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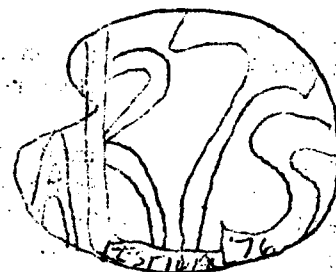
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FOURTH ANNUAL ARTS FESTIVAL COMING TO LANCASTER SEMINARY

The fourth annual Arts Festival is currently in the planning process at Lancaster Seminary. The purpose of the Arts Festival is to allow members of the Seminary community to share their given artistic accomplishments or interests with the rest of the Seminary community. We hope this year to expose the Seminary community to a wide variety of artistic expression. On Wednesday evening, March 31 we are planning an evening concert which will feature instrumental and vocal presentations in the more classical traditions. Featured at this concert will be Frank McConnell and his talented son, Mark doing musical selections on organ and flute. Dr. John Payne will be doing two vocal selections and the Madrigal Singers from Millersville may also be present in Concert.

On Thursday, April 1 we will be having the "Cabaret Variety Show" in the HUB THEATRE. This evening will feature music and talent of a lighter nature. There will be musical selections, comedy sketches, and pantomime and clowning just to mention a few of the types of performances being given. Also there may be a variety show band.! This alone would be worth seeing.

Besides these two events we are planning a Bake Contest for the gourmets of the campus, displays of the visual arts, arts and craft displays, and an experiential art night on Friday culminating with an art auction. We also hope the prose and poetry writers of the Seminary Community are preparing pieces for the special edition of the Seminarian during the week of the Arts Festival.



To help in planning effectively we need everyone's help and co-operation. Please, fill out and return the Arts Festival Interest Sheets to help us with the planning process. If you are not able to participate, please fill out a sheet and let us know that fact as well. We hope to offer you a fun and exciting three day festival, but we can only do that with you help. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any arts festival committee members. Thanks

JIM WERNER

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ART AUCTION

Now is your chance to clean out your cupboards, look under your bed, check out your storage space in Boman as well as auction your art works, old text books, doodles from your class notes, baked goods. Proceeds from the auction will go to the piano fund. The auction will take place on Friday, April 2, at 7:30PM.

The ASW is sponsoring a covered-dish Supper on April 1 at 6:00PM in relationship to the Arts Festival. If you have not handed in the interest sheet and are still interested in coming to the dinner, contact MaryJo Jessup, Lynn Vetzell, Linda Lalas or Linda Turner with reservations by March 24th.

Presidential hopeful Jimmy Carter says, simply, "Trust me." He is asking for a lot, considering this nation has sunk to its lowest level of cynical skepticism in the 20th century during the four years preceding this campaign. Yet, the hope lives on that there will be someone or something in which we as a people can trust. Our coins and currency proclaim it to be God, but our empty Sunday schools and declining church rolls call such a graven declaration into question. At least, the God of mainline Christianity is not trustworthy, if we can infer from the declining rolls a declining trust.

Evangelical fundamentalism, on the other hand, is growing by leaps and bounds. And the followers of turn-or-burn theology are trusting souls to a man.

Yet, somewhere between the wet noodle of mainline Churchianity and the absolute certainty of fundamentalism, the great mass of our countrymen huddle in mistrust of nearly everything: the church, the schools (which bus the kids and produce highschool graduates who can't read), government (which promises the moon and delivers inflation), the courts (which free criminals and jail marijuana users), congress (which does nothing and makes it a law of the land), the President (who was appointed by a crook whom he then pardoned), the family (which divorces and regroups with impunity), the military (which couldn't win the Vietnam war but managed to lose 50,000 lives), the medical profession (\$\$\$\$ ad nauseum), political parties (you know), the press (which is about as objective and impartial as Pravda, yet not nearly as accurate), higher education (which takes four years to produce a kindergarten teacher to teach kids to play in a sandbox, but she can't find a job anyway), and Mom's Apple Pie (nobody bakes anymore).

"Trust me," says Jimmy Carter. The remarkable thing is that many people, myself included, are willing to give him the benefit of the doubt. That we have been ripped off by our leaders time and again, and yet still yearn for honesty and integrity and will risk a costly investment of trust (for we know it could happen again), speaks of something indomitable in the human spirit. Perhaps it is the old Messianic Hope--and thus akin to the dangers of fanaticism and blind faith. Or perhaps it is the Diogenes in each of us, seeking with our lamps an honest man. My hope is that if we find such

Everybody is invited to come and join in the fun Friday night at 7:30 PM. Don't try to use the excuse that you don't know how, the caller will explain all the steps as we go.

So why don't you come and enjoy an evening of Folk and Square Dancing. This is when all of us get a chance to swing that corner partner and do-se-do them around the room - legally!

Refreshments and candy provided.

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NOTES FROM ASW

On Saturday, April 10, there will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the children of the community in the Quad and around the Academic Building. All children wishing to join in the merriment should meet on the steps of the Academic Building at 10 AM that morning. If it should rain, the hunt will be held the same day, only at 3PM. Since an essential thing to have at an egg hunt are eggs anyone wishing to donate eggs can give them to anyone of ASW's officers. For those of you who don't like coloring the little devils we will gather Friday evening, April 9 at Lynn Wetzel's for a decorating party, open to anyone who wants to join in the fun.

Our April meeting will be held on Monday, April 12 and will be a night of fun and fellowship. We will have a "silent auction" and everyone should bring a home-made gift. You will need some money around \$2-3. And all money will be sent to the S. June Smith Center as a donation from ASW. Also, bring something with you as a poem or anything that can be shared.

a man (or whatever you are searching), we'll keep the lamp lit and the man honest by close scrutiny. Maybe skepticism will prove a better working hypothesis than simple faith--in both politics and religion.

--Tom Schreck