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About the cover:
Donna Frescott, a senior graphics major from Kings Park, New York, executed our cover design. She has also previously produced the graphics for a Guild calendar and constructed, last September, a larger-than-life Guild seal which was placed behind the head table at the 50th Anniversary Convention Banquet.

Council photographer: Martin Gehring
CELEBRATION CARDS

Celebration cards have been sent on the occasion of weddings, anniversaries, confirmations, birthdays, recovery from illness and other special times to honor the following persons:

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Schaefer
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cohen
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Niedert
Mr. and Mrs. James Moore
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson
Elmer Simon
Mr. and Mrs. George Roehm
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Holman
David Felton
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Mildred and Edmund Keske
Marie and Jules Sorgatz
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Emma Vollbrecht
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Herkamp
Otto Vollvock
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gahl
Phyllis and Norm Runerton
Kit Kleinhans
Emma Fritz
Grace and George Ford, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Suler
Janice Erickson

Their shared celebration with the Guild totaled $178. This helps provide for ongoing worship life in the residence halls.

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.

Celebration cards are available from chapter presidents.
TAKE A GIANT STEP

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 25 - 27, 1982
TAKE A GIANT STEP

The presentation.

The fun.

The challenge.
The Executive Council meeting opened with devotions Friday morning. A student quartet—Britt Olson, Wynemah Hinlicky, Mike Rinehart and Mike Rivers—provided special music.

会员主席Carole O'Hare正准备扔掉另一个神话——“这是一个友好的团体，我们不需要更多的会员!”——到垃圾桶里。其他神话在她的报告中出现在Executive Council会议的会议记录中。

咖啡休息时间在理事会会议期间也是香肠和奶酪休息时间，这也是筹款项目的一个介绍性味道，该项目在活动工作坊中被描述，其总结在会议记录中。

历史学家Paula Sauer有一个工具，为保存章节历史的想法。
TAKE A GIANT STEP

Ruth Russler

The love of Christ profound and most appropriate...
trict of Columbia. Who would have believed this miracle?

Two years ago a goal was set: a monumental goal to start 50 new chapters in commemoration of our 50 years of Guild service. A plan was developed, and through tireless efforts of countless dedicated people working hard together we have almost attained that goal. With several more organizational meetings already scheduled, there is no doubt we will have the remaining five chapters in a very short time. We took a giant step. We could never have attained this goal with timid and halting steps. We did it by moving forward with bold confident steps!

Mature chapters

Although we will always seek to continue to expand by forming new chapters, this year we will concentrate our efforts not only to strengthen these new chapters, but also to strengthen each and every chapter of the Guild. We recognize that the key to the success of the Guild has always been a strong dedicated membership. As the old saying goes, "There is strength in numbers," and this is certainly true in the Guild.

Many chapters have set membership goals this year, and we have been hearing good reports of their success. It takes some effort on your part, but the rewards can be great. It is refreshing to bring in new people with new ideas to your chapters. We have a special concern for chapters that have been with us for many years, that have loyal members, some of whom can no longer run and maybe even need some assistance to walk. These chapters need new members, and we want to help them in every way we can. Our first vice president, Ginny Amling, as well as our membership chairman, Carole O'Hare, would welcome an opportunity to be of assistance to any such chapter.

Our objectives

Why all this thrust for membership and chapter expansion? It certainly is not for setting records or counting numbers. Many hands, hearts, and voices are needed to carry out our Guild objectives. These objectives are really twofold. We exist to create and develop a greater interest in Valparaiso as an institution of Christian higher learning, thus assisting in student enrollment; and, secondly, we give financial assistance to the University, thus providing facilities necessary for the student’s welfare.

Henry Ward Beecher once said: "When God wanted sponges and oysters He made them and put one on a rock and the other in the mud. When He made man He did not make him to be a sponge or an oyster; He made him with feet and hands, and head and heart, and vital blood, and a place to use them and He said to him, 'Go work.'"

Person to Person

How can we go to work in this area of student enrollment? We recognize we are living in a decade that is faced with declining student enrollment, cutbacks in financial aid, and a fierce competition among all universities for students. The Guild's special program in this area is our Person to Person program. This has been a most beneficial program, with Guild members all over this country making phone calls to high school students in their areas who have indicated an interest in Valparaiso University. This is a gratifying experience, as in most cases these students are very happy to hear from us. We have seen success in many cases where that one phone call was the deciding factor in selecting Valparaiso as the school the student chose to attend. It was evidence of the love and concern that exists when the student comes to the campus. We cannot do enough of this sort of thing. The Valpo story has got to be spread in all of our communities, churches, schools, and in every other possible media. When a chapter commits itself to the Person to Person program, however, it must be sure to complete the calls and to report the results to the admissions office promptly in order to make the program effective.

Valpo Sunday

How else can we spread the Valpo story? For several years, we have worked jointly with Public and Alumni Affairs to promote Valpo Sunday in all of our churches. This is such an excellent way to tell our story to large numbers of people. Our Valpo Sunday chairman is always ready to give you good ideas to best carry out this program in your individual congregations.

Our projects

Let us now consider our other objective: our financial assistance to the University, thus providing facilities necessary for the student's welfare. You have only to look in every direction on this campus to see evidence of what the Guild has contributed in the past fifty years in the way of
material things to benefit students. Take time this weekend and refer to the updated list of past Guild projects.

Many of you were present at our gala 50th anniversary convention last September when the more than 500 members in attendance took a bold giant step forward in adopting the largest project ever attempted in Guild history. This body unanimously resolved to raise $500,000 over the next five years for the construction of six racquetball courts for the proposed new Athletic/Recreation Center. It was done with a spirit of confidence, sacrifice, and love that was beautiful to witness. No one believed for a moment that it would be easy, but no one doubted that it could be done. Although this project sounds enormous, it still falls considerably short of some former Guild projects when one considers size of membership and the effects of inflation.

Several of us had the opportunity in the days following the convention to see how we could accomplish this challenge we placed before ourselves. Chapters that we visited had captured the spirit of the convention and were busily making plans to double and even triple their project efforts as quickly as they could because they recognized that this was how it must be done. These kinds of accomplishments are what will be needed throughout the entire Guild if we are to meet our objective. The Guild has put before itself a huge challenge, but with all of us working together, the task will be a joy!

This afternoon we will devote a good portion of time to a workshop presented by Second Vice President Marty Mattes on "Marketing the Challenge" and a presentation by Activities Chairman Paula von Kampen on new ideas for projects. We will invite you to share any ideas you have, and hopefully at the conclusion of this afternoon we will be inspired and confident as we undertake the task before us.

University Board praises Guild

I wish each of you could attend a University Board meeting with me sometime. The Board members almost embarrass me with their praise for the Guild and its service to the University. I want you to know this and personally feel this appreciation. The Board's campaign committee is busily setting up its program, and the chairman stated that this committee looked upon members of the Guild as "pacesetters" in the forthcoming campaign. He said our action at convention gave them the courage to think in terms of a higher goal than they might have considered. We are genuine partners in this endeavor, lest you should ever feel unappreciated. I hope you, as leaders in your chapters, will convey this appreciation to your many hard working members.

Study committee

Even with this vote of confidence by the University Board and all of the enthusiasm, inspiration, and confidence we gained from our golden jubilee convention last fall, you should know that your Guild board has a deep interest in knowing that the Guild continues in the right direction, doing the right things. To reexamine our Guild efforts, the board has appointed a long range study committee to review fully how we are organized, how we operate, and in general our total effectiveness. It will be headed by past national president Jackie Jungemann and will report its findings to the Guild board of directors next February. Members of this committee are Lois Hoeppnner, Lynn Bahl, Marilyn Krueger, and the current president of the Guild.

I am confident this committee will confirm our basic objectives—that of assisting in student recruitment and providing financial assistance to the University. Hopefully we will find additional ways to become more effective. We can also be sure that whatever there is for us to accomplish, it won't be done with timid and faltering steps.

In closing, I would like to paraphrase an old Chinese proverb: "To get through the hardest journey"—or challenge, in our case—"we need take only one step at a time, but we must keep on 'GIANT STEPPING!'"
A significant Giant Step for the Guild's future was taken with the appointment of a Long-Range Study Committee. Made up of leaders who have known and served the Guild in various capacities over the years, the committee, pictured here (from left to right), consists of Lois Hoeppner, Ruth Russler, Marilyn Krueger, Jackie Jungemann (chairman), and Lynn Bahls. After examining every aspect of Guild life, the committee will present its findings and suggestions to the Executive Council in February, 1983.

Alberta Krafft, Milwaukee Suburban president, picks up cookbooks for her chapter.

First Vice President Virginia Amling describes the Cincinnati Chapter's Guild Goodies—playing cards picturing the Brandt campanile.
Chairmen of standing and special committees before their Thursday evening meeting: (seated, from the left) Marilyn Krueger (New Chapter Developer), Chita Easton (Bylaws), Judy Beumer (Calendar), Lynn Bahls (Parliamentarian), (standing) Shirley Honold (Person to Person), Paula Strietelmeier (Cookbook Sales), Norma May (New Chapter Advisor), Paula vonKampen (Activities), Carole O'Hare (Membership), Paula Sauer (Historian) and Bev Wick (VU Sunday).

Saturday began at 7:15 a.m. with Area working breakfasts. Judy Waetjen, Area III director, commends her chapter presidents. Twenty of twenty-one chapters in Area III sent representatives to the Council meeting.
As Ruth mentioned this morning, there are many footsteps around us today. You first saw the blue and white ones on the “Call” which came to invite you to this meeting. Now you see them again on your name tags, your packets and on your agenda covers. And you even see large red and white ones walking up the board behind me. And I have no doubt at all that you are going to hear a good many things about footsteps and giant steps in these next 24 hours and, probably, for quite awhile down the road. For after all, we are just beginning to take our first steps into the next 50 years.

It was at our Board Meeting in November that we decided to use the idea of “Take a Giant Step” for this important February Council Meeting. So for weeks after that I kept trying to think of some visual way to capture that idea—some way to provide a visual logo for this meeting. Then one morning, as I was walking across the parking lot on the way to the printer’s, I saw it. I actually ran back to the office and burst in on Esther and Sharon with, “I’ve got it! I’ve got it!”

And I went out, bought some film, went back to that cold parking lot and began taking pictures of the ground. People in their offices just looked out of their windows and shook their heads! And when Dean Vance’s new assistant drove in and got out of her car, she walked over to me and said, “Betsy, what in the world are you doing?” I told her that we were having our Guild Executive Council Meeting in seven weeks and that I was looking for a visual logo for our theme, “Take a Giant Step.” And she said, quite rightly, looking down at the ground, “But Betsy, I don’t see any giant steps. In fact, I don’t even see one giant step.” And she grinned and went on. And I grinned—and took five more pictures.

What she didn’t realize was that I was taking pictures of Guild giant steps—coming from the past and going off into the future. Because, you see, when you take a picture of Guild giant steps, they look quite regular and normal. For when we Guild people take giant steps, we take them in our stride!

We’ve been taking them, now, for fifty-one years. And we’ll be taking them, surely, for the next five. Five years is a very long time. And I’m sure that we’ll be doing very many different things in those five years—doing this, trying that. Somebody will get a new idea, and we’ll go this way. Or we’ll walk that way. But we’ll
always be moving forward.

Yesterday I heard something that President O. P. Kretzmann said to the students of this university the day after Pearl Harbor, a day when they were looking ahead to uncertain years. He said, “Our prayers may change, but our faith will remain constant.” And that’s what I feel about this giant step. What we do and how we do it—and what we think after we’ve heard the report of the new Long-Range Study Committee (to be chaired by Jackie Jungemann, as Ruth announced this morning)—may change. We probably will do things differently in these next five years. But our commitment and our goals will remain constant.

We’ve all been very excited by the challenge of the last two years and by our recent giant steps, forty-five new chapters in those two years! But let me remind you of the large giant steps we took in the five years before that challenge. They, too, are just amazing.

In 1975 we began Cookbook II. In 1975 we first began to sell Guild puzzles. In 1975 we gave the first Guild scholarship. In 1975, can you believe it, we had our first Membership Chairman! (And it was just in 1973 that we had our first Person to Person Chairman! We’d been doing these things, but not in such an organized and efficient way.)

In 1975, also, we began the full and helpful Quarterly Newsletter that you all receive as chapter presidents. Before that time there had been only two letters a year that went out to chapter presidents, and they were written solely by the Activities Chairman! It was Jackie in her administration who decided that we needed a quarterly mailing so that all of the committee chairmen and officers could communicate regularly with every chapter in the Guild. That was a huge step, wasn’t it? These were all huge steps. And now, mostly, we just take them all for granted. Yet every one of these significant things happened just five years before our challenge!

And would you believe that it was in 1976 that we had our first VU Sunday Chairman? Again, we’d been doing VU Sunday for ages, but we designated a VU Sunday chairman only in 1976. In 1977 we began using Celebration Cards so that we could celebrate with our friends and relatives—or honor them—and at the same time contribute to the residential ministry of the Chapel. In 1978 Guild Goodies became the responsibility of the vice president and so there came into being an orderly procedure for the Goodies to make their way into the Bulletin.

And, always looking ahead, it was in 1978 that our 50th Anniversary Committee and its chairmen were appointed—so that everything would

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Welcome new chapters formed since Convention!

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be ready for the great celebration in 1981!

In 1980 Ruth appointed our first Coordinator of State Units. In 1980, also, came the far-reaching appointments of our first New Chapter Developer and our first New Chapter Advisor. In 1980 we had a special State Unit Study Chairman. And it was in 1980 that we asked the AAL to give us the grant of $10,000 to print our history.

In the five-year period before the challenge, our Bulletin outreach, too, took an enormous giant step. The Bulletin began to be sent to Valpo faculty members, given to the senior women, and mailed to nearly 1500 pastors across the United States. So on our own campus, among our own faculty and students—and within the church—the Guild began to be better known. It came into focus. Our image became clear and sharp, and people really began to see more fully just what the Guild was and what it was doing.

And then listen to this! In the sixteen years before the challenge—from 1963 to 1979—we started forty-two new chapters. And in the last two years we have started forty-five. Giant steps! But when the Guild takes its giant steps, it takes them in its stride.

And Ruth and I saw a great giant step just this last Monday at the Senior Women's banquet. Our local chapter gives the dinner here, in the Great Hall of the Union. And there were so many people here, so many students here, that we had to have the two serving lines outside in the lobby! The food was just great, of course, and all of us—particularly the 400 students!—enjoyed it.

Then Ruth and I spoke. Ruth gave just a splendid explanation of what the Guild is, and I told them about three things that had to do with one very large thing: themselves and Valparaiso University. If you'll bear with me, I'm going to tell you a few of the things that I said to those women on Monday, because I believe that they have something to do with our giant steps.

I started off by saying, "Do you know that it's only eleven days until Spring Break?" They did, of course, and everybody clapped wildly. "Then, I went on, "When you come back, it's only twenty-one days till Easter." They thought about that.

And then I said, "And then it's just four more weeks, and it's over." And nobody clapped.

And then I said to them, "Don't take these weeks—and don't take Valpo—for granted. Make of your eye a camera. Take pictures of your friends, your roommate, your room, your classes, your profs. Take pictures of the chapel in the sunset, of those dogs that somehow are always running around on old campus, of the guys who are underneath their cars, trying to get them to work again. Talk to some of the profs you've been avoiding like the plague. Go to a couple of concerts, go to the basketball games if you haven't gone before. Take everything in, so that when you graduate, you can turn your tassel with a smile—because you'll know, inside yourself, that you really know—and you really have—what Valpo has to give."

And I told them to celebrate their last campus Easter in the Chapel of the Resurrection, for this may well be their last Easter with the great organ, the choirs, the pastel balloons catching the light, the many people coming out of the narthex after the service and grabbing each other and shouting, "He is risen!"

And then I said, "Take it all and keep it all, because Valpo will never be the same when you are gone." And that's true. Valpo is never quite the same place again after the students in a senior class have graduated.

And then I told them that when they come to their commencement, they shouldn't take that for granted either. For they came here from their homes and high schools with differing backgrounds, experiences, and talents and, because of those things and their years at Valpo, they've grown and blossomed and have something really fine to offer and to share with the world. Because of their friends, their faculty, and their strengthened faith, they are very special people. And
they are graduating from a very special place. And I told them, too, that after they turn that tassel, they must never take Valpo—or the person that they have become here—for granted.

And then I tied my talk in a bit with what Ruth had just told them about the Guild. I mentioned again our new chapters and our thousand new members, both gained during a time when membership in other voluntary organizations around the country is declining. I asked them, "Why do you think that is?" And I answered the question with, "Because we can no longer take Valpo for granted!" And that's true, too. We could lose it. For as we all know, times are becoming increasingly difficult, both for students and for the colleges they are attending. I told them that if they believed in private Christian higher education, particularly the kind that they have come to know at Valpo, they would just have to come out of the woodwork, stand up, and be counted—and join the Guild! For then, with thousands of other women around the country, they could actually have a part in the plans, the projects, and the decisions that could help insure our very survival. And I told them that I honestly believed that there was nothing more important that they could do for Christian education than to be a member of the Valparaiso University Guild.

So I told them to go out and turn their tassel with a smile. And to come back. And I prayed that God would truly bless their going out and their coming in.

Then Paula Strietelmeier, our chapter's vice president (as well as national cookbook chairman), called to the attention of our student guests the Wise Maiden brochures that were on the tables and showed them where they could write their names and addresses if they wanted to join the Guild. And those kids sat there and wrote down their names and addresses and said that they wanted to join the Guild! And we had a stack this high! A stack of giant steps.

I believe that the giant steps that we've been taking for fifty-one years have a great deal to do with the giant steps those senior women took on Monday. You'll remember that when I first spoke to them they clapped. And then their claps turned to silence. For many, that silence turned into tears. We've been taking our giant steps so that they could have some tears, could have a University that they valued so, could have the good friends that they so hated to leave, could have a place where they knew that their minds and hearts and faith had grown, a place from which they could turn their tassel with a smile.

Ruth began her 50th Anniversary Convention address, you'll remember, with "Hallelujah." When I looked out at those students—and when I look out at you, now, I say, too, "Let's shout our Hallelujah one more time and be on our way—taking our giant steps as we've always taken them. In our stride."

"Lift High the Cross." Barb Rießheimer, Ruth Russler, Lynn Bahls, Ginny Amling, Marty Mattes and Millie Kolterman join with all Council members in a hymn during opening devotions Friday morning.

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The nominating committee meets bright and early Friday morning to select candidates for the offices of Guild president and first and second vice presidents. These officers will be elected at Convention in the fall. Committee members, from the left, are Barbara Maas, Jan Wozniak, Marilyn Krueger (chairman), Betty Hecht and Dot Franzen.

The foyer of Neils Science building was the setting for cocoa, cookies and chatter as Council members arrived Thursday evening.

Representatives of 26 of the 45 new chapters formed in the past two years pause for a photograph after Saturday breakfast with the Guild's officers.
TAKE A GIANT STEP

President Ruth Russler at the Friday night buffet.

Student guests at Friday night's buffet: Jeff Jungemann, Kathy Honold and Kris Kolterman.

Council members joined the campus community Friday evening for "A Program of Song Cycles" by Dominick Argento, who was on campus for the four-day festival of his works. Pictured here is mezzo-soprano Marcia Lewis, one of the faculty artists on Friday's program.

Cookbook III Editor Barbara Maas reports receipt of more than 1000 recipes for the new volume. Twenty-four volunteers have begun to test/edit recipes.
TAKE A GIANT STEP

Area Directors with their coordinator before settling down to serious meetings Thursday evening. From the left, seated: Shirley Jud (Area I), Lynne Glick (Area IV), Judy Waetjen (Area III), Vi Brelje (Area IV). Standing: Bonnie Ornat (Area VII), Marty Mattes (Coordinator of ADs), Esther Hildner (Area II), Barbara Wetterman (Area VIII), Marge Kuehnert (Area V) and Gayle Schmidt (Area VI).

Past President Beata Madoerin shares a laugh with Treasurer Millie Kolterman.

At the Area VII breakfast, Ruth Lewis, Fort Wayne president, talks with Professor Ted Westermann, head of the sociology department, who will be retreat leader at the Indiana State Unit meeting in Tipton on April 17 and 18.
IN THESE DAYS:

In these Days. . .A Call for Vitality, Vision and Volition

President Robert V. Schnabel

It is always an exciting privilege to meet with the national and chapter officers of the University Guild at the annual convocation of the Executive Council. It is more exciting than ever to meet with you as University and Guild together embark upon new ventures of faith and hope, courage and commitment, in the quest to sustain and advance the cause of Christian higher education in the Lutheran tradition at Valparaiso. I deem it an honor to address you today on the topic, IN THESE DAYS. . .A CALL FOR "VITALITY, VISION, AND VOLITION."

I. Signs of Vitality

On this occasion I shall not set forth a great number of facts about the present "state of the University." Suffice it to say that the University is showing many signs of vitality. The priorities and planning principles we have adopted are not a map etched in indelible ink but a guide to lead us onward and to be modified, as new circumstances arise, in the pursuit of our shared goals.

What a thrill it was, at the September convention of the Guild, when its members not only reaffirmed the goal of continuing aggressive activities to increase the number and strengthen the service of its chapters and (of highest importance today) to intensify its Person to Person program to reach out to increasing numbers of prospective students, but also adopted a five-year $500,000 fund-raising effort to underwrite the handball/racquetball complex of the Athletics-Recreation Center which has been identified as a top priority to provide adequate facilities for physical education, recreation, and intercollegiate sports activities that will serve the best interest of all students.

This was the most significant fund-raising decision since the Guild took hold of the multiple-year project to provide and furnish Guild Hall. I encourage you not to be daunted by the magnitude of the $500,000 goal you have just adopted, for the $100,000 project in the 1940s which led to the construction and furnishing of Guild Hall, with adjustments for inflation during the past four decades, makes these two projects very comparable. As then, the current project will not be achieved simply by "doing business as usual." There will have to be special measures of prayer and effort. But it can be accomplished, as your Guild predecessors achieved their goal!

There are many signs of vitality in the University. After beginning the year with an enrollment approximately equal to the previous year's ten-year high, we made the turn into the second semester this year with the same overall enrollment
as last year. This did not take place without con-
considerable belt-tightening and sacrifice on the part
of our students and their families and the Uni-
versity itself.

There are also signs of vitality in the University Guild. The national officers led by Ruth
Russler, who is a most valuable member of and
contributor to the University Board of Directors,
have displayed vision and vigor. The members of
the staff, led by Betsy Nagel, have provided de-
voted executive and support services. The Guild
Bulletin, with the deft editorial skill of Lee Klein-
hans, has reached new levels of excellence. The
directors of Guild programs have built on and
consolidated the gains achieved by their prede-
cessors.

For all of these gifts, we are grateful.

Rather than dwelling on the signs of present
vitality, permit me to focus today on the other
two elements of my topic—Vision and Volition.

II. Vision and Volition

Any university, including Valparaiso, is only
as good as its faculty. Qualified and motivated
students are of great importance, to be sure, but
students come and go every four years and what
they are led to aspire and to achieve depends in
greatest measure on the excellence, commitment,
and effectiveness of the teacher-scholars who
comprise the faculty.

We are blessed in having many faculty mem-
bers who have both high professional compe-
tence and an understanding of Valparaiso Uni-
versity as a home of learning and a citadel of
Christian faith. Many of them have helped shape
the University’s past. This is a past of which we
are proud.

A university cannot be a Christian university
unless members of the faculty, in significant
numbers and ways, think that faith and prayer
and the life of the spirit are important, that the
Gospel is the most important message of all. If
such professors are not here to be a living em-
bodyment of what a Lutheran university is, all
else will not do it.

Many formerly church-related universities
and colleges in the United States have lost their
church identity and connections. The vision of a
great Christian university, to say nothing of a
great Lutheran university, is not widely under-
stood or shared today. Valparaiso University is
swimming against the current of a society which
separates faith and higher education. This is true
even with members of our Lutheran churches
who, when considering colleges or universities
to attend or to which to send their sons and
daughters, more often than not choose them on
the basis of the institution’s price or geographi-
cal proximity rather than on the basis of its com-
mittance to Christian values. For them, as for us,
it is easy to profess spiritual and eternal values
but to be caught up in temporal and material
concerns.

Our heritage is not an heirloom merely to be
admired and preserved, but a legacy to be grate-
fully received and further developed. We have
joined together in a new campaign for V.U. to be
to all that it can be. It is a campaign to secure the
resources needed if the University is to more fully
reach its goals and to incarnate its vision. We
face many shoals and rapids:

The fallen birthrate means there will soon
be 30 percent fewer college-age youth
who are potential university students than
there were before 1960. How important,
then, our joint efforts to identify Luther-
an and other youth who should be invited
to consider V.U.

Economic inflation makes it ever more
difficult for the University simultaneously
to meet fixed costs, increase student aid
funds, and raise faculty and staff salaries
to the point where they begin to approach
the median salaries offered by colleges
and universities in this country. Each year
we have seniors who graduate and take
jobs which pay more than their teachers
at V.U., who have an earned doctorate
and 25 years of teaching experience, re-
cieve.

After almost 25 years of commitment by
federal and state governments to provide
financial aid to college students, as a mat-
ter of national interest and societal well-
being, we are now faced with decisions
by government leaders to drastically re-
duce or eliminate most of the established
student financial aid programs: federal
basic grants are to be reduced, supple-
mental grant and direct student loan pro-
grams eliminated or severely curtailed,
and college work-study programs to be

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given 30 percent less funding than at the present time.

We face continued lack of understanding of or indifference to the idea of a Lutheran university on the part of most of the members of our congregations.

Many institutions of higher education will be swept under in these currents and rapids. Our goal is not merely that V.U. survive, but that it thrive because of our shared vision and commitment and because the University's mission as an institution that preserves and enriches our Christian faith and values is worth praying for, working for, and sacrificially giving for.

To reach these ends it is necessary that theology and the humanities be central studies at a Lutheran university and that teachers of the social and natural sciences and of professional disciplines carry out their task in ongoing conversation with theologians and humanities teachers. To have thought about the things of the spirit and matters of right and wrong, good and evil, and what makes life meaningful, is the right and responsibility of faculty members in every academic and professional discipline—otherwise we will produce lawyers who are concerned about fees but not about justice, businessmen who place their own profit above the common good, engineers who prize techniques more than social benefit, pastors who place the care of self above the care of souls, and professors who neglect the knowledge most worth having.

It is not easy to engage in scholarship and learning in the context of the Gospel that the world often rejects. It is not a simple thing to teach students to understand and commit themselves to cherish the word and work of God, divine power and grace, to grasp in a personal way the meaning of Baptism and Eucharist, in a world of unbelief, sensuality, lawlessness, unrestrained self-expression and instant gratification, the cynicism that knows the price of everything and the value of nothing—all presented to make them look sophisticated and modern and most worth pursuing.

There are "better" universities around than Valparaiso, as measured by secular, academic and professional standards. Whether V.U. will or will not achieve its aspiration of being a university that is excellent as an institution of higher learning and also distinctively and distinguishably Christian, will depend on the seriousness with which we pursue our quest and enlist hosts of others—especially members of the alumni, Guild, Lutheran congregations, and other constituencies—to support us with prayers and resources and help us to enlist the kinds of students who can benefit from a Valpo education. Without such vision and commitment and help, we cannot succeed. This will happen if we abandon our faith, lose our vision, delude ourselves as to what is demanded, or begin to drift away from Christian commitments and Lutheran moorings.

There is no easy way of achieving an excellent university of any kind, and to attain the aspiration of Valpo as an excellent Lutheran university is yet more demanding. For Valpo is a very special place:

It is not owned, operated, or controlled by the Lutheran Church, and it has no direct financial support of any church body, yet it is committed to service of the Church.

Valpo is not supported directly by state or federal governments in any way, yet it is committed to preparing men and women to live out their Christian Calling in public and community service as well as through their chosen professions.

This vision can become a reality if we all really believe in it and work with courage to achieve it. Halford E. Luccock (Marching Off the Map) put it this way:

"Experience seems to teach a lesson of enormous significance for the Church of our day and of any day, that God gives power only to persons who need it. He does not waste power. He gives it to those who have tackled something so big, so overwhelming, that their own resources are quite insufficient. Such a tackling of a task too big for human power is the opening of the door through which there comes the rushing of a mighty wind of the Spirit."

May our gracious God give us the faith and values and vision, the hope and courage and commitment, for the facing of the hour. Let the doors be opened so wide that the mighty wind of the Spirit may rush in upon us.
TAKE A GIANT STEP

Challenges met and challenges set before us.

Marty Mattes helps us market the new challenge.

Janie Lichtfuss grins over $6852.85 received in pledges for the 50th convention's The Just One More Guild Run.

Betsy Nagel holds a gift of the Geiseman Memorial Chapter for the Guild office—a replica of the logo for last year's successful 50th anniversary Golden Giver Thanksgiving program.

Rin Seibert of the physical education department shows us the need for our new project.

Paula vonKampen tells us how the Bed and Breakfast plan will work.
Marty Mattes begins her "Marketing the Challenge" workshop with her flip chart turned to the Guild's Convention Resolution. Each chapter president is being asked to give a similar presentation to her members, using the specially produced chapter-size chart provided by the National Guild.
Join the

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Membership Requirements:

Per Project Fund Increase

or

Project Revenue Per Chapter Member of year.

whichever is greater

HOW TO'S

-find means committee now to develop plans to increase your revenues.

-concrete goals for achievement.

- emergency plan you can adopt before end of fiscal year if your project funds are projected goal (i.e. a quick garage sale; bake sale, etc.).

- Activities Chairman to increase your revenues.

- Can't.

Projects at end of year with eye toward next year.

Giant Step Club Chapters

will be recognized at Convention every year.
At home, Georgia

"The Building of the Chapel," a slide set available from the Guild office, was Atlanta's first program of the new year. Dr. Thomas Droege, a professor in VU's theology department who is on sabbatical in Atlanta, will speak to the chapter about his research on the healing ministries of the church.

Brandywine (Wilmington, Delaware)

Northern Virginia

Guild-sponsored Advent Vespers were held at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Springfield. Music was provided by youth choirs from area churches.

The Washington, D.C. Chapter will join with Northern Virginia as hostesses for a reception following a concert by University organist Philip Gehring in June.

Elm

Elm Chapter is bridging the generation gap. Three recent Valpo graduates who are daughters of chapter members have joined the Guild: Anne Bengtson, daughter of Mrs. Kenneth Bengtson; Linda Hakanson, daughter of Mrs. Richard Hakanson; Kathy Selk, daughter of Mrs. LaVerne Selk.

Chicago

Chicago Chapter President Dorothy Zoellick has devised a new Tax Return form which assesses members a few cents a day for such things as the number of crosses in their homes, the number of books they've read in the month, the number of nickels in their wallets, etc. In March Chicago will have a dessert luncheon meeting with a Make, Bake and Take Sale and a silent auction. A luncheon and games party is scheduled for April.

Greater Kansas City

Zion Lutheran Church in Overland Park, Kansas, was the place. Pat Ilten's slides of the Holy Land were the program. Ideas for fund raisers were on the agenda for the chapter's January meeting. Then came promotion of Valpo
Sunday in local churches. A Make and Take Auction is coming up in the spring.

Land of Lakes, Minnesota
This brand new chapter has joined the ranks of those who sell pecans for the Guild. They also filled two-pound coffee tins with cookies—CARE packages for Valpo students from their area.

New Mexico
Though this chapter is less than a year old, its members celebrated the Guild’s golden jubilee a few days before Thanksgiving. “Giving Thanks for 50 Years of Valpo Guild” was their theme.

Houston, Texas
Now approaching its second birthday, Houston’s January meeting featured “Genealogy Research,” a program highlighting German immigration into Texas. Coming up is a songfest and cookie exchange.

Rochester, Minnesota
Two highlights of the year were a potluck luncheon, to which guests were invited, and a program presented by the director of a nursing home.

AREA IV
Cheechako, Alaska
President Donna Nicholus writes, “Our plans for Valpo Sunday are really spectacular. I can’t believe the cooperation and enthusiasm in Cheechako. The potential is limitless.” This new chapter’s pre-Christmas bake sale netted $116 for the Guild Courts.

Santa Clara Valley, California
From Karlynn Emanuel: “Our November Cookbook Luncheon was a jubilee! Despite our electrical blackout, our wonderful guests were most patient as the turkey scallop cooked and the cranberry mold hardened. Neither wind, nor rain, nor power outages could keep this chapter from having a good time. We thank God for all His blessings!” In December they had a family Christmas brunch.

AREA V
Milwaukee Afternoon
In its forty-ninth year, this chapter meets for lunch every other month. Among their programs have been a book review, a cookie walk, an Egyptian travelogue and hints on sewing and gardening. Executive Director Betsy Nagel met with the chapter’s board in February.

Sheboygan
A year of interesting programs included the following: speakers on the hospice program, transcribing in braille, traveling in France and Belgium, decorating Easter eggs. The year will end with a luncheon and annual auction.

AREA VI
Eleonora Junke of Mt. Clemens reports on Guild activities in Michigan in “The Guild Grapevine,” her monthly column in The Michigan Lutheran. This harvest from Eleonora’s grapevine:

Midland...
...gained one new member at its January meeting at the Holiday Inn. They had their annual baked rolls sale between services on Valpo Sunday.

Traverse City (Northwoods Chapter)...
...met in January at the home of Eunice Pines, who presented a program on “Genealogy: Tracing Your Family Tree.” Eunice has made a hobby of determining ancestry in the maze of history.

Detroit...
...held a luncheon meeting in February at Charity Church at which Margaret E. Hahn of Grosse
Pointe reviewed Carol Gelderman's book, *Henry Ford, the Wayward Capitalist*. The author was born in Grosse Pointe and attended school with Mr. Ford's granddaughters. The chapter plans a May party "Luncheon and Parade of Fashions from Bygone Days" at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

**Mt. Clemens.**

... plans a spring dessert and card party on March 15 at Trinity Church Memorial Hall.

**Battle Creek.**

... Guild members enjoyed a talk on investments by Richard Arndt at the January meeting at the home of Charlotte Campbell.

**Berrien County No. 68.**

... met for a February potluck dinner in the fellowship hall of Trinity, St. Joseph, and participated in a "Fun Night" under the direction of Mrs. Irwin Jaffke.

**Port Huron.**

... Judge and Mrs. Ernest Oppliger hosted an hors d'oeuvre Valentine celebration for the chapter on February 14.

**Jackson.**

... Welcome this new chapter, formed on January 21! Area Director Gayle Schmidt reports that, in spite of extremely bad weather, Executive Director Betsy Nagel came from Valpo and Gayle from Traverse City to meet with six charter members at the home of Barb Knueppel.

**Flint**

Flint plans an annual "Valpo Day" to coincide with the university's spring break. "Each year we visit a different congregation. We begin by showing a slide presentation about Valpo. That is always effective in raising interest. Then one of our vacationing students shares that most important firsthand experience. There are short talks by various alumni and the parents of a current student. Answering questions is a high spot in the program, especially in relation to financial aid, quality of education and the realities of student life on campus. Lemonade and brownies pleasantly complete the activity."

**Kalamazoo**

On Kalamazoo's calendar this year are a fondue party, craft party, card party, Holy Land slides and the annual potluck supper.

**Michigan City**

Carol Laesch, Molly Karstens and Jan Schlegelmilch (left to right) take time out from their baking to chat. They are preparing desserts for the Michigan City annual dessert and card party held at Immanuel Lutheran Church on January 28.

**Hammond**

In addition to chapter projects, Hammond members also undertake individual fund-raising projects. Some of the ways in which they participate as individual members are to invite friends into their homes for a Valpo benefit card party, to sit with the ill and elderly, to sell their own craft items and baked goods.

**Cincinnati**

Desserts, luncheons and dinners serve as settings for Cincinnati meetings. Programs have ranged from Valpo films to speakers on nutrition to style shows.

**Columbus Capital Bells**

The Columbus Capital Bells are to be hostesses for a May 15 luncheon featuring Guild President Ruth Russler. Members of every chapter in Ohio are invited to come and share this afternoon with our own Ohio national Guild president.
University President A. G. Huegli examines *Guild Cookbook Volume II* at the 1978 Executive Council meeting with Guild President Jackie Jungemann and Midge Rivers, cookbook editor.

At Convention 1975 (from the left): Retiring Executive Director Ber Ruprecht, former Executive Secretary So Heidbrink and newly installed Executive Director Betsy Nagel.
President Lynn Bahls, at podium, presents membership awards at 1971 Convention.

President Sylvia Wismar, known throughout the Guild for her unusual hats, presides at the 1966 Convention. First Vice President Wilma Jacobs is seated at the right.

President Beata Madoerin (standing, center) with officers at the 1973 Executive Council Meeting. Standing left, is Ber Ruprecht and, right, Janie Lichtfuss. Seated, from the left, Alice Orling, Shirley Honold and Vera Doty.
President Janie Lichtfuss unveils a new Guild project—a puzzle of the Chapel chancel windows—at the 1975 Executive Council Meeting. Lynn Bahls and Jackie Jungemann are seated at right.

### GUILD GOODIES

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The seventh edition in the series of imported Christmas ornaments by the Saginaw Chapter is a champagne and gold satin finished ornament for the golden jubilee of the University Guild. Imprinted on the ornament in dark brown are Guild Hall, the 50th anniversary logo of the Guild, and the University seal and date.

Price increase on all ornaments effective April 1, 1981.
This sun-catcher is a new Guild Goodie from Columbus, Indiana. The 3½”-high “V” with a torch in its center is made in tones of brown and gold glass and comes with a suction cup window hanger. Cost is $5.50, plus 50¢ for shipping. Order from:

Joyce Anderson
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From California’s San Fernando Valley comes a potholder/hot pad with the Guild seal in dark brown on beige muslin edged in brown. Price: $2.50, plus 50¢ for shipping and handling. Order from:

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Telephone: 213/991-2731

Organize your recipes, clippings, household hints, poems, or favorite anything in this spiral-bound “My Favorites” blank book. Contains 121 blank white pages, 8½” x 5½”, and nine colored dividers. Gold gloss cover. Price $3.00. Shipping $1.50. Order from:

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GUILD GOODIES

Congress playing cards with Valparaiso University and sketch of Brandt bell tower on back. Standard deck with two jokers in a velour drawer case, cello-wrapped. Decks are available with blue and gold or red and gold borders. Cost is $2.50 per deck, plus $1.25 shipping and handling for one or two decks. Price for 12 decks is $30, plus $2.75 for shipping and handling. Make checks payable to Cincinnati Chapter, VU Guild and send orders, specifying color, to:
Mrs. H. A. Eckenfels
7598 Quail Hollow
Cincinnati, Ohio 45243
Telephone: 513/791-1751

A commemorative plate incorporating the chapel, campanile and Guild Golden Giver pin into an original design by Debbie Krautstrunk of the Geiseman Memorial Chapter will be a special keepsake of the Guild’s Jubilee Year.

The Wilton Armetale Octagonal salad plate measures 8 7/8” in diameter, with the design cast into the “well” area. Each plate is signed and numbered by the artist.
Cost per plate is $20, plus $2 for postage and handling. Make checks payable to Geiseman Memorial Chapter, VU Guild and send orders to:
Kim Bass
127 Ashland Avenue
River Forest, IL 60305

GUILD GOODIES

A needlepoint triptych in an impressionistic design of the chancel windows in the Chapel of the Resurrection is new from the New Orleans Chapter. The kit includes wool yarn and gold thread, canvas, a chart and instructions with a colored picture, hinges and a needle. The price is $20, plus $1.50 for shipping. Available from:
Mrs. Lois W. Oster
6475 Fleur de Lis
New Orleans, Louisiana 70124
Telephone: 504/282-6283
Three New Slide Sets Available For Your Meetings

"The Jubilee Convention Banners" is a color slide presentation of the vibrantly beautiful chapter banners created for the 50th anniversary year and hung during Convention in the Chapel. Requested by hundreds of women at Convention, the set consists of 120 slides and shows the banners, individually, and also how they looked in their Chapel setting. A short introduction to be read by a narrator is included. How long the presentation takes is up to you!

"Introducing the Guild" describes the goals of the Guild, our organization, major programs and projects. It emphasizes both the importance of Christian higher education at Valparaiso University and the Guild's importance to VU. Excellent for a guest night, the program consists of 67 color slides and a script to be read by a narrator. It runs approximately 25 minutes.

"The Building of the Chapel" is Professor Kenneth Mortimer's informative and entertaining slide story of the actual building of the Chapel of the Resurrection and of the Brandt Campanile. It includes the installation of our Guild bells. Appropriate for any Guild gathering and particularly suited for an event with men in the audience, the program consists of 120 color slides and Professor Mortimer's cassette narration. It runs 45 minutes.

The sets are available free from the Guild office and will be sent to you by United Parcel Service. Please send us your requests as early as you can and please return the slides to us by UPS as soon as possible.

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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING of the VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD, INC. February 26-27, 1982

The Executive Council of the Valparaiso University Guild, Inc., met on the campus of Valparaiso University on Friday and Saturday, February 26 and 27, 1982.

"Lift High the Cross" was the theme of the morning devotions, which were led by William Sames and Vicars Dennis Starr and John Pless. Student singers were Britt Olson, Wynemah Hinlicky, Mike Rinehart, and Mike Rivers. Margaret Zobel provided piano accompaniment.

BUSINESS SESSION

Mrs. D. W. (Ruth) Russler, national president, called the business session to order at 8:40 a.m. Following devotions, she extended a warm welcome to everyone and introduced the national officers, the executive director, and the past national presidents in attendance: Mrs. Frederick (Irma) Schmalz, Mrs. Gene (Lynn) Bahls, Mrs. Hershel (Beata) Madoenir, Mrs. Armin (Janie) Lichtfuss, Mrs. John (Jackie) Jungemann, and Mrs. Roy (Barbara) Maas. Past Executive Secretary Mrs. C. R. (Sophia) Heidbrink was also introduced, as were Mrs. Ellen Schnabel, the First Lady of the University, and Miss Louise Williams, Director of Deaconess Services.

MINUTES

Inasmuch as the minutes of the February 1981 Executive Council meeting were printed, as approved by a committee, in the Summer 1981 Bulletin, and there being no objection, the chair declared that the assembly dispense with their reading.

APPOINTMENTS

The Minutes Committee appointed was Mrs. Edward (Sue) Concilla, North East, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Albert (Dorothy) Kuhr, Elk Grove Village, Illinois.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letters were received from four past national presidents: Mrs. Walter (Emma) Hoppe, Miss Louise Nicolay, Mrs. William (Louise) Drews, and Mrs. Fred (Bette) Froehlich. Indiana State Unit President Mrs. Joseph (Ethel) Amodeo also sent greetings.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was printed in the Executive Council Agenda on page 4 and is summarized as follows:
Report of the Treasurer
July 1, 1981 through February 13, 1982

Balance on Hand Reserve Account $19,838.94
Receipts 67,692.30
Cash Available 87,531.24
Disbursements 39,383.67
Balance on Hand 48,147.57

First Federal Savings of Wilmette
First Federal Savings and Loan Assn. of Norwalk

The Treasurer reported that almost $6,000 had been received since the report was published. She asked that chapters send in their Guild Special contribution of $10 if they had not already done so. It was due by February 10. She concluded her report by requesting that all checks sent to her be made out to the V. U. Guild and not to the treasurer.

Guild Run Chairman Janie Lichtfuss reported that $6,852.35 had already been sent to her and that she is still accepting late monies for this 50th Anniversary Project.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

The President's report will be printed elsewhere in the Bulletin.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Mrs. James (Paula) Sauer began by displaying a tool box and then reported:

Good morning. My report today is hopefully going to be helpful to you and to your historian. As you can see, I have brought with me a tool box. Let me describe this box to you. It is large, red, a bit rusty and a lot scratched, but it is very special because it has some tools in it that a historian needs.

The symbols on the cover represent what a historian has that makes her especially suited for her job. There is a heart, symbolizing her great love for Valparaiso University and its Guild; the question mark indicates her quest and curiosity for the past; the exclamation point represents her excitement and desire to preserve and keep the records for the future.

Inside the box are contained some of the tools every historian needs:

- **Paper** - I recommend using 100% cotton (well worth the price.
- **Water soluble glue** - never paste, mucilage, or regular glues.
- **Permanent pen and/or ink** - not water colors.
- **Laminate** (such as Mylar) - self adhesive (39¢). This is especially good for news articles to keep them from becoming yellow and brittle. (You see, news print is made of wood pulp and deteriorates very quickly in air and light.)
- **Eraser** - gummed artist style to remove marks.
- **Plasticized enclosures** - 19¢ or 35¢ a sheet already punched for a binder. Remember that they need to be sealed and made air tight with a small edge of glue.
- **Waxed paper** - assists in gluing torn page edges together. Never, never tape!!!
- **Spray photo adhesive** - check with a photo store near you.
- **Binder** - comes in all prices ranging from $4 and up to leather at $30. The bookstore carries some with a University seal or you can glue on a Guild seal on a plain binder.
- **Estimated cost** for the original year's supplies is about $15, and the cost for each additional year for a long while is only about $1.

Anything worth doing is worth doing well! Some of the chapters who have kept books for decades may want to begin to place their priceless materials into airtight enclosures. They may wish that news articles from the '30s and '40s weren't so yellowed, but at least they have them, and these hints and words of suggestion should be taken to heart by all chapters.

One more item is inside my tool box and so very important for that Giant Step Forward this 1982—and it is "applause"! You presidents need to give this one to your historian. Encouragement, help, and a shared excitement over the history with your historian are tools only you and your fellow members can give. Take that giant step - update and preserve a history that will last and of which you'll be proud.

At this point, I refer you to the printed materials at your tables. On these pages you will find definite instructions on how to properly preserve your Guild records. These suggestions are excerpts from instructions for librarians and archivists. I even urge you to do some of your own reading and research on the topic if you want more answers than I have given you.

Oh, as a reminder, the tool box holds two rules to remember: Rule #1 - NEVER TAPE!!! Rule #2 - KEEP ITEMS AIR-TIGHT!!!

REPORTS OF AREA DIRECTORS I, II, and III

AREA I, Mrs. Henry (Shirley) Jud reporting:

With the magic number of 50 new chapters as our goal, Area I's emphasis for these past five months has been expansion. Phone calls and letters to contacts have really been very productive, and to date we have added 4 new chapters - in 3 new states!

On January 10 I left my family in near-zero temperatures and without electrical power (in an all-electric house) to drive to Wilmington, Delaware, to meet with a most enthusiastic group of women, who became the Brandywine Chapter of the Guild. Irma Schmalz was a guest at that meeting, and with the two of us—how could we fail?

On January 24 Marty Mattes met with a special group of future Guildies in Greenville, S. C., and the South Carolina Chapter was born.

February 7 was truly Valpo Sunday in Area I as twin chapters were born. Nashville, Tennessee, was the birthplace of the Middle Tennessee Chapter under the guidance of Marty Mattes, and Richmond, Virginia, produced the Richmond Chapter.

The weather has been a big factor in the East this winter, with excessively low temperatures and unexpected snowstorms becoming the norm. Consequently, there has been much reluctance to schedule some Guild organizational meetings until spring arrives.

Spring always heralds the start of the gardening season, and our "Guild garden" is going to be a busy place. On March 21 I will be traveling to the Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News area to plant the seeds for another Guild chapter. Two days later, on the 23rd, Barb Rhietmeyer will be "digging in" with some, we hope, future Guildies in Syracuse, New York. Then on the 28th I plan to travel to York, Pennsylvania, to get yet another new chapter rooted. April 24-25 will be spent with already blooming chapters in Northern Virginia and Connecticut, and then, on May 2, I'll be off to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

I am still attempting to sort through the massive box of files I received from Barb Rhietmeyer, but I'm not making very much progress. However, my family will tell you that I'm not a person who gets around to "sorting out" very often—usually I am too busy "moving on." Right now I'm "moving on" to the task of making Area I so big that it must be split. We have 26 chapters in 13 states and the District of Columbia, and there are 7 states in Area I without Guild chapters. The fields are ripe for harvesting. Area I, like the Guild, is growing as we "move on" to another glorious 50 years.

AREA II, Mrs. Carl (Esther) Hildner reporting:

A new chapter in Area II was started on Sunday, January 24, in Urbana, Illinois, (and we were fortunate to hit a week
between two weekends of bad weather). The name of East Central Illinois Valparaiso University Guild was chosen when they met again on February 14 to write their bylaws. We are happy to have their president, Joanne Gatz, here with us today. When Ginny Amling and I left there after their initial meeting, we had a very good feeling that this chapter has enthusiastic members.

It would be so nice to comment on interesting points about chapters, especially new chapters, but it is impossible. However, I think one I would like to mention is in regards to the South Carolina-Guild. Their first meeting was attended by two members, the next by four ladies, and the third meeting had eight ladies present. Wouldn't it be great to double at each meeting?

In the upcoming months, I still anticipate to work on forming a chapter in South Holland area and also to visit existing chapters as we step forward in the Guild work.

AREA III, Mrs. Ray (Judy) Waetjen reporting:

Growing! Growing! Growing! That's what is happening to Area III. With the latest two additions of Rapid City, South Dakota, and Little Rock, Arkansas, there are now 21 chapters within the boundaries of Area III. Located in the heart of America—from the Mississippi to the Rockies—from the Canadian border to the Gulf of Mexico—those are the boundaries of Area III, and so we have lots of room to grow. Rapid City and Little Rock are in virgin territories; three more such states exist—Montana, North Dakota and Oklahoma—but they too look very promising for future chapters.

The Little Rock chapter was organized through the experienced efforts of former Area Director Phyllis Schuessler. According to Phyllis, they seemed to have made the decision to organize before she arrived and, though small, are very enthusiastic. As a very green but growing Area Director, I was waiting for a new chapter kit to take along to Rapid City. When I called Betsy to check on it, she discovered that it hadn't been sent. But she assured me that the chapter Black Manual would be all I'd need. "Chapter Black Manual?"—I'd never heard of it. Yes, I was green, but that experience made me realize I didn't have to grow on my own. The Guild has plenty of help available, obviously more than we're sometimes aware of. Fortunately, I was able to secure a Black Chapter Manual from our chapter president, and it was helpful in organizing the Black Hills chapter. Dorothy Schnute is here representing this new chapter.

Yes, we are growing in new areas, but the existing chapters have been hard at work in increasing their membership. It's important to know that a chapter's situation can change—sometimes very quickly. An example of this is the Albuquerque chapter, which was discouraged in January but by February had added new members and is now very enthusiastic. Membership changes the local chapter, and we need to explore all avenues to increase membership. You never know who might be a prospective Guildie. Just last weekend while at a retreat, I renewed a friendship with an old Valpo friend, and now I have my eye on El Paso, Texas! One of my best friends, whom I have invited every year to our Christmas Luncheon, said to me just recently, "I wish I'd gone to Valpo so I could join the Guild." Oops, was my face green. She's coming to our next meeting!

Our chapters are all different. Some have as many as 95 members and some as few as 5, but they are all working toward a common cause. What works in one chapter may not work in another. There's a need to share ideas as well as problems. We work with one another, but we are working together as the Body of Christ within the Guild for the benefit of Valparaiso University.

I am looking forward to meeting with the Minneapolis chapters at the end of March. Hopefully it will be a meeting where the groups can get to know one another better and discover how they can help each other in their support of Valpo. Hopefully, a similar meeting can be planned for the Colorado chapters in the near future.

I praise God for the blessings I have experienced in these first few months as an Area Director, and I look forward to the opportunities for growth that lie ahead. I'd like to close with the encouraging words of promise from Psalm 37:5, "Commit thy way unto the Lord, trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass," along with Paul's words from Ephesians 3:20, "He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think." PRAISE GOD!

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN

Mrs. Gene (Lynn) Bahls gave the following report:

Since the last report, the normal regular work of the parliamentarian has included advising the officers on meeting procedures and evaluating bylaws of new chapters. It is the latter activity which has brought out the need and led to the editing of the Standard Form for Chapter Bylaws by the parliamentarian and appointed officers. The content is not modified—only the format and instructions. The active use of the form in the near couple years has indicated a few areas where clarification would be helpful. So when you see a reprint in the near future, don't be concerned that there are changes in content or amendments that you will need to make to comply.

The parliamentarian was asked to speak briefly on a parliamentary subject pertinent to this assembly. Since this meeting involves such a great percentage of chapter presidents, it is appropriate to call attention to the pages of the Chapter Manual which relate to presiding. In Section III, the page entitled "Conducting a Meeting" is a helpful guide to a presiding officer in two ways. (1) It provides a format, or agenda, to be used in planning the structure of a chapter business meeting. By using this plan, the president can fill in the details of business in advance, checking with the executive board, officers and committees to learn what each will present; and, yes, she should know in advance what will be brought to the floor by her chapter leaders. Together they will have considered their proposals and refined them before offering the plans to the members. Such advance planning saves time at a meeting of the general membership. Then when the membership is given such a plan to consider, there is something specific to discuss and decide. As the members recognize the president's good organization, they will respond with their best efforts at good organization and procedure.

The second way this page is useful is that it provides a script for a presiding officer. If words don't come easily to the presider, here is an acceptable selection of appropriate vocabulary.

The next page contains parliamentary information on what is known as Precedence of Motions which includes ways to make a proposal more acceptable and what to do when the group really isn't ready to vote "yes" or "no." The assembly may remember when, at the last convention, there was a resolution on the floor, another motion was offered and acted upon before voting on the main motion. The second motion offered was related to the main motion and needed to be decided before action could continue on the main proposal. Such motions are called subsidiary, privileged or incidental, depending on their characteristics. Some of them appear in the list entitled "Precedence of Motions," and they are listed by rank showing which are properly in order and which are not.

At the lower part of the page is a script which demonstrates the necessary steps to present and complete a
main motion. By following this important sequence, the necessary requirements of parliamentary procedure are met.

These two pages represent only the most basic information from Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, our parliamentary authority. Every presiding officer needs a copy of this book. This 1981 edition automatically supercedes the previous edition and is the one the Guild follows.

In these few minutes, it is possible only to highlight some aspects of the subject, presiding. The parliamentarian will be available at other times to discuss any details, advise or consult with any members of the assembly while here at Executive Council or later by mail.

REPORT OF THE PERSON TO PERSON COMMITTEE

Mrs. Reynolds (Shirley) Honold, chairman, reported the following:

Most of you as chapter presidents received an interim report of the Person to Person calls in the last quarterly mailing. I would like to update those figures.

There were actually 9,336 total cards given out this year; 1,006 cards were returned without any contact, which left a net 8,330. Of those 8,330 cards, 4,790 are still outstanding, and 3,540 (42.5%) calls were completed; 1,560 students indicated they were still interested in Valparaiso, and 1,980 were no longer interested; 58 Guild chapters who said they were willing to participate in the program showed no participation.

Mary Selle, Assistant Admissions Director, has recently sent out the spring cards with a request that all cards be returned no later than March 20. She is in the process of revising the Person to Person manual to give it a new look and to perhaps suggest other ways that students can be reached. One suggestion that I've heard recently, and I guess there are some chapters that do this, is to use students presently attending Valparaiso to make the calls over their Thanksgiving break. Another one I've mentioned before is to ask working mothers of students presently on campus to make the calls, as oftentimes they can't be as active as they would like in your chapter, and this is one way they can help. One chapter indicated that Person to Person is the one thing they can do because they are so small, and making money for the Guild is not easy when you have just a handful of members.

You might also consider that in this school year, VU enrolled 66 more freshmen than the previous year. As of February 19, VU had 116 more applications than last year, so the picture again looks bright for next year, depending, of course, on how the financial aid works out. I understand that so far there are only 3 applications for the Guild scholarship for next year, so mention this to your Guild chapter if one of your members has a son or daughter who will be an incoming freshman next year.

Guild members brought 14 students to campus this weekend, and I think that's just great. Over 400 parents and students are expected at the last Senior Interest Day this Saturday.

For the benefit of those of you who are new with the Guild, I would like to talk a little about the puzzle that you received it gets up on a bulletin board. I will have more copies available if you want puzzles.

Both Mary Selle and I are open to any suggestions you might have to improve the program or add to it. I'm hoping that if you know that your chapter has not been taking an active role in the Person to Person program, that you will take the giant step forward and correct that situation.

REPORT OF VALPO SUNDAY COMMITTEE

The following report was given by the chairman of the Valpo Sunday committee, Mrs. Dan (Bev) Wick:

Will those of you in this room who recognize these materials please raise your right hands? Thank you very much. The rest of you will be happy to know that these are what you would have received from the Office of Church Relations had you requested materials for your chapter: or congregation for Valpo Sunday, which was February 7. Karl Lutze has reported that requests for materials were up by 739 congregations this year. However, you will also be happy to know that the theme of my report is "IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE"! There are several ideas about Valpo Sunday which I'd like to share with you.

1. The date is not written in stone. If for some reason your pastor does not want to celebrate V.U. Sunday on the date selected by the University, perhaps because it conflicts with another special emphasis, such as Boy Scout Sunday, as it did this year, by all means, set it for another date. You may find it easier to get speakers or get better participation or tie in with another special event on a different Sunday.

2. Be ambassadors for Valpo all year long in your churches. Once your special date is past, see that each congregation in your area has a few Valpo reminders going all the time. This year's poster is not geared only to one Sunday. See that it gets up on a bulletin board. I will have more copies available for you to take home if you will use them. Keep a current General Information Bulletin in your church libraries. Put some Valpo news in your newsletters every now and then. Send it out to neighboring congregations, too. See that your Financial Secretary considers including Valpo envelopes in everyone's packets if they aren't already there. If you are able to, try to influence the congregation to include Valpo in their annual budget, even if it's for a small amount. The Office of Church Relations also has a special packet of brief, excellent devotionals for use in women's groups. Order them and use them in your LWML groups or church circles. Don't
forget to send in your lists of confirmations for future contact by the University.

3. Broaden your horizons. Don’t feel that you must be limited to your own congregations. Contact the pastors of nearby congregations. How about the ALC and LCA churches? Sue Steinbrecker from Appleton tells me that one of her members wants to sponsor a Valpo Sunday at her Congregational church! If you are not satisfied with the bulletin inserts or if you want to personalize them more, the Rochester, New York, chapter wrote their own brochures and distributed them to area churches to be used as bulletin inserts. I know each chapter will have untouched possibilities, so plan to take some steps in a new direction for Valpo.

4. Let me hear from you. If you have any questions, please let me know. I’m sure there are some obvious things I may be taking for granted. I did receive a letter asking where to send contributions. (Office of Church Relations, V.U., Valparaiso, Indiana, 46383.) Someone else asked about thank you’s for those who contribute. Yes, please take it upon yourself, if you would. The University would also like those names, if you feel free to send them.

5. Please report your efforts to me. You will all receive a copy of a general questionnaire. If you could fill it out as completely as possible and leave it on the table at the end of tomorrow’s session with the other questionnaire, I will be happy to begin tabulating. If you must collect information at home, please remember to send them back to me. I need to know what you are doing or plan to do about Valpo Sunday. To help you in your future efforts at home, you will find on your tables copies of the General Information Bulletin, the V.U. poster "70 Academic Choices, the Devotional Guides for Women’s Groups, Dr. Schnabel’s V.U. Sunday sermon, and seals. Please take them and use them.

I thank all of you who have already done your Valpo Sunday projects, and I thank the rest of you in advance for what you will be doing. Remember, it’s still not too late!

REPORT OF THE CALENDAR COMMITTEE
Mrs. Richard (Judy) Beumer gave the following report:
Having come full cycle through my first year as your calendar chairman, I want to thank you all, and especially Betsy and the Guild office, for your encouraging words and enthusiastic support during this past year. It is a privilege to work with and for women of the high caliber found in this organization.

Our Jubilee Year has been both exciting and challenging, and our challenge has only begun as we move from the baby steps of our infant years to the giant steps of our maturity.

I wish I could boast that we had already taken a giant step forward with our calendar sales. I cannot. In 1980, 4,800 of our 5,000 calendars were sold and paid for; in 1981, the number dropped to 4,600, and to date this year, 4,300 have been ordered with three-fourths paid for. As you can see, each year the number of calendars sold is dropping.

By contrast, our production cost is steadily rising from 34¢ per calendar in 1980 to 57¢ in 1981 and finally to 69¢ this past year. This cannot all be blamed on inflation for we have upgraded the paper and color of our calendar to give you a high-quality calendar to represent the Valpo Guild. We faced this increase in 1981 by raising our price from $1.00 to $1.50 per calendar and must consider increasing this to $2.00 per calendar in 1983.

The January 1982 issue of the St. Louis Commerce magazine states, “Calendars used to be given away at year’s end by all kinds of friendly business folks, but with rising production costs, the freebies have declined and commercially-produced calendars have become big business.” The Guild should anticipate being a part of this "big business" of calendar sales. I have received many positive comments on our 1982 calendar and hope that you found the supply of calendars you ordered for 1982 so easy to sell that you plan to increase your order appreciably for our 1983 product.

To cut costs, I should cut back our order to the printer from 5,000 to 4,500 calendars to match our decline in sales. That, however, would be our first step backward. Rather, I have faith that you will increase your orders this year to meet the challenge of 5,000 in 1983, causing us to order even more to meet your demand for calendars in the future.

Our calendar is a valuable medium of communication to spread the message of Valparaiso University throughout the country. And so I ask you to walk with me with giant steps forward to utilize this project to its fullest potential.

PRESENTATION
A surprise gift from members of the Geiseman Memorial Chapter, River Forest, Illinois, of an oak and walnut replica of the 50th Anniversary Pin was presented to Executive Director Betsy Nagel to hang on the wall in the National Guild Office. The presentation was made by Mrs. John (Jackie) Jungemann, and was made with the hope that the plaque will serve as a reminder of the good things the Guild has done in the last fifty years and that it will serve as an incentive to go forward with giant steps into the future.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Following announcements by the Executive Director, the noon prayer was offered by Mrs. Bert (Kay) Schulz, Battle Creek, Michigan.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION
The meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m. in the Great Hall. The first order of business of the afternoon was the CHAPTER ROLL CALL by the Secretary, Mrs. Alton Riethmeier. A total of 99 chapters represented. The total registration for the Council Meeting was 142.

Mrs. Russler recognized the thirteen new chapters who have organized since the 1981 Convention: Central Coast Chapter, California; Jackson Chapter, Michigan; South Carolina Chapter; Little Rock Chapter, Arkansas; East Central Illinois Chapter; Brandywine Chapter, Delaware; Middle Tennessee Chapter; Black Hills Chapter, South Dakota; Covered Bridge Chapter, Cedarburg, Wisconsin, Richmond Chapter, Virginia; Spokane Chapter, Washington; Bluegrass Chapter, Kentucky; and Toledo Chapter, Ohio. Of these new chapters, five are in states where we have never before had a chapter: South Carolina, Tennessee, Delaware, Arkansas, and South Dakota. These thirteen chapters will all receive their charters at the 1982 Convention.

REPORT OF THE COOKBOOK COMMITTEE
Mrs. David (Paula) Strietelmeier reported the following:
The big news in cookbooks these days is, of course, Volume III. My area of concern, which is the distribution of and bookkeeping for Volumes I and II, continues to run smoothly. Last year at Executive Council I was able to report that cookbook proceeds to date for the fiscal year were $10,000. At this point in the current fiscal year, our proceeds from sales stand at $8,000. We’re a bit down from last year, but we’re still talking about roughly $1,000 per month—a very respectable figure. When Volume III is ready for the market, it should perk up our sales of Volumes I and II. And, incidentally, I am receiving inquiries regarding Volume III much more often than I did before September, so the word must be on the grapevine.

If any of you are interested in asking booksellers in your own communities to carry our books, I have some materials to help you. The Cookbook Room will be open from 4:30 to 5:30 this evening and from 8:00 until 9:00 tomorrow morning.
for you to pick up your orders. I'm up in the Squire Room, which is the last room on the right down the hallway leading to the Bookstore.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mrs. Nagel's report is printed elsewhere in the Bulletin.

REPORT OF THE COORDINATOR OF AREA DIRECTORS

Mrs. Joseph (Marty) Mattes, Second Vice President, gave the following report:

You have been blessed with a very hard-working team of Area Directors. These gals were given a challenge at Convention to finish the task of creating 16 more chapters in order to reach our anniversary goal of 50. During these past five months, they had some tough obstacles thrown in their path—Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays and some of the worst winter weather the country has ever experienced. But they came through like champs for you and helped to organize 13 new chapters. This brings our anniversary total up to 45, a total that I'll bet most all of us, if we really admitted it, never ever thought possible. In the process, we added 5 new states to our roster: Delaware, South Carolina, Tennessee, Arkansas, and South Dakota. Our ADs got some able assistance from Phyllis Schuessler, who helped in Little Rock, from 2 gals from the Walla Walla chapter who traveled to Spokane to meet with that group of women, from Barb Maas, who initiated the Lexington effort, and from Joan Hofmeister in Michigan.

Marilyn Krueger, our New Chapter Developer, deserves enormous credit for these 13 chapters. It has been her job to find potential areas for development across the country and then a supportive woman in that area with whom the Area Director could work to develop a chapter. Marilyn has poured over alumni lists by the thousands and worn the pages thin in her atlas, matching people with places. She has given more hours than I could ever count to this job. We ADs would like to thank you, Marilyn, and I'd like for all of you here to recognize Marilyn and give her a big hand for a job so well done.

After Marilyn and our ADs do their job and a chapter is organized, the New Chapter Advisor, Norma May, takes over. Through her supportive efforts and effective communication with the new chapter presidents, she helps them get off to a good start. At Council and Convention, Norma has a special dinner get-together for the new chapter presidents. This Council she has also added a breakfast get-together. With 45 new chapters in 2 years, Norma's job has mushroomed considerably. If we don't slow down a bit, we'll have to give her an assistant. I'd like Norma to stand and be given the hand that she certainly deserves.

Your AD team sees as its major focus in this next year to assist those new chapters we've organized, most of whom are relatively small in membership, to build a strong foundation and help them to realize their full potential. We are also cognizant of the need to strengthen some of our older chapters who need renewal. So, while we will continue to develop new chapters (although perhaps not at the same feverish pace you've just been seeing), we will be spending ample time building from within, helping to keep our Guild on a strong, solid footing.

Please open your black manuals to Section II under the AD Program. Take out the sheet that lists Areas and Chapters, and insert the revised one that Es and Sharon are now distributing. That really updates this section for you.

REPORTS OF AREA DIRECTORS IV, V, and VI

AREA IV, Mrs. Peter (Lynne) Glick reporting

In a Bible class I currently attend, we are studying the Book of Acts and Paul's related letters to the young churches. Paul usually begins by addressing those to whom he is writing, and so do I address you, dear sisters of the Guild. I bring you greetings from the 20 chapters of Area IV on the West Coast of these United States.

Paul then goes on and recites those things that have happened to him and to those with whom he worked. As Co-Area Director of Area IV, I would like to share with you some of the things we have been doing. We have our business meetings, our socials and our projects. We have our wine and cheese parties, student information nights, box socials, family potlucks, fashion shows, Valpo Sunday celebrations, garage sales, Person to Person programs, workshops, speakers on various subjects, weddings, parties for almonds, dates, etc. The list goes on and on because you know that we have used your ideas.

Like these young churches, we too have our struggles. They include a lack of support at times, declining membership for some, ordering of priorities (or lack thereof), other social conflicts, geographical and logistic problems, and insufficient leadership.

As Paul exhorted these churches and gave them hope and encouragement, we too need that same hope and encouragement to continue the task before us, to publicize Valpo as the University under the cross, to recruit students, and to aid Valpo financially.

Paul continued to urge his new Christians to go into the field and bring others to the Lord. We have a similar task in our Guild—to bring others into the Guild. Paul had his faithful co-workers, his Timothy to assist him, and we in Area IV have been blessed with our own Vi Brejte, who has started 14 new chapters on the West Coast. Even Timothy would have been hard pressed to match this!

As Paul traveled, I hope to visit more of our chapters and see how they are doing, to encourage them, to help them in any way I can, God willing.

We know that we are called by God to this task of presenting Valpo to the world, and we know that the Lord stands with us, as He did with Paul, to strengthen us.

Grace be with you all.

AREA V, Mrs. Carl (Marge) Kuenneert reporting

A star was born! Covered Bridge Chapter joins the galaxy of over 160 Valparaiso University Guild chapters throughout the country. We welcome the members who in one evening heard from Betsy the purposes and goals of the Guild—then on the spot unanimously decided to organize, drew up their bylaws, and chose the name because in Cedarburg they have the only covered bridge in Wisconsin. Carol Larson, our hostess for the meeting, graciously volunteered to represent them at this Council Meeting. All are busy and involved women, and I can tell they'll make every minute count and will really get things done. They were already discussing a get-together next August for new and current students.

In addition to developing new chapters comes the big job of helping Norma May nurture the recently organized chap-
ters as well as working with Ginny Amling to support and strengthen the established chapters, some of which are struggling to meet the challenges and changes of the '80s. Many Wisconsin chapters have been in existence for 25 to almost 50 years, and they face the problems that come with almost a completely "mature" membership.

One of the most enjoyable aspects of this AD job has been to get to know more individual members more intimately through chapter visits. These visits are not only pleasurable but afford an opportunity to get a more accurate profile of the various chapters—their similarities and their differences, their strengths and their weaknesses.

So in Area V we step forward confidently with the Lord by our side and with the assurance that we have the constant encouragement and assistance of our faithful national officers. We are truly grateful for these blessings!

AREA VI, Mrs. Kenneth (Gayle) Schmidt reporting

I was a new Area Director, but I didn't know a lot about what I was doing, so I cried for help and Betsy came running. In January Betsy met me in Jackson, Michigan, for an organizational meeting. Being the caring person that she is, she was concerned that this would be a positive experience for me. When only five people showed up and one left early for choir rehearsal, I wondered what God had in mind for Jackson. But, as I have often said since, Betsy could have been selling frogs and these ladies would have been tripping over each other trying to be the first in line to buy one.

The Jackson Chapter is now Michigan's 23rd chapter, and it's one of the Guild's 45 new babies! Gayle Schallhamer is here as their representative today; not only is she here, but this afternoon she will be involved in putting on a workshop—true to the advice of our national officers, who encourage us to get our new members to work! The Jackson Chapter has 6 members, and I know that they will be one of God's new blessings to all of us.

After Jackson, I naively thought that starting new chapters would be a breeze. My next attempt, however, would prove to be a humbling experience. At my next organizational meeting (to which 27 were invited), no one came—except my hostess and her husband! I considered making her dog a Four Winds member but thought better of it. I will return to challenge this area again!

With help from other Guild leaders, we tried other areas, but no other new chapters were organized. I was at a low, but God's sunshine warmed me. Last week, I was awakened early one morning by Pastor Walter Reiss. (He was editor of the Cresset when O. P. Kretzmann was on campus and is an avid Valpo supporter.) When I saw him on Valpo Sunday and learned that he was taking a vacancy position in a Guildless area north of us, I asked him if he would help me start a Valpo chapter. On the morning of the phone call, Pastor Reiss announced, "Gayle, we're going to do it. When you asked me to help you, I went right to the 'chief ladies,' and they agreed to start a new chapter in the spring. They said that is just what they need." I can't wait to tell them that they're just what we need, too!

Because of our inclement weather this winter and the limited supply of dog sleds, my chapter visits have been curtailed for a while. Now that spring is coming, I have told my Michael, whose birthday is May 6, "I'll be home for your birthday!"

In closing, let me share a shoe story with you. Some of you who know me know that God always helps me find socks on Sunday mornings. For some reason, my family's socks never match. I have tried everything, even pinning them together, but still on Sunday morning someone invariably says that his or her socks don't match. And we all know, you can't send your family to church without socks. Well, this time, I had left my shoes at a funeral in Kingston, Ontario. I asked God, "Father, I know You're busy with starving children and all, but if you have a minute, could You please hurry my shoes through the mail?" I went to the mailbox Thursday morning, and there they were. Now I know why I didn't really need them; feet are important at this Council Meeting—I should have come barefoot!

A last thought. "I complained I had no shoes until I saw a man who had no feet." Praise God for giving us our feet and for holding our hands as we play the old game, "Captain, May I take one baby?" Remember when you're good in a line, and one person asked, "Captain, may I take one baby?" If you forgot the word "captain," you were out of the game. We are playing an old game with a new twist. God is our Captain. "Father, may we take one giant step?" "Yes, my Guildies, you may."

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Ralph (Marilyn) Krueger, chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that the committee had met for the first time that morning and that, with all the names already submitted to them, they are confident there will be a slate of highly-qualified candidates in September.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mrs. Emmett (Carole) O'Hare reported the following:

There are some membership myths lying around that I would like to permanently dispose of. If we are going to take a giant step in membership growth, we need to clear these myths from our path.

1. We can't do anything with 5 or 6 people.

I hear this frequently. Yet in the September roster, I counted 51 chapters with fewer than 10 members and 35 chapters with fewer than 20 members. Many of these chapters made significant contributions to the Project Fund. The roster made interesting reading. The number of members seems to have little relationship to the effectiveness of a chapter.

Here are some other things you can do with 6 members:

- Celebrate Valpo Sunday in 6 churches this year.
- Contact 30 prospective students on the Person to Person program (5 calls/person).
- Send cookies to 6 area Valpo students.
- Contact 6 prospective new members (1 call/member).
- Invite a spouse or friend and have a get-acquainted dinner for 12.

2. No one else in the area is interested in Valpo Guild.

This is rarely true. Have you really tried to find interested women? Do you have an active membership chairman who follows up on every prospect? Do you have an efficient publicity chairman who sends meeting notices to area churches and local newspapers? Have you ordered your zip-coded parent and alumni list as a start?

3. She's too busy to get involved.

The Guild is full of women who lead very busy lives. A person always has time for what she considers important. Make the objectives of your chapter clear. A busy woman appreciates a well-run organization. One of the things that has always attracted me to Valpo Guild has been the way this dynamic group of women can accomplish so much with such dispatch.

4. This is a congenial group—we don't need any more members.

You cannot afford to stop looking for new members. No matter how well your chapter SEEMS to be running, you need new ideas and new faces to remain vital. Members move, commitments change, and a chapter that hasn't been adding to its rolls will usually find itself depleted and tired.

5. She just dropped out of our chapter because she's too busy.

This is occasionally true. But often the real reason behind losing a member is something she doesn't say. In a 1977 membership survey which I found in the files, some of these
reasons were given for not joining the Guild: dull meetings, members unfriendly, cliques had developed, didn't like to drive at night, too much talk about irrelevant things. When you lose a member to a "busy schedule," take a good look at your chapter's program. Do you need to remove some of these hindrances to membership? These items can all be remedied. Don't lose a member totally—suggest she become a supporting member. Keep in touch with her.

6. Women don't mind long business meetings.

We all know this isn't true! But sometimes at our meetings we get to chatting and we forget that others may want to get on with the business at hand.

7. A planned program is unnecessary.

With so many activities vying for our time, we often make decisions on the basis of how interesting an event sounds. How would you like this executive council if it included only our business sessions?

8. We don't need to run our meeting in an orderly way—we're among friends.

One of the fastest ways to discourage new ideas is to run a meeting without regard to procedure. It leaves a new member (or an old member with a new idea) feeling that the chapter's plans are already cut and dried. If important matters are not put in the form of a motion, discussed and then voted on, someone with a different opinion may not have an opportunity to say so. Even among a group in total agreement, a well-run business meeting allows more time for socializing or work on an important project afterward.

9. Last minute notification means members won't forget about our meeting.

Last minute notification means that members will already have made other plans for Valpo Guild meeting night.

10. We'll save the Guild money and skip Executive Council Meeting this year.

Have you ever wondered, as you struggled to keep your chapter going or to make your spring luncheon a success, why bother with all this? What difference does our chapter make, anyway? Once I came to my first Council (and Convention) I knew the answer. It is each one of our chapters, using individual talents in unique ways, that makes the Guild successful. At the national meetings you see the overall picture and your part in it, you are equipped to do your job better, and you have an opportunity to see firsthand the end product of all our endeavors—the well-educated men and women Valpo is producing. Don't ever pass up your portion of this marvelous spring tonic. It's a very wise investment.

Now that we have disposed of these membership myths, let's begin our giant step forward, one step at a time.

WORKSHOP: MARKETING THE CHALLENGE

Mrs. Joseph (Marty) Mattes, second vice president of the Guild, led the workshop "Marketing the Challenge," which was designed to be a kind of sales meeting or marketing session. "The Guild leaders are the sales force," said Mrs. Mattes, "and what we must sell to our membership is the promotion and funding of the racquetball/handball courts. To ensure that the Guild courts become a reality, all 5,000 of our membership must catch the spirit and become promoters of this project.'

Using a flip chart which corresponded to materials distributed to chapter presidents, Mrs. Mattes gave facts on what we have done in the past and how chapters must double the results of their project efforts in the next five years to reach our goal of $500,000. She introduced the Giant Step Club, to which chapters can belong if they double their project funds or if the average project revenue per chapter member is $32 per year, whichever challenge is greater to their chapter.

Members of the Giant Step Club for this year will be announced at Convention in September.

Guild chapter leaders will be the key as to how members respond to the challenge. She asked:

1. Do you bring enthusiasm and confidence to your leadership position?

2. Do you attract the interest and loyalty of your members?

3. Do you give the required amounts of time and talent to your job?

4. Do you know and use the committee system?

5. Are you a leader who "never doubts victory"?

To highlight ideas presented and to emphasize the importance of workable project goals, a skit was presented by Carol Larson, Gayle Schallahmmer, and Dorothy Schnute.

Mrs. Mattes concluded by saying that now we know how to lead to bring forth the best in our members and in ourselves, we must equip ourselves and our members with the following skills necessary to win: dedication, optimism, pride, sharing, courage, unity of purpose, love, and a sense of Guild history. The final score now can only be—1986: $500,000.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Paula vonKampen, Activities Committee Chairman, distributed a list of project possibilities chapters can consider, and she introduced several new projects. The Bed and Breakfast Plan is a new idea to the Guild, where members volunteer to open their homes on occasion to other Guild members and their families who are passing through the area. Their responsibility would be to provide overnight lodging plus breakfast in the morning. Scheduling would be done by an appointed chapter chairman who would work with the Activities Chairman, who would provide a master list to chapter presidents of areas plus seasonal events or geographical attractions of interest to visitors. Chapters would decide prices to charge.

Another project possibility is for owners of vacation homes or condominiums to rent their properties to Guild members for one week with proceeds to go to their chapter's project fund.

Chapters wishing to participate or desiring more information should write to Paula vonKampen before June 1 for inclusion in the brochure.

The Activities Chairman also told about the success of Mr. Z's cheese, which was mentioned by the Northern Virginia Chapter at the September 1981 Convention. Nineteen chapters have sold Mr. Z's cheese since then; 20% of their profits went into their project funds and an additional 10% was sent by Mr. Z to the National Guild. Samples were available at both coffee breaks during Friday's sessions, and response was so good that Mrs. vonKampen will send a cheese brochure to each chapter president in the near future.

Five chapters who have had very successful projects were invited to share their projects. They were Atlanta (catering dinners and parties), Buffalo (Advent Vespers, Brunch, pecans), Sebewaing (chicken dinners), Kentuckyana (pecans), and Omaha (card party/salad luncheon with raffle of donated items).

BRAINSTORMING SESSION

A Brainstorming Session following the two workshops gave members the opportunity to share ideas and discuss what they had heard at Council. President Ruth Russler led the discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following announcements by the president and executive director, the closing prayer was given by Mrs. Walter (Barbara) Schoedel, St. Louis, Missouri.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1982

The Executive Council reconvened at 10:00 a.m. in the Great Hall of the Student Union, following breakfast with the Area Directors in the Union and a Matins devotion held in Gloria Christi Chapel. The Rev. Edgar Senne was the officiant for the Matins.

STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY

Mrs. James Koltermann introduced the President of the University, Dr. Robert V. Schnabel. Dr. Schnabel’s address is printed elsewhere in this Bulletin.

REPORTS OF AREA DIRECTORS VII AND VIII

AREA VII, Mrs. LeRoy (Bonnie) Ornert reporting

Greetings from Area VII. I know I should save the best for last, but I cannot wait! We have added a new chapter to our Fabulous Fourteen in Area VII—the Lexington area has been organized and is called Bluegrass! We are thrilled, excited, and thankful for this blessing. Barb Maas was the prime mover in this delivery and deserves a hand for her outstanding and presistent efforts.

In addition, the chapters in our area are thinking hard and working hard to find new ways to raise money in order to reach the Guild’s five-year goal of $500,000. Some chapters have added new twists to card parties, new craft ideas, bus trips and new members.

Our last happy news is that of our Spring Meet which will be in April in Tipton, Indiana. We, the heirs to 36 years of an Indiana State Unit, hope to improve and strengthen this arm of the Guild in order to draw our widespread chapters into a cohesive and strong self-support group.

As always, I ask for your continued prayers for the chapters in Area VII and for the dedicated members in those chapters who are working hard to support education under the cross at our beloved Valparaiso University.

AREA VIII, Mrs. David (Barbara) Wetterman reporting

Greetings from Area VIII, namely the state of Ohio. I have lived in central Ohio for my entire life and, believe me, becoming Area Director for the Guild has improved my geography immensely.

With the help and support of some wonderful Guild ladies, I feel Ohio has progressed in the work of the Guild and will continue to do so. At the jubilant 50th Convention of the Guild last September, two new chapters, the Cleveland South Chapter and the Capital Bells Chapter, received their charters. On January 26, Ruth Russler and I traveled to Toledo area to meet with an enthusiastic group of ladies interested in forming a chapter there. There is a meeting set for March 19 with the purpose of organizing. We will remember these ladies in our prayers.

I want to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to Marilyn Krueger for her help in locating contacts for me. We have forwarded a printout to the Akron area. There seem to be good numbers there. I have also been in contact with Rev. Rist in the Medina-Lodi area. Hopefully, good things will happen in these locations.

Ohio has many wonderful chapters which celebrate many anniversaries with the Valparaiso University Guild. The Guild needs all of you. We will continue to work on membership in these established chapters also.

In 1981 two gatherings were held in Ohio in celebration of the fifty years of the Guild. In early April the Cleveland area chapters were hosted by the Western Reserve Chapter. Later in April we accepted the hospitality of Paula Sauer in the Columbus area church. Beautiful luncheons and much wonderful fellowship were enjoyed by all present at each of these gatherings.

The Guild is such an important part of this University; we must not forget this. It was pointed out to me at a recent meeting that the Guild is very service oriented. The Guild serves the University in many ways. We must keep up our support now, especially in these times.

RECOGNITION OF STATE UNIT PRESIDENTS

The two State Unit Presidents present were introduced by Mrs. Russler: Mrs. Warren (Beatrice) Doede, Wisconsin, and Mrs. Glen (Margaret) Zobel, Michigan.

GUILD SPECIAL

Mrs. Russler called upon the Secretary to read the resolution from the Board of Directors in regard to the 1982 allocation of the Guild Special. The resolution was read with a blank to be inserted for the use, and three choices were offered: (1) Carpeting for the Counseling Center; (2) Career materials for the Counseling Center’s Career Resource Center; (3) Blackout curtains for the library’s projection and preview room.

A proposal was made by Judy Beumer to add a fourth choice: Plaques should be placed on items already donated to the University, naming the Guild as donor.

The choice that was first to receive a majority vote filled the blank. A vote of 101 to 10 gave a majority vote to the third choice, the blackout curtains. With this action, the blank was filled and the resolution was adopted as follows: RESOLVED: That the 1982 Guild Special be allocated toward the purchase of blackout curtains for the library.

REPORT OF THE GUILD GOODIE COMMITTEE

The First Vice President, Mrs. Arthur (Ginny) Amling, reported the following:

I have received no new Guild Goodie applications since our last Board meeting in November.

New Goodies which appeared in the latest Guild Bulletin are: (1) potholder/hot pad with Guild seal, San Fernando Valley; (2) "V" and torch suncatcher, Columbus, Indiana; (3) "My Favorites" blank cookbook, Northwest Suburban Chicago.

Ongoing Goodies were the Saginaw ornaments, Cincinnatip's playing cards, New Orleans' needlepoint trivets, and Geiseman Memorial's commemorative plate.

Any chapter may present a "Goodie" for Board approval. It is suggested that the item be Guild or University connected or that it be a product unique to the area from which it is being offered. Popularity during a particular holiday season might also be a factor.

Before offering a Guild Goodie, be sure to consider the following: (1) Know all the information concerning the product. (2) Know that your price is correct and that your percentage increase over cost is adequate so that your chapter can make a profit for your project fund. (3) Be prepared with a person or committee ready to take charge when orders begin coming in. (4) Be sure that your chapter can recoup its initial outlay. The Guild is not equipped to "bail anybody out," or to offer "seed money."

A clear photograph of the item is to be submitted with the application.

Please see me or write me if you wish to apply for approval of a Guild Goodie.

50th ANNIVERSARY HISTORY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Frederick (Irma) Schmaltz explained why the history books will be distributed in September rather than now: A faithful Guild leader went to Council meeting to fetch each dear member a book. But when she got there the boxes were bare. What? The Committee her chapter forsook?
A parody—with apologies to Mother Goose!

My explanation of the described situation is brief; perhaps it's more a statement than a report.

Your 50th Anniversary History Committee from the beginning had two goals in mind: first and foremost, we wanted to publish the very best fifty-year History of the Valparaiso University Guild within our collective ability. Secondly, we wanted to have the History ready by February, 1982.

We remain firmly dedicated to the first goal, but this very commitment has necessitated a change in distribution date.

You recall that the record of our 50th Anniversary Convention is to be part of this edition of our history. We found the time span between last September and this February too short—and the pressure too great—to publish the History as we envisioned it to be. Moreover, next fall, more of our members will be here to receive their copies personally. So,

Good, faithful Guild leaders
Do not fear;
Come September, God willing.
Your histories will be here!

REPORT OF THE COOKBOOK III EDITOR
Mrs. Roy (Barbara) Maas, Cookbook III Editor, gave the following report:

At Convention many of you responded to my request for ideas of Cookbook Volume III. There were a great number of good suggestions, and all of them will most certainly be considered.

Twenty-four of you expressed a willingness to be a section editor and test recipes. I am very grateful that you so eagerly take on this task. My thanks, in advance, to each of you.

A letter and recipe form were sent out in the October mailing to the roster, asking the chapter presidents to reproduce the form and mail one copy to each of their chapter members.

On November 10, 1981, the first recipes arrived, handwritten on note paper with this note attached: "... I hope I'm in time with these recipes for Volume III Guild Cookbook . . . " Signed Velma Franke, Ossian, Indiana. I knew then it was beginning. The recipes came in slowly at first, but by the deadline of February 15, I had received 938 recipes. To date I have 1,033.

I have sorted the recipes and placed them into separate envelopes according to the various sections, and they are ready for testing and tasting. Guidelines for testing are included in each packet. Some of those who volunteered are here today and will be taking a packet home with them. Others will be mailed.

You say you have not sent your recipe in yet? You can still do so the week following this Council meeting, and I will send them on to the proper section editor. After that it will be too late. Please try to use the form when submitting.

In my letter to the roster, I said that I thought it was important that this book of recipes reflect the times in which we are living. The nutritious foods which promote good health should be very evident, especially. If this is so, then the fact that I received a very large number of recipes for hors' d'oeuvres tells me a great deal about our current life style.

I am encouraging chapter participation in the tasting and testing. Looking for a project? Want to make some money and friends for Valpo and the Guild? Invite your friends to come to a tasting-testing party, charge a few dollars, have evaluation sheets, and have a great time while others do the tasting and testing of the recipes your chapter members have prepared. Sound like fun? Something that almost everyone could do? Yes, of course. By the way, we still need two section editors—one for breads and one for canning and preserving.

The format for Volume III will be somewhat the same as Volumes I and II. My next report will have more details. I do plan to focus in on the Guild and its fiftieth anniversary. Natural foods, ethnic cooking, heritage and regional cooking are being considered as feature sections.

Now that most of the recipes are gathered, the work really begins. Please look for more information in the mailings and in future Bulletins.

To end this report, I want to leave you with the names of some interesting recipes which have been submitted—sort of a preview of the feast to come: an aroma of Christmas (for the air, not the mouth); Brandy Slush; Filled Butterhorns; Cheese-filled Nut Loaf; Rolled Oats Griddle Cakes; Monster Cookies; Ice Cream Kolacky's; Apples and Brats; Plum Kuchen; and Vietnamese Egg Rolls. Elinor Kenyon, who submitted the egg roll recipe, tried making them in her kindergarten class with this response: "First you have rice paper. It's not like paper you write on. You have a whole big thing and you break it up. Grind up two carrots and one piece of meat. Put some rice in. Put dried mushrooms in water so they grow bigger (they look awful). You are supposed to weten out the rice paper. Then you roll them up and cook them for two minutes in hot oil. After that you eat them. They are good. They are refugees food from Thailand."

Many thanks to the many who sent personal notes and greetings along with the recipes.

REPORT OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE
Bylaws Chairman Mrs. Edward (Chita) Easton reported:

In order to take a giant step into the future of the Guild, we need order and rules to govern our organization. This includes our National Bylaws.

Bylaw changes can only be made at a general convention. At the September 1981 Convention, two articles were changed to include the immediate past president as a member of the nominating committee.

You will find on your table a white sheet of paper entitled "National Bylaws." Please take your black manuals and turn to Section I. You should find Amended Bylaws, 1979. Under Article VII, Section 2, put an "X" through part "a" and note in the margin "see new amendment." Then turn to Article XI, Section 2, and put an "X" through the whole section and again note "see new amendment." Then take the white sheet and insert it in the manual at the end of the bylaws. Now your manual bylaws are up to date.

Perhaps your local bylaws are also out of date. Why don't you check those and at the same time you will learn more about your own chapter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
One of Mrs. Nagel's announcements was the request by several Council members for more Brainstorming time, if possible. Following this open discussion period and the Executive Director's closing remarks, the assembly was led in a closing prayer by Mrs. Paul (Pam) Sieving, Chicago West Suburban Chapter. The chair declared the meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m., Saturday, February 27, 1982. Members were then asked to rise, face the cross, lift their right feet and to take a giant step forward.

Barbara Riethmeier
National Secretary

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Application for
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD SCHOLARSHIP

Each year receipts from Guild cookbook sales provide four $1000 scholarships for sons and daughters of Guild members. Provided the freshman recipient maintains a satisfactory academic record, the award will continue through the senior year.

This special Guild application should be submitted to the Admissions Office along with the regular University admission forms.

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The Giant Step that the Guild has pledged itself to take for the University in the next five years will mean taking some very large steps in a number of directions. Some steps will take money; all will take effort. Much of this Bulletin is about that Giant Step.