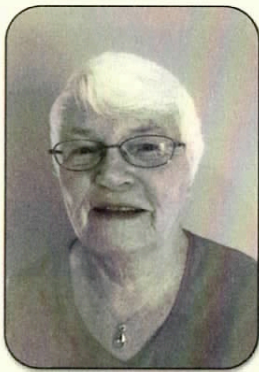


# FRANCES NOTEBOOM

## EDUCATION



While in high school, Frances Noteboom decided to get her degree in Deaf education so she could work with Deaf children. Her brother, aunt and cousins were Deaf. A recruiter came to Mrs. Noteboom's high school (class of 5 students) and told her about a new program they started in Deaf education. "That's what I plan to do"! She thought.

While in college, she lived at SDSD in the old school building for two years, earning room and board by working in the Girls Dorm and helping with gym classes after school! In 1963, Mr. Myklebust hired Mrs.

Noteboom to teach sixth grade.

In 1971, SDSD received a federal grant to have someone travel around the state to work with Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing students who had returned to their local schools from SDSD and to work with families across SD thus beginning the SDSD Outreach Program. After three years of commitment to the program she made the decision to stay closer to home for her children began teaching some classes at Augustana College (Currently Augustana University).

In 1978, Karen Moen and Barb Dowling contacted Mrs. Noteboom to apply for the new program SKI\*HI from which she received specific training to work directly with hearing families with Deaf children. This was an exciting concept at the time because her own parents had never received any support on how to help their Deaf child. Mrs. Noteboom continued in the Outreach program and became the coordinator until her retirement in 2003.

"It was an honor and privilege to be invited into the homes of families throughout SD. I hope I had a small part in making a positive difference for Deaf children and their families. Thank you to SDAD for this recognition. There were many good staff members at SDSD who deserve similar rewards." ~ Fran Noteboom

