MINUTES 1982 ANNUAL MEETING

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF WATERLOO LUTHERAN SEMINARY

The 1982 annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, took place at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Franklin St. N., Kitchener, on Wednesday, September 29, 1982.

On display in the nave of the church was the beautifully embroidered Christmas Banner, which the Auxiliary purchased for the Seminary Chapel with the special offering received at our 1980 annual meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by the president Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer, who welcomed all assembled. A special welcome was extended to those attending the annual meeting for the first time and also to the Rev. Ruth Fieldhouse, the newly ordained pastor at St. Peter's, Linwood. It was a pleasure to extend a welcome to Mr. Richard Taylor, from Public Relations Dept. of Wilfrid Laurier University, who always does such a fine job of reporting our meeting to the newspaper.

The Rev. James Bindernagel, Pastor at St. Luke's Lutheran Church extended greetings and welcome to all. The audience participated in a sing-along, in which Pastor Bindernagel accompanied on the ukelele --

All creation shows the glory of the Lord,
The earth proclaims His handiwork,
The sky cries out His word;
Night and day sing out the glories all about,
So praise the Lord with shouts of joy!
REFRAIN:

All you peoples, clap your hands!
And shout for joy!
The Lord has made all mankind one,
So raise your voices high.

Scripture reading was Romans Chapter 12.
In his meditation Pastor Bindernagel assured us that God created the whole universe for ourselves and does not want us to question why. Readings from Psalm 31 and a prayer for all who are here today, concluded the devotions.

Greetings from the Seminary were extended by the Rev. Arnold Weigel, Director of Continuing Education, in the absence of Dr. Glebe. He is thankful to the Women's Auxiliary for no matter where you go there is evidence of its work. The Women's Auxiliary is responsible for much of the comfort of the 115 students of the Seminary.

BUSINESS SESSION

1. Report of the President. Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer, president reported that the Executive of the Women's Auxiliary met 4 times to conduct the business of the Auxiliary.

Mrs. Florence Baggett of Waterloo, was welcomed to the Executive in January to serve as Assistant Promotion Chairman.

Report of the President - - cont'd.

Mrs. Corean Pleon resigned recently as Project Committee Chairman, due to family responsibilities.
Mrs. Phyllis Geiger of Kitchener has agreed to complete Corean's unexpired term.
Mrs. Aileen Hiller of Waterloo has agreed to serve as Assistant Project Chairman.
The president, Mrs. Schaefer also thanked Corean for the 3 years she served as Project Committee Chairman, and the several years she served as assistant. Corean has been the co-ordinator for the luncheons at our annual meetings for the past few years. All her efforts on the executive have been appreciated.

We were all saddened by the death of Mrs. Mavis Lewin on December 24, 1981. Mavis worked as executive assistant at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary office since 1969, and was always co-operative and helpful to the Auxiliary. In January 1982, members of the executive served refreshments for the fellowship hour following the memorial service in Keffer Chapel.

In March, gift certificates from Fortress Church Supply Stores were presented to 11 Seminary graduates and 1 part time student. Thank you letters are on display in the church parlor from these students, as well as those who have received financial assistance from the Auxiliary during clinical training which is known as Supervised Pastoral Education (S.P.E.). You will see just how much this financial assistance is appreciated.

In connection with the bursary given each year to a University student, we have received a letter from Mr. Horace Braden, Director of Student Awards at Wilfrid Laurier University, in which he outlines the procedure that is used whereby they interview scores of students regarding their financial needs, before awarding the \$200.00 bursary to a student at Wilfrid Laurier University, given by the Women's Auxiliary.

Mrs. Schaefer brought to the attention of the meeting that since many of our financial commitments must be paid in the Spring, such as fees for clinical training and gift certificates, there are times when there is not enough money in the treasury to cover all of our costs. Therefore, we would like to urge all contact persons to consider beginning their campaign for membership right after the annual meeting, so our money could be received sooner.

We are very grateful for the beautiful quilts you make and donate for the Seminarians. This year our quilt report shows 33 quilts, 3 Thermal Blankets and 2 pr. pillowcases.

However, 2 quilts have been received since the report was printed -- 1 from St. Stephen's, Kitchener, and 1 from St. Paul's Cambridge, and another 5 were received today, 1 each from Redeemer, Toronto; St. Matthew's, Hanover; Trinity, New Hamburg St. Peter's, Brodhagen; St. Peter's, Zurich; making a total of 40 quilts in all.

Report of the President - - cont'd.

Letters of thanks from grateful Seminarians who receive these quilts to keep, are on display in the church parlor.

Also, we are no longer responsible for any bedding except quilts.

On Sept. 19, some of our executive members had the pleasure of providing and serving refreshments to the Seminarians, their families and friends, following their first Chapel service of the new school year.

AN APPEAL FOR HELP! -- If anyone has any knowledge of where early records of the Auxiliary might be, please let the president know.

Mrs. Schaefer concluded her report with sincere thanks to Dr. Glebe for his wise counselling and support, to the Seminary office staff, to every member of the executive for their fine assistance and co-operation, and to each and every one for being such loyal members of the Auxiliary. May God bless you all!

- 2. Report of the Secretary. Mrs. Eva Hamel read a resume from the minutes of the 1981 annual meeting.
- Report of the Treasurer. Mrs. Jean Weber presented the annual financial report for the period May 31, 1981 to May 31, 1982, which showed the following:

 Balance on hand May 31, 1981 \$2,479.09

 Receipts 6,664.80

 Expenditures 6,049.19

 Bank balance as of May 31, 1982 3,094.70

Mrs. Weber also read the Auditor's Report and moved its adoption, which was seconded. + excel CARRIED

4. Report of Promotion Committee. Mrs. Ethel Gastmeier gave a report of the mailings which have gone out to the contact women during the year. Also that our slide presentation "The Auxiliary, the Seminary and You" has been streamlined and up-dated.

She announced a meeting of the contact women in Room 8, after the noon luncheon.

Mrs. Gastmeier went on to say that each and every member of the Auxiliary helps to bring personal warmth to the life of the Seminary and to the Seminarians, and she thanked them for their continued support.

5. Project Committee. In the absence of Mrs. Corean Pleon, the 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth read the proposed projects for 1983.

PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR 1983

Fair Linen for Seminary Chapel Altar	\$ 190.00
April Gift Certificates for Graduates	510.00
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if needed, explanation following	200.00
Bursary for W.L.U. Student	200.00
Working Fund	200.00
Discretionary Fund	100.00
	\$5400.00

x The special offering received at the annual meeting Sept. 1982 to be used to purchase a Banner for All Seasons, costing \$500.00 (for the Seminary Chapel)

Motion:

It was moved and seconded that this report be adopted. CARRIED

The president, Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer, then named the new members of our Project Committee:

Mrs. Phyllis Geiger, a member of St. Paul's, Kitchener, who has consented to complete the unexpired term of Mrs. Corean Pleon as Project Chairman.

Mrs. Aileen Hiller, a member of Mt. Zion Church, Waterloo, who will serve as Assistant Project Chairman.

6. Report of the Golden Book of Honour and Memorial Book.
Mrs. Evelyn Vogt read the report which showed the following entries:

GOLDEN BOOK OF HONOUR

Mrs. Emma Berg of Natulos Mrs. Minnie Fretz Riyway

Mrs. Louise Bailey hulpt
Miss Ella Koch Kitchen
Mrs. Matilda Rocher Lestonel
Mrs. Elizabeth Wittig Tanistock
Mrs. Alberta Berner Kitchen

Given by:

Mt. Zion, Waterloo
Sunday Church School,
Ridgeway
St. Paul's, Guelph
St. Matthew's, Kitchener
St. Paul's, Listowel
Her family, Tavistock
St. Matthew's, Kitchener

Report of the Golden Book and Memorial Book - - cont'd.

MEMORIAL BOOK

Given by:

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Miss Emily Wilhelmine Schoultz	Faith, Hamilton
Mrs. J. L. Kirchhofer Pettwawa	St. John's, Petawawa
Mr. Jacob S. Dreisinger Kitchen	W.A. Executive, Waterloo
Mrs. Lily Rose Sadshell	St. Peter's, Gadshill
Miss Ida Kollman baufill	St. Peter's, Gadshill
Mrs. Emma Valeria Kidd Listorel	St. Paul's, Listowel
Mrs. Rhoda Charlotte Porter winter	St. Peter's, Wiarton
Mrs. Shirley Doreen Ellis wanter	St. Peter's, Wiarton
Rev. Orval Eugene Jansen wellesley	St. Luke's, Ridgeway
Mrs. Frieda Smith New Handung	Trinity, New Hamburg
Mrs. Sylvia Lorch Elma	Albert and Ruth Lorch

7. Report of the Nominating Committee.
The Nominating Committee: Mrs. Rose Moore, Mrs. Esther Ruppenthal, Mrs. Anne Woeller, with Mrs. Evelyn Vogt as Resource Person, presented the following slate of officers for nomination:

President - Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer
1st Vice-President - Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth
2nd Vice-President - Mrs. Helen Chapman
Secretary - Mrs. Eva Hamel
Assistant Secretary - Mrs. Barbara Romahn
Treasurer - Mrs. Janice MacIntosh
Assistant Treasurer - Mrs. Patricia Pond

Submitted by - Mrs. Rose Moore, Chairman.

The president then called for nominations from the floor.

Motion:

Moved and seconded that nominations be closed.

CARRIED

Motion:

Moved and seconded that we approve the slate of officers as given by the Nominating Committee.

CARRIED

Enrollment at Seminary.

The Rev. Arnold Weigel, taking the place of Dr. Glebe who was unable to be with us, gave us enrollment figures as follows:

Total enrollment - 115 Full time students - 58 Part time students - 57

Of the 58 full time students, 18 are women and 34 are Lutheran.

New Seminarians:

Six Seminarians were introduced by the Rev. Arnold Weigel.

1. Steve Gross

From St. Matthew's, Kitchener.

He gave credit to his mother who has been a S. S. Teacher for many years, as having a great influence on his life. He hoped he could carry on the tradition at St. Matthew's which has sent about 30 candidates into the ministry. His interest in many activities of the church brought him to Seminary. Is 23 years old and single.

Thanked the Auxiliary for their support, quilts, bursary and other help.

2. Christine Hett

From St. Peter's, Kitchener.
Is involved in the Youth Group in her church, and was part of the Discipleship Program where she felt God was calling her to do some special work.
Served as Youth Staffer in Regina where she met her fiance, who is also studying at the Seminary.

3. Donald Penner

Mennonite from Vineland, Ontario. Parents born in Russia who came to Canada in 1926. As a youth he has taken part in high school plays and was invariably cast in the role of a pastor. He has served as assistant camp director. He came to this Seminary because it was recommended to him by other Mennonite friends.

4. Ross Thomson

Member of St. Matthew's, Kitchener. A former welder who thanks God for the peace and contentment he feels, now that he has chosen to serve God.

5. Barbara Bowman

From Oakville, Ontario.
The mother of 3 adult children.
After earning several degrees,
Barbara worked as a dietician,
High School Teacher, and sales
person, she decided she should
put all of these experiences to
a special use.
She quoted the parable of the sower
from Luke 8, and said that parish
life has been the fertile soil in her
life and that response to that soil
brought her to the Seminary.

New Seminarians - - cont'd.

6. Karl Fieldhouse

From Pennsylvania. Went to Gettysburg, Pa. Seminary for his first year of studies. He gives credit to his grandmother for encouraging him to go to church. Through the "Word and Witness" Program he felt he had received a call to go to Seminary and with all his previous experience, was sure this was an opportunity to respond to the Lord. He was an elementary school teacher for 13 years, serving as reading specialist. Waterloo Lutheran Seminary has a personal support from its Auxiliary which was not present at Gettysburg. Karl, and his wife Ruth, an ordained pastor in St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Linwood, Ontario, will eventually serve as a clergy couple. They have 2 children - an 11 year old girl and a 5 year old boy.

Special Offering

Pastor Weigel explained that the special offering will go toward the purchase of an All Seasons Banner, for use in the Seminary Chapel.

The Offering Prayer and Invocation for Lunch was given by Pastor Weigel.

After lunch the contact women met in Room 8.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The president, Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer, made it known that Mr. Richard Taylor would be willing to give a conducted tour of the Seminary building or any University buildings, if anyone is interested. These tours are available to L.C.W. Groups or Sunday School Teachers. Please arrange with Dr. Glebe or Richard Taylor the date, time and the number of persons coming.

Afternoon Session - - cont'd.

"SHOW AND TELL" - Seminary Faculty
Moderator - Dr. Glebe

Dr. Glebe introduced 3 members of the faculty who spoke on the particular field of learning with which they are involved.

Dr. Richard Crossman

He teaches systematic theology,
which is explaining what the church,
grace and justification are all about.
He also teaches Christian ethics,
(what it means to live the faith;
how to put into action love for
a neighbor and how to better understand such issues as world hunger, etc.)
Says he feels close to the Women's
Auxiliary whenever he uses the
projector, visual aids or audio
equipment supplied by the Auxiliary.

Dr. Ragnar Teigen

Teaches Old Testament theology by introducing the people of the Old Testament to the Seminarians and by teaching a course in the wisdom materials and the Psalms.

Dr. Oscar Arnal

He teaches historical theology of the 17th and 18th century. History is never dead -- only to those who find it so. Actually it is a walk in the mocassins of the people before us, and that is why his students will be portraying and re-living history as it was in the time of Martin Luther.

Appreciation: Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth expressed our thanks to the 3 Professors for spending this time with us.

MUSICAL PRESENTATION

Mrs. Janice MacIntosh introduced members of the Waterloo Regional Police Choir, under the direction of Mr. Alfred Kunz. The Choir is made up of off-duty police officers, so that their number varies from time to time. There were 10 members present, one played the snare drum with Mr. Kunz himself at the piano.

Musical Presentation - - cont'd.

Their program consisted of many types of songs, from light and breezy, popular, religious and the rousing Battle Hymn of the Republic. The Choir sang 10 numbers and all were done in good taste and a delight to see and hear.

Appreciation: In her thanks to the Choir, Mrs. Ethel Gastmeier expressed our appreciation and noted that it was good to hear the law singing gospel.

"SHOW AND TELL" - - - continued

Dr. Glebe introduced 3 more faculty members.

The Rev. Arnold Weigel

In 1975 was appointed Director of Continuing Education for the Eastern Canada Synod -- Waterloo Lutheran Seminary.

He supervises the program for: Field Education (2 yr. program) Supervised Pastoral Education Internship

He also teaches functional theology, parish administration and Christian education.

In addition to this he has responsibilities for Continuing Education for pastors and certified lay professionals, and has staff responsibilities with the Professional Leadership Committee.

Dr. Otto Heick

Born in Germany.
Came to Canada in 1947.
Teaches systematic theology.
Has been retired for 20 years,
but is still teaching part time.
Has written many books.

Dr. Eduard Riegert

Teaches Homiletics -- the art of preaching and of composing sermons. He is also Dean of Chapel and is responsible for the schedule of daily services and special services, like the one planned for Reformation, October 31, 1982, and prepares baccalaureate services in the spring and fall. He said we should at all times be appreciative of our students when they speak or conduct a service. The congregation is the only way the student has of knowing how it comes out.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

A Question and Answer period followed these presentations. Some of the information given included:

- 1. Shared ministry by pastor and lay people is always more effective.
- 2. Non Lutheran Seminarians do take some courses at their own university.
- 3. Students can combine Master of Divinity courses with a course in Social Work.
- 4. A student studies for 3 years in the Seminary and serves one year as an Intern in a congregation.
- 5. Time does not permit faculty members to bring their students to present portions of their studies to members of congregations.

Dr. Glebe was pleased to announce that Waterloo Lutheran Seminary is a fully accredited university as of June 1982.

Appreciation: Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth expressed our thanks to Dr. Glebe and the faculty members who participated in our program.

The president, Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer, enquired if a course in World Missions could be offered to the Seminarians by qualified people. Dr. Glebe said this could be considered when the curriculum is revised.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The president, Mrs. Schaefer, thanked the committee who worked in arranging the annual meeting program and luncheon:

Mrs. Janice MacIntosh
Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth
Mrs. Ethel Gastmeier
Mrs. Corean Pleon
Mrs. Dorothy Schoolor

Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer-ex-officio.

The president also thanked the ushers who were on duty:

Helen Rudy and Margaret Wilson - Trinity, Tavistock

Judy Benninger and Jean Lippert - St. Philips, Kitchener

Our special offering amounted to - \$424.00

Mrs. Barbara Romahn read the attendance report which was:

 Central District
 8

 Eastern
 "
 1

 Southern
 "
 199

 Western
 "
 64

 192
 16

 Total
 208

Number of churches represented - 41

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Mrs. Evelyn Vogt, Past President, conducted the Service of Installation.

Appreciation:

Mrs. Mary Heer paid tribute to Mrs. Jean Weber, who has been our faithful and efficient treasurer since 1976, and who is retiring. Appreciation was shown by applause.

Mini Global Mission Event

Mrs. Schaefer extended an invitation to as many as possible to attend a Mini Global Mission Event in Zion Lutheran Church, Stratford, on Saturday, November 13, 1982, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CLOSING DEVOTIONS

Lyle Waito

3rd year Seminarian, who is the Intern in Elmira, conducted the service.

Scripture from Ephesians 6: 10-20, whereby St. Paul admonishes us to put on the whole armour of God. How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good tidings. Letting ourselves get lost in our daily problems is in violation to our faith.

From our song sheet we sang:
"The Circle of Love goes around".

The session came to a close with Prayer and Benediction.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Coffee hour followed.