



# THE SEMINARIAN

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## UCBMM

As many of you know, the UCBMM (United Church Board for World Ministries) will hold their annual meeting on our campus November 16-19. The UCBMM is the instrumentality of the UCC for planning and conducting its program of mission and service abroad and emergency service in the U.S. Present will be 225 Corporate board members from all across the country, many missionaries that have served God's children in all parts of the world, the staff of the UCBMM, seminarian representatives from each of the 11 UCC related seminaries, and hoards of guests, special speakers, visitors and the list goes on. Having attended one of these annual meetings last year in Des Moines, I can tell you that if one wants to experience the movements of one of the UCC national agencies, an annual meeting is the place to do that. It will be a very busy and exciting time; lots of terrific arguments, and much Christian fellowship besides. It is also the best educational device going in the field of world mission; one can learn so much in just four days about the theology and practicality of mission across the earth. Now, we need your help to pull this thing off. For four days we are going to need ushers, errand runners, drivers to pick up speakers, persons to tape things, luggage carriers, persons to march in a parade, persons to carry flags in that parade, I could go on until you just couldn't stand it any longer; so my friends, we need you! I'll put a sheet on the Hub bulletin board, and anyone that has some time to give to the world

board will please sign your name on that list so I can get in touch with you. There will be no classes during the Board meeting!! So be a worker and participate.

\*\*\*\*\* Lee Jessup \*\*\*\*\*

## SCC

Here are a few things you might be interested in. All the following organizations send representatives to the Seminarian Community Council, and some of the organizations that send representatives to the SCC are not really organizations at all and maybe they should be. The Hub for example is not run by an organization; Alice Zimmerman is the Hub chairperson appointed by the SCC to look after the Hub. If you have any time to spare, speak to Alice about how you might help with the Hub. The Seminarian is another "organization" that could use your help. Write articles, come by their office Thursday afternoons to type, or stop by to staple, sort or whatever. Grab Nancy Lilly or gently caress Doug Tuner to let them know of your interest in the Seminarian. The Spiritual Life Committee too can always use your help. The committee is responsible for the upkeep of the chapel and daily worship services. (Cont. p5)

## HERETIC IN THE HUB

At the Chaplain's school this summer, a number of people from ultra conservative traditions challenged my right to call myself a Christian. "After all," they said, "you don't believe in the Divinity of Christ, the Resurrection, Atonement, Heaven or Hell, Biblical Authority, or the depravity of humanity. You refuse to accept Christ as your Lord and Savior. You refuse to humble yourself and be "born again". How can you call yourself a Christian?

Army Chaplains come from all theological perspectives, a much wider representation of American religiosity than at L.T.S. or any other seminary. I knew the honest concern behind those words, spoken by men whose backgrounds were worlds apart from mine. With respect for their traditions, I shared with them my witness: 1) No one can decide for me what it takes to be a Christian. 2) Christianity is synonymous with religiosity in our culture. 3) A follower doesn't have to go everywhere he is led-- You don't have to buy Luther lock, stock, and barrel to be a Lutheran. 4) "Christ" is not a person, it is a concept; it is an expression of the highest human goodness you can imagine; 5) Christianity is people, not beliefs. 6) There is no external authority. All acquiescence to authority begins from within. 7) I like clerics.

All of the above should be predicated of the words "for me," since religion for me, is highly individualistic in nature. And as the example of that marvelous human, who forgave his tormentors in the hour of his death, is with us, I choose the label "Christian" and seek to enable "the qualities of goodness associated with Him.

Tom Schreck

A.S.W.

The next meeting - October 13, 1975  
at Lynn Wetzell - Apt. - N304

## A.S.W. CONT.

The A.S.W. would like to announce the following events.

1. Christmas Workshop
2. Covered Dish Supper

Please watch Bulletin Boards for more information on coming events.

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### SEMINARY CHOIR

The Seminary Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1975 at 3 P.M. in the Chapel.

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### SEMINARY ORCHESTRA

How many people of this community would be interested in forming a Seminary Orchestra? If you would, I would appreciate to know your name, the type of instrument you play, and your comments on this idea. Try to put this information in my mailbox within the next week or two. If anyone has any further questions about this contact me also.

Dale Serfass

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### CHAPEL

Every morning, morning worship is conducted in the chapel. The Spiritual Life Committee needs you to help in these services. Please think about doing a service. The sign-up sheet is outside the chapel. Thank you.

Spiritual Life  
Committee

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### SEMINARIAN ARTICLES

All articles for the Seminarian are due Wednesday noon. Thank you.

## SEMINAR ABROAD MEETING

A meeting of all Middlers and others interested in the September 1976 Seminar will be held this Friday October 10, at 7:30 P.M. in the Hub. This meeting has been scheduled in response to a widely expressed interest in discussing the seminar's purposes and in considering the alternative proposals. Attendance of interested seminarians is very important.

Dave Wetmiller  
SCC Representative

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## HEALTH INSURANCE

The student group health insurance plan has gone through. For further details, check the Communicator

L. Farrar

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## ID CARDS

Reminder: The final opportunity to get LTS ID cards made up at F&M is 3-5 on Friday, October 10.

Be sure you call your name into Mr. Farrar's office before you go for your card. ID cards will be made in the basement of Stahr Hall, almost directly opposite LTS.

L. Farrar

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## CROP

Ross and Nancy Reider will be participating in the Crop walk for hunger on Oct. 19. They need sponsors. Please contact either Ross or Nancy if you want to be a sponsor.

Ross and Nancy Reider

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## MEETINGS

The SCC Meeting will be held Oct. 16th at 8 P.M. in the Hub.  
Everyone is welcome !

Spiritual Life Committee - Oct. 20th.

## HOLY COMMUNION

A service of Holy Communion using the Palatinate Liturgy and commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the First Communion of the German Reformed Church will be conducted by the Church of the Apostles. The service will be held at St. Pauls UCC, Duke and Orange Sts. on Oct. 15, 1975 at 8:00 A.M. The service will follow the Palatinate Liturgy and will last approximately 45 min. Everybody is welcome to attend and share in this part of our churches heritage.

Charlie Hall

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## CHAPEL

Rev. Farrar will be leading the service of worship at 9:00 A.M. on October 13. Assisting him will be George Jewell, a junior at LTS; Kay Broxell, Lynn Kloske, members of First United Methodist Church, Bryer Helmer, a member of Highland Presbyterian Church and Marian Roy, a member of St. Thomas Episcopal Church. The theme of the service is "Jesus Christ Frees and Unites." All who are able to share in this worship experience are asked to gather in Room 103 prior to the service. The congregation will process together singing the hymn, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee".  
Thanks!

Lyman Farrar

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## HOLY COMMUNION IN CHAPEL

A Communion Service will be held in the chapel on Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 9:15 P.M. Dr. Ringer and Dana Schlegel will lead the worship service.

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## SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

The Spiritual Life Committee would like to announce that minutes of the meetings will be available to all students. The minutes will be placed outside the chapel on the Bulletin Board and in the Hub.

POETRY

THE GYPSY'S WINDOW

It seems a stage  
backed by imaginations of velvet,  
cotton, satin, loops and stripes--

A lovely unconcern  
scattered the trivial plates, the  
rosaries and centered  
a narrownecked dark vase,  
unopened yellow and pink  
paper roses, a luxury of open red  
paper roses--

Watching the trucks go by, from  
stiff chairs  
behind the window show, an old  
bandanna'd brutal dignified  
woman, a young beautiful woman  
her mouth a huge contemptuous  
rose--

The courage  
of natural rhetoric tosses to  
dusty Hudson St. the chance of  
poetry gives passion to the roses,  
the roses in the gypsy's window  
in a blue vase, look real, as  
unreal as real roses.

Denise Levertov

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MATURITY

When I was born, I was lost and  
forlorn in a hideous world of  
hate.

Now I am old, I am brave and I'm  
bold, cause I'm grown up now,  
I am eight.

Bill Main

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THE LONER

Everyone is his friend  
But then again,  
No one is -  
Because he can't find a friend  
Who will accept him  
For what he is.

J.C. Straka

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THE GATEPOST

The gatepost goes nowhere,  
Does nothing, stands.  
Rigid, attentive,  
Stands to one side.  
The gate, in center stage,  
Encloses, permits passage,  
Hails homcomer,  
Speeds traveler.  
But without the enabling post  
No gate swings wide.

Edith Lovejoy Pierce

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TO FRIENDS OF WHOM I TREASURE

let us never be too distant,  
that we shall forget  
each others names, nor  
shall we be too close  
to cry at our parting;  
but rather, let us be friends,  
and be content with a  
few moments shared;  
forgetting only the parting,  
remembering the first  
hello.

Marian Domansky

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SCC CONTINUED

EDITORS' NOTE

The committee meetings are open to everyone. If you would like to help on this committee, and especially if the spiritual growth of this community concerns you, contact Mike Iski. The Association of Seminary Women (ASW) is an organization that is always ready to help and to accept contributions in the form of time, ideas, etc., of the women at LTS. Look for the next meeting time of ASW on various bulletin boards around the campus. These four organizations often times find that they need many people to do the things that need to be done around the campus, so why don't you find some time that you can contribute.

Lee Jessup

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Dear Lucy,

The other day, Patty took Linus' blanket and buried it next to Snoopy's dog house. Snoopy being loyal friend that he is recovered the choice possession and gave it to me to return to Linus. If Patty sees the blanket again, she has threatened to shred it and use its threads to tie the strings of Schroeder's piano together thus preventing him from playing Beethoven for you. How do you feel about me sharing a peanut-butter sandwich with a charming red-haired girl that pays no attention to me at recess?

Your Friend,

CB

Dear CB,

I have an excellent suggestion for you. The problem is that you need to come to grips with yourself. You should find out who you really are and what you want out of life. The best way to do this is to register for Professor Irion's course - Ministry Thru Persons. In this way through the logical educational process, you will be able to help yourself!

Your Friend,  
Lucy

We have received much feedback - both positive and negative in regards to Last Week's article on "Editorial Discretion". By editorial discretion we do not mean censorship. We want it made clear that that we will not be censoring any articles we receive. Our discretion will be in whether or not articles will be printed the same week they are received. We are changing the format of the Seminarian slightly and we feel some discretion is needed.

We are also not criticizing the work of previous editors, on the contrary, we are very grateful to them for without their encouragement this issue would not be possible.

We thank you for your feedback and hope it will continue throughout the year.

Nancy and Doug

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