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FORM N-CSR

CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file Number _811-02265_

-- Value Line Fund, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

220 East 42nd Street, New York, N.Y. 10017 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-907-1500

Date of fiscal year end: December 31, 2008

Date of reporting period: December 31, 2008

Item Reports to Stockholders.

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A copy of the Annual Report to Stockholders for the period ended 12/31/08 is included with this Form.

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The Value Line Fund, Inc.

To Our Value Line

To Our Shareholders (unaudited):

For the twelve months ended December 31, 2008, the total return for The Value Line Fund (the "Fund") was -49.28%. This was below the S&P 500 Index(1) return of -37.00% for the same time period.

In 2008, the S&P 500 Index had its worst year since 1937. The most significant factor affecting the stock market was the weakened state of the financial sector combined with the reluctance of banks and other credit market participants to lend money. The Federal Reserve has pumped billions of dollars into the credit markets in order to encourage lending and also to build demand for high-grade corporate debt. In addition, the federal government was instrumental in rescuing American International Group and Fannie Mae, and it indicates it will continue to support struggling corporations. The Federal Reserve Board has responded to credit problems by lowering interest rates. During the past twelve months, the Federal Funds(2) rate was cut by 400 basis points from 4.25% to 0.25%.

The Value Line Fund generally invests in U.S. stocks that are ranked in the highest category for relative price performance over the next six to twelve months by the Value Line Timeliness Ranking System. The System favors stocks with strong price and earnings momentum relative to those of the approximately 1,700 companies in The Value Line Investment Survey. The Fund is underweighted in the financial services sector relative to the S&P 500 Index and has an above-average weighting of approximately 23% of its market value in health-care related companies, including pharmaceutical firms.

We appreciate your confidence in The Value Line Fund and look forward to serving your investment needs in the future.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mitchell E. Appel Mitchell E. Appel President

February 20, 2009

- (1) The Standard& Poor's 500 Index consists of 500 stocks which are traded on the New York Stock Exchange, American Stock Exchange and the NASDAQ National Market System and is representative of the broad stock market. This is an unmanaged index and does not reflect charges, expenses or taxes. It is not possible to directly invest in this index.
- (2) The interest rate charged by banks with excess reserves at a Federal Reserve District Bank, to banks needing overnight loans to meet reserve requirements.

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The Value Line Fund, Inc.

Fund Shareholders

Economic Observations (unaudited)

The recession is in full bloom, having hit this country with its worst business setback in several generations. Meanwhile, the downturn is spreading overseas with ferocity, creating a global crisis.

The current situation is traceable to several events, beginning with the sharp declines in housing construction, home sales, and real estate prices. We also have seen a reduction in credit availability, a high level of bank failures, rising foreclosure rates, increasing unemployment, a contraction in retailing and auto activity, and sharp declines in manufacturing and nonmanufacturing. These developments are consistent with a deep and prolonged recession. As 2009 unfolds, we are facing a serious worldwide contraction that optimistically will last only through the middle of this year. Government reaction to this global upheaval is likely to involve attempts to pass additional stimulus measures, with an emphasis on infrastructure rebuilding and employment improvement. It is hoped that such efforts will shorten the downturn's duration and reduce its severity.

Meanwhile, inflation, which had earlier moved sharply higher in this country due to dramatic increases in oil, food, and commodity prices, has moderated quickly, thanks to even more dramatic declines in energy prices since last summer. Our expectation is that, absent a more potent long-term business expansion than we now project, inflation should remain in check for the most part through the early years of the next decade. In fact, there is the possibility that we could see selective bouts of deflation along the way, especially if consumer demand falters for any extended period of time.

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The Value Line Fund, Inc.

FUND EXPENSES (unaudited):

Example

As a shareholder of the Fund, you incur ongoing costs, including management fees, distribution and service (12b-1) fees, and other Fund expenses. This Example is intended to help you understand your ongoing costs (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to compare these costs with the ongoing costs of investing in other mutual funds.

The Example is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the period and held for the entire period (July 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008).

Actual Expenses

The first line of the table below provides information about actual account values and actual expenses. You may use the information in this line, together with the amount you invested, to estimate the expenses that you paid over the period. Simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the first line under the heading "Expenses Paid During Period" to estimate the expenses you paid on your account during this period.

Hypothetical Example for Comparison Purposes

The second line of the table below provides information about hypothetical account values and hypothetical expenses based on the Fund's actual expense ratio and an assumed rate of return of 5% per year before expenses, which is not the Fund's actual return. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period. You may use this information to compare the ongoing costs of investing in the Fund and other funds. To do so, compare this 5% hypothetical example with the 5% hypothetical examples that appear in the shareholder reports of the other funds.

Please note that the expenses shown in the table are meant to highlight your ongoing costs only and do not reflect any transactional costs, such as sales charges (loads), redemption fees, or exchange fees. Therefore, the table is useful in comparing ongoing costs only, and will not help you determine the relative total costs of owning different funds. In addition, if transactional costs were included, your costs would have been higher.

			paid	enses during
	Beginning	Ending	pe	eriod
	account	account	7/	1/08
	value	value		
	7/1/08	12/31/08		
Actual	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 565.90	\$	3.90
Hypothetical (5% return before expenses)	\$ 1,000.00	\$1,020.16	\$	5.03

^{*} Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio of 0.99% multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184/366 to reflect the one-half year period. This expense ratio may differ from the

expense ratio shown in the Financial Highlights.

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The Value Line Fund, Inc.

(unaudited)

The following graph compares the performance of The Value Line Fund, Inc. to that of the S&P 500 Index. The Value Line Fund, Inc. is a professionally managed mutual fund, while the Index is not available for investment and is unmanaged. The returns for the Index do not reflect charges, expenses or taxes but do include the reinvestment of dividends. The comparison is shown for illustrative purposes only.

Comparison of a Change in Value of a \$10,000 Investment in the Value Line Fund, Inc. and the S&P 500 Index*

* The Standard and Poor's 500 Stock Index is an unmanaged index that is representative of the larger-capitalization stocks traded in the United States.

Performance Data:**

			Growth of an	
	Average		Assumed	
	Annual		Investment of	
	Total Return	\$10,000		
1 year ended 12/31/08	(49.28)%	\$	5,072	
5 years ended 12/31/08	(4.85)%	\$	7,800	
10 years ended 12/31/08	(4.47)%	\$	6,332	

^{**} The performance data quoted represent past performance and are no guarantee of future performance. The average annual total returns and growth of an assumed investment of \$10,000 include dividends reinvested and capital gains distributions accepted in shares. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investment, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than its original cost. The performance data and graph do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or the redemption of fund shares.

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Portfolio Highlights at December 31, 2008 (unaudited)

Ten Largest Holdings

			Percentage
			of
Issue	Shares	Value	Net Assets
Crawford & Co. Class B	77,000	\$1,119,580	1.20%
OSI Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	28,000	\$ 1,093,400	1.17%
FLIR Systems, Inc.	35,000	\$ 1,073,800	1.15%
Nash Finch Co.	23,000	\$ 1,032,470	1.11%
Alliance Data Systems Corp.	22,000	\$ 1,023,660	1.10%