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We have a boutique area in the Gift Shop for what we have trouble keeping stocked, custom scarves, sandals, hats, scarves and handbags - it seems as soon as we bring in something new, it’s sold. We constantly reorder and restock, but that’s a good problem to have. Our sales have been down slightly for the year, but we feel certain with the new kiosk closer to the cafeteria, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and the surgical waiting area, we will have a banner year once again. Watch for our grand opening coming soon.

We continue to look forward to enlisting new volunteers to work in the shop. Shifts are three hours each. All Gift Shop volunteers receive a 25% discount on most merchandise in the Gift Shop. Anyone interested in joining our team, call President Krista Jackson at (585) 396-6661.
### Guild Membership List

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Myma Ortiz, Guild membership chairperson, has included a list of current Guild members by category of membership in this issue of *The Guilded Lily*. With more than half the year behind us, we are slightly under 200 members. Like any membership-driven organization, we add members and we drop members for non-payment of dues or other extenuating circumstances. We don’t want to lose anyone, so if you still have not submitted payment, please contact Myma at myrna.ortiz2010@gmail.com to be reinstated.

There are times when we would like to notify Guild members of upcoming events or reminders for Guild programs by email in addition to our current means of communication. Please contact Myma with your email address if you would like to receive information about upcoming events or contests using this technology.

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### Summer 2013

#### What We’ve Accomplished

**Past President Karin Lutzick’s remarks from the Annual Dinner**

Over the past year, the Guild has once again been busy and productive. In 2012, we donated more than $120,000 to Thompson Health, of which $50,000 was for Project Excel.

Other noteworthy donations included $10,000 towards the purchase of digital mammography equipment, and — combining profits from both this year’s and last year’s Springtime in Canandaigua events — $34,000 toward the da Vinci 8 Surgical System. Additionally, Thompson’s leadership team recently announced its intention to open a new Women’s Center for Health and Wellness. We were able to make a $200,000 pledge towards this project, with the first $50,000 donated at this year’s Spring Dinner. In fact, with this pledge, the Guild has now surpassed $2.5 million in pledges and donations over the past 24 years.

Of course, none of these donations would be possible without all of the fundraising events organized and carried out by Guild members. In April, we held the 2nd Annual Springtime in Canandaigua. Once again, it was at the Greater Canandaigua Civic Center, where 99 arts patrons displayed their wares to more than 3,000 attendees. This year was a series of free seminars ranging from bookkeeping to gardening tips. And on May 9, we held our 4th Annual Plant Sale. As they have in prior years, Miller Nurseries generously sponsored the sale by providing the plants at cost. We sold out by mid-afternoon and raised $2,000.

In addition to summarizing our gifts and events, I'd like to welcome the Guild's new officers. Taryn Windheim is our incoming president. Taryn is a lifelong resident of Canandaigua with degrees in Communications and Political Science from SUNY Fredonia. In addition, her job as Director of the Ontario-American Frontier Cross, she is a member of the Canandaigua Rotary Club, Vice President of the Professional Women of the Finger Lakes and a member of the Coordinated Child Development Program Board.

Krista Jackson, who is assuming the role of Vice President, has worked in human resources for over 20 years. She is a graduate of the Canandaigua Chamber of Commerce, President of the Business & Professional Women's Club and, as its first female member, President of Kiwanis. In recognition of her many contributions to the community, Gail was the recipient of the ATHENA Award in 1999. Gail is a longtime member of the Guild Board and now is a member of the executive team as Secretary.

Lou Low, a native Canandaigua, is stepping in as treasurer. Lou, with a degree in Engineering and experience in the business world, became Canandaigua’s Director of Public Works in 1976 and served in that role for 35 years before retiring in 2011. Since retirement, he has served on the YMCA’s Board of Directors and as a member of the selection committee for Canandaigua’s next city manager. Last year, he became the first man in history to serve on the Guild Board. Lou and his wife, Mary, live in Canandaigua with degrees in Communications and Political Science from SUNY Fredonia. Although fall seems way off in the distance, the Guild is once again sponsoring a trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada, to enjoy the sights and attend the world-famous matinee performance of the musical *GUYS & DOLLS*.

The bus will depart from Parkway Plaza in Canandaigua at 9:30 a.m. and return to the same place at approximately 9:00 p.m. Showtime is 2:00 p.m., which will allow plenty of time for shopping and lunch on your own. Immediately following the show, we will have dinner at what has become our favorite dining spot, Queenston Heights, overlooking the Niagara River.

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