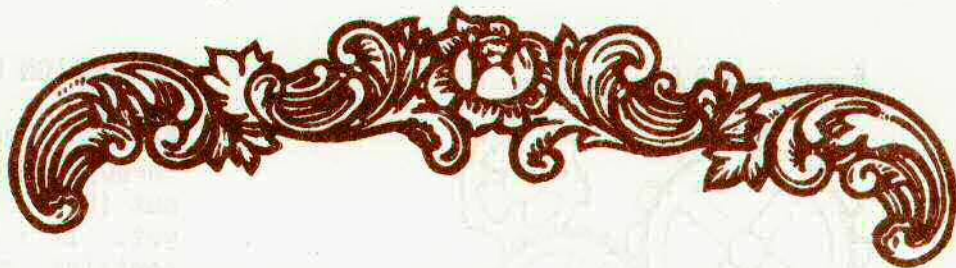


# VOW



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## VOICE OF WOMEN

### PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

The Connections room, a joint venture of the Continental Women and Religions Committee and the UUWF, was a center for making connections around women's concerns and issues at GA. That is analagous to what we are all about in the CMD?UUWF.

Some years ago when I first attended Allerton, I was greatly impressed with the efficient functioning of all aspects of the conference. It was run with such smoothness that I thought all of those involved in the planning were indeed "super-women".

Serving as co-chair of Allerton the following year made me aware of the complex planning, communication, and work that went into setting up such a conference. It was a wonderful learning-growth experience, and I made lifelong connections that strengthen and help sustain me.

We benefit here in CMD from the sharing of workshops, leisure-time and socializing in our own church groups and at Allerton, Camp Wyman, and Lake Geneva conferences. Connections are made and re-cemented each time we come together in work or in play.

My personal belief, and one of my goals, is to encourage and increase these connections in a variety of ways. I feel my spirituality deepened and my soul nourished in my interactions with all of you at our various functions.

May all of you feel the joy and sisterhood and love in our times together.

Love,

Joanne

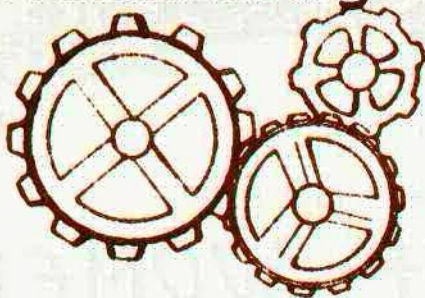


### WELCOME

Welcome to the brand new Racine unit ! It has 14 members and Peg Carlson of Franksville is it's new President. It's wonderful to see us growing !



## Annual Meeting



### On to Allerton

The 1988 annual meeting of the Central Midwest members of UUMF will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday - June 14, 15, 16 at Allerton. The Peoria Unit is in charge with Carol Lowe and Jo Jameson chairing the event. The registrar is Carol Nudo of the Alton unit. The initial meeting of the committee was held in July when many ideas were presented for an exciting, and interesting conference. Have you thought about the goddess within you? You'll learn much more about her at Allerton. Plan now to attend! Watch for additional information in the next issue of VOW.

### DUES....DUES.....DUES....

As your fall unit year begins please remember to remind your treasurer to send in the \$ 2.00 per member so that you will continue to receive the newsletter and offer support to CMD?UUMF. Your dues are carefully spent to sponsor Lake Geneva, Camp Wyman, and Allerton conferences and to support good causes at the direction of the members.

### FEDERATION COMMUNICATOR

Arrived recently... search through your mail and dig it out if you haven't read it yet. It's a gold color and contains good information from Biennial and GA. If you are a member of the Continental UUMF through your unit or individually, and do not receive this newsletter, make it known. Ask your unit secretary and treasurer to notify the UUMF, 25 Beacon St. Boston, MA 02108 and be on the mailing list for the next issue. If you are an individual member, of course you must do the notifying.



Fall retreat

Nov. 13 - 14

Flyer enclosed

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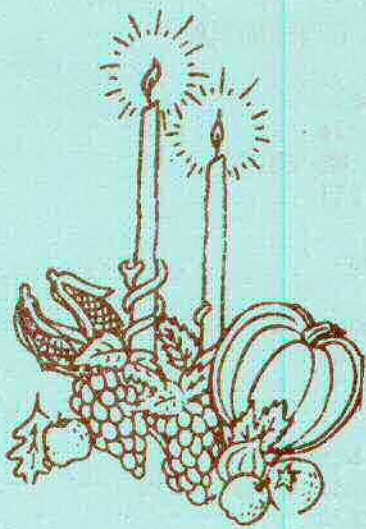
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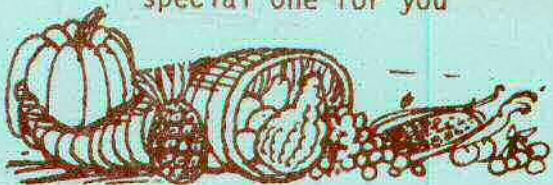




#### PROGRAM IDEAS.....

Ideas gleamed from the newsletters in the district which might be helpful to you as you plan this year of next:

- a tour of a local Frank Lloyd Wright building
- visit a local garden,
- visit an art museum or the show of a particular artist
- ethnic foods potluck
- an evening group, possibly a support group
- questions & answers with the minister, re director, etc.
- Sunday morning get-together, Women of all ages
- OWL ( older women's league )
- a lunch bunch, meet in a restaurant from work
- women's health education series - check with your local hospitals, health departments
- slides n' snapshots - share 3 or 4 favorite from a trip or meaningful time for you
- favorite book or author, not a whole report, a paragraph or two, or just why it's a special one for you



#### BOOK CORNER...

Since we are such avid readers, here are some of the books being discussed around the district:

PARALLEL LIVES, by Phyliss Rose  
 KINDS OF LOVE by May Sarton  
 AS WE ARE NOW by May Sarton  
 THE CHALICE and the BLADE BY Riane Eisler  
 ANY FOUR WOMEN COULD ROB THE BANK OF ITALY by Anne Cornelisen  
 OLD FOREST & OTHER STORIES IN COUNTRY by Bobbie Ann Mason  
 CHANGING by Liv Ullman

EDEN EXPRESS by Mark Vonnegut  
 BOOK OF LAUGHTER and FORGETTING by Milan Kundera



Will any of those attending Allerton conference this last June, who took UUWF program materials, please contact

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Several took materials without leaving their names and addresses. If you need and want the materials for this year's programs, fine, but if not please return them so others can use them. If you want to use them, just let us know where they are. Others may want to use them and the CMD/UUWF wants to keep track of them.

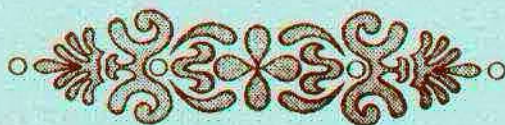


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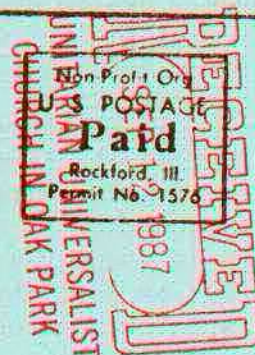
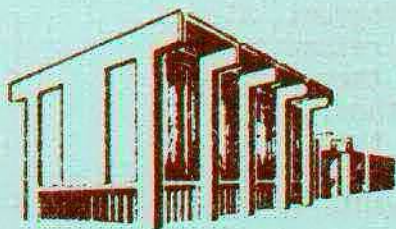
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