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AN IRISH AFTERNOON

The wearin' of the green will be an extended pleasure this March as Friends of the Library enjoy An Irish Afternoon on Sunday, March Eighteenth.

Guests will be piped and fiddled into Underwood Auditorium by Na Ceoltóirí, the Music-Makers, who will present a wee program of Gaelic music. Speaker for the day is W. Dillon Johnston, Professor of English at Wake Forest University, who will tell the Friends of "Irish Poetry After Joyce." The three o'clock program will be followed by a reception at the Law School.

Celebrating the anniversary acquisition of <u>Ulysses</u>, and expanding on the Irish theme, a special exhibit in the foyer of Underwood Auditorium will feature this most famous of twentieth-century books and its colorful history.

MAY THIRD

The rededication and naming of the Vanderbilt University Library to honor Jean and Alexander Heard makes May Third a red-letter day for the Friends of the Library.

By action of the Vanderbilt Board of Trust on 4 November 1983, the Library will be known henceforth as The Jean and Alexander Heard Library. Ceremonies to mark the occasion will be held on Library Lawn the afternoon of May Third with a reception at the University Club.

Walter Durham, President of the Friends, will represent the organization in expressing its special relationship with Jean Heard and the Library. Members of Friends of the Library will receive invitations to the event. A schedule of exhibits documenting the history of the Library and extraordinary aspects of its collections will be available during the month of May.

MALCOLM GETZ, the new Director of Libraries at Vanderbilt, was introduced to the Board of Directors at its meeting on January 26, 1984. Mr. Getz comes to this position from a teaching post in the Economics Department. He holds the Ph.D. degree from Yale University.

In a brief talk to the Directors, Mr. Getz outlined his specific areas of concern for the Library: automating of the circulation and public catalog functions, location and development of greater space and better space utilization for the occupants of the General Library Building and for the Education Library, enhancement of library collections, and staff development. Challenges facing the Library of the future should be planned for now, to help both preserve the record of human scholarship and to improve the means and methods of research and analysis for faculty and students.

Mr. Getz concluded his remarks by soliciting the suggestions of the Friends to better the libraries serving Vanderbilt University.

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LYDIA AND RICHARD W. WEESNER, Charter Members of the Friends of the Library, have paid high tribute to Robert A. McGaw for his devoted and valuable service to the discipline of history, to Vanderbilt University and the larger community, with the gift to the Library of the exceedingly rare 1700 A.D. Hydrographia Universalis of Philip Lea. Presented by Globemaker Lea as "A New Mapp of all the Earth," the hand-colored atlas shows the coastlines and sea charts of the known world with strikingly detailed maps of eastern ports of North America such as "The Harbour of Boston in Matathusets Bay" and the Caribbean Islands. Other known copies of the volume are held by the Library of Congress and the British Museum.

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THE 1983-84 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN has drawn to a close and Membership Chairman Blanche Henry Weaver reports that the drive has been productive. With 508 memberships, Friends now have 759 members. Unrestricted contributions reached a total of \$20,168, or \$42 per membership on the average. In addition, the Friends have attracted a number of gifts of books and manuscripts for the library. The efforts of Mrs. Weaver and all the Friends are heartily appreciated.

The BOARD OF DIRECTORS, meeting January 26, 1984, approved the following highlighted changes in wording in the Constitution. These changes will be presented for the vote of the membership at the Spring Meeting, March 16, 1984.

Article IV Officers

The Officers shall be a President, a First Vice-President for Program, a Second Vice-President for Membership, a Third Vice-President for Volunteers, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Director of the Vanderbilt University Library shall serve ex officio as Secretary without vote. Elected officers shall serve a two year term, but no more than two consecutive terms. Nominees for the office of President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Third Vice-President and Treasurer shall be presented for the vote of the membership at an annual meeting.

The First Vice-President shall assist the President, and in case of absence, substitute for the President. The First Vice-President shall be Chairman of the Program Committee and be responsible for arranging the annual and other meetings, and special events.

The Second Vice-President shall be charged with maintaining and enlarging the membership of the organization.

The Third Vice-President shall be charged with supporting the volunteer program of the organization.

The Secretary shall record attendance, take minutes at meetings, keep a list of members, and notify them of the time and place of meetings.

The Treasurer shall see that the financial records of the organization are maintained and that receipts are issued for contributions.

Article V Board of Directors

An Executive Committee shall comprise the officers, $\underline{\text{the immediate past president}}$ and two additional members of the Board, who are appointed by the President.

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PIA VOLUNTEERS have completed pre-processing of this collection for cataloging by the Library staff. On this occasion, the following letter was received from Chancellor Joe Wyatt:

Dear Volunteer Committee,

I take this opportunity to express my gratitude to each of you who have spent countless hours doing preliminary work on cataloguing books in the Pascal Pia Collection. My thanks especially go to Mrs. Catherine Duncan, who headed this effort. You have paved the way for use of this collection by Vanderbilt's faculty, students and many others.

Please know that your accomplishments have not gone unnoticed, and we at Vanderbilt are grateful.

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