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## Office of Alumni Relations

### Valentine Ball records

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**Creator:** Alumni Relations, Office of (b-d)

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**Separations:** Photographs of the Valentine Ball were transferred to the University Photo Collection.

**See Also:**

### Administrative History

The Alumni Association of Loyola University sponsored its first Valentine Ball in 1954, extending a special welcome to members of the Class of 1929, who that year celebrated the 25th anniversary of their graduation. Since then, it has become one of the season's outstanding social events, for it is the only annual event that includes alumni from all ten schools and colleges of the University. The original purpose of the Valentine Ball was to offer to Loyola University alumni "a socially oriented evening of enjoyment in a prestige setting". It was proposed that a Loyola Sweetheart be selected and honored at the Valentine Ball, and furthermore, that the theme of the Valentine Ball be in honor of all sweethearts. A Sweetheart would be a Loyola graduate, or else a student who had attended Loyola University for at least two semesters. She should have maintained an active interest in the University, and led an exemplary life based on the principles of Christian love.

During its early years, proceeds from the Valentine Ball were earmarked to benefit one branch of the University. Past recipients of the Valentine Ball have been the Dr. Robert Dillon Heart Research Fund (1958) and the Dr. Warren W. Furey Memorial



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Scholarship in Radiology (1960), at the Stritch School of Medicine; the Martin McNally Scholarship Fund at the Law School (1961); the Children's Dental Rehabilitation Center at the Dental School (1962); and the students of the School of Arts and Sciences and the School of Business Administration (1963).

Later, the highlight of the Valentine Ball became the Siedenburg Award. This award was named after the late Frederic Siedenburg, S.J., who served on Loyola's faculty for 21 years, from 1911 to 1932. Father Siedenburg founded three of Loyola's 12 colleges: the School of Social Work in 1914, University College in 1914, and the College of Commerce in 1922, which would later be called the School of Business Administration. The Siedenburg Award was given in recognition of extraordinary voluntary contributions of time and talents to the well-being of the University and its graduates. In 1973, Dr. and Mrs. William P. Schoen became the first recipients of the annual Siedenburg Award. Dr. Schoen was dean of Loyola's Dental School for over 16 years, during which time he played a major role in the construction of the school's current headquarters at the Medical Center in Maywood, Illinois. Mrs. Schoen was active in many civic and philanthropic activities, one of which was being founder as well as president of the Women's Auxiliary of the School of Dentistry.

### **Scope and Content**

The Office of Alumni Relations: Valentine Ball records span the years 1953 to 1986 and include correspondence, memos, lists, reports, invoices, programs, promotions, tickets, and invitations. Records in Box 5 from the 1980 and 1981 Valentine Balls come from accession UA1988.33. Arrangement is alphabetical.

### **Subjects:**

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