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From the Guild President

THE GUILD GOES FOR IT!

MARTY MATTES

Guild women, we have some celebrating to do! We have just completed the finest fiscal year, by far, in our Guild's history.

Our treasurer wrote a check for $118,265 in June to the University for our 1984-85 Project Fund contribution—the largest single project fund contribution ever, and a whopping 46% increase from our contribution of $80,000 last year.

Including the monies contributed for the Calendar Fund, the Current Fund, Celebration Cards, the Guild Special, and Cookbooks, we tallied a grand total of $157,256.85 in gifts to Valparaiso University this past year.

A reason for celebrating? I say, a resounding “yes.” Would each of you please give yourself a pat on the back? Put your right hand on top of your left shoulder and pat generously. Then will you please stand up and put your neighbors on the back, and then we’ll applaud the whole Guild for this outstanding work.

Yes, all of this good news is certainly reason for rejoicing, but it is even more importantly a time for thankfulness to our Lord who makes all of this possible. Please join me in a prayer of thanksgiving.

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for giving the women of the Guild the commitment and energies necessary for the diverse kinds of activity that went into making our year such a success; for the spirit of cooperation and fellowship that was part of our working together; and for opening up new markets and avenues for fund raising.

Keep our motivation high, Lord, as we continue to work, and above all, always help us to know that it is not we ourselves who merit any glory, but only You, Our Lord. Amen.

Let’s review our year and analyze why this one was such an achievement. No doubt, first and foremost, we owe the largest chunk of our extra income to the Magic Bow project, which literally swept the country as over 100 of our 155 chapters participated and sold over 500,000 ribbons.

While Magic Bows and facsimiles are now being sold in some retail stores, and while other organizations have jumped on this fund-raising bandwagon, we do not think, by any means, that the market for Bows is saturated. Let’s give this project another shot. We need it, and it’s so easy!

It is obvious that the challenge of our Giant Step Club also helped our chapters gain financial success. Each year the momentum has grown. We can chart the growth, from 20 members four years ago, to 47, then 58, and now 68 chapters this year.

To give an example of the Giant Step process, let me mention my own chapter, Atlanta. I think we are fairly typical, a medium-size chapter of about sixteen active members. We catered six weddings, one private Christmas party, one AAL luncheon, and one church dinner. We had a garage sale, a Tupperware sale, and took part in three market research projects. We sold Magic Bows and pepper jelly at the Bazaar and had two Bed & Breakfasts. In all, our projects for the year tallied a grand total of $3,071.

When I read over this list I am amazed that we really did all of these things. Twelve of our sixteen members have demanding jobs outside of the home, and we are all busy women with family and church and community responsibilities, just as you are. How and why did we do all of this? For our chapter, the challenge of being in the Giant Step Club has certainly given us the impetus to stretch ourselves, and the pure challenge of topping our last year’s contribution of $2,100 helped. We also had more catering possibilities present themselves, and we never like to turn down an opportunity even though it has sometimes involved two jobs at once.

I did a little survey among our members, asking each one independently, “Why do you work so hard for Valpo through the Guild?” This is a sampling of the responses, given verbatim as I wrote them down.

“I wouldn’t be today where I am if it hadn’t been for the excellent education I received at Valpo. So many blessings have occurred to me because of my going to that school. I work out of gratitude and because I want to share the wealth.” (This is from a top engineer at Coca-Cola.)

“Valpo was such an important part of my life that it really gives me pleasure to do something in return for Valpo.”

“I believe in Valpo. It’s a joy to do something for the school when you love it so much.”

“I think Valpo is the greatest thing going, and I’d like to be able to give back a little bit to it.”

“Working for Valpo through the Guild keeps me in touch with the school and gives me a feeling of still belonging there—I like to know that what I’m doing does some good.”

This same theme ran through all the responses. When all is said and done, I really believe that the bottom line of why our Giant Step Club has worked is the love and loyalty and trust that our Guild women have for and in this place.

Another factor that helped to brighten our financial picture this past year was keeping our travel expenses in line. About $14,000 less was spent for administrative and chapter president travel, and a good part of this was due to your cost-consciousness and searching out super-saver air fares. The Project Fund stands to gain when you are good stewards of travel money.

Yes, celebration is in order, but we still look forward to the ultimate celebration—when we turn over that final dollar of our $500,000 pledge to the University. When we can truly say that the ARC Racquetball/Handball Courts are Guild Courts.

Where are we? What is the reality? We have $147,000 left to pay on our pledge, and it is due the end of this fiscal year, June 1986.
Right here I have a confession to make to you. Ever since we took on this pledge four years ago, I have had my private doubts that we would ever reach our goal on schedule. Yes, here I was, one of your national leaders challenging you to join the Giant Step Club and saying we were going to make it when inside I didn’t know how this would really be possible, especially when I saw us losing ground the first three years of our projected schedule.

This past May I came to our Board meeting worried about how I could motivate our Board members, let alone all of you, to plan for a final year of pushing on toward our goal. After our first day’s meeting I went to bed wrestling with my anxiety. All I can say is that the Lord took control during the night, for when I awoke I was filled with such strong optimism and such a powerful faith in the Guild and what its members can do that the words “We will do it” fairly bounced off my bedroom walls. That morning when I shared those feelings with the others around our work table it was as if they all breathed a huge sigh of relief that their leader was back leading once again.

It was incredible how all of us got caught up in the excitement and commitment of winning. Our uplifted feelings that morning helped to lead us to a theme for this Convention. Col. 1:11 seemed to say very clearly what we felt and wanted to convey to you—“We pray that you might be In Vigorated and Strengthened with all Power, according to the might of His Glory, to exercise every kind of Endurance and Patience with Joy.”

In more earthly vernacular, then, the Spirit of this Convention is that “All Systems Are Go For 1985-86,” and “We Are Going For The Win, Ladies.” We will need special vigor, special strength, because it has been a long, hard period of work and struggle already, but the source of our power is readily available. We in the Guild have always been able to draw on that source in our own personal lives and in the life of this organization when we’ve taken on extraordinary challenges, and the road ahead seemed impossible.

This last thought was brought to mind more clearly when I recently reread a letter I had received from Janie Lichtfuss last fall just after becoming President. It was a warm, welcoming note which I shall always treasure. She said, “I know you have much concern as to the $500,000 pledge. All I can tell you concerning this is Keep the Faith!” Then she urged me to read the Guild History from front to back, and to think of the times in which those events took place. She told me about Louise Nicolay remembering when the Guild contributed to the building of Guild Hall. Louise said the members didn’t know how in the world they were going to come up with that kind of money, but they just “believed” and “got to work” and they got the job done.

To reach our goal is really a matter of Guild pride. Neither the University Board of Directors nor Dr. Schnabel is holding a gun to our heads saying, “Guild women, come up with the money by June 30 or else!” In fact, Hal Bernthal, Chairman of the Board, has said to me and previously to Ginny and Ruth that he is so proud of the Guild and the work that we do in his book that we can take as long as we need to fulfill our goal. But that is not in the best of Guild tradition.

Reviewing the Guild History, as Janie suggested, I found that there was never a time when the Guild took on a challenge that we didn’t give it our all and come out “winners.”

The two most poignant challenges were perhaps the Guild Hall challenge in 1941 to raise $75,000 in five years, and the challenge in 1979 to add fifty new chapters for our Fiftieth Anniversary.

In 1941 the Guild was but ten years old; the most the women had ever raised had been $9,000 in a year; and this campaign took place during war times when there was generally a lot of anxiety and unrest. Throughout the campaign, though, there was an absolute fervor and optimism, and such an effective organizational campaign that it really was not a surprise at all when President Louise Nicolay announced at the Guild Hall dedication that the campaign had been completed.

The new chapter challenge in 1979 also seemed incredible, but with the tremendous efforts of a New Chapter Developer and eight Area Directors this seemingly impossible task was completed.

How can we meet our challenge and raise $147,000 above our operating expenses? I have no magic formula—I wish I did. I only know it will take a combination of each chapter’s willingness to roll up your sleeves, working even harder by adding a project or two, and all of us working together to cut down on expenses where we can.

A real commitment to our Coffee with the Guild program has the potential of raising $40,000 alone, if each member would be inspired to participate. Also I would urge those of you who are able, on an individual basis, to consider buying a square foot of the Guild Courts—one square foot for $100. Last year one of our senior members bought ten square feet, a real blessing to this project; and your national officers have each become investors to help us reach the goal.

John Kennedy used to tell a story of his father when he was a young lad in Ireland. When he and his friends would walk home from school, they would dare each other to scale the high stone walls along their way. To make themselves take on the dare, they would throw their caps over the wall. They could never come home without their caps.

How will future readers of the Guild History judge us? I hope they read that in our final year of challenge, even though we were up against a high stone wall, we played the game for all it’s worth; that we dared to throw our caps over that wall, caps which said, “The Guild Goes For It!”
At Convention '85 the Guild applauded sixty-nine current members of the Giant Step Club: eight four-year veterans, twenty-six reaching three years, nineteen second-time repeaters, and sixteen first-timers. In addition, twenty-one other chapters have joined the Club in one or more previous years, for a total of ninety.

To become eligible chapters must either (a) increase the chapter project fund contribution by 100% over 1980-81, or (b) contribute an average of $32 per member to its project fund, whichever is greater. Congratulations to this year's honored chapters.

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JOIN US
In June 1984 Guild President Virginia Amling wrote to all Guild members, encouraging them to participate in the "Coffee With the Guild" project that had been begun by her predecessor, Ruth Russler. In this joint effort many members set aside a time each week for prayer on behalf of the University, and small offerings are gathered that are added to the current Project Fund, the racquetball/handball courts in the new Athletics-Recreation Center on the VU campus.

Ginny suggested that those who wished to make a different form of contribution might like to consider "buying" a Square Foot of the Guild Courts with a gift of $100. To date, sixteen squares have been purchased in this way. Individuals who want to be a part of this special category, or friends who wish to "share a square," may write to National Treasurer Carolyn Hanes, 2201 N. Cleveland, #401, Chicago IL 60614.
ART HISTORY COMES ALIVE

The Saturday banquet at the 1985 Guild convention featured a slide lecture by Prof. Richard Brauer of the Department of Art and senior art major Maryann Trela. Shortly afterward the following article appeared in Creative Work and Research, the publication of the Valparaiso University Committee on Creative Work and Research.

Edited by Prof. Gail Eifrig, the research report presents a variety of profiles of work currently carried out by faculty members from most of the departments in the University. Prof. Eifrig profiles the scholars and their studies in a style that is both understandable and enjoyable, and the Editors appreciate the opportunity to reprint this account. Copies of the two reports published to date are available from the Guild office.

When senior Maryann Trela came to Valparaiso University as a freshman, she didn’t know what to major in. In fact, as she’d done well in just about everything in high school, all fields seemed open and possible—which made it nearly impossible for her to make any decisions. “It was really fortunate for me to have lots of general education requirements,” Maryann says now, “because I didn’t have to choose a final direction right away. And I really took that particular freshman seminar almost by accident.”

That particular freshman seminar, which she chose out of the semester’s list of twenty or more, was titled “The Artist in Fact and Fiction.” Among other projects planned by the instructor was a piece of bibliographic work for students to accomplish, based on the work of artists in the University’s Sloan Collection of American Painting. And thus, during the course of her freshman year, Maryann Trela came face to face with real research in the field of art history.

Sitting in the basement of Moeller Library, where the work of the Sloan is presently carried on, the senior student reminisces about her work over the past year with Professor Richard Brauer of the Department of Art. She had worked on a special course set up within the department, in which she had one of her two majors, a course in museology. “When we began to work this out, the department had no experts in the field, so Professor Brauer and I made it a project to find out how such programs are run, what students take, what materials are necessary. We found out that there was a lot we could accomplish, but that there was even more that could be done.” Professor Brauer agreed, with a sigh. “Like everything else, the more you get into it, the more you find there is to know.”

Those words could be Professor Brauer’s motto. Trained originally in design, he has moved somewhat laterally into art history and museology as a result of his appointment many years ago to the curatorship of the Sloan Collection. At first he was most interested in the paintings that represented some of the great moderns—O’Keefe, Marin, Burchfield, Hassam—but gradually he was won over by the nineteenth century painter whose work forms the center of the collection, Junius R. Sloan.

When the artist’s son Percy bequeathed his father’s work to the university in the early fifties, few people realized what treasures they would eventually become. From the standpoint of art history, the most remarkable aspect of the collection is its completeness, because almost the entire oeuvre of the painter is here. “We have over four hundred paintings by Sloan,” Brauer remarks, “and additional papers, letters, sketchbooks, and the like. For the art historian, that’s a gold mine. You can trace relationships between sketchbooks and paintings, between notebooks and sketchbooks, and follow ideas or techniques from one painting to another over a number of years. In fact, it’s really a project for several art historians, not just one.”

Brauer has been at work for some time on a complete listing, a catalogue raisonne, as it is known, of the Junius Sloan Collection. (Continued on next page)
GUILD FUND SUPPORTS METABOLIC CART

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Where on campus is research being done for the United States Olympic Committee? Here's a clue. It's the same place where a study is being conducted to either support or refute the claims made by the manufacturers of Universal weightlifting equipment.

Still stuck for an answer? Don't feel bad; not many people are aware of the physical education department's Human Performance Laboratory—yet.

The Lab became complete with the purchase of the Jaeger Metabolic Cart, made possible by the $4,000 contribution from the Guild.

The Cart, described by physical education department Chairman Dr. Michael Bretting as the cornerstone of any Human Performance Laboratory, works through gas analysis to measure cardiopulmonary fitness.

Drew Pringle, the Lab's director, described the Cart as the "most important piece of equipment in the Lab. It would be almost impossible to do anything without the cart," said Pringle.

Pringle will head the two scheduled projects but will be aided by two interns he has integrated into the research. Lab work is also an integral part of the two required courses in the physical education department, Kinesiology and Exercise Physiology. Nearly 50 students each semester will benefit from the Lab experience, which both Pringle and

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Sloan works. But of course, he is a professor of art, which means classes in art history as well as design, and he is curator of the collection, which means supervising the increasing demands of other museums to borrow pieces of the collection, as well as arranging for the eight to ten shows yearly of visiting work to be displayed at Valparaiso. So the catalogue goes slowly. "That's where Maryann came in. And it has been just wonderful to have her work on this project. We've made great progress this year, and I think she's benefited too."

Maryann enthusiastically agrees, and before long we are looking at the results of her work. "Of course, part of the project was that we had to find out how one catalogue and describes something like a sketchbook," she says, "and that's how our initial work in museology paid off. We were able to find books that describe just how to list, organize, record, and preserve the eleven sketchbooks. Professor Gahl in the Archives helped me learn how to do the descriptive analysis of a series of letters to Junius from his brother Henry, and I did the complete analysis myself."

By this time she's beaming, and we begin to undo the ties on the folder where the letters are kept. The pieces of paper are covered with the spidery script of the 1850s, but by now she's expert at deciphering them. In the folder are the pages she has produced, summarizin-
From the University Administration

UNIVERSITY REPORT

"It is a pleasure to be so thoroughly upstaged by the President!"

Those were the first words spoken by Dr. Richard Baepler, Vice President for Academic Affairs, after waiting at the podium to address the 54th national convention of the Valparaiso University Guild.

Two weeks previously President Robert Schnabel, who speaks to the convention each year, had suffered what doctors termed a "cerebral vascular accident" and had been hospitalized in Chicago. Although he had already returned home to Valparaiso, Dr. Schnabel had designated Dr. Baepler to be the University spokesman to the convention in his place.

On this morning, however, when the Vice President came to the lectern, the voice of the President came over the loudspeaker. Dr. Schnabel was now well on the way to recovery and had taped a message of greeting to the Guild, in which he also mentioned some of the factual items about the University, such as the current enrollment of 3,893 students, that would normally be part of his annual talk. Thus Dr. Baepler smilingly discarded some of his notes and went on to relate other University matters, and Guild women were treated to two administrative reports rather than the expected single one.

Dr. Baepler first spoke about the President’s illness and the fact that since he is regularly away on University business, procedures for managing the institution in his absence are well established. "We are fairly used to running the University without him," was the Vice President’s comment, while stressing the point that during this recent hospitalization Dr. Schnabel continued to be in touch with his colleagues and in command of his office.

The President’s activities on behalf of higher education in America, including his leadership at both the state and national level in organizations that seek to influence government policy and legislation, were detailed. Public and private institutions work together to state their case to legislative sub-committees, as funding for such items as research, financial aid, foreign language study, and many other needs is of vital importance. Currently Dr. Schnabel has been active in discussions and proposals concerning the Higher Education Reauthorization Act, the general policy statement for the past quarter century giving the dimensions of federal government support to higher education.

The President has also been out of town regularly during the past few years spearheading the fund-raising efforts included in the Crusade for Valparaiso University. He appeared at dozens of gatherings, encouraging the volunteers who participated in phonathons and other events. The success of these efforts can be judged partly by the fact that the campaign goal of $50 million was reached two and a half years before the scheduled closing date. The goal has been extended by another $22 million and will continue through 1987.

Some of the tangible results of this financial drive are visible already on the campus: the Athletics-Recreation Center, the Academic Computer-Communi-
FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

WITH JOY

It is good to be able to have one of our convention sessions here in the Athletics-Recreation Center. All members of the Guild are, of course, familiar with the racquetball/handball courts on the other side of the west wall; but we wanted you to have the chance to experience the beauty and vastness of this arena space.

I personally spend a bit of time in this space. Up where the railing is, all the way around the building, is a running track where I spend a few hours every week. My son, who is 15 and very mouthy—don’t know where he gets that—said to me one day: "Mother, for all the running you do you should look better than you do."

Then during the basketball season I sit at one of these tables on the sidelines and keep score for our basketball team. Sometimes I wish I could add a few points to the score!

One of the basketball players who is a senior this year came to me at the beginning of the semester and said: "You know, I can’t leave here during Thanksgiving break and Christmas, when so many students go out to look for a job. Is there anyone in the Guild who could help me, do you think?"

He said he was interested in certain cities in the country, exploring possibilities for working in his chosen field, which is finance, and he wondered if there were some people who could perhaps get him names of individuals that he could contact. He didn’t want someone else to do the work for him, but he couldn’t go there and spend a week trying to find the names of people to write to.

So I wrote to several Guild chapter presidents and representatives and they are meeting with him during the convention, and I think that is really a very special service that is symbolic of the way the Guild cares about what happens to students. It isn’t only the things that we provide and the money we raise, but it is the care for individuals which characterizes the Guild, and which our students recognize over and over again.

So I thank these particular women for being willing to meet with him and talk to him, and I know that if I had asked any one of you, you would have done the same thing, and that is very special. So I appreciate that a great deal.

I appreciate you. I enjoy my work very, very much. I enjoy the opportunity I have to travel around to meet with you, and I hope to do more and more of that. It is really great now to have you come to campus because now I can see friends, instead of just people whose names I have read. I have spent time in some of your homes and in your chapter activities, and that is a treasure to me.

I thank you for the warm welcome that you give me when I visit your chapters.

I thank you for the letters you write, the reports you send, because that makes the job much easier, when we really know what’s going on with you.

I thank you for the challenges that you present to me sometimes, the last minute phone calls when something urgent has come up, the little reminders in letters that there is an area of Guild work which maybe should be looked at a little more carefully. Those kinds of things I do appreciate.

I thank you for the clarifications that you ask for sometimes, which helps me to see when I need to express or explain something more fully.

What I like about the theme chosen for this convention is that the focus is on God’s glory: that is what motivates all that we do. Because that’s what I see happening in your chapters and in you as individuals.

It is very easy for all of us to be timid and unsure of ourselves, isn’t it. It is easy to find our weaknesses, our flaws. Even the most beautiful women in the world, if I can use them as an example, always know what their faults are. Sophia Loren, for instance, has been called one of the world’s most beautiful women, but have you read what Sophia says about that? “Not me. My mouth is too big, my eyes are too funny, I’m too fat.” All of the glamorous people find it so easy to concentrate on their flaws, and so do we who are not so glamorous.

Yet if we give our attention to our shortcomings, the emphasis is in the wrong place, and the convention theme tells us to look instead to God’s glory. So let me encourage you to do this in your personal lives and in your chapters. Let’s not spend our time worrying about our mistakes and limitations. We are not perfect people; the Guild is not a perfect organization. Of course things sometimes go wrong; of course we cannot accomplish all we would like to do; of course we sometimes grow weary and let things slide by.

But let our motivation and our focus be His Glory, not ourselves—for that is the way to vigor and strength and power and endurance and patience. With joy.

MAGIC BOWS—Dot accepts on behalf of the Guild as Jean Boether of Decorative Packaging, distributor for 3M Butterfly Bow Magic, presents a check to be added to the project fund.
Let me confess right from the start, Fellow Guildies, that this report is tainted, tinted, and told from one woman’s perspective. Any omissions are probably the result of my frequent visits to the Ladies’ room (is this the right spot to suggest that the Guild should use next year’s calendar monies to fund an addition to the one in the Union?) or my being a loyal Guildie and squeezing in a clandestine bit of bazaar shopping while I should have been taking copious notes.

My husband upon seeing all my purchases after convention remarked that it only supported his long-held conviction that there can’t be a church function without an offering, or a Guild function without something to sell!

Men can be so narrow-minded. The poor dear doesn’t realize that the convention bazaar is where I buy the wild rice that sustains us all year. It’s the source of the best mix for Michigan bean soup in the whole wide world, the fruit cake we can’t wait until Christmas to nibble on, the ornaments I buy for the kids each year, and stocking stuffers for the nieces and nephews.

Maybe if I could get him to come to convention sometime he’d see what he’s missing. After all, some Guildies do come to convention with their husbands. Beata Madoerin, for example, not only got her husband Hershel to come to the convention; she even got him to come to one of the sessions and give an endorsement for Bed & Breakfast.

Now I don’t know what Hershel does in his spare time other than go to Guild conventions, but I do know that his appearance before a roomful of Guildies could just open a few doors for him (pun intended). Who knows, Hershel could be to B & B what Orville Redenbach is to popcorn.

But I digress. Convention began for a lot of us with check-in at Scheele Hall. We arrived in a bone-chilling downpour (which just goes to show that the sun does not always shine upon the good). The chill, however, quickly dissipated when we were greeted at the desk by a smiling Esther Kruger, along with Sharon Herseman who, as I recall, was smiling despite the fact that she had had to take my reservation over the phone because in the get-ready-to-leave-town rush I had neglected to mail it. It appeared, however, that other Guild members had been more organized and considerate than I.

Just between you and me, nobody can be as organized as those two. I’ll just bet that a little investigative reporting would reveal that in the weeks before convention Esther hadn’t had time to get rid of the dust bunnies under the bed, and there was something green and sinister encased in Tupperware growing in Sharon’s refrigerator. But that’s neither here nor there.

Thursday night we got a chance to see Dean Dolores Ruosch’s multimedia presentation entitled, “The Beat Goes On.” Now lest the title lead you to think the good Dean has finally succumbed to years of exposure to every sound from the Beatles to Boy George, let me explain that her presentation is a scholarly, in-depth, sociological study of student life and how it has changed over the years.

That being said, I still laughed so hard I cried. The Dean’s predecessors had more dire predictions for what would happen were students allowed to attend dances than did the Elders at my church when the youth group asked permission to have a sock hop in the basement!
Friday morning dawned bright and early.

To be honest, I really can't say whether it was bright, or whether Friday morning was the foggy one. All I can say for sure is that Friday morning dawned earlier than those of us who stayed up half the night renewing old friendships would have liked.

Which brings to mind another thing that really should be reported about Guild Conventions: the only women up earlier than Guildies at a convention are Jane Pauley, Joan Lunden, and Maria Shriver.

For years I've suspected that the Guild office doesn't send out the convention schedule in advance because once the word got out that the Person-to-Person breakfast was scheduled for 7:00 a.m. and calendar pick-up for 4:30 p.m., all the delegates would either opt for being calendar chairpersons or skip the whole weekend!

But despite the lack of sleep and terminal fanny fatigue from those darn Union chairs (Is this the right spot to suggest that the Guild use next year's calendar fund to buy more comfortable chairs for the Union?) the convention was filled with high points:

—Donna Streufert's reminder in the opening devotion that "Jesus is Enough."

—Shirley Durance's demonstration on the uses of Magic Bows for centerpieces for every occasion from Blue and Gold Banquets to wedding showers.

—Dr. Baepler's Cheshire Cat smile as an ailing Dr. Schnabel stole his thunder and gave an entire State of the University address on tape.

—The Minneapolis chapter announcing itself at roll call as "The Home of the Loons." (Is this the right spot to suggest that next year we refer to them as the Loonies?)

—Judy Waetjen's suggestion that we pray for our families as we fold the laundry.

—Sylvia Wismar's cape demonstration.

—Linda Pauling squaring her pot. (Linda's pot is a freshman beanie hat, not what some of us have below the belt and blame on childbirth.)

—Phyllis Schuessler throwing her "Guild Goes For It!" cap into the air.

—Beautiful music by the talented members of the faculty on Friday evening.

—Ninty-six-year-old Emma Breischcher's silent auction bid for a cookbook.

—Ruth Russler in a hard hat.

—An honest-to-goodness Texas barbecue put on by the gals from The Lone Star State.

—The traditional worship service on Sunday morning.

—And none of us staid, sedate, demure, conservative, reserved, dignified Guildie-types will ever forget Dot's announcement that "clothing for the banquet is entirely optional." Not only will we never forget it, we'll never let Dot forget it either!

PERSONAL PRAISE—Donna Streufert leads the convention opening Bible study devotion.

FRESHMAN "POT"—Person-to-Person chair-man Linda Pauling brings back memories for old VU grads.

GUILD CAPE—Past National President Sylvia Wismar models a winner from history, much to the amusement of Board members.
It's a myth that college professors work only three hours a week, when their classes meet. The truth is, that for every hour of class time, there are six to seven hours of preparation. And that excludes the time spent rereading the assigned material, whether it's "The Brothers Karamazov" or a series of poems.

I suppose the myth persists because everyone remembers at least one college professor who taught his class from a set of old yellowed lecture notes. All old notes really tell me is how I interpreted a novel or poem at a certain time in my life. When I reread a work, I find that I have changed, and so my interpretation varies too. I must recreate my notes each time I teach a course to avoid formula and cliche.

I teach three courses each semester. In addition to my class preparation time, I'm also required to be available to students for office hours and what we call "tutorials." These are weekly 15-minute one-on-one sessions during which the student and I go over his or her work. These can be exhausting, especially if I have four in one hour. But this is not a profession for someone who wants to leave the job behind when he gets home. Teaching is like a sponge. It will take as much as you can give it.

Because I teach so many writing courses, I grade 780 papers a semester. I write on every student assignment. I don't have graduate assistants to grade my papers. I don't think a professor can measure a student's progress if he or she only reads the final paper.

I always enjoy the excuses for late papers. I get a lot of grandmothers who die.

My doctoral study focused on the 17th Century metaphysical poets. John Donne is my man. He was a poet with a strong Christian faith as well as a raging doubt. His poetry reflects the way his physical and spiritual sides strained for unity, and I identify with his struggles.

The best part of my academic career was the two years I worked on my dissertation ("17th Century Ideas of Harmony in the Poetry of John Donne") at the Newberry Library. I think I'm a natural hermit. I would work for hours without talking to another soul. I'd come out of the library in a sort of 17th Century daze.

When I entered teaching, my goal was to be a great 17th Century scholar, or at least a decent one. But my goals have changed in the past five years. I'm more and more driven to spend time on my own poetry. After years of rejection, I've had 15 poems accepted by poetry journals in the last year.

The college where I teach allows me to express this side of me. Publication is certainly encouraged, but most of my publishing is self-motivated. I believe what we teach our students—that you can't understand a work of literature until you write about it.

Certainly no one publishes for the money. Scholarly journals pay in copies only, and it's extremely rare to be paid even $5 for a poem. What's more, scholarly publishing is extremely slow-paced. I wrote one article in 1977, had it accepted in 1980 and just received word that it will appear in early 1986.

English departments are notoriously nasty places. Fortunately, the one I'm in now is atypical. But in my various graduate student experiences, I encountered an arrogant, brash, jealous attitude among colleagues. There are often terrible vendettas and open feuds among professors. I'm not sure why.

The department I'm in now isn't perfect, but the atmosphere is supportive. Although we don't socialize a great deal, we have weekly lunches and professional and departmental meetings. We handle one another's courses when someone is on sabbatical.

I've been teaching off and on since 1969, and I find that students are different now. They are earnest and hardworking but afraid to take risks. I have to prod them. Students in the early '70s were more exciting to teach because they were constantly challenging. It could be wearisome, but they didn't write anything down without questioning it. Now I look out at my class, and they're all busy scribbling notes.

I find students now are culturally ignorant of plays, art museums, symphony concerts. Students come to college without having asked the big questions. There is such a drive now towards vocationalism and career. Parents ask, "Why send my child to a liberal arts program when they'll never use it again?" My answer is that that's precisely what they will use the rest of
their lives. In college students confront others questing for truth. They need to define values and deal with issues like doubt. Otherwise, when they have a crisis later in life they will flounder because they have nothing else.

I enjoy socializing with my students. I'm often invited to dinner in my students' apartments, and I'm always impressed by their culinary skills. I receive a lot of gifts in this job; I seem to arouse the baking instinct. And I receive gift books, often a copy of a book that changed a student's life.

I still try out new techniques and exercises. I had a brilliant idea for my fiction writing class last year. We each created a very specific imaginary character and then tried to get them to interact in a class discussion. Unfortunately, it didn't work. The characters didn't want to talk to each other.

Some exercises lead to some unusual situations. In one poetry class I was making the point that you can start with anything and create a poem. I had each student go out on the campus for five minutes and bring back an object. They came back with newspapers, odd bits of trash, feathers. And just as one student carried in a park bench, the president of the university was walking past my window and looking in.

One of the greatest satisfactions is when a student has a success. When one of my students publishes or wins a contest, I feel as proud as if I had won myself. I find I can't have a clinical detachment from my students. I feel sad at the end of a good class; it's almost like a death.

A great frustration is to have a student with talent and potential and no discipline. Another frustration is people in the field who don't have a real love for literature. I still find professors who don't read. I am a compulsive reader. One of the joys of my life is that I'm in a profession that allows me to spend so much time doing what I love best—reading and writing. And I always have the hope that I might influence my students, in the way my high school English teacher influenced me, towards a lifelong love of literature.

**LIFE IN THE MISSION FIELD**

Jody Geerdes, founder and former president of the River Queens chapter in the St. Louis area, is now a Four Winds member of the Guild residing in Papua New Guinea, where she is teaching at Highland Lutheran International School. A 1982 VU graduate, Jody left a teaching position in St. Louis in May 1985 to assume her new post. She is remembered by many as one of two women students who spoke to the 1981 Fiftieth Anniversary Convention of the Guild, testifying to the Christian influence attendance at Valparaiso University had in their lives.

The Guild office has received two of Jody's letters, in which she reveals what life is like for one Guild member far away. Ruth Hanna joined excerpts from these letters into one narrative account.

A Loving Hello to All of My Family!

The Lord continues to show me that we are one family with Christ as our head (even if we’re 10,000 miles away from each other physically).

Even though I'm so far away I'm with you in spirit. I've turned one of my small bedrooms into a "Valpo" room with all of my Valpo stuff on the shelves and walls. Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you. I now pray for VU and the Guild on Monday evenings, because it is Monday morning in the States then. (Note: A Christmas request from Jody for Judy Waetjen’s “Guild Women Pray” was quickly filled by the Guild office.)

I'd like to share a few contrasts between everyday life in the States and in PNG:

How often do you use cloth napkins? A special occasion, maybe? Here a package of 100 paper napkins costs over 7 dollars. You know you're special if your host provides paper napkins with a meal—cloth napkins are everyday! People who come to my house probably don't feel special; I haven't worked up to buying the napkins. Last shopping trip I splurged and bought paper towels, though!

How many people buy 4-wheel drive vehicles for everyday use? The roads in Enga Province are rock/clay/gravel and lots of holes. Four-wheel drive is the norm.

How often do you pray about the weather? Prayers on that subject are a bit tricky here. On the one hand we pray for lots of rain to keep our water tanks nice and full, yet on the other hand we pray for lots of sunshine to dry our clothes!

Another adjustment to a different culture is the school calendar. The school year ends in December. So not only do we keep busy with preparations for a Christmas program, we also have graduation and report cards to get ready.

Highland Lutheran International School has five graduates this year. Technically they are graduating from the sixth grade, but they will be ready to enter eighth or ninth grade next year. Four of the five will be attending high school in Australia and the fifth will be going to Ukarumpa, PNG, which is the language translation center for the Wy-cliff workers here. Naturally they are excited and apprehensive at the same time. It keeps teaching in the "upper" classroom exciting.

The "lower" classroom kids remain a joy to be with (most of the time!). They are enjoying learning lines for our Christmas program: in the past the only speaking parts were for older children. Say lots of prayers, okay? As I said the school ends in December, in fact Friday the 13th is our last day of school and that night is our Christmas program. The 1986 school year starting date hasn't been finalized yet—either February 3 or 17.

So what will I do with 6-8 weeks of no school? Plenty! We are rearranging the whole school (a flip-flop of classrooms) which will take a few days. I have a list of projects for learning centers and bulletin boards about a mile long, let alone the list of projects at my house which includes repainting my kitchen cupboard, organizing my files and putting up posters and such in the guest room. I also hope to make a trip down to Ukarumpa. Most importantly I

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HEAD MAN—Bill Steinbrecher, Director of Athletics, welcomes the Guild and explains "The ARC in Action."

WELCOME BACK—Past President Sylvia Wismar attends her first convention in a number of years.

RHINESTONE COWGIRL—First Vice President Phyllis Schuessler joins in the spirit of the Texas barbecue.

FUN IN SONG—Phi Mu Alphas Steve Wolfgram of Germantown WI, Wayne Fisher of Lakewood NJ, Enrique Ochoa of Puebla, Mexico, and John Renken of Boulder CO.

FIESTA!—Another successful bazaar highlights the Guild's stay on campus.

NEW ACQUAINTANCES—Marty Mattes meets Juliette Brown Mims, a Guild Woman You Should Know from the South Carolina chapter.

PRAYER CHAIN—Guild women circle the huge arena to pray for the University.

HAPPY NEW YEAR—Calendar chairman Arlene Smith displays the finished product.

TROPHY—St. Paul chapter member Theresa Schmalz wears the hat she caught.

Winter
WE PRAY THAT YOU MAY BE INVIGORATED AND STRENGTHENED WITH ALL POWER, ACCORDING TO THE MIGHT OF HIS GLORY, TO EXERCISE EVERY KIND OF ENDURANCE AND PATIENCE WITH JOY.
Colossians 1:11 (amplified)

The 54th Annual Convention of the Valparaiso University Guild was called to order by President Marty Mattes at 10:08 a.m. on Friday, September 27, 1985, in the Great Hall of the University Student Union. The president began with a brief update on the health of Dr. Robert Schnabel, University President. Opening devotions were led by Donna Streufert of the Milwaukee Suburban chapter. The Bible study was based on the Convention theme, Colossians 1:11, and on the context of this letter from Paul to the Colossian Christians.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
After welcoming those in attendance, the president introduced the following women to the assembly: members of the Guild Board of Directors; Sophia Heidbrink, past Executive Secretary of the Guild; and past Guild Presidents Irma Schmalz, Bette Froehlich, Lynn Bahls, Beata Madoerin, Janie Lichtfuss, Barbara Maas, Ruth Russler and Ginny Amling. Also introduced were Guild Office staff members Esther Kruger, Coordinator of Special Services; Sharon Harsenmann, Administrative Assistant; and Ruth Hanna, Managing Editor of the Guild Bulletin. In addition, President Mattes announced the death last August 8 of past Guild President Mabel Frank.

Greetings from the Valparaiso Chapter were to have been given by the chapter president, Mary Selle Bolla. However, President Mattes announced that Mary was at home with her week-old baby daughter and would therefore not be present during Convention.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
The Credentials Committee moved that the roll of members in attendance, at 223, be the official roll of the voting members of the Convention. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED CONVENTION STANDING RULES and REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENETARIAN
The Guild Board of Directors proposed adoption of the following standing rules.

1. When addressing the chair, a member shall speak at a microphone, giving name and chapter affiliation.
2. Motions and amendments from the floor shall be submitted in writing, signed by the maker and seconder, and presented to the secretary.
3. Notices of announcements shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Director.

Parliamentarian Lynn Bahls offered a brief explanation of procedures relating to motions from a committee and to the chair’s calling the question. Following the parliamentarian’s presentation, the Convention standing rules were adopted as proposed.

ADOPTION OF CONVENTION PROGRAM
By direction of the Board of Directors, First Vice President Phyllis Schuessler moved acceptance of the printed Convention program, with several modifications. The Convention program was then adopted as modified.

PRESENTATION OF THE CONVENTION COMMITTEES
Secretary Jean Ehrman then introduced the Guild women who had agreed to serve as members of Convention committees:

Minutes Approval Committee:
- Eleanor Recla—Sun City, AZ
- Barbara Potter—Indianapolis, IN
- Lois Buchholz—Niagara Falls, NY

Resolutions Committee:
- Gretchen Sump, Chairman—Austin, TX
- Lydia Volz—St. Paul, MN
- Elizabeth DeMik—Northern Virginia, VA

Convention Reporter:
- Kathy Hutson—Oakland County, MI

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

REPORT OF THE MINUTES APPROVAL COMMITTEE
Marlene Rakow (Middle Tennessee, TN) and Lois Buchholz (Niagara Falls, NY) had examined the minutes of the 1984 Convention and found them to be accurate. The minutes, therefore, were approved as written.
REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Following is the report of Treasurer Carolyn Hanes for fiscal year 1984-85:

BEGINNING BALANCE, July 1, 1984 $ 44,050.00

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Total Receipts: $213,993.37

CASH AVAILABLE: $258,043.37

DISBURSEMENTS

To V.U.—Project Fund $118,265.00
—Calendar Fund 4,650.10
—Current Fund 10,140.75
—Celebration 941.00
—Guild Special 1,260.00
—Cookbook Fund 22,000.00

Total Disbursements: $245,287.95

TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND, June 30, 1985 $ 12,755.42

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

The statement of the auditor, Roy Davis of Block Business Services, was read by the secretary, Jean Ehrman, who moved its adoption. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS

The following women were appointed to serve as tellers for the Convention:

Beata and Herschel Madoerin presented a “commercial” in support of the Guild’s Bed & Breakfast program.

“IMPORTED’ FUND RAISING”

Michael Mehta, a senior VU business student from Malaysia, presented copper toolings as a fund-raising idea for the Guild; these lovely items are a cottage industry in Malaysia. Mike hopes to have toolings of the Chapel and the University seal available soon, barring further problems with U.S. Customs.

REPORT OF THE NEW CHAPTER ADVISOR

Linda Lohrmann highlighted the positive thinking and active follow-through of the six new chapters in her care. Five of these—Mississinewa, IN; Oklahoma Pioneer, OK; River Queens, MO; Northern Lights, MI; and Austin-Central Texas, TX—will graduate from the new chapter advisory program following this Convention. The Tampa, FL, chapter will remain under Linda’s care.

NOON PRAYER

Following announcements by the Executive Director, President Mattes introduced Jean Pearson of the Buffalo, NY, chapter, who gave the noon prayer. The Convention was then recessed at 12:05 p.m., reconvening at 1:43 p.m. in the Arena of the Athletics-Recreation Center.

CHAPTER ROLL CALL

The chapter roll call showed 232 Guild women in attendance, representing 29 states and 106 of the Guild’s 154 chapters.

RECOGNITION OF GOLDEN CHAPTER

Executive Director Dot Nuechterlein presented to Jean Pearson, president of the Buffalo, NY, chapter, a certificate honoring that chapter’s fiftieth anniversary in the Guild.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Remarks by the Executive Director, Dot Nuechterlein, introduced preliminary questionnaire regarding volunteering and the Guild, which Guild members were asked to complete and return before the end of Convention. A summary of the report of the Executive Director is printed in the winter edition of the Bulletin.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS

Kay Mellom, chairman, read the tellers’ report:

Nominating Committee

Number of ballots cast: 205

Paula Sauer 140
Jackie Jungemann 127
Sue Steinbruecker 127
Lois Oster 116
Kay Mellom 85
Sylvia Luekens 82
Lydia Volz 72
Peg Woiwod 63
Virginia Amling 1
Eunice Kretzmann 1

President Mattes declared the following women elected: Paula Sauer, Chairman; Jackie Jungemann, Sue Steinbruecker and Lois Oster. As immediate past national President, Virginia Amling will also serve as a member of the Nominating Committee.
REPORT OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Bylaws Chairman Sue Golke presented three bylaws amendments for consideration by the assembly.

1. Names of Funds. This amendment concerns Article V, Dues and Funds, under which the current fund would be renamed the University fund, and the project fund would be called the operating/project fund. The proposed amendment was adopted by a two-thirds vote and reads as follows, with the amended sections in bold type:

Article V, Section 2. University Fund—Four dollars ($4.00) of the annual national dues shall be donated to the University fund of Valparaiso University.

Section 3. Operating/Project Fund—Three dollars ($3.00) of the annual national dues shall be included with gifts and monies raised by chapters through activities and shall be used for special projects determined by the Guild in convention. Expenses for operating the Guild shall be paid from this fund, except as otherwise specified in these bylaws.

2. Golden Membership. The proposed amendment, to add a section 3 under Article IV, Membership, was adopted by a two-thirds vote and reads as follows:

Article IV, Section 3. Any member of Valparaiso University Guild who has reached the age of 70, or any woman who is interested in Christian education as provided at Valparaiso University, and who is 70 years of age or older, may request a “Golden” membership. Annual dues shall be a total of four dollars ($4.00)—three dollars ($3.00) to the university fund and one dollar ($1.00) to the operating/project fund. Any such member shall have all the rights and privileges of membership, including those of voting and holding office, subject to the control of Article VII, Section 1 b.

3. Parliamentary Authority. Adopted by a two-thirds vote, Article XVI reads as follows, with the amended sections in bold type:

Article XVI. The rules contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall be the Parliamentary Authority of the Guild in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

The chair thanked Sue Golke, chairman of the Bylaws Committee, and committee members Judy Brooks and Beata Madorin for their work on these amendments.

SPOTLIGHT ON “COFFEE WITH THE GUILD”

Judy Waetjen, author of Guild Women Pray, challenged all Guild members to make the choice of consistency in supporting the coffee and prayer program of the Guild, relying on God’s promise that prayer changes things.

TOPIC: “THE ARC IN ACTION”

Dr. William Steinbrecher, VU Director of Athletics, thanked the women of the Guild for the Guild’s contribution in making the Athletics-Recreation Center a reality. Dr. Steinbrecher’s slide show illustrated the scope of facilities and programs available to University students and staff in the ARC complex. The Guild women were also invited to take a self-guided tour of the ARC following the Friday afternoon meeting.

REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP

Vi Brejle, Membership Chairman, emphasized her work with Four Winds members of the Guild. She requested that names of prospective Guild members be submitted to her, so that we might ultimately achieve the goal of having at least one Guild chapter in every state.

REPORT OF THE COOKBOOK COMMITTEE

Lois Hoeppner, Cookbook Chairman, noted the Cookbook financial statement on page 18 of the Convention booklet. In addition to $22,000 submitted to the Cookbook endowment during the past fiscal year, the amount of $3,500 has been sent to the national treasurer so far this fiscal year. Lois encouraged creative marketing and continued sales of our cookbooks, in support of the fine University students who benefit from the Guild Scholarship program.

INTRODUCTION OF FRESHMAN GUILD SCHOLARS

The Executive Director introduced the Guild’s newest scholarship recipients: Carmen Kimber of Kansas City, MO, and Kyle Otten of Battle Creek, MI.

GREETING FROM SENIOR GUILD SCHOLAR

Patty Jaeger of Burnsville, MN, summarized the growth and learning of her years at Valpo, and thanked the Guild for making it possible for her to be here.

CLOSING CHAIN PRAYER/“COFFEE WITH THE GUILD” PARADE

The Convention assembly formed a single circle on the floor of the ARC Arena, holding hands for a closing prayer, with singing led by Dot Nuechterlein. Following the conclusion of the prayer, members of the Convention had an opportunity to place their Coffee and Prayer contributions in the coffee pots located at both exits. The meeting was recessed at 4:35 p.m., to resume at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1985

President Marty Mattes called the Convention to order at 9:27 a.m. The morning devotion was presented by Dr. Warren Rubel, Professor of Humanities in Christ College. Dr. Rubel based his meditation on the Convention theme, specifically the pairing in threes of the things Christians need to know about: vigor/strength/power, endurance/patience/joy.

President Mattes then introduced past Guild president Sylvia Wismar, who joined Convention-goers Friday evening. Mrs. Wismar commented that the Guild is farther ahead than her greatest expectations when her term as president ended twenty years ago.

The chair encouraged each Guild woman to sign a greeting to Dr. Schnabel in recognition of his birthday today (September 28).

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The Credentials Committee reported the current number of Convention members to be 244. It was moved that the revised roll of members be the official roll of voting members of the Convention. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

As Coordinator of Area Directors for the past two
years, Phyllis Schuessler has had the privilege of working with the nine Area Directors. Now, as Phyllis prepares to pass on the duties of the C.A.D. to her successor, Marilyn Krueger, she saluted three retiring A.D.s: Shirley Jud, Area I; Carole O'Hare, Area III; and Kay Schulz, Area VI.

Area Directors who continue in their positions are as follows: Martha Schmidt, Area V (beginning her second term); Linda Krauss, Area II; Judy Michaels, Area IV; Carolyn French, Area VII; Kathy Darakis, Area VIII (currently on a business trip in Europe); and Margaret Zobel, Area IX.

The three women who will be replacing the retiring Area Directors are Carol Wojtaszek in Area I; Gretchen Sump in Area III; and Paula vonKampen in Area VI.

Phyllis concluded with a challenge to all Guild members to share with the Membership Chairman the names of any prospective Guild members in the following targeted locations:

- Area I—Connecticut
- Area II—the city (not necessarily suburbs) of Chicago
- Area III—Rochester, MN
- Area IV—Sacramento, CA; Mesa, AZ;
- Eugene, OR
- Area V—Reedsburg-Wisconsin Dells, WI area
- Area VI—Sturgis-Three Rivers, MI area
- Area VII—Elkhart-Goshen, IN region
- Area VIII—Toledo, OH; Brunswick, OH
- Area IX—Birmingham, AL; Delray Beach, FL;
- Sarasota, FL

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Ginny Amling, Guild Historian, compared chapter scrapbooks to children's baby books, which may be poured over and enjoyed for many years. The Historian encouraged chapters to maintain, or to begin, the record of their precious moments in the Guild.

SPOTLIGHT ON MAGIC BOWS

Shirley Durance, president of the Midland, MI chapter, shared some of her chapter's magic ways with bows. Shirley illustrated using arrangements with bows instead of flowers as table decorations for a variety of occasions.

MESSAGE FROM THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

In the absence of Dr. Schnabel, the message from the University President was presented by Dr. Richard Baepler, Vice President for Academic Affairs. He opened by playing a taped message from Dr. Schnabel to the Guild and the rest of the University family. Dr. Baepler's remarks included an account of the domino effect which will occur on campus following the completion of the new Law School building on West Campus; he also mentioned Valpo's inclusion in the New York Times' "Best Buys in College Education." A summary of the remarks of both President Schnabel and Vice President Baepler will be found printed in the Winter 1986-86 Guild Bulletin.

REPORT OF THE CALENDAR CHAIRMAN

Arlene Smith, national calendar chairman, announced that profits on the 1985 Guild calendar totaled $3,941.32. The 1986 calendar project, although just beginning, already shows a profit of $2,432.60. Arlene challenged each member to take home just two extra calendars for gifts, so that the Guild can sell its entire printing of the 1986 calendar.

PRESENTATION OF THE CALENDAR FUND CHOICES

President Mattes introduced University faculty members who presented requests for Guild calendar fund monies.

A. Department of Physical Education, represented by Dr. Michael Bretting, Chairman, and Prof. Drew Pringle. Funds requested for partial payment on a Jaeger Metabolic Cart for the Human Performance Laboratory.

B. Black Cultural Center and Office of Special Programs, represented by Victor Glover, Coordinator of Special Programs. Funds requested for programming and administrative equipment.

C. Art Museum Council, represented by Prof. Richard Brauer. Funds requested for computer equipment and purchase of a religious painting/construct.

Guild members had the opportunity to ask questions of the faculty members, in preparation for voting.

REPORT OF THE PERSON-TO-PERSON CHAIRMAN

Person-to-Person Chairman Linda Pauling drew on the key words of the Convention theme as the basis for her report: POWER—ability to sponsor at least one new P-to-P activity in the chapter; VIGOR—mental energy for alertness to new opportunities for promoting Valpo; STRENGTH—exerting muscular force by carrying brochures and setting up projectors for college fairs and other programs; ENDURANCE—sustaining without yielding, by making phone calls: two areas made nearly 1,000 calls each, and 61 chapters completed all their calls; PATIENCE—perseverance, as in Ann Millard's efforts to establish a PACT scholarship from her chapter; and JOY—the exultant satisfaction or keen delight experienced when introducing someone to Valparaiso University, as the Walla Walla chapter did last February during Executive Council.

"SPOTLIGHT ON MAGIC BOWS"

Laurel Drabkowski, chapter president, represented the Baltimore, MD, chapter, which has sold 50,000 bows. She credited their success not to sales methods or gimmicks, but to trust in the Lord. This chapter has a full-time coordinator for the Coffee and Prayer program; she organizes two regularly scheduled Coffee and Prayer meetings of the chapter each month. Emphasis on growing in God's love, Laurel believes, is the secret of the Baltimore chapter's success.

NOON PRAYER

Following announcements by Executive Director Dot Nuechterlein, the noon prayer was offered by Peg Woold of the Orange County, CA, chapter, representing all anniversary chapters. The meeting recessed at 12:01 p.m. and resumed at 1:37 p.m.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The final report of the Credentials Committee listed the current number of Convention members at 249, which was the total number pre-registering. The Committee moved that the revised roll of members be the official roll of the voting members of the Convention. Motion carried. At this time, the chair recognized first-timers to Convention, as well as mother-daughter combinations.
RESOLUTION—CALENDAR FUNDS
The Resolutions Committee presented the calendar resolution, which contained a blank.
The chair repeated the choices, as follows:
A. Jaeger Metabolic Cart for the Department of Physical Education’s Human Performance Laboratory.
B. Programming and administrative equipment for the Black Cultural Center/Office of Special Programs.
C. Computer equipment and religious painting/construction for the Art Museum Council.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
Activities Chairman Jo Ann Fry recognized her Valpo chapter liaison, Dorothy Daiber, for accomplishing so well the monumental task of local coordination for the Fiesta Bazaar. Jo Ann then announced the names of successful bidders in the debut of the Bazaar’s Silent Auction. She also suggested that Convention-goers take home several Bazaar items for resale in their chapters, so that Guild members around the country will be able to share the fun and variety of the Guild Bazaar.

Jo Ann encouraged Guild chapters to participate in the Bed and Breakfast program, and Guild members to avail themselves of the B&B opportunity as they travel.

“SPOTLIGHT ON BED & BREAKFAST”
Lois Oster of the New Orleans, LA, chapter and her daughter, Jean Kretzmann of the Geiseman Memorial, IL, chapter, presented a scenario to illustrate overcoming fears about participating as a hostess in the B&B program. They urged non-participating chapters to become involved in this fun and profitable way of making new Guild friends.

“A LOOK AT THE HONORS COLLEGE”
Dr. Marcus Riedel, Professor of Philosophy in Christ College, introduced a panel of four senior Christ College Scholars—Laura Blair, Sara Dorow, Dave Deusenberg and Greg Bouman. With Dr. Riedel as moderator, the panel discussed their views of the nature of the Christ College experience. Following this, Dr. Riedel led the students in simulating a recent discussion of the martyrdom of Thomas a’Becket in “Murder in the Cathedral.” Dr. Riedel then entertained questions regarding the Christ College program and its entrance requirements.

REPORT OF THE V.U. SUNDAY CHAIRMAN
Jan Beeching-Pieper, VU Sunday Chairman, revealed that she received only 68 reports detailing Valpo Sunday celebrations in about 70 congregations. She is hopeful, however, that far more Valpo Sunday observances were actually held, since VU Sunday materials were sent out to approximately 2,400 congregations.

Regarding the new “VU Update” part of her duties, Jan asked Convention members to close their eyes and imagine themselves at their next local chapter meeting, where a VU Update program begins with the hymn, “Earth and All Stars.” As the president reads the current Update fact sheet, members imagine themselves on campus, seeing the students for whom the chapter works so long and diligently. The immediacy of this mental image gives greater impact to the concluding prayer for Valparaiso University, its students, faculty and staff.

REPORT ON GUILD GOODIES
Second Vice President Marilyn Krueger reported that there are now 17 chapters involved in the Guild Goodies program. The most recent additions to the list are the Sheboygan, WI, chapter’s English ironstone mugs, and aspen leaf jewelry and aspen wood reversible candleholders from Boulder, CO. In enumerating the other Guild Goodies, Marilyn emphasized their locale-related characteristics. She also encouraged Christmas shoppers to be conscious of the fact that catalog shopping from the Guild Goodies page of the Bulletin costs no more than shopping from other catalogs; it’s just a question of where we would like to see the profits go.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Paula Sauer, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, revealed that the newly elected committee has already begun its work. Paula requested that nominations be submitted by January 10, 1986. Forms were provided for that purpose, although nominations may be made without the form, and may be submitted to any member of the Nominating Committee.

GIANT STEP CLUB REPORT
Marilyn Krueger, Second Vice President, proclaimed 69 chapters to be members of the “Guild Galaxy of Stars” for 1984-85. While not exactly the Milky Way, these chapters were part of the largest contribution to the University in the Guild’s history. In total, nearly 55% of all Guild chapters have made the Giant Step Club at one time or another in the past four years.

A three-month amnesty period is being offered to chapters who have been “almost!” there, either this year or any of the previous three years. Inquiries regarding a chapter’s status must be made in writing, and the chapter has until January 10, 1986, to make up the difference.

Special recognition was extended to the Detroit chapter, which made the Giant Step Club one year too soon, sending in $3,240 during the base year, 1980-81. Other chapters in the “too soon” category are Appleton, WI; Elm, IL; Nassau-Suffolk, NY; Central New Jersey, NJ; Cincinnati, OH; and Geiseman Memorial, IL.

The following 16 chapters were first-time Giant Step Club achievers; each received a certificate of achievement tucked into a Giant Step Club tennis shoe:

- Ann Arbor, MI
- Crystal Lake Area, IL
- Diablo Valley, CA
- Greater Flint, MI
- Greater Kansas City, KS
- Harbor Lights, CA
- Hawaii, Hi
- Lorain County, OH
- Washington, DC

Two-year Giant Step Club status was attained this year by 13 chapters, all of which received gold seals to affix to their certificates of achievement.
The chair declared that Proposal A, the Jaeger Metabolic Cart, would fill the blank. The Calendar Resolution was adopted as follows:

**RESOLVED:** the 1985 Calendar fund, amounting to $3,941.32, be allocated to purchase the Jaeger Metabolic Cart.

### INTRODUCTION OF STATE UNIT PRESIDENTS

Presidents of the three state units were recognized by President Mattes. Sue Steinbruecker, Wisconsin State Unit, announced April 22, 1986, as that group’s next meeting date, hosted by Trinity, Menasha. Irmie Roggow of Michigan and Ruth Lewis of Indiana were not present.

### NEW BUSINESS

A motion from the floor, made by Margaret Zobel and seconded by Barbara Riethmeier, proposed the following: that a committee be appointed to study the possibility of providing and making available at least nine banners to be used for local college night displays and other occasions of student recruitment, and that the committee report to the Executive Council meeting for action at that time.

The chair observed that the motion, if passed, would empower the Council to act. Motion carried. President Mattes then appointed Margaret Zobel, Barbara Riethmeier and Linda Pauling to the committee.

### CONVENTION RESOLUTION

The Resolutions Committee moved adoption of the following resolution:

**WHEREAS,** the Valparaiso University Guild has been challenged to meet the project goal set at the 50th Anniversary Convention; and those attending the 54th Annual Convention of the Valparaiso University Guild in 1985 have been “invigorated and strengthened with His Power”; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that sincere appreciation and thanks be extended to all who planned and implemented this 1985 Convention, thus enabling every Guild member “to exercise every kind of endurance and patience with joy,” that the Guild may achieve its goal to His Glory.

Resolution adopted.

### "THE GUILD GOES FOR IT!"

First Vice President Phyllis Schuessler introduced past national Guild President Ruth Russler for a "motivational charge to the assembly." Ruth related a proud history of past Guild challenges met, as well as a bit of background information regarding the original decision to set the $500,000 goal. She urged the Guild not to underestimate the awesome power of 4,000 prayers rising each week, plus the $40,000 that would be raised from all those quarters in just one year. Referring to Donna Streufert’s opening devotions, Ruth emphasized that we must always be aware that we are running on God’s power, not our own.

Phyllis then called on the esteemed members of the Amen Corner, wearing hard hats and marching...
around the Great Hall, to teach the Assembly our theme song for the next year (sung to the tune of "When the Saints Come Marching In"):  
Oh, when the Guild makes up its mind,  
A most determined bunch you'll find.  
Oh, yes, I want to be in that number,  
'Cause these gals are just my kind.  

Oh, when the Guild decides to run,  
Our Janie leads us in the fun.  
Hey, ma'am, were you yourself in that number  
At the very first Guild run?  

We're comin' on with sis—boom—bah.  
Oh, can't you hear our rah—rah—rah!  
Oh, yes, I want to be in that number,  
'Cause wir comin' mit hurrah'!

Here comes the Guild around the bend.  
We're coming strong now towards the end.  
And, yes, we need you in that number.  
On your spirit we depend.  

And when the Guild decides to go,  
Move over world, we've lots to show.  
And we will all be in that number,  
Giant-stepping to our goal!

CLOSING PRAYER  
Following announcements by the Executive Director, the closing prayer was offered by Sylvia Wismar, national Guild President from 1963-66. President Marty Mattes declared the Convention adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

Jean Ehrman  
Secretary

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TEN COMMANDMENTS  
FOR  
CHURCH ETIQUETTE

1. Thou shalt not come to the church late,  
nor for benediction fail to wait.  
2. Thy noisy tongue thou shalt restrain,  
when sings the choir their refrain.  
3. And when the songs are sounded out,  
thou shalt join in, not look about.  
4. The endmost chair thou shalt leave free  
for someone else to sit with thee.  
5. Forget not thou the offering plate,  
for someone else to sit with thee.  
6. Thou shalt give heed to worship well,  
and not in thine own armchair dwell.  
7. Thou shalt the Sabbath not misuse,  
nor come to meetings there to snooze.  
8. 'Tis well in hall thy friend to greet,  
but let thine ardour be discreet.  
9. Be friendly at the church's door,  
so shall the stranger love God more.  
10. Pray every day for God to use  
this church as He would surely choose.

—Author unknown
"NO EXCUSE SUNDAY"

TO: Members and Friends of the Congregation
FROM: Board of Stewardship & Evangelism

To make it possible for everyone to attend church, we are going to have a special "No Excuse Sunday."

Cots will be placed in the foyer for those who say, "Sunday is my only day to sleep in."

We will have hard hats for those who say, "The roof would cave in if I ever came to church."

Blankets will be furnished for those who think the church is too cold, and fans for those who say it is too hot.

We will have hearing aids for those who say, "The Pastor speaks too softly" and cotton for those who say he preaches too loudly.

Score cards will be available for those who wish to list the hypocrites present.

Some relatives will be in attendance for those who like to go visiting on Sundays.

There will be TV dinners for those who "can't go to church and cook dinner also."

One section will be devoted to trees and grass for those who "like to see God in nature."

There will be an assortment of sporting equipment (golf clubs, fishing rods and reels, fishing bait, baseball bats, volleyballs, basketballs, footballs, rifles, pistols, bows and arrows, etc.) for those who say, "Sunday is the only day for me to ____________ ."

Finally, the sanctuary will be decorated with both Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who have never seen the church without them.

SEE YOU IN CHURCH!!

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GUILD SCHOLARS—Freshman Carmen Kimber of Kansas City KS, freshman Kyle Otten of Battle Creek MI, and senior Patty Jaeger of Burnsville MN captivate the convention.

NEW PRESIDENT—1983 graduate Beth Walden of the River Queens chapter talks with Ethel Kallsen of San Diego.

PERSONABLE PANEL—Christ College seniors Sara Dorow of Seoul, Korea, and David Duesenberg of St. Louis show that serious intellectual discussions can be good fun.

FRUIT BREAK—A recreation center seems like a good place for a healthful snack.

PROMOTIONAL PINS—Membership chairman Vi Brelje publicizes the Four Winds chapter with the help of Martha Hessler of Cleveland, Shirley Jud of Northern Virginia, and others.

LITTLE DARLING—Susan Zimmerman’s son Paul, of Washington DC, keeps a sleepy eye on the proceedings as Esther Kruger from the Guild office checks the program.

GOTCHA—Convention photographer Paul Indorf Jr. is usually on the other side of the camera.
AROUND THE GUILD WORLD

PRAYER LIST
Two special persons have been hospitalized in recent months with operations: Guild President Marty Mattes in Atlanta, and her uncle Emil Ruprecht, Ber's husband, in California. At last report both were doing well, but your prayers are most welcome.

COOKBOOK COMPLIMENTS
Dorothy Tribble of the East Bay (CA) chapter wrote:
Thought you would like to know about the pat-on-the-back the Guild received from one of the recipes printed in Vol. I of the Guild's cookbooks.

The dish was a great success and nearly everyone requested the recipe, which I sold at twenty-five cents apiece to increase the proceeds of the day for our philanthropic project. Each recipe sold references its origin as being from the Valparaiso University Guild's Cookbook, Vol. I. If you have any communications with Mrs. Walter J. Riedel of Short Hills NJ, who authored this recipe, please inform her of what a "hit" it was with my California friends.

I might mention also that I received praises for the Hurry-Up-Tomato Aspic I served with the strata which I prepared from the recipe appearing on page 270 of Vol. II.

FOUR WINDS NEWSLETTER
Membership Chairman Vi Brelje has instituted a new communication tool, a newsletter specifically for members of the Four Winds chapter (women who are not geographically near an established chapter but who wish to be Guild members). If you know of someone who might like a copy, write to Vi at 349 N. Waverly, Orange CA 92666.

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE
March 15 is the deadline for submitting applications for the $2,000 per year Guild scholarship, available to children of Guild members. The application form is available from the Guild office or the Financial Aid Office.

IN MEMORIAM
Mabel Frank, National President of the Valparaiso University Guild 1957-60, died August 8, 1985, in Valparaiso, where she and her husband Roy had lived for the previous two years.

The Guild was graced by Mabel's leadership during the exciting days of the University's Centennial, when the Gloria Christi Chapel and its organ were provided by the Guild, and there were many other evidences of the Guild's commitment and devotion to the University near and far. We give thanks to God that she was a part of our history, as well as leader and friend to us.

WHAT'S A VALPO?
Martha Schmidt, Area Director for Area V, shared this anecdote:
I took ten bags of our Valpo Bean Soup Mix to my AAUW interest section. They sold quickly; in fact, I should have taken more. The next afternoon I got a call from one of the women who hadn't been fortunate enough to get a package.

She said, "Martha, I've gone to four groceries to buy Valpo beans. I talked to the managers and they don't know what Valpo beans are, nor where they can get them. I'm sorry I wasn't more knowledgeable about them. But what are they?"

I got a chuckle out of the incident, but it has taught me that for my best advertising I shouldn't toss around the term Valpo so loosely!

Baltimore loves Valpo—These satisfied customers helped the Baltimore chapter remain in the Giant Step Club.
HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Kathy Darakis, Area Director for Area VIII, was unable to attend the 1985 convention because of a business trip to Europe. In a letter to chapter presidents in Ohio after returning home, she included the picture reprinted here and said:

I did miss you all and I missed Valpo, too. I miss that ‘connected’ feeling I get from worshiping in the Chapel and talking with students in the dorm. BUT would you believe I saw Valpo U. in Europe? Look closely at the bench. It was donated to Coventry, England, by Valpo in 1964! Apparently President O.P. Kretzmann and one of our drama professors were very involved with Coventry in the ‘60s. I understand that O.P. may have gotten some ideas from the Coventry Cathedral which were incorporated into our own Chapel design.

Of course I found all of this out after I got home, but believe it or not I felt Valpo in that Cathedral on entering. What a long arm we have!

THAT WONDERFUL CHOIR

Dear Guild Women,

Let me share with you the beautiful Sunday I had in October. Another Atlanta chapter member, Jo Feller, and I drove to Birmingham, Alabama, a 2 1/2 hour trip from Atlanta. It was a gorgeous, warm and sunny day, and the leaves were beginning to turn their bright orange and yellow hues.

Why were we going to Birmingham, you say? To hear the VU Choir in Concert with the Alabama Symphony Orchestra. It was a BachFest concert sponsored by the Birmingham area Lutheran Churches, and our choir was singing the “Magnificat in D Major.” It was a stellar performance! This was the 230th concert of Birmingham’s Basically Bach celebration, the largest festival of its kind in America.

For the VU Concert Choir under Director Eldon Balko to have this kind of opportunity to sing with a first-rate symphony orchestra was a very special experience for the students, and was due largely to the efforts of Ed Wolff, a Valpo grad who now manages the Alabama Symphony. It is always special to meet the students afterward, especially when you know some of them personally, such as Linda Schuessler, Phyllis’ daughter, and Linda Kolterman, Millie’s daughter.

I asked them whether they were sorry they had to miss Homecoming, the same weekend as the concert, and they both said “no.” This had been too special an experience to miss, and there would always be other Homecomings.

I was proud of our students, proud of the way they sang and proud of their openness and friendliness in mingling with the crowd afterward—they are certainly shining ambassadors for Valparaiso University.

There was one other Valpo connection in the concert: the soprano soloist in the “Magnificat” was Gail Beckman, a VU graduate.

Would you believe there was also a Guild connection at the concert. Judy Wolff, the wife of the Concert Manager, was a longtime Guild member in Peoria and is anxious to start a chapter in the Birmingham area. She had a table in the lobby with Valpo literature and a large sign that said: “Alabama needs a VU Guild chapter—would you be interested?”

Judy was thrilled that thirteen women had signed their names, and plans to hold an exploratory meeting with them this winter.

Marty Mattes

PLAYTHING—Bulletin Managing Editor
Ruth Hanna displays the Guild’s favorite little item.

INTERNATIONAL CONNECTION—A.D. VIII Kathy Darakis relaxes on VU’s gift to Coventry.

DECORATING IDEAS—Centerpieces created by Shirley Durance of the Midland MI chapter show new uses for Magic Bows.
WOW! LOOK AT THIS!

An editorial in the Gary IN Post-Tribune this past fall stated:

"Residents of Northwest Indiana have long recognized VU as a high quality educational institution. But pride swells more when outsiders agree. The university, its staff and students can take a well-deserved bow."

The editorial referred to a poll published in the Nov. 25 issue of U.S. News and World Report rating U.S. colleges based on the size of the institutions, academic offerings, and geographical region. Valparaiso University was rated by college and university presidents to be one of the top colleges in the country, placing second out of 151 larger comprehensive schools from the Midwest and Far West. Pepperdine University in California was first in that category, which was one of the nine divisions covered in the study.

Criteria included strength of curriculum, quality of teaching, relationship between faculty and students, and the atmosphere for learning. USN&WR wrote: "Many successful schools have religious links. Valparaiso, the nation’s largest Lutheran college, seeks to develop a student’s personal identity."

This accolade, along with those cited in the Administrative report on p. 10., provides even greater encouragement to those who believe in the University and its mission to continue our efforts to promote “Academic Excellence in a Christian Context.”

ELDERHOSTEL REPEATED

Once again Valparaiso University will provide an Elderhostel experience for senior citizens during the month of June.

Two sessions are planned. June 1-7 study topics will be “Terrorism: A Minor Ache or a Chronic Condition?”; Prof. Albert R. Trost; “Friends of Other Faiths,” Prof. Edgar P. Senne; and “Weather Forecasting,” Dr. Ronald A. Janke.

June 8-14 will offer “Understanding Central America,” Dr. Willis Boyd; “The Study of the New Testament Gospels,” Dr. Frederick Niedner; and “Duneland Ecology,” Dr. Carl Krekeler.

For further information please write to Elderhostel-G, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso IN 46383.

FROM FACULTY TO SENATE?

Dr. Jill L. Long, Assistant Professor of Marketing in the College of Business, has been chosen as the only Democrat to run in the primary election to become a candidate for U.S. Senator of Indiana. It is expected that Prof. Long will oppose incumbent Republican Senator Dan Quayle in the November election.

She is a graduate of Valparaiso University and Indiana University, and presently holds a seat on the Valparaiso City Council.

ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP IN MUSIC

Dr. Philip K. Gehring, Professor of Music and University Organist at VU, was inducted last fall as the first Reddel Professor of Music, holding a position created by a gift from Frederick A. and Mazie N. Reddel.

Dr. Gehring, known internationally for his concerts and compositions, is a special friend to the Guild and has often served as organist for worship and special programs during Guild weekends on campus.

FOUNDER'S ROCK—The famous campus landmark watches over construction on old campus.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Many students don’t realize it, but when they leave the campus at the end of May the place does not shut down. In addition to classes, the calendar becomes crowded with summer conferences and camps. In 1985 there were 52 different groups, from basketball and volleyball camps to church retreats and youth conferences. Over 4,000 persons attended, many of whom would not normally visit the campus.

PROPERTY TRANSFER

Valparaiso University and the Lutheran Deaconess Association have entered into an agreement for a transfer of property. A new Center for Diaconal Ministry will be established on the north edge of the campus, in the building on LaPorte Avenue that has served as the home of the Dean of the Chapel. That house, and an undisclosed sum of money, was used to purchase Deaconess Hall.

Presently a dormitory, Deaconess Hall will be renovated next summer and will become office space for the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and some of his faculty members.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS

During 1985 a number of alumni and friends of the University were honored. Among them were the following Guild members:

ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD

Herta Benz, Milwaukee Suburban Caroline Collins, Bay State Shirley Jud, Northern Virginia Bev Wick, Puget Sound

HONORARY ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP

Ruth Dunklau, Omaha

Congratulations—we are all proud of you!

FOOTBALL HONORS

Valparaiso Crusader wide receiver Mike Healey of Springfield IL was named this winter to the Kodak All American team for College Division I. This honors team consists of players from NCAA Division II and NAIA Division I schools.

Healey led the nation in receiving this season while setting an NCAA Division II record by sharing 101 passes. He had a total of 1,279 yards and scored eleven touchdowns. Along with these school records for the season, his career records include 228 receptions for 3,212 yards and 26 touchdowns. He is fifth on the Division II all-time receiving list.

Mike was joined by three teammates named to the Heartland Collegiate Conference first team: Quarterback Scott Lange of Woodridge IL, kicker Kevin Mackey of Portage IN, and nose guard Tony Maselli of Buffalo NY.
REPORT
(Continued from page 10)

The new Law building will create different space arrangements on the campus, as many administrative offices will move into Wesemann Hall after Law moves out. Ways are also being found to bring most of the Arts & Sciences faculty to the new campus, to assist their interaction with students outside the classroom. Many are presently located in Lembke Hall on the old campus, and students "are not very likely to drop in casually if they have to walk to the other end of the campus to do it." Lembke has served the University well for many years, having also been a dormitory in the past, but structural engineers have found that it is no longer sound enough to be used, and eventually it will be demolished.

"We all know," said the Vice President, "that it is not bricks and mortar which make a University great, but it is faculty and students and their work together under God." We like to judge ourselves by standards that are somewhat different from the way the world judges universities and colleges, he continued. "I take a very positive view of the work that we are doing, and the way in which we are achieving the goals which we have set for ourselves."

But recently Valparaiso University has also been assessed by others in a most positive way. There are 3,200 institutions of higher learning in this country. "We are not, and we don't try to be, a research university in the same way that some large state schools, or the great private schools such as Harvard or Stanford, are. There are perhaps 30-40 of those institutions, and we do not claim to be one of them." However, when schools are judged by other standards, such as the percentage of National Merit Scholars enrolled, Valparaiso University ranks in about the upper 4% of all colleges in the country. This is the kind of assessment that is in keeping with our scholastic goals. In addition, two of the major published guidebooks for students place Valpo in the upper 10% of selected, competitive colleges in the country. And most recently we have learned that the New York Times publication The Best Buys in College Education will include Valparaiso University in its profiles of about 250 colleges that combine quality education and reasonable price. Their evaluation is based on statistics and on interviews with students from the campus, and several of our students are quoted. One Honors student commented: "Profs push you here, and you had better want to work and enjoy it."

Highlighting recent additions to the University's programs, Dr. Baepler mentioned the mentoring program that matches incoming freshmen with special faculty advisers for guidance in personal goal-setting and in making decisions throughout their college years; a new Wellness program; last summer's successful Elderhostel; and a newly endorsed professorship in music.

In his opening remarks on tape President Schnabel had alluded to the unique partnership enjoyed by the University and the Guild, and provided the context for the University report Vice President Baepler made. "I want you to know," he said, "how highly we appreciate all that the VU Guild does for Valpo. What you have done over the years has been a monumental achievement. . . . The University is blessed by the assistance Guild members carry out in our student recruitment activities and outreach, in the scholarships you provide, and in all of the activities that advance the cause of the University.

"In our task of providing a center of academic and professional experience and learning centered in the Christian faith and life, which fully understands spiritual and moral values and the gifts that God gives through His Son, we are strengthened by the commitment, the competence, and the many services of the Valparaiso University Guild. And we want you to know that we look forward to this continuing relationship in the years ahead, as we continue to seek to advance the cause of the University under the Cross. Oh, give thanks unto the Lord."
Northeastern states

Baltimore (MD)—"What a year the Lord has given us!" President Laurel Drabkowski opened her year-end newsletter by recapitulating the chapter's many achievements, giving thanks to God for His blessings. She also mentioned those who were ill, or in need of special prayer support.

(P.S. One Maryland student reported with a smile that when the chapter delivered goodies to students on campus this fall, some green folding stuff was tucked in among the edibles!)

Rochester (NY)—This year's Christmas Vespers, featuring a choir of singers from area churches as well as Guild members, included a Bach cantata to commemorate Bach's birth year.

Washington (DC)—A metropolitan D.C. area Valparaiso University Alumni/Guild picnic was held last summer.

Illinois

Aurora—A fall luncheon and Fashion Seminar included sessions on wardrobe planning, color analysis, and advice on coordinating clothing and makeup. The event was open to the public and was held at Aurora University.

Chicago South Suburban—Treasurer Marie Piepenbrink encouraged her chapter members by giving them a mid-year report on contributions already sent to the national treasurer, including money from a Soup-Salad-Dessert Luncheon, sale of fruit cakes, and a good profit from the convention bazaar. "This is an excellent beginning," she wrote. "Perhaps this is the year we can get our Giant Step award."

Central and Rocky Mountain states

Greater Kansas City (KS)—Highlight of the fall was "Oktoberfest," an evening of German food, fun, and frolic "just dripping with Gemütlichkeit." There was a drawing for a German beer stein, and ornaments, lace window hangings, and crystal dishes brought especially from Germany were sold to those attending.

Houston (TX)—Are you having trouble keeping your chapter scrapbook up-to-date? This chapter had a "doing history" meeting: they gathered pictures and other items and made scrapbooks together.

Minneapolis (MN)—The fall program began with a Mothers Tea, held jointly with the Land of Lakes chapter.

St. Paul (MN)—This chapter shares an idea for chapter handbooks; its book's cover is printed on heavy paper without dates, so that the same one can be used for several years. The inside pages, which will change each year, are held in place attractively with gold stretch twine.

East Central Illinois—Viola Birner, Past National President, was an honored guest at one of this chapter's meetings. Also, a member tested the new gourmet popcorn now available from the Guild office, and using every popping method known to civilization, found it superior in every way!

Elgin—Before turning over the presidential gavel to her successor, Pat Sunderlage acknowledged that the chapter had lost a number of members in recent years. Instead of worrying, she commented: "Because of the decrease in our membership, we have decided to accept God's blessings as He awards them."

Elm—A successful project last summer was a "Bakeless Bake Sale"; members contributed what they would ordinarily spend on ingredients for a regular bake sale, and everyone stayed home on a hot afternoon and had a wonderful time.

West Coast states, Alaska, and Hawaii

Central Coast (CA)—When president Nancy Kraus (better known as Nancy Q) sends out a newsletter to members she includes a page of campus highlights; the last one also featured a picture of one of VU's most famous California alumni (honorary), Tommy Lasorda of the L.A. Dodgers. In planning the year's program she invited all members to fill in a form telling the jobs they had most interest in doing (including praying more often for the University), best meeting days and times, and suggestions for new activities.

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Puget Sound (WA)—Guildie Ellen Gam-rath, a member of a Lutheran Hunger Task Force that traveled to Mexico and Central America (Nicaragua, El Salvador) to visit fellow Christians there, showed slides and shared moving experiences at a chapter gathering. A March meeting will feature a demonstration of Japanese cooking by member Ruth Cowan. (P.S. President Ginny Ellers titled her convention report, sent to each member and prospect, "Walk in My Shoes.")

Orange County (CA)—Several VU theology professors attending a conference in California used the Guild's B & B program. A letter to the hostess from Department chairman Prof. Ed Senne said: "It was a double benefit to Valparaiso University . . . it was so much nicer than the hotel environment, (and) it is a privilege to be around people who share our love and respect for our University and are willing to work for its mission."

Santa Clara Valley (CA)—The first Sunday in January was set for the chapter's fifth annual Holiday Family Brunch. This follows the VU Summer Gala last August, when 34 members and friends and alumni, responding to beautifully printed invitations, gathered to share Valpo Nostalgia. (President Ellen Spalding writes of selling Magic Bows at flea markets and Bow-tiques!)

Sun City (AZ)—"Christmas Joy," a luncheon in celebration of the nativity, featured carol singing and entertainment by a zither player. A keepsake program in red tied with a green bow included words to carols and appropriate sketches.

OMAHA, NE—President Arlene Dreher, anniversary chairman Ruth Hantleman, hostess Leitha Richardson, and National President Marty Mattes enjoy the 25th anniversary display of chapter memorabilia, pictured at right.

Detroit—This chapter is famous for its fall Salad Luncheon and Card Party, which is always a fun and delicious success. It was followed by the Annual Christmas Tea and Musical. Mildred Arduin is Detroit's "Woman of the Year" honoree.

Jackson—A brief business meeting held at a dinner theatre preceded attendance at the play Annie. Four "Cinnamon Roll Sundays" are on the calendar for this year.

Mt. Clemens District—Paula von Kampen, chapter member and Area Director, was named "Woman of the Year" and represented the chapter at a Council of Women luncheon in January.

Wisconsin

Appleton—Color was big in Appleton this fall: at one meeting members enjoyed a color analysis program, and at the next they colored Santa letters ordered at the convention Bazaar. The winter newsletter included a recipe for a popcorn/pecan snack to help make use of the pecans they sold.

Milwaukee Suburban—Tickets for the annual February Valpo Guild Brunch are decorated with an artistic sketch of the central window from the VU Chapel of the Resurrection and the Christus Rex sculpture.

Indiana and Kentucky

Indianapolis (IN)—The Valpo Guild on the "Society" page of a major city newspaper? The chapter's annual tasting luncheon and
fashion show was publicized in the Indianapolis Star "Painting the Town" column on the Tuesday before the event, and recipes from Guild Cookbooks to be served at the luncheon were featured on Wednesday.

Mishawaka-South Bend (IN)—This chapter joins others that organize a tour of the campus during the school year. President Dolores Cenkush was especially delighted to welcome a certain new member this fall, because her daughter, VU freshman Sheila Walkowski, was in Dolores’ kindergarten class once upon a time.

Area VIII

Ohio

Cleveland—Last fall’s chapter newsletter included reprints of articles and pictures regarding VU and the Guild that had appeared in a local publication. One article featured twins who had enrolled in Valparaiso’s College of Nursing. Providing B & B for special occasions such as weddings and house hunting is a suggestion from this chapter.

Greater Dayton—Main event of the holiday season was a potluck dinner, attended by sixteen members, husbands, and guests.

Union County—Participation in a local church bazaar was one of the major projects of this chapter this past year.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE, TN—The tiny chapter with the gigantic Guild spirit: Mary Ann Whitel, Ruth Kiskaddon, and president Marlene Rakow.

ATLANTA, GA—The chapter had a “shower” for two members of the class of 2007: Lisa Marie Allen, shown with mom Linda, and Michelle Marie Sikes with mom Bonnie. Former president Lorraine Gaunt is now living in Germany and has been told to recruit at least two new VU students.

INDIANAPOLIS, IN—Charter member Wilma Eickhoff, past president Barb Potter, and A.D. VII Carolyn French share a happy occasion.

CHICAGO WEST SUBURBAN, IL—This cake represents the Great Christmas Hymn Festival, which featured well-known Lutheran organist Paul Manz. About 600 persons sang hymns and carols and appreciated Dr. Manz’ talents in praise of the Christ Child.

Southeastern states

Atlanta (GA)—Acting president Jo Feller is in the printing business, so when the chapter sponsored a Holiday Open House for present and prospective VU students, everyone received a printed invitation. Barbara Harrah has been named "Student Coordinator" for the chapter.

New Orleans (LA)—Nothing stops the Guild, not even hurricanes! Activities halted temporarily when Elena hit Louisiana, but just as soon as the “all clear” sounded, “we were running around for the Guild,” reports president Lois Oster.

St. Petersburg (FL)—An idea to promote fellowship, a progressive dinner for members and guests, has turned out to be profitable for this chapter as well. Also, a district church music conference included the Guild’s B & B program in its motel accommodations listings.

Tampa (FL)—A Beer and Brats party, including Guild guests from Clearwater, was a high point of the social schedule last year for our youngest chapter.
Dear Guild Women:

With great joy we, your nominating committee, begin the task of organizing a slate of nominees. At the September 1986 convention we will be electing: President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President. We request your prayerful consideration of names of Guild women whom you feel are qualified for these positions. All nominations must be in the hands of our committee prior to the February Council meeting.

All Guild members are eligible to submit recommendations to our committee for consideration. You may use this or a similar form to submit your nominations.

Office

Nominee's Name

Address

City/State Zip

Chapter City/State

Qualifications of Nominee

General Comments

Submitted by (optional)

Please mail all recommendations to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Paula Sauer, Chairman, 379 Pittsfield Drive, Worthington OH 43085
Virginia Amling
Jackie Jungemann
Lois Oster
Sue Steinbruecker
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**USE ME, LORD, WHEREVER YOU CAN**

Use me, Lord, to try new ideas in my chapter, even if the first time I present them, no one seems to listen.

Use me, Lord, when I propose a different way of doing things in our chapter, to save time, to save money, to be more efficient.

Use me, Lord, even when our National Guild sets grand challenging goals and our chapter is small—but deep down, Lord, we know that there are more small chapters like us than big ones, and you help us all in our work for you.

Use me, Lord—for I am the next president of our chapter, and we seem to have tried everything. We aren’t getting bigger, but, Lord, with your help, we are getting better in all we do.

Use me, Lord, to help us find a young man or woman who wants to attend Valpo, for I know even if the financial resources are not available in that family, Valpo will do its best to make it possible for my Person-to-Person efforts to be rewarded, and more, for a worthy student to be able to attend Valpo.

Use me, Lord, to work patiently with University staff members who always seem to want more from me, who tax my time and sometimes my patience, who are even “pushy” in getting me to accept new challenges and responsibilities. Help me to see this as a blessing of faith in me, and not a curse brought by my talents and position.

Use me, Lord, as a leader when I am called, as a follower when chosen—to accept whatever tasks I am given with grace, with tact, and with appreciation for being asked to work hard, perhaps even harder than I thought I was able.

Use me, Lord, as an innovator, as a thinker, as a dreamer—to rise in strength, to listen with tolerance, to lead with courage, to follow with humility—to do your will, not only for Valpo, but in all I do for you, and for your people.

Karl Krueckenberg, Valparaiso University Development Director
From Keynote Address at Wisconsin State Convention, April, 1985

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**ART**

(Continued from page 10)

one of the sketchbooks. “That had the same sense of being in close contact with the past,” she remarks, “but the work I had to do with it was more exacting.” Her description involves the setting up of a pattern in which each page is examined in a similar way, a kind of table for designating each quadrant of each page, the medium being used, exactly what is on the page (drawing, sketch, study, preparatory drawing), the subject, the possible date, any erased or “ghost” material. Some of the pages are simply one drawing that occupies the entire page, but others are covered with five or six separate little sketches.

“Maryann’s organizational skill and her knowledge of the subject was an enormous asset in this work,” Brauer says. “Now that we have the methodology and the format set up, the next books should go more quickly. I wish we’d have more of her time next year.”

But the work has not been simply a pre-graduate school exercise for the upper division student. Maryann’s options are still open. “At this point, I don’t know whether I’ll go into museum work or not. What have I discovered is that I love primary research. The letters, the preparation of materials for future scholarly work—that to me was the pleasure, the thought that I was directly responsible for part of the ongoing process of art history.”

She recalls the class exercise in her freshman seminar. “When I began that project, all I knew about art was that I liked to draw, and all I knew about history was that you could read about it in books. When we began looking hard for material about these artists, and had our own lists put into the Sloan’s archives, I had a whole new world open up, and I saw that I could have a part in it. This year’s work with Professor Brauer intensified the sense of effort and discovery. How could you ask more of education than that?”

Now that Maryann is graduating, will Brauer look for further student help in the project? “She is quite specially talented, and replacing her won’t be easy.” But he brightened up. “Of course, we do have talented students, so I have thought of looking around. I have a file somewhere with some names in it.” If his assistant, Dorcas Luecke, can have her usual luck finding his file, some other student will have a wonderful opportunity to further an education.
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