

The Seminary News

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READING WEEK



Fall Reading Week and Thanksgiving break begin on Monday, November 22, and classes will resume on Monday, November 29. The next issue of *The Seminary News* will be distributed on Wednesday, December 1.

SCC HOSTS THANKSGIVING LUNCH WEDNESDAY

The Seminary Community is invited to a special Thanksgiving Lunch, sponsored by the Seminarian Community Council, at noon on November 17 in the Refectory. The meal is free of charge, meats for the meal are provided, and participants are asked to bring a covered dish if possible.

As an expression of our thanks, donations will be accepted to help local families during the holidays. All are welcome to take part in this special time.

AIDS AWARENESS WEEK AT LANCASTER SEMINARY

Tuesday, November 30 through Thursday, December 2 are AIDS-Awareness Days at Lancaster Seminary. The schedule of events at the Seminary has been set to synchronize with World AIDS Day on December 1. Chapel worship services on Tuesday and Wednesday will center on AIDS issues. During Thursday's Community Hour at 11:10 a.m., there will be a presentation and discussion on AIDS to help us better understand AIDS and its impact.

Those in the Seminary community who have been touched by AIDS in their lives and ministries are invited to meet in the Refectory on Wednesday, November 17, after Chapel. If you are unable to attend, please put a note in Beth Boyer Kollas' mailbox if you wish to participate in AIDS Awareness Week services.

SELF-STUDY UPDATE

The second comprehensive draft of the Seminary's Self-Study Report has been undergoing various reviews in the community. The faculty as a whole has met twice to review the draft. The Board of Trustees considered the draft in its standing committees and plenary business meeting earlier this month. The self-study committees have also been meeting to give the draft further review.

The third comprehensive draft will incorporate the revisions suggested by these reviews. This draft will be completed around December 1. The summary of major recommendations in the report will be distributed to the entire Seminary community in early December; copies of the complete report (approximately 150 pages plus appendices) will be available for any interested persons in the development office.

The self-study steering committee (aka Institutional Planning Committee) is holding an open forum for the Seminary community to discuss the findings and recommendations of the self-study on December 9 at 11:10 a.m. in the Bricker Room. This will be an agenda item during the regularly scheduled Seminarian Community Council meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Any final corrections to the third comprehensive draft will be completed by December 8, at which time the report goes to press in order to be mailed in a timely fashion to the Association of Theological Schools and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools of the Commission for Higher Education, at least 60 days in advance of our visitation from the review team February 20 to 23, 1994.

AAR/SBL MEETS IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

The annual joint meeting of the American Academy of Religion (AAR) and the Society for Biblical Literature (SBL) will be held in Washington, D.C., from November 19 through 22. Since the meeting is being held so close to the Lancaster campus, there is a special opportunity for Seminary students to attend. Registration costs for students are low, and students can attend a one-day session if they wish. A full listing of presentations and registration information are available in the Dean's Office.

STAFFORD LOAN INFORMATION

A number of changes are occurring in the processing of government subsidized student loans. To improve our understanding of ongoing procedures and changes as they affect lenders and students, Ann Schoup has made arrangements for two representatives of the Fulton Bank to meet with students from noon to 1:00 p.m. in the Glatfelter Room on Tuesday, November 30. The representatives are Paul Jones, Input Manager of Loan Accounting, and Dawn Upton, Student Loan Official.

The presentation will include a review of the types of loans available, the relationship between the borrower and the lender, forms that have changed or will change, problems to watch for, default, interest capitalization, loan consolidation and other pertinent matters.

Record the date, time and place on your calendar and plan to participate in this educational student loan update. Since we are meeting over the lunch hour, feel free to bring your lunch with you.

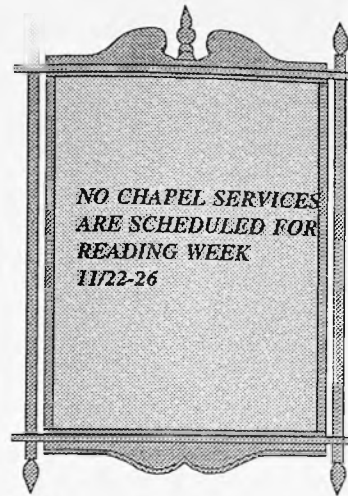
STUDENT GROUP SPONSORS COMMUNITY HOUR

The student group known as ICHTHYS Fellowship is sponsoring a Community Hour on Thursday, November 18, 11:10 a.m. in Hafer Center. The Rev. Armand Weller, executive director, Biblical Witness Fellowship of the UCC, will make a presentation titled, "Church Renewal and the Biblical Witness Fellowship in the UCC: What It Was, What It Is, and What It Will Be." Rev. Weller will also discuss the Renewal Fellowship, a new group forming in the UCC.

HOLIDAY HAPPENING CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for an evening of fun and fellowship on Tuesday, December 7, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Refectory for this year's Holiday Happening Celebration. It'll be a time to make simple ornaments, "gingerbread" houses and wall hangings. We'll sing Christmas carols and hear the Christmas stories.

In preparation for our celebration, please save the tops from frozen juice cans and place them in the box marked "lids" near the mailboxes.



COMMUNITY HOUR UPDATE

The following Community Hours have been scheduled for Thursdays, 11:10 a.m.:

- November 18 - Biblical Witness Fellowship
- December 2 - Lancaster AIDS Project
- December 9 - Seminarian Community Council (Self-study open meeting)
- February 10 - Gregory Lecture (Rev. Scott Libbey)
- February 17 - Seminarian Community Council
- February 24 - African American Emphasis Week Program
- March 3 - "Seminarians Interacting" (Prof. Huwiler)
- March 10 - Seminarian Community Council
- March 17 - Celtic-American Emphasis Day (H. Putnam)
- March 24 - Hispanic Emphasis Week Program
- April 7 - Seminarian Community Council
- April 14 - No Community Hour
- April 21 - Unity Through Diversity (Peter Vogel)
- April 28 - Program on Africa (A. Few, A. Kemper)
- May 5 - Open

COKESBURY THANKSGIVING HOURS

The Cokesbury Seminary Bookstore will be closed Thanksgiving day and Friday and Saturday, November 25 through November 27. However, our Harrisburg store will be open Friday and Saturday for you eager Christmas shoppers. Happy Thanksgiving!

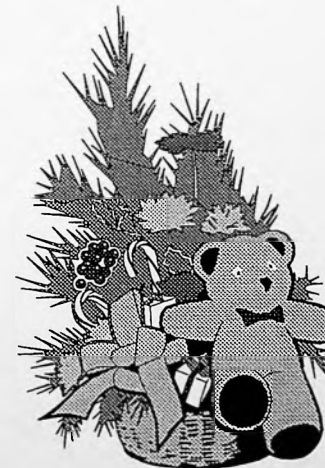
CPE AT LANCASTER GENERAL HOSPITAL

The application deadline for the summer program in clinical pastoral education at Lancaster General Hospital is December 1, 1993. Later applications will be considered as space is available. The summer program is full-time for ten weeks. The time commitment involves full days, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. There is an additional 24 hours of on-call responsibility on a rotating basis throughout the week. The dates are May 31, 1994 to August 5, 1994. Contact Chaplain Ken Burnette or Chaplain Keith Bitner at 295-8479 for further information.

SEMINARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO TOYS FOR TOTS

Victor Wright and Bob Cook are providing an opportunity for the Seminary Community to contribute to Toys for Tots.

Please put new or old toys (even items that need repair are welcome) in the "old copy room," Lower Level Lark (#31) any weekday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. between now and December 13. If you need pickup for toys, talk to Bob or Vic. Of course, cash to buy toys is also welcome. Bob and Vic hope this project will bring smiles to the faces of some local youngsters at the holiday season.



CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE AT COKESBURY!

Come to Cokesbury for *SPECIAL SAVINGS* on Friday and Saturday, November 19 and 20. All in-stock merchandise will be 10% off! Selected *Christmas Books and Gifts* will be 25% off, *AND* our present *Sale Section* will be marked down to *50% OFF* with *New Additions* marked down to *40% OFF!*

Complimentary gifts and refreshments will be given out, so stop by. Don't forget that Seminary employees and Seminary students receive the 20% clergy discount on books as always! Your discount is not just on textbooks!

HOLIDAY GIFT IDEA

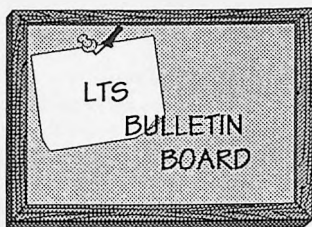
Give a uniquely Lancaster Seminary gift this year to your favorite seminarian. Handmade ceramic ornaments of the Lark Building are available for sale in the Development Office (Schaff 206) for \$15.00 each. They come in a gift box ready to hang or frame.

These limited edition ornaments are being sold while quantities last by the Alumni/ae Association to commemorate Campus 100, the anniversary of Lancaster Seminary at its present site.

THANKSGIVING/READING WEEK LIBRARY HOURS

During the week of November 22-27, library hours are as follows:

- Monday - 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Wednesday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- CLOSED Thursday, Friday and Saturday



CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Do you want to ensure the freshness of this year's Christmas tree? You can cut your own for only \$10.00 at Bob Crane's farm (215-384-1818). Hundreds of pines, firs and spruces are available for your choice. Please come on Saturdays only, during daylight hours. Saws will be provided. Directions; take King Street east out of Lancaster. Turn left onto Route 340 East (at Weis Market). Stay on Route 340 East through Bird-in-Hand, Intercourse, White Horse and Compass. Don't miss the turn when Route 340 turns left at the blinking yellow light in Compass. Proceed four miles after the turn and look for mailbox #282 on the right. Make this a family outing!

FOX-GENOVESE TO SPEAK AT GETTYSBURG COLLEGE

Leading feminist speaker Dr. Elizabeth Fox-Genovese will present the 32nd annual Fortenbaugh Memorial Lecture at Gettysburg College on Friday, November 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the College Union Building. Fox-Genovese, who is the Eleonore Raoul Professor of the Humanities and the director of women's studies at Emory University, will deliver a lecture titled, "To Be Worthy of God's Favor: Southern Women's Defense and Critiques of Slavery." She has written several books, including **Within the Plantation Household: Black and White Women of the Old South**, which was named outstanding book of the year by the Gustavus Myer Center for the Study of Human Rights.

AIDS AND THE CHURCH

A seminar on AIDS and the Church will be held at Moravian Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, PA, on Friday, December 3, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Calling the church to an AIDS ministry can be bewildering and controversial for many who are church professionals. In this day-long seminar, Dr. John J. McNeill, a private practice psychotherapist in New York City, who has been professor of Christian Ethics at Union Theological Seminary, will offer insight into the spiritual resources for the faith community as it struggles with this disease. Call 215-861-1519 for more information or see general interest bulletin board, Lower Level Lark Building.

IT'S A BOY!!

J.P. and Robin Bohanan are the parents of Caleb James, born Saturday, November 13, at 7:36 p.m. The baby, who weighed in at 7 lbs. 5 oz., joins his brother Jesse.

