


The Lancaster Theological Seminary Seminary News



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Upcoming Meetings, Events and Lectures

Music Meeting- October 21

Do you like to sing, play a musical instrument, or otherwise make music? If so, please join others on Tuesday, October 21 at noon in Mayer Commons, to explore outlets for musical expression (particularly in worship) here at LTS. For more information, please contact Paul Eyer, first-year seminarian, at peyer@lancasterseminary.edu.

Meeting for Graduating Seniors - October 22

A meeting for graduating seniors is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22, immediately following chapel (about 12:15 p.m.). Bring a lunch and plan to spend about 30-45 minutes to receive important information regarding the schedule and process for commencement. At this time, order forms will be distributed for Certificates of Appreciation and graduation announcements, which are optional. For more information, please contact Judi Hummer in the Dean's Office at 717-290-8718.

Seminarian Community Council Meeting - October 23

Are you a registered student - full-time, part-time? Then you are a member of the Seminarian Community Council! Their next meeting is on Thursday, October 23 from 11:00 - noon in Mayer Common. For more information, please contact Joanne Marchetto, Moderator, at 717-393-7792.

Voice Workshop - October 30

"So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in the manger." Do you know how to use the principles of phrasing and emphasis so that only the babe is lying in the manger (not the entire Holy Family)? If not, a Voice Workshop, "Speech for Preaching and Worship Leadership" will be offered on Thursday, October 30 at 11:00 in the Santee Chapel. This workshop, led by Jen Lord, will be a time to practice vocal mechanics (breathing, vocal support) and vocal interpretation (phrasing; emphasis through pitch, pause and volume; internalization issues). Please bring your Bible. For more information, please contact the Dean of the Chapel, Jen Lord at 717-290-8754.

Possible Palestinian Presentation - November 3

Zleikha Muhtaseb from Hebron in the West Bank is scheduled to speak on Monday, November 3, ending a three-week tour in the United States with Partners for Peace. A reception for Zleikha is planned for 6:00 pm and her talk, "The Current Situation," at 7:00 pm in Hafer Center. Zleikha has worked as an English teacher in government schools, as a translator, and as a human rights advocate for Human Rights Watch, Save the Children, and Christian Peacemaker Team. She has most recently founded a women's center and a center for social development for children with post-traumatic stress disorder resulting from the conflict in Hebron. Unfortunately, while leaving Israel, Zleikha was stopped in Jordan and sent back to Hebron. It is unclear at this point whether she will be given permission to travel to the United States. We will keep you informed as to whether this event will take place. Please keep Zleikha in your prayers.

Attention Continuing Education Auditors

This is a reminder that, because campus parking is at a premium, we are not able to offer Seminary parking permits to Continuing Education Auditors for the Seminary lots. Our policy states that anyone who parks in Seminary lots who does not have a Seminary parking permit will be ticketed. Those who are auditing courses between 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. will need to find parking on nearby public streets. Please be aware of the city's schedule for street cleaning. After 5:00 p.m., parking without a Seminary permit is allowed in the West Lot (College and James Streets) as space is available. Two spaces designated as Handicapped Parking are provided in the West Lot and may be used at any time by those holding a valid handicapped permit issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. For more information please contact Judi Hummer in the Registrar's Office at 717-290-8718.

Library Information

In reference to the article in the last issue of the Seminary News entitled, "Thanks for Being Courteous," please include the library as another location to keep your cell phones, pagers and any other electronic devices you may use set to silent operation or off. If you must make or receive a call please move to the lobby or outside to do so. For more information, please contact Dawn Proctor in the Library at 717-290-8742.

Help Ronald McDonald House

The Ronald McDonald House Soda Tab Collection Program was established in 1987 by the Minneapolis/St. Paul Ronald McDonald House community. To date, over 400 million soda tabs have been collected, generating over \$300,000. The Hershey location alone receives \$1,100 a month from the collected tabs. Plastic milk jugs are placed throughout the Seminary campus to collect the tabs, so please remember to save them. The Ronald McDonald House also collects various household items and food to assist the families using their facility. To follow is their wish list. Please give Maryann Bruce any item you would wish to donate and she will deliver items as received with documentation items are from the Seminary.

- Single serving foods: chips, crackers, cookies, candy, cereal, soup packets, microwave foods, pudding and gelatin boxes, hot chocolate mix, microwave popcorn, non-dairy creamer.
- Household items: 30 gallon size trash bags, bathroom spray cleaner, glass cleaner, disinfectant spray, toilet bowl cleaner, white heavy-duty wash cloths and bath towels, laundry detergent and dryer sheets, sandwich size food storage bags.
- Personal care items: deodorant, hairbrushes and combs, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste.
- Miscellaneous items: fresh flowers, white copier paper (8 ½ x 11), Polaroid film (600 type), videos and DVD's (new releases), postage stamps, new toys and books.
- Gift certificates: To local grocery store for perishable food items (Fox's Giant, Weis), to local restaurants (Applebee's, Bob Evans, Friendly's, Isaacs, McDonald's), \$5.00 or \$10.00 certificates to Turkey Hill Mini Markets for gasoline.

For more information, please visit www.rmhc.com. You may also call Maryann Bruce in the Dean's Office at 717-290-8752.

FYI - After a lot of research, it has been determined that plastic Turkey Hill pull-tabs are not being collected by any organization or agency, therefore you may properly discard any tabs you may be holding.

Help Families at Hershey Medical Center

Help brighten the lives of the children at Hershey Hospital this holiday. Purchase your holiday cards from The Four Diamonds Fund. Each pack of 20 cards (includes 5 cards of each design) is only \$10.00 and all the proceeds benefit The Four Diamonds Fund, an organization which assists families who may not have medical insurance or need additional help while their children are being treated for cancer at Hershey Medical Center. The cards are even designed by children being treated. For more information or to purchase your set of cards, please contact Maryann Bruce in the Dean's Office at 717-290-8752.

Government Loan Staff Addition

Donna Dencler recently joined the Financial Aid Department as the Government Loan person. Until further notice, her office will be the same office Ginjr Humphreys used on the second floor of the Library. Donna will be available for student appointments on Thursday afternoons from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. You must adjust your schedule to meet with Donna during these hours. She will not be available any other time. If you need to make an appointment with Donna, please see Kristin Oberholtzer in the Admissions Office. For more information, please contact Donna Dencler at 717-290-8719 or ddencler@lanasterseminary.edu.

United Church Employment Opportunities

Each month the Seminary receives a copy of the United Church Employment Opportunities from the UCC Cleveland office. It lists employment opportunities for clergy and lay persons in the UCC. This publication can be found in a binder on the table outside the Alliance Suite in the lower level of Lark, an area accessible at all times. New entries and changes made from the previous month are noted in boldface type. Please do not remove this from the area. Subscriptions are also available by calling 216-736-3846. For more information, please contact Mary Lin Seiver at 717-290-8723.

Message from the Dean of the Chapel

Lyn Reith has been appointed Chapel Assistant for the academic year 2003/2004. In this position she assists the Dean of Chapel (Jen Lord) in the following ways: change and cleaning of paraments, keeping communion wine and juice stocked in sacristy closet; organizing the sacristy; communicating Chapel related news in Seminary News. Please note that Lyn's duties are distinct from those of the Worship Planning Groups. For more information, please contact Dean of the Chapel, Jen Lord, at 717-290-8754.

Volunteer Help Needed!

Family Ministry and Evangelism at Grace Lutheran Church's After-School Club needs volunteers, every Wednesday from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Volunteers will help with homework, promote literacy, chaperone local field trips, among other duties. A paid position may be available as well. The program serves approximately 24 local kids, providing a safe place for elementary kids to interact with caring adults after school. For more information, please contact Pastor Matthew Lenahan at 717-397-2748. Church is less than a mile east from the Seminary.