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THE GUILD DEVOTIONAL

EDITOR'S NOTE: Because our faith and renewal of that faith are such an important part of our lives, it seems only fitting to your Editor that there should be a section in the Bulletin devoted to the study of God's Word or material that could be used as individual or chapter devotional material. This edition's devotional was originally given as the Opening Devotions for the Executive Council meeting. One song is suggested; others may be inserted.

Song

Opening Sentences

L: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.
C: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;
L: What are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?
C: Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor.
L: You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet.
C: O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Song

Homily

It seems rather fitting that since you are here at Valparaiso University, a place of learning, you should do an assignment this morning. So take out a pen or pencil and use your worship sheet as the place to write your assignment. I promise not to grade these, and your neighbor need not see them either! Here is your assignment: write down five things that you have done in the past month that you think are deserving of an Oscar - the Academy Award for an Award Winning Performance. Five things that would earn you an Oscar. I'll give you a few moments.

So, how did you do on your assignment? Did you have trouble coming up with five things? Were you even able to come up with one? Were you looking for flashy things - like chairing a fund-raising ball for a hospital? Or did you look at small things - like doing the laundry each week? Or did you just plain have trouble listing things because it didn't seem humble to do that? Did it seem immodest to admit that you might actually do something that would warrant an Oscar?

We Christians are very proud of our talk of Law and Gospel. In fact, Lutheran Christians are extremely proud of that kind of talk. But I'm concerned that we often spend a great deal of time talking Law, the critical aspect, but not nearly enough time talking Gospel, the complimentary side.

We struggle with sin, how we aren't perfect, how we are broken, how we don't do what God wants, how we always need to be humble and grovel at God's feet in the blackness of our sin.

But did you listen closely to the words of the opening sentences as you read them? "God has made us a little lower than God and crowned us with glory and honor." God has made us Award Winning Performances that are daily deserving of an Oscar.

There are many things that I'm sure you do that could have gone on that list of five things. Things like dishes washed, clothes ironed, children dressed, errands run, friends helped, work completed at a job, Sunday School classes taught, casseroles cooked for church potlucks, communion ware washed, meetings attended - do you get the point?! Even these rather mundane things, these things that we often don't think are worth much, are deserving of an Oscar. And they are deserving, because you are deserving of an Oscar. Because you are an Award Winning Performance in the eyes of God!

As you talk this weekend about the things that the chapters are doing, it is ok to pat each other on the back. It is ok to be proud of what you are doing for this University. It is ok to award each other with an Oscar for a job well done, whether large or small. It is ok to speak Gospel to each other. It is ok to stand before God and know that you are an Award Winning Performance created by God.
I have a homework assignment that I want you to do at some point this weekend. Since VU has an honor code, I trust that you will do the assignment! There are two parts. First, I want you to list ten things that you do that are deserving of an Oscar, and second, I want you to find one other person that you know and tell that person that she, too, is an Award Winning Performance, created by God.

You are an Award Winning Performance, graced and loved by the creator of Award Winning Performances! Amen.

Song: "Amazing Grace" vs. 1 & 3

Prayer

Our Father

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Blessing and Dismissal

All: But we are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people in that we may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once we were not a people, but now we are God's people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.
L: May the God who has made you an Award Winning Performance bless you and keep you in his love.
C: Amen.

Song
OUR TOPIC

PRESENTERS

Frederick Niedner
"Freshman Seminar"

Diane Davis
"Home Economics"

Todd Wetzel
"Music Tours"

Gary Greinke
"Matching Gifts"

Curt Cichowski
"Logo Usage"
Report of the Guild President

Paula Sauer

There's a story floating around in my family, that is, I must admit, absolutely true about how I acquired my first award. It seems that I won a swimming race when I was about six years old. My family and I had been to an Indian Guide retreat called Camp Piamingo for the week. My brother and dad were Little Painted Pony and Big Painted Pony respectively, and we ladies, one squaw and two Indian maidens, were included in the fun this one time a year. Well, at the end of the week, there were to be games and races. All the little Indians were up to the challenge for sure.

I can remember looking down the edge of the pool on that particular morning at all the other six-year olds, and I evaluated my situation. My conclusion was that I would not win that race unless I came up with a creative strategy. However, my decision was to do my best. Great idea, right? Commendable. Honest. What I also remember quite clearly is that somewhere between the edges of that pool, I put my feet down and walked in the chest-high water as fast as I could. I won that race. I accepted my award quite excitedly. That red, white and blue ribbon with a medallion picturing a swimmer hanging from it is still in my old jewelry box. I'm a saver, obviously. It is a reminder of two things. One is that I was really and truly quite proud of myself for winning the race. The other is that I cheated. Isn't it funny what you remember?

My point in telling the story is to allow me to focus on two very important aspects of awards: pride in winning and potential in doing better. Since this is our Award Winning Performances Council meeting, it is appropriate for me to do that.

First, let's center on pride. Pride in its best sense is knowing that a job has been done well. It is feeling pleased with yourself and being happy. In its worst connotation, pride is conceit, superciliousness and arrogance. When I was still in the thinking stages of this message, I really had to pause and deliberate over scripture on this idea of pride. In my search I found no positive
usage of the word "pride." God makes it very plain that pride creates negative results. He lets us know that we are not to have pride.

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But I wanted to feel that pride in one's job, or in oneself was acceptable to God. I needed the word "pride" and the feeling of pride to be proper for a Christian. After perusing a thesaurus, I was relieved to discover that "pride" does have some very Christian appropriate synonyms. "Pride" can mean contentment, pleasure, joy and comfort. When using these definitions for "pride", Christians can use Christ himself as their example. Wouldn't it be sad to think that Christ did not feel pleasure and joy at the wedding feast at Caanan? I think he felt delight, not conceit, when he saved the host from the embarrassment of running out of wine.

Two "Leader" articles ago, I asked you as Guild leaders to recognize how valuable you are, and to help make your chapter members feel valuable. I firmly believe that value, self-worth and pride are all interconnected. I want every Guild member to feel pleasure—yes, pride—in the job we have done as a group.

The Board chose Award Winning Performances as the theme for this weekend when we were just arranging our Reach for the Stars program. We knew at the halfway point we would be ready for some hurrahs and applause. I can't think of a better time for the Guild to be acknowledging accomplishments than here at the beginning of the seventh decade of Guild service to Valparaiso University, and at a time when the world at peace is watching its splendid athletes compete for awards in the 16th Winter Olympics. If there were a way to have you all stand on a platform to receive a beautiful medal, with The Valparaiso Hymn playing grandly in the background, we would have arranged it.

The other aspect of awards is, as I have said, the potential to do better. There is no way for me to ever know if I could have won that swimming medal by swimming. Maybe I would have, maybe I wouldn't, but the fact remains, I could have done better. Even in world-class events, there is not a record made that hasn't been broken or bested. Likewise, there isn't a single Guild job that has reached the absolute best it can become. We have unending potential. There are creative people sitting here today, or waiting for you in your next chapter meeting, who have something new or better to offer. There isn't anything we've done as a Guild, as *good* as that is, that we can't do better.

To what many undertakings of the Guild could we hold a measuring stick to see how we are doing? What exactly is our potential? We engage in public relations for **What exactly is our potential?**

the University in our home areas, VU Sundays, college fairs, news releases, new student picnics, alumni brunches, hostessing choirs, supporting teams. Our potential is great. We work to raise money for the University. Our list of projects accomplished fills six pages in the back pocket of our Black Manuals. Certainly
being on target with this current five-year project shows our potential to even go beyond.

We contacted 30% more students this year than last in our Person-to-Person calls. That was because we had 11,000 compared to 7,000 last year. Our potential is to contact 100% of those students; we actually called half. We have great potential! The best news is that applications to the University are up 23% over last year. Time will tell if this increased number means increased enrollment. We must all hope and pray that it does.

Don't even think that this brief overview is our limit. We have no limits! We have

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unending potential! There are projects and ideas waiting to be concocted. Our challenge is to find them, engage in them, and then make them even better.

Just the other day I had the gift of staying home and working on my Guild projects. My school faculty had spent two consecutive nights holding parent conferences, and so we had Friday off instead of more conferences. When Jim came home at the end of his day he asked how mine had gone. He knew that my plan was to really make tracks into a long "to do" list. All I could do was to demonstrate how I felt. It had been a great day, many successes, but the list was barely dented. I held my arms out wide, palms open to show unendingness, and I said, “the Guild is this big and it's impossible to get my arms around it.” But you know what, I said it with such excitement and sparkle that he knew I wouldn't change that if I could.

Potential! I want this national Valpo Guild, your Valpo Guild chapter, your members, each and every one, to have so much potential that you can't get your arms around it.

Pride in what we have done, and knowing we have limitless potential, is what has kept this Guild vibrant for 60 years. That, coupled with ardent prayers asking for God's help and blessing, will sustain us into the next 60. I hope you all leave this Council meeting thinking about our potential, all the while feeling contentment and pride in what we have done. We can get even better!

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VU GUILD CHAPTER
HANDBOOK AWARDS GIVEN

The Columbia Cascade Chapter of the Valparaiso University Guild was given the task of judging Chapter Handbooks. The following awards were given at the meeting of the Executive Council:

Best Cover Design (most eye-catching, most impressive)
GOLD Sheboygan WI
SILVER Valparaiso IN
BRONZE Geiseman Memorial IL

Best Layout (clear, easy to read, uncluttered)
GOLD St. Petersburg FL
SILVER Rochester NY
BRONZE Sheboygan WI

Best Content (incluision of membership, calendar, current students, national & local officers, purpose/goal, information on VU, good publicity piece)
GOLD Geiseman Memorial IL
SILVER Rochester NY
BRONZE Central New Jersey NJ

Best Overall
GOLD Sheboygan WI

Honorable Mention: Maumee Valley OH, Greater Kansas City KS, Evansville IN, Mishawaka-SouthBend IN, Southtowns of Erie County NY.
Thank you very much. I bring you greetings on behalf of all of us here at the University. We continue to appreciate all that the Valparaiso Guild does for VU.

I have chosen to begin my remarks by making some general comments about higher education in the early 1990s. I am sure all of you have been reading in your local newspapers about the difficulties various institutions of higher education are experiencing at this time. It seems like almost daily an article appears in some major newspaper reporting that this or that university is experiencing financial difficulties. Most recently, institutions like Harvard, Yale, University of Chicago, Stanford, etc. have had the spotlight of the news shined upon them. Administrators of these institutions are talking about millions of dollars in deficits in their universities' operating budgets the last fiscal year and also during the current year. When highly endowed and very expensive tuition universities like Harvard, Yale, and the University of Chicago run multimillion-dollar deficit operations, that is seen by many as being "news."

I want you to know that, generally speaking, the financial health of Valparaiso University is quite good. Like almost every other institution of higher education, VU could use more dollars. But we plan very carefully and budget even more carefully. But, as I said, generally speaking, VU is in relatively good shape. We do have deferred maintenance concerns, but we are trying to manage them. VU is fortunate in that the current debt load is manageable, given the net worth of the University and the size of its endowment. The size of its endowment has risen in the last few years. This increase is partially explained by the upward movement of the stock market. But the endowment has also grown because VU continues to receive gifts designated for the endowment from some of its many friends and donors. In July of 1988 the audit report indicated that the endowment fund was something in excess of 37 million dollars. That total was depressed a bit because the
stock market had experienced difficulties in October of 1987 resulting in some loss in the value of VU's portfolio. At the end of the 1991 calendar year, the endowment was something in excess of 52 million dollars. Thus, the value of the endowment has risen about 15 million dollars in 3 1/2 years. That is a wonderful achievement, and all of us connected with Valparaiso are very pleased about that fact.

Therefore, generally speaking, when individuals ask you how the University is fairing economically, or when they ask

"does the University have the extensive financial problems we are seeing manifested in colleges and universities across the country?" the answers to these questions are that VU is not suffering as severely as some other colleges and universities.

The answers to these questions are that VU is not suffering as severely as some other colleges and universities. But, there are some concerns that VU will have to address.

As we work with the strategic plan that I have talked with you about on prior occasions, we are concentrating on three major emphases this year. I would like to say a brief word about each of these emphases.

The first theme we are highlighting is that we are reflecting on what it means to be a Lutheran university. It seems to me that every generation—and in higher education a generation generally means about ten years—the people involved in a college or university must restate and reclaim the mission and the heritage of that university and set forth the implications of what that mission means in the current environment. We have done a number of things to reflect upon the mission of VU.

First of all, in true higher education fashion, an ad hoc committee was appointed. The committee has been struggling with the Lutheran identity of Valparaiso University in various ways. As I indicated to the committee this past Wednesday, it seems the ideas and the concerns that have been identified by the committee members tend to cluster around three major components. One major component emphasizes the intellectual, the theological, and it has about it the quality of being theoretical in nature. The ideas being talked about are difficult to pin down, but they are extremely important and must be addressed completely and with integrity.

There is a second set of issues that I describe as being primarily emotional in character, and, in that sense, spiritual, given the fact that our spiritual response is not only an intellectual exercise but an emotional response as well. There are various concepts and themes that thread their way through that emotional material.

Thirdly, there are what I would call practical concerns. Examples of such practical concerns include attempting to answer questions like: "How many professors have to be Lutheran in order to maintain a Lutheran identity at VU? How many administrators have to be Lutheran? How many students?" etc. These are measurable factors, and we can identify and count them. The point I made to the committee is that, as
we continue to develop concepts and plans, all three of these areas have to be reflected in our plans. Whatever approach we decide to take will be inadequate if we do not deal with the intellectual, or the emotive concerns, or the practical concerns that face the University. Since this is primarily a faculty committee, there is a tendency to highlight the intellectual and theological themes. Because of members' natural inclinations, we dare not ignore the other two trains of thought.

I have spoken to the members of the VU Guild from time-to-time about the Lilly Fellows Program. I believe this program has major implications for helping to address the spiritual character of VU. The senior Lilly Fellow, who will be on campus next year, has been selected. His name is Lee Hardy.

The three junior Lilly Fellows also have been identified. I know that two of them have accepted their appointments. I received their letters of acceptance on Thursday. The third letter of appointment had to travel a further distance, and it will likely take longer for the acceptance letter to return to Valparaiso. I expect the third Fellow will indicate his/her acceptance of the appointment early next week. As soon as the appointments are accepted, Mrs. Pat Downing will be communicating information about these persons to VU's various constituencies.

Since the program is just beginning, we thought we might receive a limited number of applications for the fellowships. In reality, we received over 280 inquiries, and I believe 180 completed applications. I also want to relate to you that one of my former colleagues from Minnesota, Sister Colman O'Connell, President of St. Benedict College in St. Joseph, Minnesota, told me that while she sat in the Presidents Conference of Catholic Colleges and Universities prior to the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU) convention, the Lilly Fellows Program of Valparaiso University came up for discussion three times by the presidents of the Catholic colleges and universities. Therefore, VU is receiving fantastic public relations via other components of private higher education because of the Lilly Fellows Program.

I remind you that the purpose of the Lilly Fellows Program is to identify young scholars who have a personal commitment to teach in church-related higher education institutions. Many students graduate from colleges and universities like Valparaiso and decide they want to teach at a church-
related college or university when they complete their graduate programs. But, as they do their academic work at major graduate schools, whose goal is not to prepare individuals to teach in church-related colleges and universities but rather to prepare individuals in the field of research and to become faculty members for public institutions of higher education, it becomes extremely important to provide alumni of the church-related colleges with an opportunity to reflect again upon their earlier goals. The Lilly Fellows Program will give a selected number of superior individuals an opportunity to reflect upon that prior goal and enable them to rediscover their original goal of teaching in a church-related institution of higher education. For these, and many other reasons, I am convinced the Lilly Fellows Program is of tremendous potential value to Valparaiso University, and I am very pleased that the Lilly Endowment has been so generous with its funds and so supportive of the concept.

Prior to my presentation to you, you were talking about the Lutheran Brotherhood Matching Grant Program that has made available some funds to help Valparaiso University construct the Center for the Visual and Performing Arts. In the context of that discussion, I mentioned the fact that a couple has come forward and has provided a pledge of $150,000 over the next five years to match the $150,000 that Lutheran Brotherhood is providing for VU’s Chaplaincy Program. The couple who has made this generous matching gift is Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dossin of both Tucson, Arizona, and St. Clair Shores, Michigan. Mr. Dossin and his first wife, who passed away a number of years ago due to an aneurysm in her brain, were members of St. James Lutheran Church of Grosse Pointe when I was an assistant pastor there. As soon as Lutheran Brotherhood announced the concept of identifying dollars to match Lutheran Brotherhood contributions for VU’s Chaplaincy Program, I immediately thought about Mr. Ernest Dossin as an individual who might want to provide the dollars to make the match. I immediately thought of Mr. Dossin for a number of reasons. First of all, I knew about his commitment to Our Lord, Jesus Christ, and to the church. Secondly, I was aware he has had two sons, two daughters-in-law, and a grandson who graduated from Valparaiso University. After a number of discussions with Mr. Dossin and his wife, they made the decision to provide the $150,000 over the five years to match the Lutheran Brotherhood grant. The Dossins provided a gift of stock that was valued at about $32,000 in December for the first year's match, and they will make similar gifts each December until their commitment of $150,000 is met. This is a tremendous gift of love from Mr. and Mrs. Dossin. It provides VU with a powerful start in matching the grant money that Lutheran Brotherhood has made available.

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All of you who know of Professor Wangerin's writing will recognize that he is a very gifted author. He recently has prepared a new book and I have a copy here with me. It is entitled, "Reliving the Passion." I believe that when you read the book you will discover that it contains powerful material. If you want something extraordinary upon which to meditate during this Lenten season, I recommend it strongly. The content of the book hints at the type of contribution this man is making to Valparaiso University, not only through his writing, but also through the impact he is having on the students who are enrolled in his class. We are so pleased to have Dr. Wangerin as part of the faculty of VU.

As we reflect upon the church-related character of Valparaiso University, another publication, which is being mailed regularly from the office of the Director of Church Relations, is entitled Valpo's World. Most of your pastors should be receiving the quarterly issues of Valpo's World. I am pleased to report that I have heard some very positive comments from pastors who have read the publication. We hope that the content of the publication will help to tie the University more closely to the church.

As another indication of Valparaiso University's relationship with the world of religious thought, I also am pleased to announce that the Council of Societies for the Study of Religion, an international group, will locate its central office on our campus in the near future. Dr. David Truemper of VU's Theology Department has been involved with the group for some time. Recently he has been selected as the executive director. It is my understanding there are 12 different societies that comprise this council. All of the publications of the council will be printed locally and mailed to the subscribers from VU's post office. This fact will highlight VU's involvement in

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The final announcement that I want to make that relates to the church-related and Lutheran character of the University, and you are the first individuals to hear this news, is that it appears that a group called
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VU campus. The potential of ALOA having its national offices on the VU campus has some wonderful implications for Valparaiso University. Individuals who become part of ALOA are persons who want to identify themselves as Lutheran Older Adults. It is also a group that was looking for a place to settle where both Missouri Synod and ELCA people could be comfortable. Therefore, it appears as if Valparaiso University is going to be the site for at least the next few years. I offered to provide office space for this group when the group was initially formed a couple of years ago. The leaders of ALOA studied the possibility of selecting other places for their central office, but they finally settled on VU. I believe we will be able to work out all the logistics. I am sure their presence on campus will provide some additional helpful dynamics.

VU will be sponsoring a workshop this summer for teachers of religion who serve at community Lutheran high schools. The plan has been developed, public relations materials have been sent out, and we hope a large group of Lutheran high school religion teachers will join us on campus for a couple of stimulating days of discussion and growth.

I would now like to return to the second major emphasis in the strategic plan. This emphasis is the integration of the arts and sciences with the work going on in the professional schools located on Valparaiso University's campus. That work continues, but, given the press of time, I will not highlight that theme at this time.

The third emphasis in the strategic plan is on globalization of curriculum, student body, and faculty. I brought with me a copy of a new brochure that is published jointly by Interlink and Valparaiso University. Interlink is a language school that will be housed on the VU campus. The language study program, sponsored by Interlink and VU, will begin in June 1992. I think you will find it is a very fine brochure. The leaders of Interlink expect about 20 students to enroll in the program by the fall. Their hope is that within about two years 75 students will be enrolled in the study of English as a second language at VU. We believe that Interlink’s presence on Valparaiso University’s campus will have the impact of enabling our American Caucasian students to interact with people of other nationalities and color. We also hope that some of the Interlink students will decide they like VU enough that they will enroll to complete their bachelor’s degrees at VU. It is my understanding that Dr. James Albers will be talking with you this afternoon about the language immersion camp that will be offered on the VU campus during the month of July. It is also my understanding that Vice President Neil Clark will talk to you about the data relative to admissions. He will be bringing you good news because we are very pleased to note
the increase in the number of applications as well as the number of housing deposits as compared to last year.

Another component of the globalization program is that Mr. Parvesh Singh and I went to India during the last days of December and early January. We left Chicago on December 27 and returned to O'Hare on January 11. There were three purposes in making the trip. The first purpose was to try to work out relationships between VU and other universities so that

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The University of Roorkee is primarily a Ph.D. granting institution. The University of Roorkee has a long, splendid history as an institution of higher education. The University of Roorkee has about 15 different engineering departments. In its Civil Engineering Department there are 47 Ph.D.s. This gives you some idea of the quality of the institution. Other departments are equally well staffed.

I hope you found these comments to be helpful. I will look forward to responding to your questions and concerns.

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WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST CHAPTER —
OLD DOMINION (VIRGINIA)

BARBARA SCHMIDT, PRESIDENT OF THE GUILD'S NEWEST CHAPTER, OLD DOMINION

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The Council decorations
Lillian Roth, a member and President of the Neenah-Menasha Chapter of the Guild, died very suddenly at her home on January 27, 1992. She was 76 years old. Besides her membership in the Guild, she was also a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Menasha, the church choir and the Evangelical Ministry, and a member of the American Guild of Organists.

Mrs. Val Sohre, a member of the St. Paul Chapter, died February 1, 1992. Mrs. Sohre had been a member of the St. Paul Chapter almost from its beginning and, among other things, served as Key Woman and Congregational Representative.

The Elgin Chapter has suffered the loss of Mrs. Gertrude Bartelt (Harold) and Mrs. Margaret Hoffman (Harold) during the past several months.

Mrs. Merna Carl (Robert) of Grosse Pointe MI and a member of the Detroit Chapter has died.

Carlyle Abel, the husband of Peg Abel of the Chicago West Suburban Chapter, has died.

The Rev. Dr. M. Alfred (Bix) Bichsel was called to his heavenly rest on February 15, 1992. He was at Valparaiso University from 1943 to 1960 as instructor of languages and music, founder of the Chapel Choir, and Director of Music at the Chapel of the Resurrection. His wife, Jean, is a member of the Rochester NY Chapter.

Hilda Hagstett's husband, Bill, recently died. Hilda is a member of the New Orleans Chapter.

Ingeborg (Inga) Beckmann (nee Radloff), age 70, died on March 9, 1992 in Burnsville MN. Inga was treasurer of the South Lake County Chapter of the Guild.

Editor's Note: Your Editor realizes that there have no doubt been others within our Guild Family who have died recently. Their names were not omitted intentionally. If chapters will keep the national office informed, names will be included in future issues of the Bulletin. We pray for our Lord's continuing care and comfort for all who mourn.
LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD CHALLENGE GRANT FOR LUTHERAN HIGHER EDUCATION

Lutheran Brotherhood, a fraternal benefit society, is providing incentive grants to Lutheran colleges, universities and Bible schools in the United States to support their designated endowments or capital projects.

Lutheran Brotherhood will grant, up to a stipulated maximum, one dollar for every dollar received by the participating institution for this challenge grant between July 1, 1991, and June 30, 1996.

To qualify for matching purposes, gifts made to the institutions must be accompanied by a "Gift Designation Card" or other similar documentation. Gifts from public sources (federal, state or municipal agencies, etc.) are not eligible for matching.

Up to one-half the amount raised by the institution will be unrestricted and may be used at the discretion of the institution. The Lutheran Brotherhood grant and the balance raised by the institution will be used for the endowment or capital project designated by the institution.

If you are a member of Lutheran Brotherhood, your gift may also qualify under IMPACT, the member matching-gift program.

During the Executive Council meeting, the following list of questions and answers was presented to the assembly: If you have further questions, please call the Office of Institutional Advancement 1-800-833-6792.

1. WHAT IS THE AMOUNT AND PURPOSE OF THE LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD CHALLENGE GRANT FOR THE VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS?

Lutheran Brotherhood will match up to $600,000 to help fund the proposed Center for the Visual and Performing Arts.

2. WHO ARE THE ELIGIBLE DONORS?

Eligible donors include individuals and organizations. Gifts and grants from public sources - federal, state, municipal, etc., are not eligible for matching.

3. WHAT GIFTS ARE ELIGIBLE?

Gifts made in the form of cash or in publicly-traded stocks and bonds are eligible for matching.

4. HOW IMPORTANT IS THE GIFT DESIGNATION CARD?

A gift will not be matched unless it is accompanied by a gift designation card which has been completed by the donor.
Only one gift designation card needs to be completed by the donor even if the donor is making annual contributions during the five-year period. Lutheran Brotherhood has agreed to match chapter gifts if a card is completed by the chapter president and forwarded to the Guild national treasurer with the check payable to Valparaiso University. All gifts must be received within the period of July 1, 1991 and June 30, 1996.

5. WILL OTHER COMPANIES ALSO MATCH THE GUILD GIFTS FOR THE VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS?

Yes. A list of companies matching gifts of employees is available from the Office of Institutional Advancement (1-800-833-6792). In some cases, the company will also match a gift made by the spouse.

6. HOW WILL I GET CHAPTER CREDIT IF THE CHECK IS MADE PAYABLE TO VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY?

Proper credit will be given to the chapter if you will note in an accompanying letter and signed card sent to the Guild treasurer with the check that the gift is for your chapter.

7. WHY MUST ONE CHAPTER CHECK BE MADE PAYABLE TO VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY RATHER THAN THE UNIVERSITY GUILD?

Matching Gift guidelines require that gifts must be received by an institution of higher education. Payments to Valparaiso University, the beneficiary of the gift, removes any eligibility questions.

A BED AND BREAKFAST TESTIMONIAL!!

The following letter is a real testimonial as to the importance of the Bed and Breakfast Program. It is also evidence of the real joy and friendship that can come from such "encounters." The letter is as follows:

Thank you for the Guild Bed and Breakfast Directory which you sent to us last fall.

Bruce spent the month of December in Pasadena, CA. He had been looking for accommodations since the summer and had difficulty locating something both for him for three weeks and for the whole family for 10 days. We phoned the Guild contact person for that part of Los Angeles and Bruce was linked up with two of the dearest people imaginable. Bruce stayed with Bert and Lois Jablinski in Arcadia, CA. They treated him as though he were part of their family. They fed him (and more than just breakfast), gave him a ride to work in the morning and even lent him their car when he had something to do in the evening. Once the rest of us arrived at the Jablinskis over Christmas break, we too were received in Christian love. They made our children feel special. (The kids now think of them as Uncle Bert and Auntie Lois!) And we celebrated a particularly special Christmas with them.

When I look back at our time in Los Angeles, it will be the Jablinskis that I will remember. Of course, we saw the sights, revelled in the beautiful weather & flowers, but their kindness colored our visit there.

Just wanted to report a very successful and blessed Guild B&B experience. Sincerely,
Lucy L. Hrivnak
Victoria BC CANADA

1-r: Bert Jablinski, Bruce Hrivnak, and Lois Jablinski in Arcadia CA.
With apologies to Henry Wadsworth Longfellow,  
Dr. Walter Friedrich  
and the entire English department at Valpo

By the Ocean called Pacific  
By that shining big sea water  
Stood a Guild Group - San Diego  
Daughters all of Valparaiso.

Dark above them rose a storm cloud  
Rose an ominous dilemma  
For they could not find a Goodie  
Could not settle on a project  
How to raise some Valpo wampum  
Advertise our Valparainsnow.

Then appeared a lovely maiden  
With a gift for drawing pictures  
With a talent from her Maker  
Which she offered to our Guild group.

"Let us make some rubber stampers  
Let us draw the Valpo Chapel  
Tell the world of Valparaiso  
Make some angels, bears and peace stamps  
Stamp our way from here to Boston."

So our Sally started carving  
Gathered wood and willing workers  
And she had a giant party  
Where we cut and mass assembled  
Piles of stamps with Valpo logos  
Stamps to shout that we love Valpo  
And we shared them with the Guildies  
Shared them with the Valpo students  
Spread the word with stamps and stamp pads  
Till our Sally cried "Enough now!"

So those Guildies by the ocean  
By the waters called Pacific  
Live in sunshine - no more storm clouds  
And when they slumber, dream of stamps.

Lois Scheer
You Know

AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF
THE SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

Members of the San Diego Chapter working on the Chapter’s rubber stamp project.

Sally Beck of Poway, CA and her husband, Pastor Gordon, have encouraged an Andrew ’89 and a Gretchen ’92 through Valpo's hallowed halls. We are all rooting for Sarah, the last in the line, to follow in their footsteps. Sally's life-long ambition has been to play the tambourine for the New Christy Minstrels. While she waits for their call, she teaches calligraphy and art classes in two San Diego adult education programs and has done extensive illustrating for Creative Communications for the Parish and Augsburg Publishing Co. She and fellow Guild member, Lois Siemon Scheer ’59, have collaborated on two children's books which are currently in search of that elusive perfect publisher. Sally witnesses to the Word in word and picture - and in her life.
Report of the
Executive Director

Janie Lichtfuss

Madam President, Officers of the Guild, Ladies of the Guild:

Good morning! This weekend has gone by so fast. Soon you will be leaving to return home to your families and your chapters. I hope that while you have been here you have enjoyed the arrangements made for you and, more importantly, that you have gained much from what you have done.

That—gaining much from what you do—leads me to what I would like to visit with you about today. I find it very difficult to believe that it is almost three years since I arrived in Valpo. As you have heard me say before, I accepted this position for several reasons, but absolutely the most important reason was because of the kind of group the Valparaiso University Guild is. My perception of the Guild has always been that this is an organization of committed, involved, dedicated, knowledgeable, innovative women. The organization still upholds and fulfills those perceptions.

As I thought about my message to you, I initially wanted to talk about the fact that Paula and I have received virtually NO invitations to visit your chapters this year. Just as the first year in a new job is different from later years—remember, I said “different” not “worse”—so the first year in this position with all of you has been different from the last two. The first year is always a sort of “honeymoon” time and that is reflected in the fact that I visited 32 chapters. The second year there were about half that and this year so far I have three invitations. That is a quick decline.

Please understand that I am not disturbed about this, as such. I do not have an ego-need to be invited to come visit your chapters. I don’t believe there is one member on the Guild Board with such a need. I also understand that I can certainly invite myself although, personally, I would feel better being invited. BUT, this lack of invitations suggested something much deeper to me. Here are some possibilities that immediately came to my mind:
- we really aren't interested in having anyone come.
- we are too tired to plan anything for such a visit.
- we are too small a group. Who would want to come to be a part of our little operation?
- we don't need anyone looking over our shoulder.
- we just haven't gotten around to it.
- OR, gosh, we really aren't concerned about a visit and we don't really feel it is a problem.

Probably all of the above statements have been true statements of feelings by chapters at some time or another. That does not mean they are bad, but any one of the above statements can give me cause for concern.

The first question that has come to my mind has been “Why?” Why has this happened? Asking “Why” has brought about a change in my thinking—a change in direction. If I can explain this clearly enough, perhaps the same change will happen in you, too. I hope so.

I can stand here and say, until I am blue in the face, that you are “very important people.” The stickers on the outside of the Call envelope and packet even said that. But, unless you believe that, it means absolutely nothing! YOU ARE IMPORTANT! Do you want to know HOW important?

Well, the fact is that YOU and ONLY YOU know what goes on in your chapter, in the place where you live and function. ONLY YOU know what joys happen there. ONLY YOU know what the problems are. ONLY YOU know the extent of your discomfort zone. None of us up here at this table can really know what that is, nor should we TRY to guess that.

Have you ever tried to please someone or do things for someone to please them only to find that you miss the mark terribly because you are trying to guess what would accomplish that? The person hasn't said what that would be so you continue to try to guess. It becomes a vicious circle and, in the end, everyone is unhappy. That can happen in our situation also.

**You know best what you need.**

You know best what you need. The Guild Board can plan all sorts of events for these meetings that we have here on campus. These events may be wonderful events. However, if they do not meet YOUR needs, they are little more than an exercise in filling time. After the September convention, I heard that a member who had attended a convention for the very first time stated at the end of the weekend that she would never come to another one. A statement like that gets my attention. What had her expectations and anticipations been? I assume that whatever they were, we must have fallen short, and I want to know why.

YOU CAN AND NEED TO HELP US! Remember, YOU are the people who are “out there” doing the work. You know what is going on. You know best what it is you need.

The Board hears chapters say, “We have no new members; or, we cannot interest young women in our chapters.” So, the Board presents workshops about membership. Do you know what happens? You guessed it. The very next general communication that
we receive says, "We have no new members; we cannot interest young women in our chapters."

So, where do we go from here?

Remember that change in my thinking, that change in direction I mentioned before? Well, that is, in itself, the answer! We need to change!! I know, change is very difficult and it can be very uncomfortable, but I truly believe we must change IF WE ARE TO SURVIVE! Somehow things have gotten turned around. It is my feeling that the action and the direction have gotten turned. The Guild members are not the supporters of the Board and the Guild Office, doing what we direct you to do. It is the other way around, or should be. The Board and the Guild Office should be doing what you direct US to do.

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An example of change because a crisis has been reached might be something like the following: You and I both know that we get older. That is a fact of life. If no children are born into a family and the existing family members continue to get older, the family eventually dies out.

The same is true of an organization. If no younger people come into an organization, and those who are there continue to get older, the organization dies. That is as predictable as anything can be. And this result can be forecast a long time ahead of the actual event. That is what I mean about getting to the crisis point.

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Change can also happen because of a dream! Is there anyone out there who has a dream? Remember Martin Luther King? He had a dream and it has fostered change—good change. But it did not come easily. It did not drop off a tree and land in someone’s lap. More than likely, it hit us on the head! But, the fact is, dreams are great motivators. Dreams drive action! People can identify with dreams. But in order for people to be able to identify with dreams, the dreams must be told and communicated, over and over.

You can hear something once and you MIGHT remember it. But if you hear it a second time you might say “I could get excited about that.” AND, if you hear it again, you just might say “I want to be a part of that.”

So, what are your dreams for your chapter? Do your dreams mean that the Guild must change? How? What do you need to make your dreams happen? What is keeping you from doing your most creative work? You tell US and we will work with you to help make it happen. But we can’t guess what those things are. Come to us with your ideas and dreams! Remember that nothing, no idea, no dream, is too far-out. Remember, YOU have the information necessary to help make things happen.

Marian Garrison, the University Marketing Director, is very excited about this group.
Did you notice that she chose to be with us all day yesterday? She recognized the potential of this group immediately upon realizing there WAS such a group connected with Valparaiso University. She would like to help us market both the Guild AND the University even better than we are now. And she is willing to train us so we can.

In order to do that, she needs the answers to four or five questions to find out just what your needs and wishes are. When you get these questions in the mail, it is imperative that you complete and return them as soon as possible so that Marian can put together a training packet. Please accept it as a personal responsibility to complete and return these questions.

We have such a wonderful opportunity. Not only does Marian consider the Guild a great resource, but we have a great resource in Marian.

What else can we do? We can look at other groups or people who seem to be doing something like we are and who seem to be doing it well. Let's find out what they are doing and put that to work for us. I know there are not many organizations like the Valparaiso University Guild—in my opinion there is NO other organization like the Valparaiso University Guild—but even industry can be doing things that could be beneficial to us. Maybe you can identify a simple attitude that is prevalent in a successful business organization. There is nothing wrong with finding these people or groups and talking with them. In fact, to do so is the highest form of compliment. Remember, some time ago I mentioned to you that the President of the Seward Guild had called to ask what new and different things we might be doing. She told me that she had told her group that “if anyone is doing something new and different, it would be the Valparaiso University Guild.” Do you know how that made me feel? How did it make you feel just to hear me tell you that? Wonderful, I would bet.

But we can and probably should look at and to the group for which we work. What was the first thing you did upon arriving on campus? Did you look at and read The Torch? While there are many ideas expressed there, it does give you some insight into the lives and thoughts of the students here on campus. I am concerned about the time, or lack of time, all of you get to spend with students to find out how and what they are thinking. Is that important to you? Should it be? This is something to think about in making your “want” and “wish” list.

Another thing to think about is that the success of any change can, and probably does, mean compromise. “Turf protecting” cannot be a part of the endeavor. Old vs. young cannot be a part. And there is more than one gauge of success. The amount raised in a fund-raising project or the number of new members is not the only gauge of success. There is also the gauge of how happy you are in the process.

If the game keeps changing, we should also expect that the tools needed to play the game must change.

If the old ways or tools work, fine. Continue them and expand on them. But the opposite is also true. If the old ways and tools no longer work, then we need to get rid of them. We know that the game keeps changing. If the game keeps changing, we
should also expect that the tools needed to play the game must change. We know what some of the external impacts are for the Guild—more working women, for instance—but are there others? Let's find out.

**Change requires a flexible attitude.**

Change requires a flexible attitude. You must want to change. The willingness to change must permeate every facet of your living. It is a mental process. It is a way of life. It means doing your job 100% of the time and doing it well. 100%? I'm sure you are thinking, is she serious? Yes, I am! Let me tell you why.

How would you feel if you heard a report that went something like this: that pharmacists made 20,000 mistakes in prescriptions last year or that surgeons made 26,000 surgical mistakes last year, or that nurses dropped 15,000 babies last year? You would be appalled, wouldn't you? But, statistically that is what would happen if these individuals had been doing their job and doing it well 99.9% of the time. So, in these examples that I gave you, we would not be content with people doing their job well 99.9% of the time. We would want 100% from them, wouldn't we? Should we expect any less from ourselves?

You must not only want to change, but you must also believe that changes can be made. The kind of quality that we want to have continue in this organization means thinking with our hearts as well as our heads. No one can do that better than the women of the Valparaiso University Guild. Above all, we need to do! All the thinking in the world will not make something happen unless we do what we decide needs to be done.

It is my opinion that we cannot remain status quo. In fact, I am not even sure that there is such a thing. It seems to me that if we are not going forward, we are going backwards. Do you recall the saying, "If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem?"

Now, I have come full circle. I am back to those invitations to visit your chapters. Am I saying that you don't need us and that we don't want to come? No! Quite the opposite!

Not only do we want to come but I, for one, want to come and be able to sit down and work with you and your Board. We, all of us up here at this table, must be in the trenches as much as you are. Of course, I would still like to come and help you celebrate a certain occasion or event. I recently went to New Orleans to help that chapter celebrate their 35th anniversary. The entire event was wonderful. And just two weeks ago I had the opportunity to represent the Guild at the celebration when our own Bobbie Wilson was given the Alumni Association's Honorary Alumna Award. Those sorts of events are wonderful and a very important part of our lives together, but we also need to sit down and work with you so we know what your problems are. We need to hear from YOU what you want and need from us—not the other way around.

**What business can survive if it keeps producing products their customers do not want?**

From a business point of view, you, the
women of the Guild, are the customers of the Guild Board and the Guild Office. What business can survive if it keeps producing products their customers do not want? While you are OUR customers, you also have customers. And those people, just like yourselves, are very educated customers and

**They know or can sense where they will be valued.**

consumers. They can be potential new members of your chapters as well as students here on campus. They know or can sense where they will be valued. What needs and preferences do they have? Unless you find that out, you may be producing products your customers do not want. But customers have a responsibility, too. They must be willing to say what their expectations and needs are. Without that kind of input, the business is powerless.

I am sure that all of you remember the story of the "Wizard of Oz." As you will recall, each character in that story, Dorothy, the Tin Man, the Lion, and the Scarecrow, could not seem to accomplish anything alone. But together, each got what he/she wanted and needed the most. And do you know who the real "Wizard" was in that story? The real wizard, the real magic, was their concern for each other.

You are very important people. You are great people! You are wise, intelligent, perceptive, and especially caring people. You see; you understand; you know. I certainly don't have all the answers. The Board does not have all the answers. Probably you don't have all the answers. But together we can find the answers so that we can continue to accomplish great things for the Guild and the University.

God bless.

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**THANK YOU, BECKY!**

Becky Balko, has been the Guild’s liaison with the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning for a number of years. We have all enjoyed her gentleness and charm. Becky has been assigned to other tasks within the office and will no longer be our contact there. We want to thank you, Becky, for taking such good care of us, even when we asked the impossible of you.

Our new Guild contact will be Candy Kilpinen. Candy and her husband, Jon, recently moved to Valpo from Austin, Texas when Jon accepted a position in the Department of Geography. Candy was a member of the Austin Chapter.

**WELCOME, CANDY!**
WESTMORELAND LEAD GLASS BELL
Mishawaka-South Bend Chapter

These Westmoreland lead glass crystal bells have faceted amber clappers. The bell is 4 1/2" tall, 1 3/4" in diameter, with frosted "VU Guild" etched on one side. They have a frosted "handle." When rung, they have a beautiful tinkling sound. Be sure to include "SHIP TO" information when ordering.

Price per item: $8.00
Shipping/Handling: $2.00

Contact person: Wilma L. Behnke
19409 Edinburgh Drive
South Bend IN 46614
Phone: 219/291-7153

Make checks payable to: Mishawaka-South Bend Chapter, VU Guild
GOODIES

FENTON GLASS PAPERWEIGHT
Mishawaka-South Bend Chapter

The Fenton glass used in these paperweights is crystal clear. They are 3 3/8" x 3/4" thick, with frosted VU Guild seal. They come with a gift box and brown velvet drawstring bag. They are made by Fenton Art Glass Co., Williamstown, W. Virginia. Be sure to include “SHIP TO” information when ordering.

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SALT WATER TAFFY
Central New Jersey Chapter

These 7 oz. boxes of Salt Water Taffy are from Atlantic City, New Jersey. They are sold on the boardwalk during the summer months but are now available through the Central New Jersey Chapter year round.

Price per item: $2.50
Shipping/Handling $2.50 (for 1 or 2 boxes)
.50 each add. box

Contact person: Karin Van Tol
136 Pine Brook Road
Montville NJ 07045
Phone: 201/334-5759
CRUCIFORM
Southtowns of Erie County Chapter

This beautiful wood wall hanging is approximately 12" x 9" in size and is handmade by John Biel. The crucifix is carved out of negative space with the cross in lieu of the traditional sculpture of Christ. When hung, the crucifix throws a shadow within the negative space, outlining the figure of the Crucified Christ. The original design cruciform comes with an explanation sheet that gives further historical data.

Price per item: $20.00
Shipping/Handling: 2.50

Contact person: Carol B. Wojtaszek
113 Brunck Road
Lancaster NY 14086
Phone: 716/683-3079
Set Three (NEW!)
This new set of notecards features five assorted photographs of the interior of the Gloria Christi Chapel. Photographs are mounted on fine linen beige cardstock conveniently packaged with matching envelopes and VU Guild seals.

These three sets of lovely photographic notecards, featuring the Chapel of the Resurrection, can be obtained on consignment as a fund raiser for your chapter. Set One includes the exterior of the Chapel; Set Two, the Interior of the Chapel; and Set Three, the Gloria Christi Chapel. Write for details.

Price per item:  $5.50 per package
Shipping/handling:  $1.00, one pkg.; $1.45, two pkgs.; $2.15, three pkgs.; $2.65, four pkgs.; $2.90, 5-10 pkgs.; $4.10, 10-18 pkgs.

Contact person:  Marian Yunghans
335 Sudden Valley
Bellingham WA 98226
Phone: 206/733-1589
Valparaiso University Tote
Boulder Chapter

Handy GOLD canvas tote of 100% washable cotton. It measures 14" x 13" x 4" with 19" handles. The tote features a sketch of the Chapel of the Resurrection and VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY imprinted in chocolate brown. This item is ideal for students on campus; convenient for carrying books or music, extra shoes, Guild purchases and papers, miscellaneous items.

RECYCLE: reuse your own canvas bag!

Price per item: $9.00
Shipping/Handling: $2.00 (1 or 2 bags)
.50 each addl. bag

Contact person: Jan Stubenrauch
3490 Emerson Avenue
Boulder CO 80303
Phone: 303/494-0567

VU Guild Tote Bag
Nassau Suffolk Chapter

A canvas tote bag made of 100% unbleached cotton. It is sturdy, washable and made in the USA. It measures 12" x 17" x 7" with 16" handles. It is imprinted in brown with the Guild logo. The tote can be used as a grocery bag, to carry beach items, books, diapers, and Guild "Stuff".

Price per item: $10.00
Shipping/Handling: 2.00 (1 or 2 items)
.50 each addl. bag

Contact person: Donna K. Berry
Box 448
Shoreham NY 11786
Phone: 516/744-8395

Three-Dimensional Creche
Omaha Chapter

A six-piece creche made of beautifully grained, solid walnut, hand finished with tung oil. It is three-dimensional and measures 9"x 9 1/2" x 1 1/2".

A unique item for display in your home, as a gift for wedding, anniversary, a celebration or Christmas. It can be left out year round, but packs compactly for storage.

Price per item: $35.00
Shipping/Handling: 3.50

Contact person: Erna Haselton
8769 Templeton Drive
Omaha NE 68134
Phone: 402/571-1074

VU Ornaments
Appleton Chapter

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MAY ANGELS GO WITH YA', GOOD BUDDY

Chapel Talk given by Janie Lichtfuss in the Chapel of the Resurrection for Morning Prayer, February 6, 1992. The theme for this "Perspective" day was "Models for Our Presentation to God."

MAY ANGELS GO WITH YA', GOOD BUDDY
Chapel Talk
Thursday, February 6, 1992

"May Angels go with ya’, Good Buddy.” This was the departing comment to me from a fellow truck driver as he started down the off-ramp as I continued on down the interstate. Yes, fellow truck driver! You may or may not be aware of the fact that at the time I was offered this position as Executive Director of the Valparaiso University Guild, I was an over-the-road truck driver for C. R. England, driving from coast to coast, border to border. That was probably one of the most exciting, eye-opening, lonesome, exhausting jobs I have ever had. I found out a great deal about myself. I also found the people I met to be real people, with few airs and a straightforward, honest view of life. Life becomes pretty real when you are daily confronted with the reality of loading or unloading 50,000+ lbs. of cargo, or when you really smell because you have not showered for three days because your dispatcher has allowed you only one-and-a-half days for a three-day, legally driven distance. But, I will be forever thankful for the opportunity to do what I did and to meet the people I met. And, I might add, I would not hesitate to do it again.

As I thought about the theme for this day and the human nature of Jesus and about those models of Christ that one has the opportunity and good fortune to meet, that trucker I mentioned immediately came to mind. Here was a man I had never met before, had no idea what he looked like. We had started visiting on the CB after I had OK’d his return to my lane after he passed me. It was very late at night, we were both very tired and we both still had a long way to go before there could be rest and sleep. So we visited. Nothing earth shattering was said. We did not solve the problems of the world. We visited about our jobs, our families, things important in and to our lives. He seemed a good, hard-working sort of person doing a job the best way he knew how to do it. And then came that quiet departing comment: “May Angels go with ya’, Good Buddy.”

Isn’t that usually the way? I find that some of the most simple, and yet profound, professions of faith come from some of the most surprising people at the most surprising of times. They appear in simple statements and acts as well as from very surprising life commitments. This driver was just one example. There were so many
times while I was driving that I could see Christ living in and through my fellow drivers. I am reminded of the chaplain who drives an 18-wheeler, the trailer of which is a combination chapel and office. What a surprise to see the stream of truckers who go to that chapel in whatever truck stop the chaplain happens to be. It is not too difficult to see Christ in the managers of truck stops who provide worship services for truckers and also in the many truckers who attend these services.

I saw Christ in the multiple voices that came on the CB defending me after another trucker had been particularly obnoxious. I saw Christ in the non-company truckers who one night, seeing my rig along the highway, called on the CB to see if I was OK, or who took the time and delayed their own schedule in order to stop and check for themselves. Since truckers are always on very tight schedules, I know that was no small effort.

And I will never forget Stretch, that dear black man who truly lived up to that CB "handle." The top of my head came to his arm pit when he put his arm around my shoulder. When I realized that my new steel-framed tractor, a load that pushed the weight limits, and an accumulation of ice and snow that no beating on was going to loosen—a combination that had already resulted in a fine for being overweight—were going to continue to result in fines all the way across the country, I put out a CB call for assistance. It was Stretch in that truck stop in Walcott, Iowa who answered my call. He traded trailers with me so that his unusually light load made it possible for me to squeak under the weight limits. He changed his destination and took my load to Massachusetts while I took his to Pennsylvania. Why would he go to all this bother? His comment, "Well, Little (?) Lady, that's why we are here—to help one another."

I saw Christ in Mr. Keeter, a man who owns a trucking company in Boulder CO, who let me park my rig in his truck yard whenever I was home, free of charge, because, as he stated, "people were very good to me when I was on the road and this is the only way I can repay them." Some might say that he probably did this out of some sort of "oughtness." I don't think so. The first thing you see when you walk into his office is a sign stating quite simply and directly, "Jesus Christ is Lord." One time, in the middle of the night, Mr. Keeter, upon hearing me approach down that country road, got up quickly to unlock his gate so that I could roll right in. He was standing there in his pajamas waving and smiling as I went by. He lived what he professed.

Truckers are rough-looking, rough-talking, hard-working, hard-driving, almost faceless people from whom one would never expect to hear expressions or see acts of faith. I, personally, can be very disappointed when those I "expect" to be my ministers are not. But, I believe the Lord gives us added delight and meaning by using those folks we least expect to be our ministers to be just that! How very wise Our Lord is to remind us that there is no special group of people or special profession that has a corner on this. All one has to do is to read this passage in Hebrews:

Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death...
The passage goes on:

For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants.

Is there any doubt about the humanity of Christ or the reason for it? For me, the humanity of Christ translates into some pretty common folk. The surprise for me has always been the very everyday situations in which I find these models of Christ. They come to me whether I am looking for them or not. They provide the sheltering wings of Our Lord’s protection.

These everyday people and events best explain to me why the Lord came as he did. He met and shared in our humanity because that is the only way he could accept our sin and die for us. And that is the biggest surprise of all! No matter what—that happened! That is a completed event! And it is because of that fact that we are even able to recognize Christ in those surprising people and events in our lives.

I sincerely hope that each of you is constantly confronted by and with these surprises from people and events. Look for them. Accept them. And while you are watching, and looking, AND being those surprises for others—

May angels go with ya’, Good Buddies.
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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SPECIAL ESCORTED VAN IS CONSIDERED "SUCCESS." WILL CONTINUE.

The Guild will again be paying for and escorting a van for the November 14th Visitation Day at the University. The van will be provided on Friday, November 13th. Prospective students coming to campus on that day will be able to take either the 12:00 noon van or the 6:00 p.m. van to campus. A return van will be provided on Sunday, November 15, 1992 and will leave the campus at 12:30 p.m.

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NEW VIDEO AVAILABLE

The Office of Admissions and Financial Planning will have a new video available after May 1, 1992. This could be a very appropriate program for a chapter to give, especially to prospective students. Contact the Guild Office or the Office of Admissions and Financial Planning to make arrangements.

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CHAPTER CHATTER INFORMATION NEEDED

Please remember to send chapter information and pictures to the *Bulletin* editor. This is an ideal way to share information about activities/events/joys.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD:

Thank you for the Cruciform given to me in honor of my retirement from VU.

I have enjoyed my time spent with the members of the Guild, especially the Presidents with whom I worked while I served as Executive Secretary to the President of the University.

Best wishes to all of you.

Barbara Niksch

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IMPORTANT RADA CUTLERY INFORMATION

The price list given to those attending the Executive Council gave the suggested retail prices for each piece of cutlery, not the price which the chapter would pay the company. The price a chapter would pay is considerably less. Please check with the Rada Cutlery company as to the exact cost for the pieces desired.

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Area I - Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington D.C.

Baltimore

The January meeting of the chapter featured First Vice President Barbara Riethmeier as the speaker. This chapter has a new logo. It was designed by Pam Yetman. Watch for it on any correspondence from the Baltimore Chapter. Pictured below are the members gathered for the January meeting.

Buffalo

Area Director Barbara Town was the speaker at the Fall Dinner hosted by the Buffalo Chapter and attended by members of other area Guild chapters. At least 25 people enjoyed this delightful event held at a local restaurant. Barbara shared both history and current Valpo information in her remarks to those gathered.

Rochester

April 11, 1992 is the date scheduled for the luncheon to celebrate the Fortieth Anniversary of this vital chapter. Guest speaker will be Area I AD Barbara Town. This chapter held its 27th annual Advent Christmas Choral Vespers on December 8, 1991; Vespers Coordinator, Christine De Looze; Choral Director, Ann Louise Beese.

Northern Virginia

Approximately 85 guests were expected at the December 7th party this chapter sponsored. Guild members brought food and served. With Guild members serving as hostesses, this chapter regularly holds meetings at various churches.
Chicagoland Area Chapters

Nine Guild chapters in the Chicago area sponsored a truly remarkable Celebration Concert on Sunday, March 15, 1992, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Roselle IL. The event being celebrated was the Guild's 60th Anniversary. Artists contributing to this beautiful concert were: Gail Beckman, Linda Kolterman, Jonathan Hodel, David Hodel, Krista Depenthal, Rebecca Raabe, Carolyn Shockey and the Brass Ensemble from Trinity, Roselle. The program, narrated by Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director, ranged from J. S. Bach and Johann Strauss to Aaron Copland and Richard Rodgers, and was a delight from beginning to end. A lovely reception followed the concert. Heartfelt congratulations to everyone involved in this concert that so professionally put the name of Valparaiso University in the public eye!

Greater Peoria

Pictured below are members and guests of the Greater Peoria Chapter enjoying their "Oktober Gemutlekeit" gathering October 26, 1991.


Park Ridge

On Sunday, March 1, 1992, the Park Ridge Chapter of the Valparaiso University Guild celebrated Valpo Sunday in a big way. A delicious Brunch was served to over 200 guests, and many wonderful gifts were offered as raffle prizes. As Spring Break at Valpo had already begun, many of the present Valpo students were on hand to help. The assistance of family members of those in the Guild helped make the event a success. The guests were graciously entertained by a woodwind trio throughout the Brunch. The Park Ridge Chapter has a membership of 22 and always welcomes new members.

Pictures above, l-r: founding member, Marilyn Rotermund, and Diane Wilk serving egg strata and pork sausage roll to a guest.
Boulder

This smaller chapter holds a variety of meetings with one being a Saturday breakfast meeting held at a local restaurant. The business gets taken care of, the members have a special meal “out” together, and they still have the rest of their Saturday free for other endeavors. A tradition of this chapter is to feature a different “taste” as the refreshments for the last meeting of the year. This year the May meeting will feature the “Taste of Hong Kong.”

Pikes Peak

President Julie Hogan gave birth to James Joshua Hogan on March 21, 1992. He weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. Tradition of the Hogan family is that the “first” sons all have James as their first name but are usually addressed by their second name. Thus, this baby will go by the name of Joshua. Congratulations to the Hogan family and to Grandma, Past National President Phyllis Schuessler!
Area IV - Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington

San Diego
On February 2, 1992, the annual Wine and Cheese Reception of the San Diego Chapter had a special guest, Rev. Charles Werth, Director of Church Relations at VU.

Shown here with Rev. Werth are left to right: front - Lois Maier, Eleanor Morrow, Meghan Stringer; standing - Sylvia Luekens, Sally Beck, Ellen Rumsey, Ethel Kallsen, Lois Scheer, Martha Hodges, Barbara Wagner, Lorraine Berndsen

Oregon Trail
In January 1992, the Oregon Trail Chapter held a student/prospective student Post Christmas Party. Enjoying the gathering are, left to right: Ruth Cummings, Heidi Feller, current VU student, Anne Loper, prospective student, Mrs. Loper, Marie Dezeeuw, Pat Lorimer, and Kate Merseth

Columbia Cascade
This chapter judged the handbooks for the Executive Council competition. They will participate in an auction at a Lutheran high school and have a "VU table" - all of this after the March 21-28 cruise to the Mexican Riviera. They are also beginning to make plans for the 1993 cruise -- probably March to Panama!
Milwaukee Suburban
The Milwaukee Suburban Chapter held its 11th Annual Brunch on Sunday, February 9, 1992 at the Elm Grove Women's Club. Over 230 people enjoyed the delicious food which was prepared and served by the members. The March 9, 1992 meeting was held at the Kitchen Design Studio in Wauwatosa where we heard about new ways to make our kitchens more efficient. Members are looking forward to the May Potluck Dinner to which they invite the Afternoon Guild and the Golden Gems. An interesting program will be presented by Sara Frances, an AFS student from Ethiopia who is staying with one of our members. Sara will talk about the food, dress, government and customs of her country. A great way to end the 1991-92 season! (Submitted by Lois Brandt)
Ann Arbor
This chapter was the recipient of a wonderful bequest -- and certainly made the most of it! The chapter was given the stock of a former bookstore, and the members have been diligent in their marketing and selling of this stock. They sold books at the Guild Convention Bazaar, at a fall salad supper, and had a final sale date in November. They have realized hundreds of dollars from these sales, and that, coupled with their ongoing hand-rolled candle sales, have made this a banner year financially for this chapter. They are grateful for all the generous help offered by chapter members!!

Battle Creek
When the city of Battle Creek announced its 1991 Holiday Greeting Card Contest, Kay Schulz called the Guild Office to ask if her church could use the 1991 Guild Christmas Card design as their entry. After receiving all the necessary permissions, the Guild card was submitted by St. Mark Lutheran Church and received the Award of Distinction in the "Religious 18 and over" category. Kay Schulz is shown with her church's entry.

On VU Sunday, February 9, 1992, a brunch honoring Mrs. Bobbie Wilson was held at the Waterfront Seafood Company. Bobbie, a member of the Battle Creek Chapter of the Guild, was selected to receive the Valparaiso University Honorary Alumna Award. Bobbie has been an ambassador for VU in the Battle Creek area for many years as president of the Battle Creek Chapter, as a recruiter for VU students, and as a vocal supporter of the University in countless ways. She also served at the national level of the Guild in various capacities. Pictured below are, l-r: Janie Lichtfuss, Bobbie Wilson, and Kay Schulz

Traverse City Northwoods
Area VI Director, Margaret Kohn, attended the "Business and Brunch" meeting of this chapter in October 1991. It was a joy to welcome two new members to this chapter, one the mother of a freshman student.
Indianapolis

Pictured here are members of the Indianapolis Chapter at their annual Tasting Luncheon held this year on November 16, 1991. Enjoying the festivities are, from left to right: Colette Irwin-Knott, Gertie Mueller, Georgiana Schroeder, Bea Dunham, Sue Minster, Barb Potter, Marilyn Ochs and Nancy Gahl.

Valparaiso

The Valparaiso Chapter enjoyed the dramatic skills of Soul Purpose, VU's Chancel Drama group under the direction of Dr. John Paul, as the program for their November meeting. They have had great fun adding the Pass-the-Basket project to the list of chapter activities, enjoying the opportunity for a special membership contact as well as raising additional funds.

The Valparaiso Chapter was awarded the gold medal for contributions in the Fun Run. Because most of those funds were gained through the efforts of Jim LePell, Associate University Registrar, a special awards ceremony was held in Kretzmann Hall to pass the gold medal on to Jim. Jim was totally surprised. Paula Strietelmeier, President of the Valpo Chapter and Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director, made the presentation.
Cleveland

November 3, 1991 was the date for a reception and luncheon held at the home of Martha and David Hessler following a Hymn Festival service at Messiah Lutheran Church, Fairview Park. The Hymn Festival featured Rev. Karl Lutze and Dr. Philip Gehring of Valparaiso University.

Elmore

In December, Area VIII Director, Faith Rechel, attended the luncheon meeting of the Elmore Chapter held at a lovely restaurant. This chapter is making a renewed effort to contact mothers of current students as a possible membership tool.

Lorain County

Both Faith Rechel and former Lorain County member, Marianne Halvorson, were on hand for the October meeting of this chapter.
Area IX - Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee

Alabama
Pictured below are members of the Alabama Chapter at a Christmas Luncheon.

St. Petersburg
The St. Petersburg Chapter was a sponsor of a choir concert held on December 8, 1991, at Grace Lutheran Church, St. Petersburg. Numerous VU alumni and Guild members participated in the choir which is directed by Dr. Norman Hannewald and accompanied by Margaret Zobel.

Winter Haven
On Feb. 9, 1992, the Winter Haven Chapter held its Third Valpo Guild Brunch (using recipes from the Guild cookbooks). This is an annual fund raiser for the Project Fund. They were especially honored to have Dr. Harre in attendance. He was also preacher on Sunday.

left to right: Martha Martinez, Millie Bernthal, and Ellen Head.

Mildred Kase, Winter Haven Chapter treasurer, with University President Alan Harre

Ella Pennekamp, member of the Winter Haven Chapter, enjoying the brunch.

Atlanta
Pictured below are members of the Atlanta Chapter at their Christmas party at the home of Jean Lawrence.
Area IX (continued)

New Orleans

On Saturday, November 16, 1991, the New Orleans Chapter celebrated its 35th Anniversary by inviting alumni and Guild friends to a cocktail reception at the Place d'Armes Hotel in the French Quarter. This beautifully done reception was very well attended. Three charter members were present. Executive Director Janie Lichtfuss was also present.

Charter Members, l-r: Lois Oster, Nancy Wedig, and Hilda Hagstette

President Barbara Oster and Lois Oster arranging reception table.

Guest at the New Orleans Chapter 35th Anniversary Reception

“GUILD VAN SERVICE” PROVIDED FOR CAMPUS VISITATION DAY

Last November at the time of the November Campus Visitation Day, the Valparaiso University Guild provided an escorted van for students from O'Hare to the campus and return. Although it had snowed the day before, the “van service day” dawned bright and clear. Jan Wozniak, at that time a member of the Michigan City Chapter, and Sharon Hersemann of the Valpo Chapter were the escorts for the day. Those prospective students taking advantage of the van were welcomed at O'Hare by Marge Towler of the Naperville Chapter who made sure they found and got on the van.

Jan Wozniak and Sharon Hersemann readying van for trip to O'Hare, complete with snacks!

Jan and Sharon with prospective students Jonathan DeVilbiss and Alison Cato
"ACT TWO: AWARD WINNING PERFORMANCES"

The Executive Council of the Valparaiso University Guild was called to order by President Paula Sauer at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 21, 1992, in the Great Hall of the Valparaiso University Union.

Opening devotions were presented by Becky Graef with music provided by "Dayspring", a campus musical group.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
The President welcomed Guild leaders from around the country. She introduced the other national Guild officers: Barbara Riehmeier, 1st Vice President; Bev Wick, 2nd Vice President; Marlene Rakow, Secretary; Diane Mathuny, Treasurer; and Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director. The chair also recognized Parliamentarian Lynn Bahls, Advisor to the Board; Guild office staff members Sharon Hersemann, Administrative Assistant and Esther Kruger, Technical Assistant. Past National Guild Presidents in attendance at the meeting were: Lynn Bahls, Jackie Jungemann, Janie Lichtfuss, Ruth Russler, Ginny Amling, Phyllis Schuessler, and Marilyn Krueger. Also introduced was past Executive Director of the Guild, Dot Nuechterlein. The chair introduced Marian Garrison, Associate Vice President for Institutional Marketing Services. Barbara Schmidt, representing the Guild's newest chapter, Old Dominion (Virginia), was recognized by the chair.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
Sharon Hersemann, reporting for the Credentials Committee, announced a registration of 112 members. By general consent, the roll of the 112 members was adopted as the official roll of voting members of the Executive Council.

CORRESPONDENCE
Secretary Marlene Rakow read thank you letters from Barbara Niksch for the gift upon her retirement as Executive Secretary to President Harre, from David Morgan, Chair of the Art Department, and from Jim Albers, Dean of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education.

REPORT OF THE STANDING RULES COMMITTEE
By direction of the Board of Directors, the Secretary moved adoption of the following standing rules which were adopted:
1. When addressing the chair, a member shall speak at a microphone, giving name and chapter affiliation.
2. Motions and amendments from the floor shall be submitted in writing, signed by the maker and seconder, and presented to the Secretary.
3. Notices of announcements shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Director.

ADOPTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL PROGRAM
The 2nd Vice President moved adoption of the Executive Council Program as amended. Motion adopted.

MINUTES APPROVAL COMMITTEE
The chair introduced the Minutes Approval Committee appointed for this Executive Council: Sue Dumford and Donna Berry.
REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT
1st Vice President Barbara Riethmeier introduced Paula Sauer, National Guild President. (See page 7 in the Bulletin for the National President's entire report.)

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
Diane Mathony, Treasurer, gave the following report: The beginning balance on July 1, 1991, was $27,526.90. Receipts to date total $110,164.51. Disbursements are $45,130.24, leaving a balance as of January 31, 1992, of $92,561.17. The complete report of the Treasurer is appended to these minutes. The report will be filed for audit.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN
Esther Hildner presented each Guild member with a copy of the completed activities guide, "Recipes for Success" and encouraged chapters to contact each other if they had questions concerning an activity they wanted to try. Chapters were also encouraged to start planning now for the Bazaar held at convention in September.

HANDBOOK COMPETITION REPORT
The Columbia Cascade Chapter was in charge of the chapter handbook competition. The following winners were announced:

- Best Cover Design: Gold Sheboygan WI
  Silver Valparaiso IN
  Bronze Geiseman Memorial IL

- Best Layout: Gold St. Petersburg FL
  Silver Rochester, NY
  Bronze Sheboygan WI

- Best Content: Gold Geiseman Memorial IL
  Silver Rochester NY
  Bronze Central NJ

- Best Overall: Gold Sheboygan WI

- Honorable Mention: Maumee Valley OH
  Greater Kansas City KS
  Mishawaka-South Bend IN
  Evansville IN
  Baltimore MD
  Southtowns of Erie County NY

UNIVERSITY TOPIC
Gary Greinke, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, presented information and answered questions pertaining to Matching Gifts.

MESSAGE FROM THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT
Bev Wick, 2nd Vice President, introduced Dr. Alan Harre, President of Valparaiso University. (See page 11 in the Bulletin for Dr. Harre's address.)

COOKBOOK IV
Judy Schumacher reported on the progress of the cookbook and stated that we are still aiming for a fall unveiling if everything goes according to the schedule that has been set. Marilyn Krueger is working with Judy as assistant editor. The index is being compiled by Kris Krueger.

COOKBOOK MARKETING
Jan Wozniak, Cookbook Marketing Chairman, encouraged each chapter to find a venture capitalist in its midst that
would underwrite the cost of the cookbooks that it has in stock. This would create more funds that the Guild would realize at the present time to help with the cost of publishing the new cookbook and would prevent the chapters from having to pay $10.00 per copy for those that they have on hand when the price goes up in the fall.

BED AND BREAKFAST REPORT
Marian Yunghans, Chairman, gave her report as the niece of "Tessie the Traveler." The new Bed and Breakfast Directory was presented. The chapters were encouraged to promote this project and capitalize on its potential.

LUNCHEON RECESS
The luncheon prayer was led by Pat Sunderlage. The Executive Council recessed at 12:10 for Area Luncheon Meetings and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

REACH FOR THE STARS
1st Vice President Barbara Riethmeier encouraged the chapters to try something new in the four months left in the fiscal year so that all the chapters will reach their goal for the year. Many new ideas have been presented at Council so that chapters can see what others have successfully done and be encouraged to try something new. The Guild is on target to reach its goal and the 1st Vice President thanked everyone for her efforts and hard work.

UNIVERSITY TOPIC
Dr. Frederick Niedner spoke to the Executive Council about the Freshman Seminars required of freshmen at Valparaiso University.

UNIVERSITY REPORT
Vice President Neil Clark from the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning advised the Council that the number of applications has increased over last year. A new recruitment video is being produced.

PERSON-TO-PERSON
Becky Balko, Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning, gave the Person-to-Person report in the absence of Harriet Redman. The Guild was commended for its efforts and success in helping the University with recruitment. Candy Kilpinen, Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning, who will succeed Becky Balko, was introduced as the new coordinator between the Office of Admissions and the Guild as Becky will no longer hold this position.

ROUNDTABLE SESSION
Each table discussed various issues that surfaced in the previous evening's brainstorming session. The main ideas that surfaced were:

1. Assign shepherds or Guild guiders for new members.
2. Have flexibility in meeting types and times.
3. Use AAL for Matching Gift possibilities.
4. Avoid church talk at meetings.
5. Have a membership chairman that concentrates on recruitment of members of all ages.
6. Run meetings efficiently. People have little free time and don't want to waste it.
7. Divide duties - give people responsibility.
8. Emphasize scholarships.
9. Utilize alumni newsletters to gain names of prospective members.
10. Have job descriptions for officers.
11. Have sign-up sheets where members can give time/talents information.
12. Have worthwhile programs at meetings.
13. Meet in homes rather than churches for better attendance.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT
Patti Cline, Chairman, reminded each chapter to have a designated membership chairman and to review the duties
as outlined in the Black Manual. Ideas on how to increase membership and to keep the older members from burnout were suggested.

UNIVERSITY PRESENTATIONS
University speakers presented information on the following topics:

- **Logo Usage:** Curt Cichowski, Assistant Dean, School of Law
- **Music Tours:** Todd Wetzel, Coordinator, Visual and Performing Arts
- **Home Economics:** Diane Davis, Department of Home Economics

REPORT OF THE GUILD GOODIES COORDINATOR
Barbara Riethmeier introduced the five new Guild Goodies approved by the Board. These, along with those approved in the spring, were on display and available for purchase. An update on the Guild Goodies guidelines was presented to the group.

BLACK MANUAL REVISION
Barbara Riethmeier instructed the Council on what to update and what to remove from the Black Manuals so that they are current and contain the proper materials.

GUILD "PROJECTS YOU CAN USE"
Presentations were made on the following projects that have been successfully used by chapters as fund raisers:

- **Rada Cutlery:** Stacey Lyn Crane, East Central IL
- **Catering:** Peg Woiwood, Orange County CA

SPECIAL TOPIC
Professor James Albers gave an update on the Foreign Language Immersion Camp and the Elderhostel to be held on campus this summer.

CLOSING PRAYER
The closing prayer was given by Carole Drager, Cheechako AK.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1992

Paula Sauer, President, called the Executive Council to order at 8:00 a.m.

ALLOCATION OF THE GUILD SPECIAL
By direction of the Board, the Secretary moved adoption of the Resolution for Allocation of the Guild Special; the resolution contained a blank.

The President called upon 2nd Vice President Bev Wick to present the proposals to fill the blanks.

1. **Maps** - Geography Department
   - Piano - Christ College
2. **Thermometer** - Health Center
   - Fax Machine - Student Union
3. **Visipitch** - Communicative Disorders Program
   - Computer - Engineering Department

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS
The following were appointed and served as tellers for the Guild Special balloting:

- Jane Caffee, Chairman
- Stacey Lyn Crane
- Diane Baker
- Judy Scheidt
- Joan Hofmeister
REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
President Paula Sauer introduced the Executive Director of the Guild, Janie Lichtfuss. (See page 25 of the Bulletin for the Executive Director’s report.)

COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT
Julia Riess, Chairman, unveiled the Guild Confirmation gift. This gift consists of notepads of four different designs. The notepads are available through the Guild office at a cost of $.50 per pad.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE
Margaret Zobel, Chairman, introduced the committee elected by the Guild at the September convention. Those serving are: Marilyn Krueger, Sue Steinbruecker, Pam Sieving, and Judy Wolff. Margaret thanked those who had turned in nominations to the committee and asked for the Guild members to pray for them and the task before them.

FUN RUN REPORT
Jan Schlegelmilch gave awards for all chapters which raised over $200.00 for the Guild Fun Run.

Those receiving the bronze medals were: Diablo Valley, San Diego, Puget Sound, and Milwaukee Suburban. The Silver medal went to Michigan City. The Gold medal went to the Valparaiso Chapter.

REPORT OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE
Shirley Honold, Chairman, told the group that a dues increase will be proposed at convention in September. The amount has not been set but will probably be an increase of $3.00, making the dues $10.00 if passed.

REPORT OF THE COORDINATOR OF AREA DIRECTORS
Bev Wick, 2nd Vice President, introduced the nine Area Directors, who each recognized an award winning chapter in her area.

Area I: Barbara Town presented the "Dear Old Valpo" award to the Buffalo and Rochester Chapters.
Area II: Barbara McKissick presented the "Best Use of Every Member's Talent" award to the Quincy Chapter.
Area III: Diane Margenau presented the "Showcase for V.U. Alumnae" award to the St. Louis Chapter.
Area IV: Linda Lohmann presented the "Showcase for V.U. Alumnae" award to the Columbia Cascade Chapter.
Area V: Cindy Russler presented the "Leap of Faith" award to the Appleton Chapter.
Area VI: Margaret Kohn presented the "Utilizing the Unique" award to the Ann Arbor Chapter.
Area VII: Colette Irwin-Knott presented the "Fellowship Feast" award to the Michigan City Chapter.
Area VIII: Faith Rechel presented the "Care and Feeding of Students" award to the Cleveland and Columbus Capital Bells Chapters.
Area IX: Judy Wolff presented the "Off and Running" award to the Treasure Coast Chapter.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS: GUILD SPECIAL
Jane Caffee reported for the tellers:

Number of ballots cast 98
Necessary for election 50

Distribution #1
Maps - Geography 75
Piano - Christ College
Visipitch - Speech 12
Computer - Engineering
Thermometer - Health Center 11
Fax Machine - Student Union 11
The assembly adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the $2,040.00 of the 1992 Guild Special Fund be allocated to Maps, Geography Department and Piano, Christ College.

WISCONSIN STATE UNIT REPORT
Katherine Moore, President of the Wisconsin State Unit, reported that the Unit meeting will be held on April 25, 1992.

President Paula Sauer announced that the theme for Convention '92 will be Psalm 139: 9-10.

CLOSING PRAYER
The assembly sang the Doxology as the closing prayer accompanied by Margaret Zobel.

The Executive Council was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Marlene Rakow
Secretary

Approved by the Minutes Approval Committee:
Sue Dumford--Naperville Chapter IL
Donna Berry--Nassau-Suffolk Chapter NY

1st Vice President
Barbara Riehlmeier

2nd Vice President
Bev Wick
## Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
### July 1, 1991 to January 31, 1992

### Retained Earnings July 1, 1991
- Operating/Project Fund: $24,100.90
- Guild Special: 100.00
- Calendar Reserve: 2,000.00
- Calendar Fund: 279.00
- Cookbook Fund: 636.00
- University Fund: 411.00

### Receipts
- University Fund: $9,069.00
- Operating/Project Fund: 71,966.25
- Restricted Fund - Memorials: 550.00
- Restricted Fund - Matching: 1,400.00
- Bed & Breakfast: 2,535.00
- Guild Special: 1,080.00
- Celebration Cards: 180.00
- Cookbook Fund: 10,319.00
- Calendar Fund: 3,472.50
- Christmas Card Fund: 3,472.50
- Guild Run: 1,252.00
- Interest Earned: 1,511.76
- Past National Officers Scholarship: 3,260.00

**Total Receipts: $110,164.51**

### Total Cash Available: $137,691.41

### Disbursements
- To Valparaiso University: $4,660.00
  - Project Fund: 1,400.00
  - Calendar Fund: 3,260.00
  - Celebration Cards: 292.25
  - Cookbook Scholarship Endowment: 1,674.00
  - Guild Special: 153.11
  - Past National Officers Endowment: 0.00
  - University Fund: 292.25

**Total Disbursements: $45,130.24**

### Ending Balance: $92,561.17
GUILD GOODIES APPLICATION

DEADLINE FEBRUARY 1

Guild chapter submitting application

Date of application

Item

Full description of item:

Price per item

Shipping/Handling

Total

Person responsible for handling orders:

Name ________________ Telephone ________________

Address ___________________________ Zip ________________

Additional information needed from customer to complete an order as size, color, etc.:

Sample of the item and a clear, glossy photograph must accompany this application.

Send application to: Barbara Riethmeier, 8035 Boughton Hill Rd., Victor NY 14564.

GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR GOODIES!
NOTE: This is not a Guild Goodie Application. This form is to be used to assure that the information pertaining to accepted Guild Goodies is kept current. The ad text for Guild Goodies must be sent to the Editor of the Bulletin for EACH issue of the Bulletin. The deadline for each issue is:

March 15th for spring issue
October 15th for fall issue

Name of Guild chapter  

Name of Item  

Full description of item:  

Price per item  

Shipping/Handling  

Total  

Person responsible for handling orders:

Name  

Telephone  

Address  

Zip  

Send ad text form to: Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director  
Valparaiso University Guild  
Valparaiso University  
Kretzmann Hall  
Valparaiso IN 46383
Application For

THE SHIRLEY AYRES JUD GUILD SCHOLARSHIP

Initiated by the family of Shirley Ayres Jud, this scholarship is awarded annually to the son or daughter of a member of the Valparaiso University Guild. Provided the recipient maintains a satisfactory academic record, the award will continue.

This special Guild Application should be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning along with the regular University admissions forms.

Name ____________________________________________

Last First

Home Address ____________________________________________

Street City State Zip

Phone ___________________ Name of Parent or Guardian ____________________________

College you plan to enter:

( ) Arts & Sciences

( ) Business Administration

( ) Engineering

( ) Nursing

Month and year you plan to enter Valparaiso University ____________________________

Name and address of high school ________________________________________________

( ) I have filed an application for admission to Valparaiso University.

( ) Please send me an application for admission to Valparaiso University.

I am the son ( ) daughter ( ) of a Guild member in the ___________________________ Chapter.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION: MARCH 1st of each year.
Application For

GUILD PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS’
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Initiated by the Past National Presidents and Executive Directors in the name of all the women who have served as presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, treasurers and executive directors of the Guild, this $2,000 scholarship is awarded to a junior who is in good academic standing at the University. It may be renewed if the student remains in good academic standing. The scholarship is awarded to sons or daughters of University Guild members.

This application should be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning.

Name ____________________________
_________ Last __________ First ___________ Middle or Maiden ___________

Home Address ____________________________
Street __________________ City __________ State ________ Zip ________

Phone __________ Name of Parent or Guardian __________________________________________

College in which you are enrolled:
() Arts & Sciences
() Business Administration
() Engineering
() Nursing

I am the son ( ) daughter ( ) of a Guild member in the ___________________________ Chapter.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION: MARCH 1st of each year.
Application For

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD COOKBOOK SCHOLARSHIP

Each year receipts from the sale of Guild cookbooks provide $2,000 scholarships for sons and daughters of Guild members. Scholarships awards are based on academic ability, extracurricular involvement, and financial need. Provided the freshman recipient maintains a satisfactory academic record, the award will continue through the senior year.

This special Guild Application should be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning along with the regular University admissions forms.

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Month and year you plan to enter Valparaiso University

Name and address of high school

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION: MARCH 1st of each year.
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CELEBRATION CARDS

"For what thanksgiving can we render to God for you, for all the joy which we feel for your sake before our God . . ." 1 Thessalonians, 3:9

Corrine and Harold Arbeiter

Inga Beckman

Sarah Elizabeth Fix

Virginia and Victor Frobel

Sharon Hersemann

Esther Kruger

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lippmann

Bryan Thomas Meyer

Mr. and Mrs. Bill VerBryck

Jan Wozniak

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Zeidler

Celebration cards have been given with joy on the occasion of baptisms, birthdays, confirmations, weddings, anniversaries, recovery from illness, birth of a child. Gifts in honor of the above persons, given from July 1, 1991 through December 31, 1991, totaled $160.00.
CURRENT PROJECT GIFTS
Gifts to the Current Project of the Guild on behalf of individuals, given from July 1, 1991 through December 31, 1991, totaled $440.00.

Aurora IL
   Louis Weiherman

Battle Creek MI
   George Bruick
   Violet and Gerald Scott

Elgin IL
   Dorothy Swain

Medina OH
   Norma Mast
   Esther Zoss

Milwaukee Suburban WI
   Hazel Weiherman
   Louis Weiherman

North East PA
   Alton Riethmeier

Quincy IL
   Sara and Roger Schlichting
   Mr. R. T. Wettstaed

Rochester MI
   Ruth Rosenbusch

Rochester NY
   Armin Strickert

St. Petersburg FL
   Howard Gehrke
   Walter Moderow
   Amanda Patrick
   Alton Riethmeier
   Richard Schoenbohm
   Hazel Weiherman
   Robert Vinzant

Sun City AZ
   Selma Busse

Valparaiso IN
   Della Bauer
   Marie Foelber
   Helen Miller

Winter Haven FL
   Margaret Bradford

INDIVIDUAL
   Madeline and Bob Hagemann
   Millie and Ralph Hagemann
   St. John's Lutheran Church