

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Waterloo Lutheran Seminary was held at St. John Lutheran Church, Waterloo, on Wednesday, September 23, 1987.

The President, Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth, called the meeting to order at 10.00 a.m. in the church auditorium, welcoming all those present.

Opening devotions were conducted by Miss Annette Smith, a 4th year Seminarian. Devotions began with a prayer, then a reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians. She directed our thoughts toward dancing and explained that the pattern and arrangement of steps help to perform the proper type of dance. We also need co-ordination and rhythm. Rhythm and music of the spirit dance gracefully in the service of God. To the accompaniment of her guitar she led us all in singing; "We are one in the spirit."

The Rev. Eric Weber brought greetings on behalf of St. John Church, followed by greetings from Principal Dean of the Seminary, Dr. Richard Crossman. He thanked the ladies for help in the Seminary Appeal, the many gifts and quilts.

There are 131 students at the Seminary, 44% of full time students are women. The incoming class has 42 students.

Dr. Crossman then introduced Carol Schlueter, the first woman faculty member ever installed at Waterloo Lutheran Seminary. She will be able to help students come to a greater appreciation of the growing roll for women in the church, said Dr. Crossman. For her part she sees herself as a New Testament instructor, not "the woman" on the faculty. Yet, she agrees she will bring her experience as a woman to the classroom.

### Business Session

#### 1. Report of the President

Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth, President, reported that the Executive Board met 5 times to carry on the business of the Auxiliary.

In October, Mrs. Eileen Dressler accepted the appointment as Promotion Vice-Chairman.

The quilted wall hanging commissioned to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Seminary was presented to the Seminary on our behalf by Mrs. Janice MacIntosh at a dedication ceremony on November 9, 1986, during the Seminary Open House. The Executive Board members provided refreshments for the reception following.

In March, Mrs. Joyce Dietrich, Vice President, presented gift certificates to 16 graduating students at the Senior Seminary graduation dinner.

Your gifts of beautifully handcrafted quilts are received with thanks and will be distributed to first year Seminarists in the next few weeks.

On June 12, refreshments were served for the Synod Leadership Conference reception in the evening at the Seminary.

On September 20th, members of the Executive served refreshments to the Seminarists following the first chapel service of the new academic year.

#### 2. Report of the Secretary

Mrs. Esther Ruppenthal read a resume covering the 1986 Annual meeting.

3. Report of the Treasurer

Mrs. Janice MacIntosh read the financial report as printed for the period June 1, 1986 to May 31, 1987 :

Balance on hand June 1, 1986	\$ 4,334.41
Balance and Total Receipts	14,220.66
Total Expenses	9,088.72
Bank Balance as of May 31, 1987	5,131.94

Mrs. MacIntosh also read the auditor's comments. She moved adoption of the audited financial report. Seconded by Mrs. Jean Hachborn. Carried.

4. Report of Promotion Committee

Mrs. Margurite Hollinger reported, in October 1986, the contact woman of each congregation received a copy of the Annual Meeting minutes. In April, the first notice of the Annual Meeting was sent out and in August a flyer outlining the programme of the meeting.

The slide presentation " The Auxiliary, The Seminary, and You, " has been updated, and is available to interested groups.

5. Report of Project Committee

Mrs. Phyllis Geiger presented the Project List as follows:

Gift Certificates for Seminary Graduates	\$ 560.00
Clinical Training Bursaries	6,400.00
Working Fund	300.00
Discretionary Fund	100.00
Bursary for W.L.U. Student	200.00
Redecorate chapel entrance gathering area	1,500.00
	<u>9060.00</u>

Annual Meeting offering to be used to purchase a new solid oak display case for the Life Membership Book, the Memorial Book, and the Golden Book of Honour.

Mrs. Geiger moved the adoption of this project total, which was seconded by Mrs. Marguerite Weitzel. Carried.

6. Report of the Golden Book of Honour and Memorial Book

The President reported for Mrs. Evelyn Vogt the following entries :

<u>Memorial Book</u>	<u>Given by</u>
Mrs. Joyce Marilyn Zimmerman	E.L.W. St. Paul's, Neustadt
Mrs. Winnie Klages	E.L.W. St. Peter's, Wiarton
Mrs. Gertrude Brandstadt	E.L.W. Zion, Pembroke
Mr. Clemens Fortney	Mrs. Clemens Fortney, St. Matthew, Kitchener
Mrs. Helen Marie Goetz	Husband, Mr. Leonard Goetz
Mr. Henry Busch	Wife Mary (now Mary Goetz)
Mrs. Doris Bornhold	E.L.W. St. Luke, Kitchener

Memorial Book - Cont'd

Given by

Miss Helen Cook  
Mrs. Annie Schmidt  
Barbara Roth

E.L.W. St. Peter, Gadshill  
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Golden Book of Honour

Mrs. Eileen Holtz

Deborah Group, E.L.W. St.  
Matthew, Kitchener

Introduction of New Seminarians

Dr. Richard Crossman introduced six first-year seminarians who provided us with sketches of their life:

Betty Ann Mossman - wife of The Rev. Everett A Mossman of Conestogo.  
- in Master of Social Work - Theological studies.  
- hopes to do individual and family counselling.

Manfred Werner - Marburg, Germany.  
- attended University in Germany.  
- wants to know the difference in the two  
Lutheran churches.  
- feels at home in the Seminary due to the  
understanding of professors and students.

Nancy Andrews - originally from Windsor, then London.  
- 1976, graduated from Western in journalism.  
- journalist with newspaper in Brantford.  
- entered Lutheran Seminary because of the unique  
programme in Social Work and Theology.  
- hopes to enter counselling field as a service  
to God.

Paul G ehers - from Vancouver.  
- studied Chemistry at University of British  
Columbia for 4 years.  
- decided to work with people rather than  
chemicals.  
- in first year of Master of Divinity Programme.

Elizabeth Kuglin - Alyea - from Belleville, Ontario.  
- has a husband, and 2 sons (6 and 2½)  
- 1978 called to the bar and practiced  
9½ years in family law and litigation.  
- wants to learn life counselling as well  
as law counselling.

Don McLeod - married, 3 children. *ordained pastor currently working*  
*part-time in* parish worker.  
- 6 years at Camp Edgewood.  
- in Master of Theology programme.

The Special Offering of \$ 532.70 was received by Dr. Crossman. He explained that it would be used to purchase a display case of solid oak, light inside, designed and made to fit the furnishings in the chapel.

Dr. Crossman gave the invocation prior to lunch.

#### Contact Women's Meeting

A meeting of the contact women with the Promotion Committee Chairman, Mrs. Margurite Hollinger, was held at 1. 00 p.m. Membership cards, offering envelopes, and brochures were given out. Discussion on - how to conduct membership campaign.

- distribution of quilts.
- information on quilt. ( name of contact woman,  
church, address)

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with the singing of hymns :

#551 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee.

#520 Give to Our God Immortal Praise.

Organist - Mrs. ETHEL GASTMEIER.

Guest Speaker - Dr. Robert Kelly.

Mrs. Emily Dolbeer introduced Dr. Kelly, who is Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology, W.L.S.

Dr. Kelly came from California to Waterloo in 1985. He explained that we all have life-changing opportunities. The fishermen left their way of life when Jesus called them to be His disciples. St. Francis of Assisi, Martin Luther, Oscar Romero of San Salvador, Dietrich Bonhoefer all felt Christ's call to become disciples. Jesus calls ordinary people like you and me to follow Him. To become disciples, we must leave behind values and thoughts of our consumer culture and enter new-living under the values of Christ. We cannot shape ourselves. The Holy Spirit transforms us into disciples of Christ, displaces fear and gives us trust.

Mrs. Joyce Dietrich thanked Dr. Kelly.

#### Special Music

Mrs. Dorothy Schaefer introduced our soloist Mr. Mark Rowsom, a student at W.L.U. He was accompanied on the organ by Mr. James Bard, organist of St. John Church, Waterloo.

Mrs. Aileen Hiller voiced appreciation to these two talented musicians.

### Joint Ministry and What It Means

Mrs. Margurite Hollinger introduced the Rev. Wendell and the Rev. Christine Grahlman, Pastors of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Magnetawan, Ontario.

Rev. Christine Grahlman, one-half of the duo, said two heads are better than one, "What one of us is not good at, the other one can cover." And Rev. Wendell Grahlman, the other half, said having more free time was one factor in building their marriage and keeping it strong.

They can each work part time and give each other a break. The church in Magnetawan has 100 members. They also conduct services in H untsville which has a membership of 35. Working together they are able to have a flexible schedule.

Mrs. Eileen Dressler thanked the Grahlmans for giving of their time to share their experiences with us.

### Attendance Report

Mrs. Eileen Dressler reported the attendance for the day as follows:

Georgian Bay Conference	33
Hamilton- Niagara Conference	20
Kitchener - Waterloo Conference	119
Ottawa- St. Lawrence Conference	3
Stratford - Windsor Conference	24
Guests	18
	<u>217</u>

### Announcements

Mrs. Isabel Dotzenroth announced the ushers for the day as follows:

Mrs. Merle Knauff and Mrs. Merle Ritter  
St. James Lutheran Church, St. Jacobs.

Mrs. Norma Weiler and Mrs. Rita Glasser  
St. James Lutheran Church, Baden.

Mrs. Dotzenroth thanked members of the programme committee, and everyone involved.

### Closing Devotions

Mr. Joseph Habibullah, a 4th year seminarian, began his devotions with the hymn, "The Church's One Foundation." He said he came here four years ago, due to the help of the Auxiliary, service in the name of Jesus Christ. Jesus has a specific task for each one of us as we respond to God's call of service in word, and ministering to the sick and needy. Well done good and faithful servant.

Devotions closed with Responsive Prayer on page 164.

The meeting closed with the singing of "The Doxology", followed by coffee in the Fellowship Hall.