn	Kelly	Rollin
Nancy	Fran	Ronald	James
Gerald	Jay	Gaynor	Betty
Jon	Carolotta	James	Tamara
Cynthia	Meredee	Joan	Clifford
Betty	Kay	Paul	Carolyn
Kenneth	Elizabeth	Ronald	Janice
Patricia	John	John	Harriet
Rose	Dorothy	Doris	Donald
Judith	Virden	Forrest	Theodore
Ronald	Dale	Rosemary	Alta
Duane	Richard	Judith	Harriet
Lorraine	Nordean	Lura	Susan
Robert	Eugene	Doris	Lisa
Michael	Diane	Karl	Jeanne
Hannelore	William	Thomas	Martha

Names are listed in alphabetical order by last name.

Virginia	Franklin	Joanna	Beverly
Iydell	Marjorie	Donald	Diane
Shirley	Douglas	Janice	Frederick
Lawrence	Maxine	Paul	June
Pauline	Ann	Lindon	Norman
Creig	Barbara	Marvin	Marjorie
Marion	Dorothy	Richard	John
Richard	Norman	Jean	Linda
Dorothy	Francis	Eleanor	Marianne
Richard	Beverly	Jerry	Janice
Edwin	Robert	Dianne	Charles
Joseph	Rita	Jerry	Joseph
Carol	Helen	Patricia	Laura
James	Kevin	Janice	Kenneth
Mary	Mary	Patricia	Virginia
Irene	Blanche	David	Robert
Debbie	Dorothy	Beulah	Choice
Richard	James	Floyd	Floyd
Marlis	Paul	Richard	Mavis
Audrey	Warren	Michael	Catherine
Jo Ann	Donald	Gale	Alden
Betty	Jerome	Howard	Kenneth
Dan	Harold	Lillian	David
Regina	Karelyn	Russell	Kenneth
Russell	Frank	Doris	Larry
Rhonda	Pat	Timothy	Roger
Thomas	Robert	Darlene	Frank
Donald	Gerri	Brian	Arnold
Hilda	Raymond	John	Marlin
Paul	Gary	Helen	Ronald
Melvin	Albert	Donald	
Violet	Betty Anne	Norma	

Photo by Caitlin Ayres

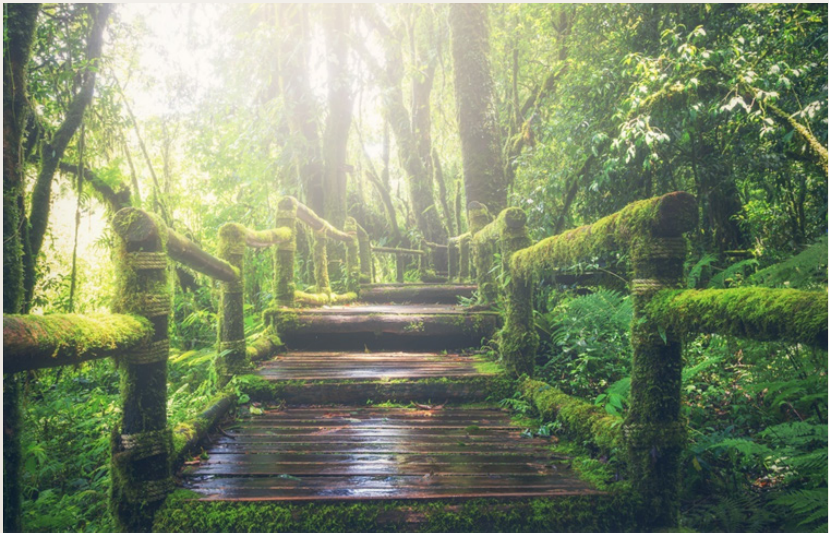


“From our donors we learned more than just the intricacies of the human body. They became our first patient, and taught us countless lessons about respect and dignity. I came to see their choice to donate as the ultimate selfless act. With little to personally gain, they were motivated to enhance the education of students they would never know to impact the lives of countless other patients.”

-Megan Fallert

“The legacy of your loved ones will carry on with every patient we treat...I learned about my donor in the most intimate ways, he mentored me, challenged me, and encouraged me to be better. His lessons will follow me for the entirety of my career. Your loved ones believed in something bigger than themselves and I hope you can find solace in knowing that on the other side of your heartbreak an abundance of wisdom has been found.”

– Kathleen Michaels



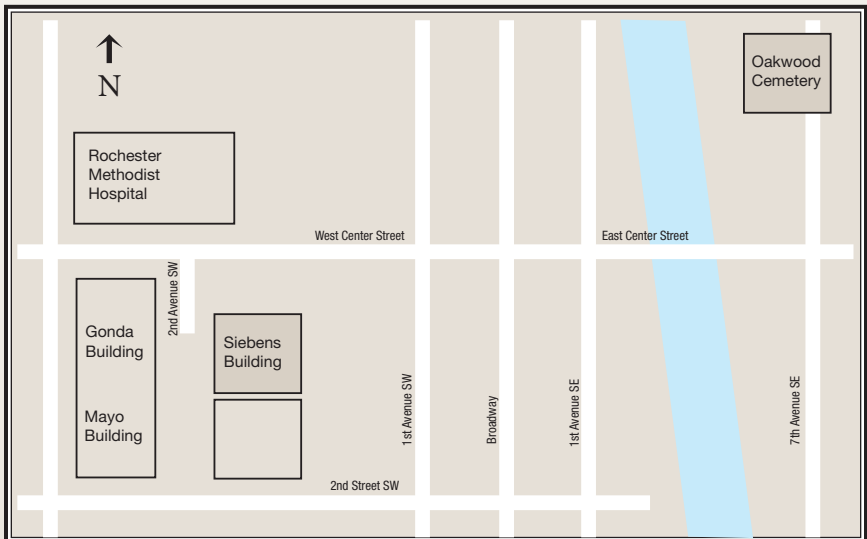


*Dedicated to the individuals
who have donated their bodies to
Mayo Foundation for anatomical study
so that others might live.*

Mayo Clinic burial vault is located at Oakwood Cemetery

41 Seventh Avenue NE
Rochester, Minnesota

- From the convocation (Siebens Building), take Second Avenue SW (north) to West Center Street
- Turn right (east) onto West Center Street
- Turn left (north) onto Seventh Avenue NE
- Oakwood Cemetery will be straight ahead approximately two blocks
- The vaults are approximately 50 yards west of the entrance of the cemetery and can be found by taking an immediate left inside the main gate.





“At the close of a man’s life, to estimate his worth it is wise to see him in relation to his life surroundings, to know not only the part he played as an individual, but also as a component part of the great events to which he contributed in the betterment of mankind.”

– *Dr. William Mayo*