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SOPHIA DOROTHEA HEIDBRINK

October 14, 1892 - March 4, 1988

Bette Froehlich
Appleton WI, VU Guild Past National President

She was a second Mother to me. My first meeting with So Heidbrink took place back in the late thirties in Quincy IL where “Mrs.” Heidbrink was Girl Reserve Secretary in the YWCA and I was a Tri-Y leader. Little did I know how this woman would influence my life.

In 1940 Valparaiso University elected a new President, Dr. O.P. Kretzmann, and in 1941 he called Mrs. Heidbrink to Valpo to fill the newly created position of Social Director of the University.

The service folder for So’s burial service on March 7, 1988, in the Chapel of the Resurrection, included “A Tribute from a Grateful University,” written by Vice President Emeritus Fred Kruger. It stated:

So often said that her job was to make the students forget about dancing at a time when dancing was somewhat frowned upon in church circles. It was a very challenging position, since there was no Student Union building, no TV, and very few student cars on the campus which had a population of under 400 students. Her success in this position, as well as in every other undertaking with which she was faced at the University, was in no small part due to the love and kind care she showed to all the people with whom she came into contact.

So’s family stayed in Illinois until her husband’s business was sold. Over Memorial Day in 1941 So’s daughter Enid, who was my best friend in Quincy, and I drove up to Valpo for the weekend to visit her Mom. It was a weekend that was to change my life.

One evening as we sat talking, So asked how I would like to come up and attend Valpo and live with her. She was ready to make a deal with my family. Her daughter Carlene wanted to stay in Quincy to graduate with her high school class. She would live with my family, and I would live with So. And—so it happened! It was a beginning of a wonderful, rich relationship. I no doubt knew So better than most people on campus. She was a woman beyond compare. I never heard her say a harsh word against anyone. She didn’t always agree, but she never criticized.

Many have spoken of her deep and beautiful faith in her Lord. She lived her faith and by example passed on to me the strength of her faith and a positive attitude that sustained me and has helped me in my two-year battle against leukemia.

Fred Kruger’s Tribute to So further states:

In 1945, O.P. asked So to take on the additional position of being his executive secretary, a position she held for the remainder of the Kretzmann presidency. As O.P.’s secretary, she became the silent partner in the Kretzmann dream of developing the University from the little freshwater college in northwest Indiana to the brink of being the University it is today. She was said to be able to sign O.P.’s name to a document better than he, and of course, in the familiar green ink. Always in the background publicly, but also always in the foreground as O.P.’s sounding board, she gained the respect of thousands of students, faculty, and staff of this University.

On January 11, 1947, she assumed the office of Executive Secretary of the Guild. The Guild History records:

She was especially fitted for this post because of her background as counselor at Walther League camps and as Social Director of Valparaiso University. As this is being written years have passed, and the inestimable value of her contribution to both the spiritual and material work of the Guild can be measured. There has been no problem which her quiet, calm and unperturbed approach has not been able to solve. The deep and abiding faith in her Savior has been apparent to all who have had the privilege of working with her.

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A HOUSE OF INTELLECT, A HOME OF FAITH

It was almost ten years ago that I was privileged to greet the officers, members, and other leaders at the first Guild convention that I attended as University President. It seems like yesterday to me. The same may be said of the first Executive Council that I attended that year. There are many reasons why this is so. One reason is akin to the experiences of true friends or lovers, for whom time spent together is a way of sharing one’s faith, and love, and hope, and it makes the time seem to go so fast. It has seemed this way to me, as University and Guild have shared a common cause in the support and advancement of an institution we love. Valparaiso University is “a caring community of Christian higher education.”

Valpo’s mission and purposes bind us together as Guild and as University through a shared commitment, cooperation, and collaboration in an institution which is both a house of intellect and a home of faith.

In these remarks I first want to call attention to a few highly selected current events and developments at the University and then turn to some hopes for the future. First are people. People come first, because that is what a university truly and really is. Students are the heart of what an institution is; they do not fashion it, but they make it. What our students, our sons and daughters, have done to make this institution be what it is can only be understood by those who have lived and worked here over the years.

Faculty are at the center of the learning process, the teaching part of that process. I could tell you so much about what our faculty do and the way they commit themselves for the students and for the cause which we share. I think of those who have received research grants, of those who give of their energies and time for caring consultation with all of the students.

I think of the members of the University Board, and I am pleased that Sue Steinbruecker as the first woman chair of the Alumni Association is now a member of the University Board. I also think of Ruth Russler as one who is a leader in what the University is doing through its Board, as she was a leader in the Guild.

I think of staff people who make the University be what it is. We have many who give their time and talents and everything that they are to VU. Two who are particularly important for us have joined as part-time members of the development staff, Judy Waetjen and Sylvia Luckens. That must say something about the connection between the University and the Guild.

There are also campus programs and student activities that support what the institution tries to accomplish. We have art and music programs, lectures and poetry readings. We have the theatre, whose most recent production of “Quilters” was simply outstanding, one I wish you could have seen.

I think of special programs, like the Community-University Campaign. When I get together with other college and university leaders and tell them about this campaign they simply cannot believe it. For a small city of 22,000 people to successfully achieve this year a goal of $350,000 in support of VU is truly remarkable. Then there is VU Sunday, with more than 3,000 allied Lutheran congregations participating as University supporters.

Along with these regular events, there are special achievements and challenges. We certainly are grateful for the recognition the University received in U.S. News & World Report as the #1 comprehensive university in the midwest and west. That only happens because of the faculty, students, supporters like the Guild, the alumni, the President’s Advisory Council, and many, many others.

We think of the Cresset, and I hope that all of you have a chance to read it.

It celebrated its 50th anniversary this year. Under the leadership of Prof. James Nuechterlein, it is a marvelous production. In fact, it is recognized as one of the finest University journals in the country.

Along with these accomplishments and blessings, we also have challenges. We just went through the North Central Association accreditation review process. It’s interesting that Dr. Huegli went through that process just before he retired, as I also have as I prepare to retire. Each new president can find where all the weaknesses were and start to correct them, and build on the strengths that are already there!

Our North Central Self-Study. 325 pages in length, was well written by Dr. Richard Lee, a superb writer. In style and in content, it is one of the finest documents of its kind I have ever read, and I have read a good many of them. The research bases of the Self-Study were provided by Dr. Nancy Sederberg, our University Research Director. Faculty and staff served on the study committees, looking at all parts of the University, summarizing our strengths and weaknesses.

Among our strengths are things like a clear mission—we know what we are about as an institution of Christian higher education. Our mission is publicly stated and broadly supported. We have a strong, well informed, financially committed board, with special support from alumni, the Guild, and others. We have an increasing endowment, we are realistic in our budgeting, and we are carrying forward a sound fiscal management procedure.

We also have weaknesses and concerns. Our faculty work loads are very heavy—we expect a great deal from them, not only in teaching but also in counseling and working closely with students, along with many committee assignments. We have made progress, but our faculty are still underpaid. We also have to improve ourselves by having more racial and ethnic diversity on the campus, both in the faculty and in the student body. We have inadequate support staff in some areas. In short, there are many things yet to be ac-

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IN THE BEST COMPANY

"Hey, Mom, the company's here—already!" Now there's a phrase to strike fear in the heart of any last-minute hostess. (And I confess I am one of those; I can usually be found struggling with the vacuum-sealed lid on the Planter's Peanuts as the doorbell is ringing!)

The phrase "having company" implies a whole host of advance preparations, ranging from invitations to menu-planning to the inevitable housecleaning. But if you like to entertain as I do, then it is all done in anticipation of being with people you enjoy in an atmosphere you have created.

How wonderful, then, to see that you, our company, have arrived, and we are ready—ready to share with each other. For you, the leaders of the Guild, are part of a special kind of "company" and you are here for specific reasons. We will be taking a look at what makes this group known as the Guild such a unique organization, one which is well into its second fifty years of service to Valparaiso University.

In order to do this I thought it might be helpful to consult the dictionary for some brief definitions of the word "company," to see if any fit the Guild. Come along with me as we take a moment to do this.

"Company"—#1: "a number of individuals together." It would certainly be hard to deny that the Guild is that, if nothing else. But that doesn't say much at all. So, #2: "an assemblage for social purposes." That may explain why we enjoy coming together, but would that in itself be enough of a reason for our being? Hardly. In this age of overcommitment, women are wary of becoming involved with yet another group. There has to be more.

Definition #3 begins to get at it: "a number of persons associated for joint action." Now we're getting somewhere. Surely the four Guild objectives, which appear at the beginning of our bylaws, are a clear statement of our reason for being. How reassuring it is to know that these original purposes spelled out by our founders are every bit as valid in the eighties as they were in the thirties!

And that begins to give us a clue as to what binds us together. We haven't lost our sense of purpose—we've built on it. And in so doing, we continue to maintain an organization which offers today's woman a worthwhile use of her precious hours. The ways in which we serve Valparaiso University may have changed somewhat, but the essential ingredient of service is still there today, and will be there tomorrow.

Before we leave the dictionary, I can't resist calling to your attention a few definitions that are a bit further afield. How about #6: "the smallest body of troops, consisting of headquarters and two or three platoons." I guess we could think of our headquarters as the new Guild offices in Kretzmann Hall, but are you ready to think of yourself as a company commander presiding over platoons of chapter committees?

If that is a bit too military for you, perhaps you'd prefer definition #8: "a band of musical or dramatic performers producing operatic or dramatic compositions." There's an interesting idea. Perhaps we ought to look into a VU Guild Revue at some point!

The final definition Mr. Webster gives is one which hits much closer to the mark. Listen to #9: "those members of a partnership firm whose names do not appear in the firm name." I might add, "whose names do not appear on the letterhead." For though the names of the national officers do appear on the Guild stationery, no one is more aware than we are of just what it means to be part of this unique company called "the Guild."

Those who have had the privilege of serving as Area Directors have had the opportunity to observe the variety of ways that chapters choose to carry out their mission for Valpo. Some emphasize fund-raising, but even for large chapters it takes real enthusiasm and determination to generate large contributions.

Yet these efforts yield much more than dollars alone. For example, this year Dot and I were part of the "working crew" at Milwaukee Suburban's annual brunch. They have the formula down pat, every member is involved in one way or another, and their customers wait for tickets to an event which sells out every year. But the neat thing for an outsider like me to observe was the camaraderie so evident in their work together. It does take considerable work, of course, but the ever-present smiles surely indicated each woman's enjoyment. Again we see that a binding force in this company known as the Guild is the fellowship and fun which accompany even those projects which require the most effort. As one member said to me, "Oh, yes, we work hard, but I wouldn't miss this day for anything!" I understood.

Other chapters focus on Person-to-Person activities, and, given today's competition for students, this counts among the Guild's most important contributions to the University. From the individual who takes responsibility for her chapter's P-to-P cards, to the chapter officer who changes her schedule around to bring a prospective student to campus during Executive Council, to that Guildie who volunteers to organize her chapter's bus trip to VU for a Campus Visit Day, the Guild has a role to play in all-important admissions game.

If your chapter did nothing more for Valpo than to recruit one student per year, you could count that as a contribution of over $20,000. Valparaiso is, at this point, a tuition-driven institution; its primary income is from its tuition-paying students. Maybe you haven't really realized the importance of your efforts in student recruitment, but I hope this will encourage your chapter's continued participation in the Person-to-Person program.

Still other chapters demonstrate their sense of "company" in their identity with members who have moved beyond this world and into the community of saints. I am reminded of the Detroit (Continued on page 10)
GUILD WOMEN YOU SHOULD KNOW

Ever since it began, the Valparaiso University Guild has been known for the remarkable women who have been its members and leaders. Many of them are loved and appreciated by those in their own chapters and communities, but are not always widely known to others in sister chapters. Yet the amazing diversity represented by women of all ages, talents, and interests is such an inspiration that the Editors plan to include a few profiles from time to time to help us all become better acquainted with one another. If there is someone in your chapter you think others should know, please pass along some information about her. Thanks.

JOYCE SCHOENFIELD’S VOLUNTEERISM IS ACTION CENTERED

By Minnie Mills Enking, reprinted from “Volunteer of the Month,” Beloit Daily News, Beloit WI.

The spin-offs from her activities in the Beloit League of Women Voters has plummeted Joyce Schoenfield into the middle of many important decision-making situations as a volunteer.

She is a member of the Beloit City Plan Commission, was on the steering committee that worked for passage of the successful McNeel Junior High School referendum and was on the old Urban Design Committee which was developing guidelines for Beloit.

Performing a variety of functions for league for several years, she is now third vice president and action chair.

Although son Peter is a student at Valparaiso University, she has daughter Sarah in Beloit Memorial High School as a junior, so she continues her interest in PTA by serving as legislative chair of the Beloit PTA Council. She moved to that from being legislative chair of Memorial’s PTSA.

She is a teacher and her husband, Ray, has been on the BMHS faculty 27 years. The children, she says, “make it a joy to be a parent.”

Her religious family is found at Attonement Lutheran Church. She was raised a Lutheran and graduated from Valparaiso University. She and her husband teach an adult class. As a lay reader she “takes seriously being able to read God’s word in public.” For several years she taught Sunday School and was formerly on the church council.

Mrs. Schoenfield is a member of Valparaiso University Guild, which helps support the church, and is past president. A member of the organizing committee for the Evangelical Lutheran Church’s “Church Walk,” she can be counted for having helped the celebration project raise a gift of money for theYWCA Family Shelter for the battered.

She got involved because it was “a pleasure and exciting.”

Last year she worked on convention registration for the Constituting Convention of South Central Wisconsin Synod in the newly organized Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

More closely identified with her league background is her service on the Site Selection Committee for the New Wastewater Treatment Plant.

“Peter was a toddler when a neighbor invited me to league,” Mrs. Schoenfield recalls. “I wouldn’t have been interested on my own. Ray respected it so much I decided to give it a chance and I got hooked.”

The Beloit women who founded the league here “gave a great legacy,” she says. “They are wonderful role models.”

League proved to be a good outlet for Mrs. Schoenfield, who had been “home all day with the children” and suddenly found a group of women who talked about “issues” rather than “child development or gossip.” “I would come home with some newsworthy news to share with my husband, and I still can.”

She described how league is made up of women with various backgrounds and political persuasions, women who study issues and come up with a consensus. Agreements arising from nationwide studies “gives league its power.”

She has been co-president, president, served on the steering committee for Beloiters Together for Tomorrow, a citizen education project funded by a National Endowment for the Humanities grant, was on the Vote No steering committee which worked to defeat the referendum for mayor-aldermanic form of government, and chaired LWV studies on zoning, juvenile justice, reapportionment, state taxes and city budget.

Members can pick and choose what they enjoy doing, she says, whether it be registering voters, speaking before the council, or doing a study. “It provides opportunities to grow.”

Her work on the Plan Commission grew out of the Urban Design Committee where she served under David Preece. Her “personal goal” for the Plan Commission is that the commission should “be more visionary to plan future land use needs.” Keeping busy with “piecemeal” small property zoning changes frustrates her desire. And the city plan office is understaffed, she said.

Some league service is eye-opening (registering voters who’ve never voted before), she said, and the full import of other activities sometimes isn’t recognized until later (McNeel School referendum).

As action chair, she keeps up to date with government bodies such as city council, state legislature and certain national functions, and “speaking up when the time is right.” Letters and phone calls have flowed from her home for six years as she goes about the job. She and the president have been to a lot of meetings with various levels of government such as when reapportionment of Rock County Board representation was pushed. “It was a hassle,” she says, “but it was the goal of the league to support the Supreme Court rule of every person one vote.”

Besides chairing studies she’s been a member of other study groups on such topics as sewage treatment, open burning, trash and garbage disposal, liquor licensing, vocational education, affirmative action, state government, low-level radioactive waste, and national security.

At one time she served on the city’s Orchid Committee which selected homes and businesses for improvement awards. She’s been an election board

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

MEMBERSHIP MAGIC

There is a popular stereotype in American society that college students lead a carefree, self-centered existence, free of responsibility and interested only in present fun or future success.

While some students at Valparaiso University probably fit that stereotype, it is much more typical to find those who join organizations to achieve common goals and who experience the benefits of membership and leadership in shared activities.

Four students, all of whom are involved in a variety of groups, spoke to the 1988 Executive Council about what they have learned through these associations. Part of the purpose of their presentation, according to Moderator David Gehne of Baltimore MD, was “to show you, the Guild, where your efforts end up and who are the beneficiaries of all of your hard work, because we certainly have a tremendous experience in this University that will be important throughout our lives.”

David, a senior Business major and one of twelve recipients of the 1988 Outstanding Service Award for his contributions to campus life, has held leadership positions in the campus radio station WVUR, the Chapel ministry, Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, student government, and dormitory life. He introduced the panelists and helped to focus the conversation.

Junior Thomanisa Noble of Gary IN, who is majoring in Communicative Disorders and Psychology, has been nominated as “The Outstanding Black College Student in America.” Her campus activities include the academic clubs associated with her two major fields, being a Resident Assistant in Brandt Hall, and co-chairing the Student Admissions Team and Black History Month.

Tomi stressed the importance of a leader being motivated so that she can in turn motivate others. Energy comes through prayer and meditation, taking care of one’s health, being comfortable, and “enjoying what you are doing so that you can bring enjoyment to others.” Verbal messages, said Tomi, are sometimes less important than non-verbal ones—sharing enthusiasm is more effective when the leader smiles and looks encouraging to others.

To motivate others one must allow them to have input and to be true participants. “The group is not just for the leader; the group is for everyone,” she said. “If you were chosen to be a leader it is because someone saw some potential in you that you can share.” Keeping Jesus as the center of our joy and depending on him will be more helpful than anything else, she concluded.

Marketing major Jilleen Johnson, Pleasantville IA, is another Outstanding Service Award winner. The senior is president of Gamma Phi sorority as well as being president of the Sorority Council, Promotions Director for WVUR, a leader in the business academic club, and vice president for promotions of the student American Marketing Association.

Jill talked about leadership as an opportunity to create a vision for one’s group and to help make that vision a reality. Being a leader “puts you in a vulnerable position,” she said, “but this is positive because it means people look to you and listen to what you have to say.” The leader is not a decision-maker, however, but a “decision-stimulator.” The leader has the opportunity to help the group set goals; “it’s the chance to dream, to hear their ideas and put them into effect.”

We can’t be afraid to make necessary changes, and we can’t be afraid to try something new, even if it fails. Jill has learned through both her studies and her experience that people learn more from their mistakes than from their successes.

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‘LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS’

“What a wonderful way to begin the weekend.” Those sentiments were expressed by more than one Guild woman following the “Music & Meditation” vespers performed by the VU Symphonic Band on Friday evening of the 1988 Executive Council.

Arranged and directed by Prof. Thomas Trimborn of the Department of Music, hymns and chorales in “Big Band” sound filled the Great Hall of the Union. The audience of Guild members and campus guests meditated on the words of some sacred pieces while joining in singing others. A special favorite of many appeared to be the rousing version of “Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken.”

Prof. Trimborn and his talented student musicians are available for congregational worship services, as well as for more traditional concerts. While it is a large undertaking to transport instruments along with band members, many who were present on this night will testify to the beauty and inspiration of worshipping in such a unique way. It was truly a devotion to remember.
because when we fail we ask ourselves: "Why did that happen? And what can we do to make it better?"

A leader must also realize that she can't do everything herself; she has to trust others and share responsibility with them, because that is how they take an interest in the group. "You can't just plan everything yourself and invite them to come and visit."

The final panelist was Guild Scholar Kyle Otten, a junior Biology and Theology major from Kalamazoo MI. Kyle is an RA in Alumni Hall, is involved in the Chapel and the Peer Ministry program, is a guide for visiting students, and has held various positions in other groups.

After thanking the Guild for making it possible for him to attend VU, Kyle began with the theme "In Good Company" and discussed the benefits of being in a group. One is the fact that there are so many outstanding people in organizations that we can profit from knowing them, and from using our gifts and talents together to get things done. "Many people have a low self-image," he pointed out, "but being part of a dynamic group helps us feel positive about ourselves and our ideas."

This is particularly true of groups with an important purpose, such as the Guild. "It isn't just that you are a nice club and have a good time, but that you are concerned for Valpo and for the students who come here, and working together on that goal is what binds you together."

Kyle mentioned that he had seen the play "Quilters," which made him think that the groups he belongs to add to the whole "quilt" of Valparaiso University. "We are not separate, but we make up a unity, under the cross." Group participation also provides opportunities for learning, for taking part in special programs or workshops, and for being aware of other events taking place.

"The main benefit to me of group membership has been self-awareness and growth," he concluded. "It has made me think about how I want to spend my life and what I can contribute to others."

Since all of the panelists undertake many responsibilities and must keep track of many commitments, David asked how they managed their time to get everything done. All mentioned making lists and setting objectives for each day, as well as for longer periods. "It's tough," said Jill, "but we are getting practice in deciding priorities and not just letting things happen. That ought to help us in the 'real world' after we leave VU."

In summary, David stated how much students appreciate what they see the Guild contributing to life at Valparaiso. Many students are remembered by Guild chapters from their communities throughout the year. But what's important, he said, is not the gifts or cards or notes themselves; what's important is the fact that "quietly and diligently an organization like the Guild is working to support this place. We share a common spirit and enthusiasm about Valparaiso University, and we share it 'In Good Company.' "

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THE THEME PERSONIFIED—In Good Company with one another: Executive Director Dot Nuechterlein, Treasurer Joanne Gatz, Secretary Kay Schulz, President Phyllis Schuessler, First V.P. Marilyn Krueger, and Second V.P. Paula Sauer.

MEMBERS MATTER MOST—"Why I belong to the Guild" is among the topics covered by panelists (from left) Diane Ford, Traverse City Northwoods; Emily Christopher, San Diego; Diane Maw, Orange County; Lorraine Gaunt, Atlanta; Helen Burch, Detroit West; Beata Madoerin, Omaha; and Kay Mellom, South Carolina.
chapter, who on the death of Edith Otte in 1979 formed a visible honor guard at her casket preceding her funeral.

A slightly different slant on this was evident when Wilma Jacobs, a Past National President, died in 1980. In this case it was her family who chose to recognize the role of the Guild in her life. Wilma had suggested the theme for the Guild’s 50th Anniversary, “A jubilee shall that fiftieth year be to you” (Lev. 25:11). Many of us today wear the Golden Giver pin created to mark that Jubilee, and Wilma’s daughter Jane, knowing what Valpo and the Guild had meant to her mother, thought it fitting to attach this memento to the white satin lining her casket.

In the same vein I want to tell you about a special project of the Northern Virginia chapter which is just now coming to its conclusion. They, too, have experienced the loss of one of their faithful members, Marge Zweig. She was a very special person who had been instrumental in planning their annual Advent Vesper service for many years. Though Marge was diagnosed with cancer last summer, she continued to work on the Vesper, choosing the music, making arrangements, and planning the worship service. The thing she could not do was be there, for Marge met her Lord on Nov. 3rd and thus could not worship in person at Bethany Lutheran Church, Alexandria VA, on Dec. 6th.

However, her chapter had been looking for a way in which they could pay tribute to Marge. Since she had worked with deaf and blind persons for many years, when the need for an audiometer in VU’s Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic became known, the chapter had the project they were seeking. It seemed appropriate to dedicate the Advent Vesper service to Marge, with funds designated towards the purchase of this audiometer. The story is made more special when you know that Marge was told of this plan in October and had the joy of knowing that this needed equipment would be presented in her name to the University she loved, to serve people who were so special to her.

The audiometer is to be dedicated in September, but I wanted to tell you about it now because it is such a beautiful demonstration of the special bond Guild women share. I think you can hear this in the words of Liz DeMik, who wrote to Dot:

“We realize that a direct gift to the University from a Guild chapter is not ordinary procedure—but Marge was not an ordinary person. She was loved so much by so many people—because of her profound dedication to her Lord—and we felt compelled to do something very special in her memory.”

Well, Liz was right. This was not ordinary procedure, but then, these were extraordinary circumstances, I am sure you would agree. And the Guild is certainly capable of extraordinary action—our history records the truth of that over and over again.

There have been other examples of the closeness that is evident in this company of women who must often reach across many miles to touch each other. I am reminded of the giant Valentine that was sent to Past President Marty Mattes from the women at Executive Council two years ago. That was a Get Well card she will never forget, I assure you! And how many of you sent a message to our former Executive Director, Betsy Nagel, as she made the difficult move away from Valparaiso to St. Louis? I live in St. Louis, but nothing we could have done could match the love and warmth that Betsy felt upon receiving that shower of Guild greetings.

These, then, are examples of the “hidden” ties that bind us together. True, they are not often verbalized; they don’t appear in our bylaws; but they are very much “there,” aren’t they? Now we take a look at ourselves to try to discover just what it is that motivates us to be more than just Guild “members”—indeed, what it is that makes us Guild “leaders.”

When I began organizing my thoughts for these remarks on “In the Best Company,” I was thinking in terms of the special relationships many of us share as members of our chapters and areas, as well as in the larger Guild represented here in the Executive Council. But by the time I had finished, I realized that I was a bit off the mark. Not that we aren’t in the best of company with each other—we are. But it isn’t because of us. It’s because we share it with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

So then, as Valparaiso thrives as a University under the Cross, so the Guild thrives as a body of women under that very same standard. I hope each of us will have a deeper sense of what that means to us as part of this unique company we call the Guild.

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Phyllis

President

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completed. But there are also many signs of forward movement, and for these we are grateful.

In the state of Indiana there is strong support for increased dollars from the General Assembly for private higher education, and that is helpful to us. On the national scene there has been some droppage in student financial aid; we still have a lot to do.

All that notwithstanding, we can certainly say God has been good to us. In Luce-Tua, Videmus Lucem—In Thy Light, We See Light. You and I are bound together in what is surely good company. And when I say that, I am reminded of the words of the Psalmist, who said, “I am one who goes in good company, the company of all who fear Thee, of those who keep Thy precepts. The earth, O Lord, is full of Thy steadfast love. Teach me Thy statutes.”

In this regard I want to pay tribute to the University Guild. It is a company of believers who live out their faith in the Lord by supporting Christian higher education and Valparaiso University. All of the programs to build and support the University that the Guild has are tremendously important. I can’t name them all—it would take a long time to enumerate them. One of the most important, and I underscore this again as I have before, is what you can do through the Person-to-Person program.

It is going to become more and more difficult to compete in terms of the costing differences between private and public institutions, but also because of the declining birth rate. It is going to be increasingly difficult to reach out for students, and the P-to-P program becomes one of the most significant that any institution could have. That we have such a program, that we have such a Guild to carry it forward, gives us hope. It can make the difference. What a blessing it would be—and this is the kind of challenge I give to all of you as I leave as your President—what it would mean to this institution if every Guild chapter could bring one student who would not come here by any other means. That would be something like 150 students we would not have had, were it not for the Guild. Let me tell you, that would make all your accomplishments in the past look small compared to what that would mean for the University.

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I conclude these remarks by saying that we move forward together in Christian higher education, and that means we move together as persons who are jointly committed in faith and love and hope. Fidelity in Christian faith—that’s what you are about, that’s what the University is about—preserving, remembering, reflecting on, transmitting, proclaiming the Gospel, the good news of that we move forward together in Christian higher education, and that means we move together as persons who are grounded in truth, nurtured in hard TRIDUTE TO SO

claim s of Christian faith, so that you our Lord Jesus Christ, and doing the Then feed my sheep. That’s what this work, and expressed in living action. Do you love me? You know I do, Lord. Then feed my sheep. That’s what this institution, and you, are all about. Finally, we need to remember the call to live in hope. We are bearers of hope, you and I together, the University and the Guild. The loss of hope is today’s highest failure. We see evidences of that all around. Christian higher education has as its mission lifting the burden of hopelessness through a grounded hope in Jesus Christ. It has the commission to provide guidance and counseling for contemporary life, spoken clearly and with the authority of God’s word. If we do not fully capture the secret of the lively hope of the New Testament church, it may be because we have lost the secret of the living faith and love in the New Testament church, and that we have lost the hope that always accompanies faith and love. To live in hope is to remain faithful to the power of God’s presence among us, and to remain faithful to the power of His promise.

We need to move forward in love. It has been said best by Reinhold Niebuhr in his work The Irony of American History:

“We need the long view. Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in our lifetime; therefore we must be saved by hope. Nothing which is true or beautiful or good makes complete sense in any immediate context of history; therefore we must be saved by faith. Nothing we do can be accomplished alone; therefore we are saved by love. No virtuous act is quite as virtuous from the standpoint of our friends or foes as it is from our own standpoint; therefore we must be saved by the final form of love, which is forgiveness.”

What God was doing from the beginning, and what He has accomplished in His Son, He is doing now and will continue to do. The present does not reverse or annul the past, and the future will not reverse or annul but will fulfill the present. Our Christian hope is not a hope merely to see God. It is not so much a seeing as a meeting to which we look forward. It is something we experience preveniently now, something we experience in advance through word and sacrament, through the fellowship of faith and love and hope, the celebration of worship and the practice of prayer. That’s what Valparaiso is all about. This is the grounding of Christian higher education at this University, and this is the purpose and the power of the University Guild.

Lord, keep us steadfast in this lively faith, this conquering love, and this victorious, steadfast hope, so that as brothers and sisters together we may continue to live and walk and work in Your good company.

TRIBUTE TO SO

President Robert Schnabel, in his letter to the faculty and staff telling of So’s death, said it so well:

She embodied and personified the splendid combination of superb competence, earnest commitment, and deep humility. She understood and cared for people: colleagues, students, members of the Guild, parents, alumni, all with whom she came into contact. Her legacy is nothing less than the spirit of the University itself.

Carlene particularly liked the comment of a classmate who sent her a note of sympathy: “She was always so proud of the University.”

Again in the Guild History we read in 1952 of So’s resignation as Guild Executive Secretary:

The Guild lost the services of one whom all Guild members had learned to love and revere. Not only was she a very capable and efficient secretary for the Guild, but she was a deeply devout Christian and a consecrated worker in the Lord’s Kingdom. This Christ-like quality influenced her life to the extent that she inspired the entire Guild membership to more fervent service. Guild members will long remember her wise and kindly counsel.

In 1962 the Alumni Association granted her an honorary membership, and in 1975 the University presented the Lumen Christi medal to So. This is the highest honor awarded to a lay person for distinguished service to Lutheranism.

After O.P.’s death So continued to work for a number of years, getting his papers and records in order. Even when she left the office, she maintained a vital interest in VU. I can well recall during a recent Guild convention when she had fallen and was forced to miss it, a rare occurrence. When I stopped by her house late Saturday afternoon to report on the business of the meetings, she had her agenda open to the day’s sessions and was following it along hour by hour. Her love for and interest in the Guild never weakened. As Carlene stated, “The Chapel and the Guild were her two great loves in the University.”

When I arrived on campus this February for Executive Council I learned that So was in the hospital, and I called Carlene to see if it would be okay to go and see her. “Yes, Mother is waiting for you,” she answered. She suggested that I come over Saturday night as she was bringing her home from the hospital to care for her. I was with her just a short time, but when I kissed her goodbye she whispered, “Goodbye, my dear, I love you.” I knew I would never see her again. Several days later as Pastor Daniel Brockopp played softly into her ear and Carlene held her hand, she quietly passed away and entered into the kingdom of Heaven—a wish she had expressed for some time. Death came as a friend.

Goodbye, dear So. I loved you, too.
Those of you who have visited my new office realize that I like colors, bright colors. I always have—probably I should have been a kindergarten teacher.

The first thing I have to do when I hear the theme for the Guild convention or Executive Council is try to think of how we can convey it visually in some way, and when the Board decided that the theme for this meeting would be “In Good Company,” what came to my mind was colors. All different kinds of colors brought together are to me very visually pleasing.

So I decided that whatever decorations we used in the room we would emphasize a rainbow of colors. Also, the folders are nine different colors, with everyone from the same Area having the same color. We used different colored stars on the name tags, colored jelly beans on the tables.

I also like the symbolism involved, and some time ago when I thought about what kind of remarks to make at this meeting, it seemed good to build on the idea that just as many colors brought together are visually pleasing, so many types of people brought together become a wonderful mixture in a “company,” such as the Guild is.

We have a great variety of people in this organization, as you well know. Our members are of all ages, of diverse occupations, with many different interests, and what a marvelous experience it is for everyone to share what they are with one another. I think of a number of chapter visits I have made when I have listened to the interchange of ideas and experiences being shared.

For example, a couple of years ago the president of one chapter, a young woman who was fairly new to that community, had just announced that she was being married in the fall. But being new she was not sure where to find a good place for the reception, who would be a good photographer, all of those decisions that have to be made by brides; and it was her chapter members who began giving her leads on these things. All of that sharing I heard going on was marvelous, and she herself as a young professional was able to share with them her expertise in some of the other things that came up in the course of the meeting. And that’s what I see over and over again when I visit, how you share with one another and care for one another—and I think that’s what makes the “Good Company” that the Guild is.

Variety is also true within a woman’s life. We aren’t the same all our lives. We have so many different kinds of experiences as women, in this era in particular. In fact, one of the joys of being a woman today is that we have so many choices, so many opportunities. Sometimes that’s confusing, and it has its drawbacks, but it is nice to know that people can try something different at various stages of life. Now a woman who has a variety of experiences and goes through different stages in her life still needs to see herself as one person—she’s the same self from beginning to end. I think that is also part of what makes up our Good Company. The dynamism of this group that we have all over the country, and in our Four Winds places in other parts of the world, lies in the fact that we bring together this wealth of experience, of interests, in a common purpose. We are many, yet one.

All of these ideas had gone through my head and I wasn’t sure how to put them all together, when I had a wonderful experience. There was a play called “Quilters” given on this campus. It was sold out—every performance, I think. There was only one day I could possibly have gone, and my name was on a waiting list three pages long. Half an hour before curtain time someone called to see if I could still use a ticket!

It was great. I have never been a quilt sort of person—that hasn’t been part of my life experience. Yet to see this play, which was primarily the story of a woman’s life, and how she shared that with her daughters and other family members by creating a quilt square representing a stage or experience in her life, was very meaningful to me. As a matter of fact, I sat there in tears much of the time—it was quite touching.

The performances were fantastic. There were eight people in the cast, one man (called the Universal Man, who appeared whenever they needed a father or a brother or a kid in school pulling pigtails), and seven women, the mother and her daughters (and a couple of the daughters also played other smaller parts). You know about some of these actors: one was Katie Luakens, daughter of Sylvia; another was Patricia Lindemann, the singer who taught us the (Continued on page 13)
opening devotion hymn at the fall convention; and the mother was played by Daneene Mitchell, a law student who was on a panel at Executive Council two years ago talking about being a dormitory RA. So there were “Guild touches” among that cast, which helped to make it special for me.

The story of this woman’s life had to do with the hardships and the blessings of life, and after I saw the play with its quilt I decided that was a pretty good visual summary of this “In Good Company” idea, which brings together varieties of things. Because a quilt, after all, is the sum total of smaller individual parts.

I called the Drama Department to ask if we could borrow some of the squares from the performance, and Sylvia Pick, who is responsible for costumes and so on, said “Yes, you can—but wouldn’t you really rather have the whole quilt?” And there it is on the wall. Now that quilt is a different kind from any I have ever seen before, because each of those squares on the outside is unique, whereas the ones I’m used to have one theme that is repeated. The play depicted how women quilted, and the benefits they got from quilting with one another and how they shared the parts of their lives while they sat together and worked to produce something of beauty. And that’s why I felt it was such a fitting symbol for something of what the Guild means to me.

So I thought I had my speech finished. But then three days before this Council was to begin I had a visitor in my office: a gracious, charming, easy-going poll worker, a member of the Lutheran Church Women Board, a treasurer of the Beloit PTA council, and a member of East End Club.

She has been involved in a wide variety of PTA activities at Todd School, ranging from daily tutoring of a kindergarten reading group to designing curtains for the library, from room “mothering” to setting up an expanded kindergarten screening program, from language arts skills testing to being PTA treasurer.

In addition she has chaperoned class trips, chaired the Picture Presenter program, checked students’ vision, edited a monthly newsletter, organized bake sales and participated in the Superintendent’s Parent Dialogue Committee.

“I was born in Montana, grew up in Minnesota, went to college in Indiana, taught in Illinois, got married in Wisconsin and have lived here since,” she says.

She taught first grade in Palatine IL four years before marrying and coming to Beloit where she taught in Royce School about four years. Now she teaches children who speak another language at home. Her students have come from many other lands.

Mrs. Schoenfield also works with gifted children, “a dream job for any teacher,” she says. Right now she has three very gifted 10-year-olds she works with at Todd who are what she considers “junior high level.” It takes “hours and hours to prepare the material, but it’s worth it,” she says.

Mrs. Schoenfield has realized that it was at Valparaiso she learned “to serve wherever you are.” That’s the basis of her volunteerism.

To a person who has never volunteered she suggests choosing “a person you’d like to work with rather than trying to find an activity you’d like to do.”

Jeannette Persino, Lorain County

Roberta Petersen, Orlando

Carol Holm, Detroit

Lynn Bahls, Kankakee Valley

Laurie Jones, Madison

Ruth Russler, Greater Dayton

Elizabeth DeMik, Northern Virginia

Judy Brooks, Quad City

Quin Koepke, Austin-Central Texas

Aleta Fullerton, DuPage County

Linda Krauss, Chicago South Suburban

Betty Eckenfels, Cincinnati

Barbara Town, Hudson-Mohawk

Diane Ickstadt, Valparaiso

Gayle Schalhamer, Jackson

Diane Mawe, Orange County

Kay Schulz, Battle Creek

Bette Froeblich, Appleton

Joanne Kloehn, Spokane

Helen Burch, Detroit West

Virginia Amling, Chicago Northwest Suburban

Adrienne Johnson, St. Louis

Lillian Kontak, Elnore

Ruth Strawn, North Front Range

Karen Fleischer, Cheechako
MINUTES
of the
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD
February 27-28, 1988

"IN GOOD COMPANY"

The Executive Council of the Valparaiso University Guild was called to order by President Phyllis Schuessler at 8:40 a.m. on Saturday, February 27, 1988, in the Great Hall of the Valparaiso University Union.

Opening devotions were presented by the chancel drama group "Soul Purpose." The play, entitled "The Man Who Was Not Far from the Kingdom of God," included cast members Stephanie Bebout, Rob Hewitt, Duane Johansen, Victor Ochoa, Martha Schifferdecker, Mary Elizabeth Sorenson, and Mark Wilkens. The director was Professor John Paul.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
The President welcomed Guild leaders from around the country. She introduced the other national Guild officers: Marilyn Krueger, 1st Vice President; Paula Sauer, 2nd Vice President; Kay Schulz, Secretary; Joanne Gatz, Treasurer; and Dot Nuechterlein, Executive Director. The chair also recognized Parliamentarian Lynn Bahls; Guild office staff members Esther Kruger, Coordinator of Special Services, and Sharon Hersemann, Administrative Assistant; and Ruth Hanna, Managing Editor of the Guild Bulletin. Past national Guild presidents in attendance at the meeting were: Irma Schmalz, Bette Froehlich, Lynn Bahls, Beata Madearin, Janie Lichttus, Virginia Amling, and Ruth Russler.

A special welcome was extended to representatives of three chapters-in-formation: Marianne Halverson, Medina OH; Judy Tesch, Saddleback Valley CA; and Marian Yunghans, Northwest Corner WA.

CORRESPONDENCE
The Secretary read a note of best wishes to the Executive Council from Ber Ruprecht, past Executive Director of the Guild.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
Sharon Hersemann, reporting for the Credentials Committee, announced a registration of 117 members. By general consent, the roll of 117 members was adopted as the official roll of voting members of the Executive Council.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STANDING RULES
By direction of the Board of Directors, the Secretary moved adoption of the standing rules of this Executive Council:
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 the seconder, and presented to the Secretary.

3. Notices of announcements shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Director. Motion adopted.

ADOPTION OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL PROGRAM
By direction of the Board of Directors, the 2nd Vice President moved adoption of the Executive Council program. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF THE MINUTES APPROVAL COMMITTEE
The Minutes of the 1987 Executive Council were approved by a Minutes Approval Committee of that session and were printed in the Summer 1987 Guild Bulletin. The chair declared the Minutes approved as printed.

MINUTES APPROVAL COMMITTEE
The chair introduced the Minutes Approval Committee appointed for this Executive Council: Adrienne Johnson (St. Louis MO) and Martha Plagens (St. Paul MN).

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
Joanne Gatz, Treasurer, presented the following report:

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Certificate of Deposit, Busey Bank, Urbana IL | 11,500.00 |
Checking Account, Continental Bank, Chicago IL | 31.58 |

$28,147.80

The Treasurer reported on the progress of the two-year Guild project which consists of five parts. Enough money has been contributed this fiscal year to complete the funding of the Chapel Bapistry redecoration and to remit $36,000 toward the Chapel...
West Gallery renovation. That leaves $54,000 needed in the remainder of this fiscal year to complete the Chap. West Gallery and the Wesemann Hall Reserve Room.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT
The report of President Phyllis Schuessler, "In the Best Company," will be found in the Summer 1988 Guild Bulletin.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
Activities Chairman Marlene Rakow announced winners in the chapter handbook competition, as determined by the members of the New Mexico chapter:
- Most Comprehensive: Mishawaka-South Bend IN
- Most Unique Format: Greater Kansas City KS
- Best Use of Brown and Gold: Kankakee Valley IL
- Best Use of Artwork in Handbook: Austin-Central Texas TX
- Best Cover with '87 Convention Theme: Rochester NY
- Most Visually Pleasing: St. Louis MO
- Most Artistic Cover: Milwaukee Suburban WI


REPORT OF THE CALENDAR COMMITTEE
Calendar Chairman Paula Strietelmeier thanked the 83 chapters that participated in 1988 calendar sales. She gave special recognition to those 13 chapters that ordered 50 or more calendars. There should be a profit of approximately $1,400 when all payments are received. Proposals under consideration by the calendar committee are: raising the price of the calendar to $2.50 and development of a Guild Christmas card.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Nominating Chairman Janie Lichtfuss recognized members of the committee. She thanked the Guild women for their suggestions for candidates for the positions of 2nd Vice President, 1st Vice President, and 1st Secretary. The committee will continue its work in preparation for the presentation of a slate at the September convention.

UNIVERSITY TOPIC: "CHINA"
Professor Keith Schoppa, chairman of the Department of History, currently serves as the coordinator of Far Eastern Studies. Professor Schoppa spent part of his sabbatical leave in China and presented slides and information about his experiences there.

REPORT OF THE COORDINATOR OF AREA DIRECTORS and REPORTS OF AREA DIRECTORS—IX, VIII, I
Paula Sauer, 2nd Vice President, works in partnership with the Area Directors. The first three Area Directors to be introduced were: Margaret Zobel, Area IX (Southeastern U.S.); Betty Eckenfels, Area VIII (Ohio); and Ann Louise Beese, Area I (Northeastern U.S.). A summary of their comments appears in Appendix A.

REPORT OF THE GUILD GOODIES COORDINATOR
Marlene Rakow, 1st Vice President, highlighted the many items which are Guild Goodies. The Guild Goodies are advertised in each edition of the Guild Bulletin.

The concept of the Guild Hospitality basket will not be pursued at the national level. Local chapters may choose to do this in their own localities using regional items to produce an appealing basket.

REPORT OF THE PERSON-TO-PERSON CHAIRMAN
Chairman Shirley Jud reported that this committee deals with potential—potential students, potential growth, and potential support for Valparaiso University and the Guild. She stressed that this potential can be reached by making the calls to prospective students. The list of these students is provided by the Admissions office. She thanked those chapters that do complete their calls and asked chapters to volunteer only if they intend to follow through. Chapters can also work toward this potential by staffing college nights and/or planning trips to campus for high school students. The goal is to publicize Valparaiso University, promote Vu, and invite young people to be "In Good Company" as Valparaiso University students.

THEME PRESENTATION: "GUILD GUIDELINES"
Paula Sauer and Linda Lohrmann gave a presentation titled "What's a Member To Do?" These Guild Guidelines outline, on a month-by-month basis, what chapters can do regarding chapter/officer activities and offer suggestions for membership activities. They will be inserted at the beginning of section III in the black manuals of each chapter president and national or Area officer.

REPORT OF THE STATE UNIT COORDINATOR
Paula Sauer reported on the upcoming activities of the state units. President Irmie Roggow will preside at the Michigan State Unit meeting in Flint on May 7, 1988. President Pam Nickel will preside at the Wisconsin State Unit convention on April 26, 1988, in Beloit.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN
Historian Virginia Amling reported that the history of the Guild for its first fifty years was approved with the publication of the book covering those years. The history of the subsequent years has been compiled and has been submitted to the Board for approval.

REPORT OF AREA DIRECTORS—II, III, V
Paula Sauer introduced the next group of Area Directors: Linda Krauss, Area II (Illinois); Jody Geerdes, Area III (Middle West); and Marilyn Holmquist, Area V (Wisconsin). Their reports are summarized in Appendix A.

REPORT ON THE GUILD RUN
President Schuessler introduced the new coordinator of the Guild Run, Jan Schlieghelmich from Michigan City IN. She announced that there will indeed be a Guild Run at the September convention. She encouraged all members to participate either by paying the $7.00 entry fee or by sponsoring a student. The 3.3-mile route will be primarily on campus so it can also serve as a good tour of campus buildings. Monies collected from individuals' pledges will be counted toward their chapters' contributions to the Guild.

LUNCHEON RECESS
The luncheon meditation "Fast/Feast" was led by Dot Nuechterlein. The Executive Council recessed at noon for Area luncches and reconvened at 2:05 p.m.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Executive Director Dot Nuechterlein compared the theme of the play "Quilters" with Guild membership. In both situations, a variety of people are brought together to sew parts of their lives with one another. A summary of her report appears in the Summer 1988 Guild Bulletin.
STUDENT PRESENTATION:
"THE MAGIC OF MEMBERSHIP"
A student panel presented ideas and suggestions on being the leader of a group, being a member of a group, and the benefits of belonging to a group. Representing a wide variety of campus organizations and activities, the panel members were: David Gehne, Baltimore MD, moderator; Thomanisa Noble, Gary IN; Jilleen Johnson, Pleasantville IA; and Kyle Otten, Battle Creek MI.

REPORT OF THE CHAPTER CONSULTANT
Linda Lohrmann reported on her work as Chapter Consultant, which involves acting as an adviser to new chapters and chapters that need special encouragement. She urged all members to welcome new chapters in their area, and to offer that wonderful Guild support found in the Guild network to all chapters, whether old or new. She encouraged the chapters to communicate with one another and with the national Guild officers and committee chairmen. She urged members, most of all, to pray for the university and one another.

REPORT OF THE COOKBOOK SALES CHAIRMAN
Lois Hoeppner, Cookbook Sales Chairman, reported on the history of the cookbook project and some significant statistics for this year. Nearly 64,000 Guild cookbooks have been sold since 1972. The goal is to provide eight $2,000 scholarships beginning in the next academic year. An endowment of $200,000 is required to achieve this goal. The Scholarship Fund balance at this time is $176,414. She encouraged the members to use many marketing ideas in order to sell the 10,000 cookbooks needed to reach the goal.

REPORT OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE
Chairman Susan Steinbrecker reported that the committee will present a proposed amendment to the bylaws describing how a Guild chapter may be dissolved and return its charter. This amendment will be presented in the convention invitation for consideration at the convention in September. She challenged each chapter to review its bylaws and also to review the national Guild bylaws.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
Past President Ruth Russler, who is also a member of the University Board of Directors, presented information on a special effort to honor Robert Schnabel, who will retire as President of Valparaiso University in June. As a tribute to Dr. Schnabel, the Board of Directors has established the “Robert V. Schnabel Endowed Fund for Church Relations.” It is their desire to place the resources of the university at the service of Lutheran congregations, their members, and their leaders. The earnings from this fund will be allocated exclusively for service to the church. Guild members, alumni, friends, and parents of students will receive notice of the establishment of this fund, inviting individuals to participate.

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Chairman Norma May reported that it is this committee’s goal to assist Guild members in developing and delivering a meaningful message to all communities. In order to achieve this, members must be good listeners, focused on VU’s mission, be clear in direction, be visible, be audible, and be real. Most of all, the Guild needs to be prayerfully confident of the Lord’s blessing on this work. She also encouraged members to support the Robert V. Schnabel Endowed Fund in order to strengthen the mutually beneficial relationship between VU and the members’ constituent churches.

SPECIAL REPORT
Karin Zeile from the Denver chapter gave information on a new product their chapter is marketing.

Their project, called “Colorado Mud,” was started about three years ago. “Colorado Mud” is a hot fudge sundae brownie mix. With dedicated workers and aggressive marketing strategies, this project has been very successful for this chapter. Karin indicated that these strategies and enthusiastic could help any chapter with a new product/project.

REPORT OF AREA DIRECTORS—IV, VI, VII
Paula Sauer introduced the next group of Area Directors: Sylvia Luekens, Area IV (West Coast); Paula vonKampen, Area VI (Michigan); and Ruth Lewis, Area VII (Indiana & Kentucky). A summary of their reports appears in Appendix A.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:
"GUILD CHAPTER BYLAWS"
Marilyn Krueger and Lynn Bahls introduced the roundtable discussion. The purpose of this activity was to have members provide input for the updating of the sample chapter bylaws, and at the same time to become more aware of their own chapters’ bylaws. The results of the roundtable discussion will be studied to determine the need for amending the sample chapter bylaws.

CLOSING PRAYER
Following the closing prayer by Bette Froehlich (Appleton WI), the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1988
Phyllis Schuessler, President, called the Executive Council to order at 8:10 a.m.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
Sharon Hersemmann reported that there was no change in the registration, so the official roll of voting members remained at 117.

ALLOCATION OF THE GUILD SPECIAL
The Secretary read the resolution for allocation of the Guild Special fund. Members were reminded that the resolution would contain a blank until ballots had been cast and counted.

The President called on Marilyn Krueger, 1st Vice President, to present the Guild Special fund proposals:
1. Funds for “Soul Purpose,” the chancel drama group, and for shelving in Huegli Hall.
2. Funds for improvements in the library, such as professionally produced signs and carpet runners in the reference room.
3. Funds to purchase shirts to be used by campus tour guides.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS
The following were appointed and served as tellers for the Guild Special ballots:
Jan Wozniak, Chairman (Michigan City IN)
Joyce Rich (Harbor Lights CA)
Roberta Petersen (Orlando FL)
Aleta Fullerton (DuPage County IL)
Eleanor Holls (Buffalo NY)

GUILD TOPIC: “MEMBERS MATTER MOST”
Membership Chairman Kathy Parsons served as moderator for the panel which was made up of Guild members from all ages and areas of the Guild. Kathy also congratulated the Guild on its increase in membership this year. Members of the panel were: Helen Burch (Detroit West MI), Emily Christopher (San Diego CA), Diane Ford ( Traverse City Northwoods MI), Lorraine Gaunt (Atlantic CA), Beata Madorin (Omaha NE), Diane Mawe (Orange County CA), and Kay Mellom (South Carolina SC). Panel members related their experiences of how and why they became Guild members and what they feel the Guild has to offer to potential members.
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
Margaret Zobel announced that the Florida Rally will be held on April 9, 1988, at Concordia Lutheran Church in Sarasota FL.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS: GUILD SPECIAL
Jan Wozniak reported for the tellers:
Number of votes cast 97
Necessary for election 49
Distribution #1
Drama/Huegli shelving 55
Library improvements 30
Tour guide shirts 12

The assembly adopted the following resolution:
RESOLVED, That the $1,490 of 1988 Guild Special funds is allocated to Drama/Huegli shelving.

REPORTS OF AREA DIRECTORS—
Areas IX, VIII, I
Margaret Zobel, Area IX Director (Southeastern U.S.), compared her work as an A.D. to her postcard collection. Each chapter visit is like an addition to her collection. Each chapter is different with different messages coming from them. Enthusiasm about VU makes visits easy. Here are visits are also like visiting with members of the family—the extended family of the Guild. Area Directors pray for chapters and use positive approaches to overcome negative comments. Like a cherished postcard are the visits where new members are welcomed and eagerly become active members. Just as a postcard collection is ongoing, so is the work of the A.D. as she wonders what the next joyful addition may be.

Betty Eckenfels, Area VIII Director (Ohio), outlined how perhaps a new chapter is formed. An interested woman acts as the contact person and does most of the writing, planning, and talking to get the idea going. A.D.s can secure printouts from the University to find names of potential members. A large attendance at the initial meeting is not always necessary for success. Nearby chapters can offer support by way of program ideas or projects. As the chapter organizes, the enthusiasm and ideas of its members grow. The A.D., national officers, and the Guild office all play important roles in this development. As we see how they work and have fun together while working for their common goal, Valparaiso University, the chapter will flourish and feel proud to be part of the VU Guild.

Ann Louise Beese, Area I Director (Northeastern U.S.), discussed ways in which the A.D. acts as a "sounding board" for chapter presidents. The A.D. needs to reflect the concerns and new ideas which chapter presidents present so that the president can best determine what is the best solution for her. An A.D. also can help to focus on any real problems and then project those concerns that need to be brought to the attention of the national officers. Area Directors can be counted on to REFLECT, FOCUS, and PROJECT what chapters communicate so that all can work toward greater harmony.

REPORTS OF AREA DIRECTORS—
Areas II, III, V
Linda Krauss, Area II Director (Illinois), told how A.D.s can be a source of information about potential members. It is through the Area Director that a printout can be received from the university. This printout contains the names of alumni and parents of current and former students. By using this list, a chapter will have the basis for a mailing list to invite prospects to an informational meeting. A list of incoming freshmen is available in August through the Area Director. Area Directors are ready and willing to provide chapters with needed information to help them increase their membership.

MESSAGE FROM THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT
The chair called on Ruth Russler to introduce Dr. Robert Schnabel, President of Valparaiso University. His remarks to the Guild are summarized in the Summer 1988 Bulletin.

CLOSING PRAYER
The closing prayer was offered by Lois Brockhoff (St. Petersburg FL).

The session was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.
Kay Schulz
Secretary

Approved by the Minutes Approval Committee:
Adrienne Johnson—St. Louis MO
Martha Plagens—St. Paul MN

APPENDIX A

Jody Geerdes, Area III Director (Middle West), "speedily" related to us the hectic schedule an A.D. (or any Guild member) can sometimes find herself on. She reminded us that when we want to stop the world to get off, we need instead to just slow down a little bit. The Lord asks us to come to Him first, rely on Him, and by His Spirit we will be able to handle the crowded times in our lives.

Marilyn Holmquist, Area V Director (Wisconsin), asked us to remember when and why we became a member of the VU Guild. Perhaps it was because of the persistence of a diligent membership chairman. Perhaps it was the tie of having someone in the family attend the university. Perhaps it was observing the obvious camaraderie among Guild members as they planned activities at a meeting. Whatever our reasons for joining, we need to continue to increase our interest in the Guild and the University. Area Directors and chapter presidents are the link between the Guild members and the campus and it is important to keep all members informed and enthusiastic as we work to serve Valparaiso University.

REPORT OF AREA DIRECTORS—
Areas IV, VI, VII
Sylvia Luekens, Area IV Director (West Coast), related that distance can sometimes be a major problem affecting chapters in her area. But with much determination, chapters can overcome or adjust to this problem. The "problem" was, in fact, been responsible for the beginnings of new chapters. Determination can be a key factor in helping an existing Guild chapter to make a new beginning. Resolving to make the Guild a priority activity and venturing into a new project (Super Bowl Sunday hero sandwiches) has revitalized the Big Valley chapter. Patience and determination can work to solve many of the problems which face chapters whether old or new, big or small.

Paula vonKampen, Area VI Director (Michigan), described how Area Directors "Reach Out and Touch Someone" through chapter visits. She found that throughout her travels several common strands appear: good food, good fellowship, and love for Valparaiso University and the Guild. Chapter visits offer the A.D. the opportunity to reach out and touch and get immediate response from the chapters, something that communication by mail cannot achieve.

Ruth Lewis, Area VII Director (Indiana), reminded us that not all Area Directors, or Guild members, are alumnae of Valparaiso but can still have a special love for the university. Area Directors are active in their own chapters or at a state level before taking on the A.D. job. An A.D. will help to guide and stimulate the chapters and act as an intermediary between the chapters and the national Guild. It is her mission to rekindle the enthusiasm of each chapter in order to nurture Guild friendships, thereby allowing the chapters to work toward their goals and purpose.
THOUGHTFUL PARTICIPANT—Marie Piepenbrink, Chicago South Suburban president, a Guild Woman You Should Know last winter, concentrates during the chapter bylaws workshop.

CONSULTATION—Second Vice President Paula Sauer (standing) confers with Ginny Eilers, Spokane, and Lorraine Berndsen, San Diego.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS—The camera catches Treasurer Joanne Gatz and Area I A.D. Ann Louise Beece discussing monetary concerns.

STOP THE WORLD—Area III A.D. Jody Geerdes uses a Hugga-Planet to demonstrate the busy life of a typical Guild woman.

NEWCOMERS—Sitting in on the First-Timers’ Get-Together are Eunice Koepke of Milwaukee Suburban and Marcia Luecke of San Gabriel Valley.

PLANNING SESSION—First Vice President Marilyn Krueger, and chairmen P-to-P Shirley Jud, Community Relations Norma May, Bylaws Sue Steinbruecker, and Membership Kathy Parsons listen to a pre-Council report.

SHARING TIME—Area Directors Marilyn Holmquist V, Ruth Lewis VII (both left) and Margaret Zobel IX (right) meet with Second V.P. Marilyn Krueger.

GO TEAM GO—The Guild Pom-Pom Squad vainly does its best to cheer the Crusaders on to an elusive victory.

CHINA EXPERT—Prof. Keith Schoppa keeps the audience enthralled with slides and stories of his family’s experiences in China.
OFFICE-WARMING GIFTS
When the Indiana State Unit decided to disband last year, a motion was passed to use what remained in the treasury to buy a gift for the Guild office in its new quarters. The three office workers decided to wait until after the move before choosing something appropriate. What fun! So far we have purchased a mini refrigerator (bright blue, to blend in with the decor), a pretty doormat to replace the original hunk of wood, and a red mailbox—and there are still a few dollars left for one more small item. Thank you, thank you, thank you. Hoosier Guildies: you have helped to make our new life very pleasant indeed. Drop in and see!  

THE "QUILTERS" QUILT
Some women attending Executive Council participated in the raffle of the Legacy Quilt made for the play "Quilters" (see picture on page 12). About 800 tickets were sold to help defray production costs. The winner of the drawing is Valparaiso chapter member Joanne Albers, Admissions Administrator in the School of Law, wife of Vice President James of Admissions and Financial Aid, and mother of one VU alum and two current students. The quilt is currently displayed in Moeller Library, and Joanne plans to leave it on public view for some time. 

EAVESDROPPING
Overheard at the Wisconsin State convention:
State Unit Treasurer Diane Vollrath: “People should be elected to their positions according to how much room they have at home; nobody told me I would need a Guild Closet.”
State Unit President Pam Nickel: “How about a Guild Attic? I provide storage for all the costumes for our chapter’s annual pageant!”

GOLDEN GIVER PINS
During the Golden Anniversary year everyone who made a $50 contribution received a special pin commemorating the celebration. When the office moved last winter we found some extra pins. If yours has been lost or has a broken clasp, we will be happy to send you a replacement.

COMING TO CONVENTION
“Knit Together in Love” (Colossians 2:2) is the theme for the 1988 VU Guild convention, to be held September 22-25 at the University. Plans are not yet finalized as this is written, but we will emphasize friendship as a follow-up to our membership campaign. The Guild bus will leave O’Hare at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday the 22nd, returning there on Sunday also around 3:30 p.m. We hope to mail the Convention Invitation, with more details, by the end of July. And we hope you will decide to come.

A HAPPY STORY
It was late April when the professor called the Guild office with an out-of-the-ordinary request: might there be a Guild chapter in the New York City area that could provide B & B on a long-term basis? He had a student who had landed a wonderful summer internship in Manhattan, but he had discovered that there was no way he could afford to live there. Perhaps if he could find housing through the Guild he could manage to pay the rent and not have to forfeit what he promised to be a significant experience for his academic and pre-professional career.

Central New Jersey to the rescue: when chapter president Esther Hildner heard of the young man’s situation she spread the word to her members and to area congregations. At last report the student had arrived and had begun his work, commuting across the river while living with a pastor’s family on the Jersey side. And, according to Esther, “We intend to include him in some of our summer outings.”

Thank you, Esther, for responding to this special need and for supplying a happy ending to the story.

THEY KNOW US, FOLKS!
Every March some VU faculty and staff members have a contest to see who can guess the most winning teams in the 63 games making up the NCAA Division I Basketball Tournament. This year about 50 persons entered, and it turns out the best guesser was the Crusader fan whose picture appears on page 12. In announcing the results, the contest organizer attributed the win to “Guild Power.” Right.

CHAPACHA
That’s how the editors refer to Chapter Chatter (which, by the way, has appeared in the Bulletin since 1941). You may have noticed that Cha-Cha in this issue is longer than usual—in fact, over half of our chapters are represented. If yours is not, it is probably because we don’t know what is happening to you. Information comes from many sources: newsletters or other mail sent directly to the office, the annual questionnaire each chapter president is asked to fill out, and reports of visits by Area Directors or the Executive Director. Let us print a picture or news item about you in the next issue, please and thank you.

COPPER TOOLING
At the 1985 convention a student from Malaysia took orders for copper tooling plaques depicting native designs and VU scenes. No money was involved; the Guild office planned to handle the actual sale and distribution when the items were delivered.

The student and a professor in the College of Business planned to begin an import business featuring native crafts, and this was to be the initial phase. However, they had a great deal of difficulty trying to manage this process from long distance, so they decided to wait until the student graduated and went home to look after details in person. It now appears that the idea has been abandoned. So if you were a prospective buyer and were told that the project had been delayed, this is to let you know that the postponement is permanent.

ALUMNI AWARDS
Do you know someone who exemplifies the ideals of Valparaiso University to a high degree? Is there someone whose achievements or professional endeavors have brought positive recognition to VU? These are the type of criteria considered by the Alumni Association in naming the recipients of several annual awards, and they invite your suggestions.

The first person granted Honorary Alumni Membership was Dr. O.P. Kretzmann in 1958, and the first woman to receive that honor was Sophia Heldbrink in 1962. An unofficial count shows that of the 92 new alumni received in this manner in these 30 years, 31 have been female, 26 of those members of the VU Guild. Most recently Doreen Gray of Orange County and Ruth Russler of Greater Dayton have been so named.

Nine Guild women have received Alumni Service Awards (begun in 1965)—Bette Froehlich, Jackie Jungemann, Shirley Sauer- man, Herta Benz, Caroline Collings, Shirley Jud, Bev Wick, Pat Berger, Johanna McGill, and Jane Wittlinger. One received the Distinguished Alumni Award (1974): Louise Nicolay in 1975. And Charlotte Kroemer, granted the Alumni Achievement Award (1982) in 1984, is in the process of exploring whether it is possible to revive interest in the Guild in Portland OR.

Copies of the nomination form are available from the Alumni office; we believe the next deadline is in February.
STATE MEETINGS

FLORIDA—A happy group of VU supporters enjoy a beautiful day at the Florida Rally, honoring Dr. & Mrs. Schnabel (center). Rally chairman Miriam Griesel, wearing a striped dress, is at far right.

April 9, 1988
Sarasota, Florida

President and Mrs. Schnabel were honored guests at the Valparaiso Florida Rally, as the “Decade of Grace” under Dr. Schnabel’s leadership was celebrated. The newly organized Gulf Coast chapter, under president Miriam Griesel, hosted the gathering.

Along with an address by the President, the program featured “Vaipo Videos” shown by Development Director Max Nagel, a presentation by National 2nd Vice President Paula Sauer, and a Guild Tribute to Dr. Schnabel. Area Director Margaret Zobel served as Mistress of Ceremonies.

The Florida chapters have sponsored several such rallies in recent years with the intention of bringing the VU message in person to Floridians with ties to the University.

FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

Responding to a letter of welcome written by the Guild Executive Director on the announcement of his selection as the next University President, Dr. Alan F. Harre of St. Paul MN wrote:

“We have heard much about the fine work which the Valparaiso Guild has done over the years. A number of members of the Board of Directors commented about how important the Guild is in the carrying out of the mission of the university. I am sure I will learn to appreciate more profoundly the work of the Guild and the people who carry on that work in the days ahead... Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we make the important transition in our lives.”

MYTH-SMASHING

There is still a myth floating about that in order to belong to the VU Guild a woman must have attended the University as a student. You and I know that that is not so—only about a third of our members are alumni—but the point is, we need to correct that mistaken idea in the minds of others. Probably for some women the chance to renew long-time memories and associations is an added bonus to their involvement in Guild work, but that cannot be overemphasized if we are to retain our character. Please let prospects know that when we say any woman can join the Guild, we do mean any woman.

GUILD HISTORIES

When the Guild turned 50 in 1981, a special grant from the Aid Association for Lutherans insurance company underwrote the printing of the VU Guild History 1931-1981. Enough copies were printed for each member to have one of her own, plus extras.

We have accepted many new members in recent years, and we would be happy to distribute the remaining copies to those who would like them—first come, first served. Drop a note to the Guild office and let us know.

NOTABLE QUOTABLES

Overheard at the February Executive Council:

“Let’s bring the name and the fame of Valparaiso University to the forefront.”—Marlene Rakow, Middle Tennessee (Activities Chairman)

“We have to get our lights out from under the bushel baskets and let them shine.”—Linda Krauss, Chicago South Suburban (Area II A.D.)

“I found out that chapter was not a rest home.”—Helen Burch, Detroit West (chapter president)

“My mother is a great volunteer. Whenever anyone asks for volunteers, her hand goes up and she says: ‘My daughter will do it.’”—Emily Christopher, San Diego (chapter president)

WISCONSIN—President Phyllis Schuessler, center, congratulates the presidents of two Golden Anniversary chapters: Helene Thiele, Beloit (left) and Diane Vollrath, Wausau.

April 26, 1988
Beloit, Wisconsin

“Bloom... where you are planted!” based on Luke 8:15 was the theme for the convention, presided over by Pamela Nickel. Cindy Russler was elected President Elect by the 40 members in attendance.

Featured speaker was David Wolter, Coach of the VU Women’s basketball team, who stressed the value of athletic competition as part of a well-rounded college program and explained the process of recruiting quality student-athletes. National President Phyllis Schuessler, Area Director Marilyn Holmquist, and Executive Director Dot Nuechterlein were among those giving reports.

The 1989 meeting is scheduled for April 25 in Sheboygan.

May 7, 1988
Flint, Michigan

President Irma Roggow presided at the annual meeting, co-sponsored by the Greater Flint and the Jackson chapters. Second Vice President Paula Sauer was the official representative of the National Board, although as a Michigan resident Secretary Kay Schulz was present as well.

Guest speaker was James Nuechterlein, Michigan native and current editor of the Cresset, the University’s journal of literature and public affairs. Prof. Nuechterlein compared his personal experiences as a VU student in the 1950s and as a professor and staff member in the 1980s.
Northeastern states

Baltimore (MD)—A spring luncheon in a farmhouse built in the 1700s held during National Volunteer Week featured a message from Area Director Ann Louise Beese, who praised the officers and members for their good job as “Volunteers for Valpo.”

Bay State (MA)—A VU staff member and her daughter used Bay State’s B & B this spring so that the daughter could explore colleges in the East!

Central New Jersey (NJ)—Executive Director Dot Nuechterlein was a guest at the annual spring luncheon, where one mother attending for the first time volunteered to serve as chapter secretary.

Hudson-Mohawk (NY)—New president Barbara Town reports their first B & B guests are scheduled to come this summer. She also suggests that attending conventions and Executive Councils lets all of us realize that many chapters have very similar problems, so that we can encourage one another.

North East (PA)—A nice tradition: each time a freshman goes off to VU, the chapter presents him or her with a $100 check, made possible by the fact that all 18 members get involved in nearly every one of their fund-raising projects.

Rochester (NY)—The third annual Guild Alumnae “Picnic in the Park” is set for the end of July, when present and future students and their families are special guests of the Rochester area “VU Family.” The LCMS Eastern District Convention workbook carried a notice about the annual VU Guild Advent-Christmas Vespers, saying that all of the Rochester Circuit congregations take part in it.

South Central Pennsylvania (PA)—Judge Sheryl Dorney of York PA, a graduate of the VU School of Law, was the main speaker at the spring dinner attended by members, spouses, and friends. This chapter promotes VU by sending news items that can be printed in the newsletters of ten area congregations.

Southtowns of Erie County (NY)—Cancellation of a linny party some months ago was not a disaster for this chapter, as they still took in orders and netted a nice sum for the treasury. They are busy planning a new item for the convention bazaar this September.

DuPage County—One of this chapter’s chief fund-raisers is the sale of coupon books, which strengthens their project fund considerably.

Elm—Think positively: Elm’s chapter handbook provides a nice big space with the heading “New Members,” so that names can be added during the year.

Glenbrook—In May a congregation in this area sponsored a “Fair” to acquaint people with all phases of church work, so president Eleanor Mohr organized a booth with information and materials about the University and the Guild.

Kankakee Valley—The spring cookbook luncheon meeting attended by Executive Director Dot Nuechterlein, centered on plans for a summer gathering of present and prospective students and their families. This chapter never gets “stuck” with leftover pecans—they take orders in advance and only obtain from the company what they will need.

Quad City (IL-IA)—With membership divided between two states, a drawing in the chapter handbook titled “Joined by a River” shows the communities on both sides. It also gives background on current and recent national projects, lists area students—leaving space for the one “you plan to talk to about Valpo”—and states that since the VU tradition means caring, officers should be informed if a member experiences special blessings or hardships.

Illinois

Chicago Northwest Suburban—Long distance member (and former chapter president) Nancy Fehr, presently living in Toronto, had two VU faculty members as B & B guests this spring. President Virginia Amling lists as the chapter’s strength: “Good mix of different age levels, mothers, alumnae, and recent grads.”

ROCHESTER, NY—Guest Marianne Halvorson (center), a charter member in 1951 now beginning a new chapter in Medina OH, is seated between another charter member Mary Ann Gollin and chapter president Barbara Riehthmeier.

MILWAUKEE SUBURBAN, WI—We all know that no Guild event involving food could function without the diligent work of the kitchen crew!
WAUSAU, WI—Charter members Lorena Obey and Gertrude Johns are "gifted" by this Golden Anniversary chapter for their long and faithful service.

Greater Phoenix (AZ)—Area Director Sylvia Luekens reports a fun visit at a spring luncheon "with recipes from you-know-where," when three new members were welcomed. Students and their families are to be guests at a summer event.

Harbor Lights (CA)—To encourage cookbook sales this spring, each member took three cookbooks and resolved to either sell them or give them as gifts. The chapter had a marvelous time hosting a reception following the VU Concert Choir concert in March.

Hawaii (HI)—Quote from A.D. Sylvia Luekens' "4-Front" newsletter: "Did you know Hawaii has five students on campus this year? Somebody's been talking Valpo?" Those college nights and VU Sunday observances and the Advent/Christmas Vespers services all contribute to this recognition.

Northwest Corner (WA)—This brand-new fledging chapter with three committed members and a number of prospects has already sold some cookbooks and had B & B guests. At their initial meeting they enjoyed slides of the VU campus, vintage 1950.

Orange County (CA)—In March members prepared dinner for the VU Concert Choir students, provided housing, and held a post-concert reception. Summer plans include two catering projects. Congratulations to Doreen Gray, awarded Honorary Alumna status this spring, and to Joan Keller, in whose husband's memory a PACT scholarship was founded by donors from the chapter.

Oregon Trail (OR)—Plans are being made for an October craft/sewing demonstration day: tickets will be sold and participants will learn how to make something, such as a scarf, sweatshirt, ornament, and so on. Also, a prospective student's party will be held during the summer.

Puget Sound (WA)—With an emphasis on student recruitment, the chapter has for the second time sponsored a visit to campus by a high school student. (P.S. The first 1988 VU grad to seek membership in the Guild this spring is from this area, but is moving elsewhere and wants to take the Guild with her; she has helped this chapter's recruitment efforts in the past. Way to inspire, Seattle-Tacoma area Guildies!)
Saddleback Valley (CA)—Another chapter-in-the-making, this group covers South Orange County, from Irvine to Sun Clemente. Organizer Judy Tesch sent an invitation to prospects that included a few words about her own involvement with VU and the Guild, as well as something about what beginning a chapter would mean. The ten members are now off to a good start.

Santa Clara Valley (CA)—Still going strong with magic bows sales, another project is Cal Craft ornaments. This chapter also hosted a VU Choir post-concert reception.

Spokane (WA)—A unique feature of this chapter’s handbook is a “Planner’s Check List,” specifying what needs to be done for a meeting or other event and how far in advance to begin. Great idea! And their list of projects begins with “Prayers for the University, Students, and Faculty.”

Sun City (AZ)—Twenty-six tables of players enjoyed the annual card party in January. President Delpha McClure made sure everyone had the 1988-89 handbook in April so that everyone can plan for the coming year’s events, including a Halloween progressive dinner, before they leave for summer vacations.

Walla Walla (WA)—When one congregation celebrated Lutheran Education Sunday, the chapter participated with a VU table-top display, then sponsored a coffee hour the following Sunday.

Beloit—There is a tradition that says a good way to celebrate a special event in your own life is to do something special for others, and these nine Guild women celebrated their 50th chapter anniversary by hosting the Wisconsin State Unit convention in April.

Clintonville—Area Director Marilyn Holmquist was the honored guest at a potluck luncheon during the Christmas season.

Covered Bridge—The youngest chapter in Wisconsin is a small but enthusiastic group, with all eight members willing to work on projects, such as making and selling Valpo bean soup, and several handling Person-to-Person calls.

Merrill—One activity listed for this year was “Show Your Interest Night.” Doesn’t that pique your interest? The annual Valpo Pageant, complete with full costumes, is a high point of the year, every year.

Milwaukee Golden Gems—A program on fashions and colors, a wine and cheese party, and a craft-making gathering were on the agenda for this past year. The dozen members are career women and mothers of young children who carve out a bit of time from very busy lives to enjoy one another’s friendship and to support VU.

Milwaukee Suburban—Editor Kathy Sauer often includes a brief meditation or thought-provoking message in the five-issues-a-year newsletter, as well as short profiles of new members. The spring potluck meeting featured a program on the Milwaukee County Zoo, so everyone was encouraged to wear or bring items with animal motifs—including the food and serving dishes.

Neenah-Menasha—The project fund benefits from this chapter’s successful bakery, craft, flower, and plant sale, made possible in part by having a florist in their membership.

Oshkosh—B & B has become a reality for the Oshkosh Guild, thanks to the Experimental Aircraft Association convention during the summer, as they host families with ties to VU. One couple camps in their own backyard while guests stay in their home!

Shawano—The Guild has made its mark in the community with two annual projects: a chili supper held during Lent, and a cookie sale in December—which is held in a bakery, by the way!

Sheboygan—Could a small chapter do a fancy VU Sunday brunch? Sure, if they follow the Sheboygan Formula: choose a terrific place (they used a Yacht Club), sell advance tickets, have the scrumptious food catered, and enjoy serving as hostesses.

Wausau—Celebrating their 50th anniversary on the exact date the chapter was formed, all members were present, plus former members, husbands, and guests, as president Diane Vollrath introduced each member with a few words about her unique contribution to the “health and happiness” of the chapter.

Area VI

Michigan

Battle Creek—Devotion to one another and to the Guild is the strength of this chapter, according to president Kay Schulz, whose members are always willing to say yes when asked to do something. They participate in a local store’s “Shop & Share” program.

Detroit—Since June is traditionally the month of Brides, wrote outgoing president Carol Holm in her May newsletter inviting members to the June meeting, “bring a bride’s picture to share. It can be of yourself as a bride or your mother or grandmother.” In April the Spring Benefit Party was entitled “Daisy of a Show,” with fashions of bygone days on the program.

Midland—Something for everyone is a feature of the Midland Guild; fund-raisers include a soup supper, roll bake, rummage sale, selling granny knifes, pecans, ribbons, cheese, and spices.

Saginaw—Organization and advance planning are keys to the success of this large chapter. Members of all standing committees are listed (including a sewing commit-

Wisconsin

Appleton—The annual brunch, held in March, had a new theme this year: “A Taste of the South,” and we understand it was more popular than ever. The chapter handbook carries the annual financial report, so that everyone can see exactly what funds they receive and where the money goes.
Area VII

Indiana and Kentucky

Decatur Circuit (IN)—“Never give up.” Only a couple of years ago this chapter wondered how long they would be able to continue, but now they have found a couple of new members and a revitalized spirit. When asked about any difficulties of the group, outgoing president Vera Doty said, “No problems. Our membership covers a wide geographical area, but this makes members willing to travel in order to have good meetings.”

Evansville (IN)—Area Director Ruth Lewis reports she had a delightful spring luncheon visit with members of this chapter. Their annual yearbook is organized with a telephone committee, so that they can stay in touch more easily.

Fort Wayne (IN)—During February, the month of Love, Fort Wayne Guild women gave a “Gemütlichkeit Party” for residents of the Lutheran Home. In spring they held a Continental Breakfast, featuring a book review program, and took “An Australian Adventure” with a staff member of the Fort Wayne Zoo.

Hammond (IN)—Faced with new bank charges against her chapter’s precious project account, president Ethel Amodeo wouldn’t take “no” for an answer and finally convinced the banking authorities to make an exception for “this worthy cause.” Way to go, Ethel!

Michigan City (IN)—Current VU students from Michigan City are listed in the chapter handbook under the heading “Our Kids.” The Saturday morning after Executive Council president Alice Behrendt hosted a “Coffee with Alice and Exec. Report” at her home.

Mishawaka-South Bend (IN)—Retiring president Eileen Fray was happy to report that six new young members have recently joined the chapter. Their biggest fundraiser this year was something called “Golden Glow Chicken,” and everyone in the chapter participated in raising about $750 with it.

Southeastern (IN)—They may be a small group, but the Southeasten Guild managed to raise funds for VU by serving two dinners and having a rummage sale; they also sponsored VU Sunday and sold Guild calendars.

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY, NJ—Incoming vice president Karin VanTol (left) has just been installed by Dot Nuechterlein and welcomed by president Esther Hddhner, treasurer Ruth Nielsen, and former v.p. Ginny Bartsch.

Area VIII

Ohio

Cincinnati—National President Phyllis Schuessler was speaker for a dinner meeting in May. An earlier fun night out was held at a local restaurant which featured student waiters and waitresses singing songs from “The Sound of Music.” Members are hoping the city’s Bicenniel will bring B & B visitors.

Cleveland—This chapter is growing from the decision of the Cleveland South chapter to merge with them.

Columbus Capital Bells—President Paula Sauer reports that Capital Bells women this year developed an “I Can” attitude, shown in their willingness to try the $10 free cookbook luncheon to pay for an oversupply of books.

Elmore—Although they mourn the death of a faithful member, the chapter is delighted to have gained three new members in the past year. A sauerkraut supper and bazaar are in their schedule each winter.

Lorain County—A playhouse theater night sounds like a fun way to end a busy Guild year. As in other chapters, these Guild women are involved in many other organizations, but according to Area Director Betty Eckenfeis they “keep the Guild as a must.”

Medina—President Marianne Halvorson expects a good representation at the fall convention from her members as they receive their charter. Meanwhile, they are planning a repeat of their summer get-together for new VU students from the area.

Area IX

Southeastern states

Gulf Coast (FL)—Chartered only last fall, president Miriam Griessel and her enthusiastic members sponsored the Florida VU Rally in April. She reports they have had good cooperation and attendance at meetings this first year.

Orlando (FL)—Bravo! The twenty members doubled their project contributions over last year to $2,000! Their July 4th patriotic celebration/organ concert and the Advent concert account for a big part of that effort.

Tampa (FL)—Area Director Margaret Zobel attended a winter business meeting in Tampa and reported that the chapter “caught up on a lot of loose ends” regarding cookbooks, dues, and so on. “I think the fledgling chapter is about to come of age,” she said. A Beer & Brats party was a fun way to involve VU people in the area, including some from the St. Petersburg chapter.

West Palm Beach (FL)—President Margaret Schueman and her husband Bob hosted an Alumni-Guild gathering, attended by about 35 persons, including members of the Gold Coast chapter.

Winter Haven (FL)—Outgoing president Martha Martinez recently wrote: “There are about six of us who share in the responsibilities—no one person, even the president, carries a heavier load. Makes it more pleasant and fun.” This chapter is another with multiple fund-raising ideas, such as: Sunday morning bake sales on a church patio, a variety show, offering a gift-wrapping service at the “Winterfest” church bazaar, B & B, and running a school supply store.
NOTICES & NEWS

WAY TO GO!
A team of five students from the VU College of Business marketing program won first place this spring in the first "Big Idea" contest sponsored by Lands' End, Inc. The challenge was to create a method of attracting students to the use of catalogs in purchasing the company's merchandise, primarily casual clothing.

Jill Johnson and David Gehne, part of the Executive Council panel featured on pages 8-9 in this issue, teamed with Joanne Bach of Rockford IL, Don Brown of Jefferson City MO, and Dave McMahon of South Bend IN to win the prize: a visit to London and a tour of England's wool industry—plus the offer of possible job placement in the company. Prof. Paul Trapp, who presented marketing ideas at the 1987 Executive Council, was the team adviser.

An announcement of the prize appeared in the June 1 issue of Chronicle of Higher Education, and a similar spread will follow in Fortune magazine later this summer. If you happen to see these features, you will notice that whereas the second- and third-place teams, from U of Wisc.-Platteville and U of Wisc.-Madison, are wearing suits and ties and other business clothing, the VU crew is dressed in Lands' End products. If you had been one of the judges, wouldn't that have helped you decide who is best qualified to represent your company?

We're proud of you, team.

COACH OF THE YEAR
With a 13-4 record, the best ever for a VU tennis team, Coach Jim Daugherty was named Coach of the Year by the Association of Mid-Continent Universities athletic conference. Two of his players were also named to the AMCU All-Academic Team: junior Matt Bernthal, whose mother Mildred is president of the Winter Haven FL chapter of the VU Guild, and sophomore Matt Evans of Valparaiso.

LUMINA AWARDS
One quarter of the 40 juniors honored by the College of Arts & Sciences this year for exceptional scholarship are sons and daughters of Guild women: Thomas Kolb (Eunice, Baltimore), Steven Maneikis (Mary, Ann Arbor), Laura Nuechterlein (Dot, Valparaiso), Tim Prahlow (Lois, Valparaiso), Suzanne Raddatz (Dory, Wausau), Kirk Sattelmeier (Lorraine, Four Winds, Michigam), Peter Steiner (Christa, Elm), Lori Unruh (Phyllis, Greater Peoria), Kimberly Walz (Carol, Geiseman Memorial), and Marcia Wroblewski (Shirley, Mishawaka-South Bend).

Bravo to all of them.

SENIOR SPECIAL HONORS
Ten seniors this spring were named to Distinguished Student Awards by the Alumni Association; three are daughters of Guild women: Deborah Petersen (Robertta, Orlando), Anne Press (Sarah, Glenbrook), and Cynthia Oppliger (Florence, Port Huron).

Outstanding Service Awards were presented to twelve seniors for leadership and performance in extracurricular and student life. Among them, Susan Gardels is the daughter of Mary Ann, member of the Greater Kansas City chapter; and Elisabeth Tracht is the daughter of Avis, Battle Creek.

Several departments have their own awards; one we have heard about is Communication, where Kevin Jud (Shirley, Northern Virginia) and Suelynn Thompson (Alta, Greater Phoenix) were honored.

LANDMARK GONE
The Hotel Lembke in downtown Valparaiso, in early Guild days the favored spot for housing convention-goers, was demolished this spring, having fallen into serious disrepair. On the opposite corner of the same block the old post office has been transformed into a lovely new City Hall; the other major building in the block will become a key office complex in the city's revitalized downtown; and the Lembke site will serve as a parking lot.

ACADEMIC HONORS
Valparaiso University stresses the first part of the "student athlete" title, and the 1987-88 athletic program produced a large number of players honored by their conferences for academic achievement.

Highest honors go to the women's programs eligible for the North Star Academic Honor Roll, which requires a 3.25 or higher grade point average. Cross country winners were sophomores Tamara Claypool of Sunbury OH, Jewel Market of Eau Claire WI, and Kristin McLenahan of Menomonee Falls WI, junior Jennifer Williams of Peoria IL, and senior Angela Zekios of Oak Lawn IL.

Nicole Roth, freshman from River Forest IL, received those honors for volleyball, and freshmen Julie Budack of Crown Point IN and Gayle Johnson of Mishawaka IN for softball. Freshman basketball players Linda Batz of Greenfield IN, Amy Cole of Naperville IL, and Wendy Smith of Schererville IN were joined by junior Jill Otto, Elk Grove IL, in the spotlight.

The Heartland Conference All-Academic football team included Sean Dougherty, senior from Merrillville IN. Other AMCU All-Academic team members were golf—junior Tom Brankin, Crestwood IL; cross country—senior John Kupfer, Kenosha WI and Sophomore Todd Lighty, Mishawaka IN; basketball—senior Dave McMahon, South Bend IN; and baseball—sophomore Shawn Barker, Middletown IN, and seniors Keith Harvey, Decatur IN and Steve Wigdor, Staten Island NY.

NEW BUILDING—Coming up the sidewalk from the back parking lot, visitors will find the new Guild offices to the left just inside the entrance, with the offices of the University President and the Vice President for Academic Affairs farther down the same hallway.

DEDICATION—LCMS President Ralph Bohlmann addresses gathering at the O.P. Kretzmann Hall dedication, including VU President Emeritus Albert G. Huegli and service preacher Dr. Oswald Hoffmann (left), President Robert Schnabel (right), and Dr. A.R. Kretzmann (foreground).
Welcome to the Club

(Poem written for Robert Schnabel on the occasion of the April 28, 1988 "pre-retirement workshop")

I
Welcome to retirement,
one of your last rights,
a time when the full professor overflows.
Welcome to a career with no vacations
(presidents work from sun to sun,
but emeritus work is never done!).
Welcome to the leisure class,
to the joy of voluntary unemployment,
to the relief of leaving fund-raising
for fun-raising.
Discover the fountain of age,
the good days old,
the pleasures of traveling lighter
but farther and wider.
Discover a bag-full of golf clubs
and songs left long unsung.
Discover the satisfaction of hearing
the ambulance go past your house.
Discover the freedom to do anything
Ellen wants you to do.
Discover that when you're over the hill,
you go faster,
that you'll be so busy you'll be tempted
to return to salaried employment.
Resist!
Discover that, in spite of our ageist society,
retirement can be rewarding
and retirees need not be retiring.
Discover that the VU chapter
doesn't end the book.

II
We go too quickly from pubescence to tabescence,
from high school seniors to senior citizens,
from acne to angina,
from cruising Main Street to cruising the Caribbean,
from being awakened by clocks
to waking up to bladders,
from the green go of spring
to the amber caution of autumn!
And yet, a Schnabel knows
when it's time to smell the rose.

III
Welcome to 60-something—
Just as you're getting used to middle age,
but an honest distance past 39.
a trustworthy 30 over 30.
You're five times Chivas Regal,
three times Chateau Lafitte,
both acclaimed for aging.
Six decades is but prelude—
the first of life,
which for the last was made.
It's one-third the age of Isaac,
one-sixtieth the life of a sequoia,
only one-millionth of the years
since the Ordovician Period!
This party's no almost-obituary—
after all, everyone's on his last legs,
and everyone's been young!
This club is more select.
(Thank God we aren't born old,
slowly to grow immature.)
So sing a sweet 65 Psalm,
a psalm of Robert in a major key.

IV
Welcome to the joy of achievement,
with so much to look backward to with pride
(the Seminary's most illustrious drop-out!).
You retire,
a leader in academe,
a servant in the Church,
a patron of the arts,
but your impact will work on.
So much to look forward to with hope!
Welcome to one more career change:
no park-bench, senior center
dawdle days for you—
just re-cycling of your talents.

V
Welcome to the future.
We don't believe in the future
but in God who holds the future
in His hands.
So welcome to that future,
to life after board meetings.
After all, school's not out—
this is just another recess,
and God and Ellen aren't done with you yet.
P.S. Be kind to pigeons:
we might still make a statue of you!

—Bernhard Hillila
VU Professor Emeritus
of Education
Living Books make lasting memorials of loved ones and friends. Gift cards which may be sent to the Henry F. Moellering Memorial Library at Valparaiso University are available from chapter presidents. The following persons have been remembered with donations totaling $2,451.50.

### Ann Arbor MI
- Helen Firnhaber

### Austin-Central Texas TX
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Rev. William C. Petersen

### Baltimore MD
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Brooke W. Lerch

### Beloit WI
- Paula Kannenburg

### Berrien County MI
- Elizabeth Busse

### Chicago South Suburban IL
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Mildred F. Konkel
- Clara Wachholz

### Cincinnati OH
- Helen Michelson

### Clintonville WI
- Linda John
- Bernard Knapp

### Columbus IN
- Mrs. Carl Ridenour

### Covered Bridge WI
- Clara Wachholz

### Detroit MI
- Hilda Bennett
- Eleanor Dittmer
- Paul Nieter, Sr.
- Greta Scafe
- Leah Yates

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- Anne Lawrence
- Frederick Sheridan

### Elgin IL
- Emil Bartels
- Robert Mitchell
- Ray Steinmeyer

### Fort Wayne IN
- Paul Nieter, Sr.

### Four Winds
- Helen Filmhaber
- Beverly Geil
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Velma Tesch

### Geiseman Memorial IL
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Mary Ann Piepensburg

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- Sophia Heidbrink
- Carla L. Roehl

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- Elmer Ball
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- George H. Priebke
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- Ella Rutkowski

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- Susan Newby
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### New Orleans LA
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Louise Nugent

### Niagara Falls NY
- Selma Tryliff

### Omaha NE
- Mikkel Peratt

### Orlando FL
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- Chester Vaughn

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- Edgar Horn
- William Stotts

### Quincy IL
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- Sophia Heidbrink

### Racine WI
- Mary Eckert

### Rochester MI
- Henry Schroeder

### Rochester NY
- Diedrich Grießmann

### Saginaw MI
- Esther D. Breiter
- Eric Simon
- Sophia Heidbrink

### St. Louis MO
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Dr. Edwin Kretzmann
- Greta Wilken's Mother

### St. Petersburg FL
- Harry Meseth

### Sheboygan WI
- Mildred L. Gerber
- Alice Knopp

### South Central Pennsylvania PA
- Donald Rademacher

### South Lake County IN
- Pearl Bowen

### Southeastern IN
- Edward Rullman
- Pearl Taylor

### Sun City AZ
- Gussie Eckert
- Mildred Malte
- Ollie Seebach

### Traverse City Northwoods MI
- Eric Simon

### Union County OH
- William Burns
- Max Eickhoff
- Gilbert Luke

### Valparaiso IN
- Lucille Bowen
- Dorothea Dunagan
- Helene Hansen
- Sophia Heidbrink
- Dr. Alfred H. Meyer

### Wausau WI
- Roman Knies
- Joyce Zimmerman

### Individual
- Esther A. Heinz
- Elizabeth Hummel
- Carl A. Ivarson
- Ruth Johnson
- Raymond H. Kreamer
- Ann Lawrence
- Warren Prout
- Richard Sheridan
- Clara Wachholz
WHAT’S SO SPECIAL ABOUT THE GUILD SPECIAL?

Each February those attending the Executive Council participate in the choice of the recipient of the Guild Special Fund. The exact origin of the name is not clear, but there is reference made to it in minutes of the third national meeting, held in 1934. Of course, in the early days of fund-raising projects were “special,” since the University budget was extremely lean and the Guild’s reason for being was to find ways to provide facilities and equipment that could not be obtained through usual methods.

However, as early as 1936 chapters were urged to set aside a “special” gift of $2.50 over and above their usual contribution. In 1936 that money was used to buy and plant trees in the University Park—now known as Old Campus—and in 1937 the Special Gift was the Blue Spruce still standing alongside the new School of Law. In early years the tree stood at the center of a Carol Sing on the final evening before Christmas vacation.

Since then the Special has provided books (Bibles, Shakespeare, Encyclopedia Americana, hymnals), dire necessities (mattresses, percolators, furniture, computers, communion linens, crosses), niceties (silver services, reprints of masterpieces, candelabra, choir gowns and Crusaderettes’ costumes, drinking fountains), and miscellaneous items like sewing machines and pianos and a spectrophotometer and Kitchen Aid mixers and sound equipment and ping-pong tables and a two-way radio for the campus police and . . . you get the idea; things that don’t always fit into usual budget categories.

Originally the convention voted to approve whatever the Board proposed as the pressing campus need of the time. At present the officers receive suggestions or applications from the campus community and present several choices to the February meeting. Although the Executive Council is not a legislative body, since this fund is raised solely through extra contributions of each chapter it is deemed appropriate to have the representatives of the chapters make the decision as to how it shall be spent.

The gift, now set at $10 per year, is due by Feb. 1 so that the Council knows exactly how much money is available.

The 1988 Guild Special was divided between two recipients: Soul Purpose, the chancel drama group in its first year as an addition to the worship resources of the campus, and the four departments housed in Huegli Hall—English, history, political science, theology—for display shelving for their academic journals and periodicals. The costs involved in building Soul Purpose were at first borne by a few individuals, notably the director; and the Huegli departments were making do with a table or two for their materials; but in both cases Guild support was needed to do the job well.

So we can say that the Guild Special supplies Special Needs, as it has been doing for over half a century. Please encourage your chapter to make your Special Fund contribution at the beginning of the fiscal year, so that you don’t forget about it. Some worthy cause at VU will thank you next February.

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VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY — ANNUAL FUN RUN/WALK — SEPTEMBER 23, 1988

Entry Form

Make check payable to: Jan Schlegelmilch, Guild Run
Mail to: Jan Schlegelmilch, 1012 Kent Rd., Michigan City IN 46360

NAME __________________________ ___________ ENTRY FEE: ______ ($7.00) enclosed

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CHAPTER _______________________________________________________________________________________

AGE ON DAY OF RACE ____________ T-SHIRT SIZE: Adult S M L XL

DATE OF RUN: SEPTEMBER 23, 1988 TIME: 4:30 p.m. Youth L (if enough enter)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 22, 1988

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I for myself, my executors, administrators, and assignees, do hereby release and discharge the Valparaiso University Guild and any other sponsors for all claims arising or growing out of my participation in the Guild Run.

I attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event, and I am physically fit and sufficiently trained to participate in this event. I also give permission for the use of my name and picture in any print media account of this event.

SIGNATURE ____________________________ (If under 18, signature of parent or guardian)

PURPOSE: To hold a fun run involving Guild members, University faculty, staff, and students, and friends of the University, in order to raise money for Valparaiso University through the Valparaiso University Guild.

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**Spotlight**

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Uniquely packaged 1 lb. bag of two mixes for creating Hot Fudge Sundae Brownie recipe; simply add water & oil and bake in pan. Serve warm with ice cream. Bags available in variety of patterns depending on holiday or season—state if for special purpose, such as Christmas. PRICE: $3.50 each plus $1.00 shipping per bag. CONTACT: Karin Zelle, 1335 S. Galena, A1-206, Denver CO 80231; 303/895-8458. (Denver chapter)

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Packaged lentils & spices to season ground beef, tomatoes, & water for hearty soup serving 4-6. Directions for crockpot & stove-top included in 8 oz. package. PRICE: $1.25 each in lots of 5 pkgs. Total price (includes shipping) for 5 pkg. $9.25; 10 pkg. $16.50; 15 pkg. $24; 20 pkg. $31.50; 25 pkg. $39. Orders of 50 or more $1 each, total price for 50 is $65. CONTACT: Carol Bisterfeldt, 10205 E. 20th, Spokane WA 99206; 509/526-4584. (Spokane chapter)
To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.

CELEBRATION CARDS

To every thing there is a season . . . celebrate with joy the special occasions of relatives or friends by sending Celebration Cards in their honor. The joy of weddings, anniversaries, confirmations, birthdays, recovery from illness and other special times is shared through gifts to the Guild.

Celebration Cards are available from chapter presidents. Gifts from the Cards provide devotional materials, Christian songbooks, and other worship aids for the residential and chapel ministry at Valparaiso University.

As of May 31, 1988, gifts in honor of the following persons totaled $524.00.

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