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WELCOME AGAIN

Welcoming people is part of the President's job, I have discovered. It seems like I have been saying "welcome" almost everyday since we returned from Holland. But I find I have a number of thoughts I want to share, so I welcome this invitation of The Seminarian to say "welcome" again.

Welcome to a place--to Lancaster, and to the campus. We have short-changed maintenance of property in recent years to support our educational programs. Now that we have secured increased financial support for the people in the place, we can afford to spend more on our property. Help us make--and maintain--the campus as a pleasant place.

Welcome to a people--faculty and students, administration and staff, trustees and alumni, families and friends. These are categories we use to classify ourselves, to keep our records straight. But relationships are more important than records, and I hope we can function together as human beings, relating to each other in the freedom of Christ's liberating love.

Welcome to a purpose--stated in the catalog and elsewhere--to take our stand squarely in the mission of the Christian Church in the world, to concentrate our concerns on leadership for parish churches, and to focus our efforts on people--learning serving, changing, growing.

So welcome, again, to Lancaster Theological Seminary and to this year of life and work together. May our times together--in chapel, library, HUB, classroom, dorm, apartment, etc.--build us all up in faith and hope and love.

-- James Glasse,
President

A WELCOMING CHALLENGE

It is a source of great pleasure for me that the editor of THE SEMINARIAN has asked me to write a few words of welcome to the seminary community. In fact, we have already been at work for one month. But, now, as we begin our life together, our community will take on new form and meaning. I welcome the whole community--students, faculty, staff and administration--to what I believe will be an exciting and challenging year.

At the same time I would like to issue a special challenge. For the past two years, and indeed up to the present time, many seminarians, faculty and staff alike have indicated vocally that the life of the Seminary community has not been all that it could possibly be. There has been dissatisfaction about spiritual life and social opportunities as well as concern about the academic programs. This year with changes in the curriculum, new members of faculty and administration, and most importantly a new Junior class, we have many new possibilities to grow together. I would urge all of us to think critically and creatively, to offer ourselves generously and above all work for the glory of God in our midst.

I wish for all of us a meaningful and productive year--spiritually, academically, and socially--as we search together for a vision of community in Christ.

--John Fureman,
President, SCC

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HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated at chapel on Monday morning, 9:10am. The celebrant and preacher will be Rev. George Bricker, Dean of the Seminary. We cordially invite all members of the Seminary Community to attend this opening communion service.

AND STILL MORE FROM THE
ORIENTATION COMMITTEE

The year looks bright ahead for new activities and get-togethers for every-one. The atmosphere is exciting and very promising. Last Monday night, the Orientation Committee sponsored an informal get-together at Long Park as a chance to welcome back the Seniors and meet the Juniors. The turnout was great! Some new relationships were started and it was a good chance to share with other informally. So, encouraged by that response, the Orientation Committee has decided to keep functioning and next Monday night, a big all-community dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Refectory. Everyone is invited--all the family--and the women are providing the food so you know it will be good! There will be a program following with some introductions to campus life at LTS and a special presentation of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" by a youth choir, under the direction of Karl Jones, a senior member of LTS. If you miss this evening, you will probably be missing THE SOCIAL EVENT of the year. See you there.

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FROM THE WOMEN

As the Junior men took off on the first leg of their month-long "voyage," the women of Lancaster Theological Seminary met together to get acquainted. In an informal atmosphere of dessert and punch, we met the new people and shared something about ourselves. It was a promising start for the new year. The all-community dinner next Monday night will replace our regular monthly meeting. Our first "official" ASW meeting will be on Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. We are interested in your responses to seminary life so far and what you would like to see happen this year. Be thinking. More details later this month.

--Bonnie McDowell

FIELD STUDY

"One Sows, another Reaps"

A simple lesson in Christian Living is that we are not the only man or woman to ever minister in the various churches we serve. There have been times when I have approached my service to a church with great images of sowing the seed of the gospel--only to find that particular church engaged in a harvest of spiritual fruit and personal salvation beyond my understanding. The inference here is that saintly women and men had surely labored long and diligently in this church before I ever arrived. And of course there are times when we find ourselves planting seeds of Jesus Christ and endlessly nurturing and cultivating the crop, only to become removed from the situation. And other workers become the reapers of our labor.

I suppose at times we are not satisfied to only be the sower or only be the cultivator or to only be the reaper. And we try hard to play as many of the roles as we singlehandedly can work in. In the Gospel of John 4: 35-8. Jesus speaks in a spiritual sense to these roles and teaches; "The reaper is drawing his pay and gathering a crop for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together." (NE) I personally look to the event where the separation of sower and reaper is lost in the Harvest of Christ's Community.

--Lee McCardle

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POLICY STATEMENT

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CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - 149:3

Thursday, October 4, 1973

- * Open to Seminary Community
 - ** Open to General Public
- Numbers in parentheses refer to announcements which follow.

CALENDAR

Friday, October 5 - Board of Trustees Meeting - Hafer Center

Monday, October 8

- * 9:10 - 9:45 a.m. - Morning Prayer with Sermon - Chapel
- * 6:30 p.m. - Covered dish dinner (1)

Tuesday, October 9

- * 9:10 - 9:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer
- * 6:30 p.m. - Choir rehearsal - Chapel (2)
- ** 8:00 p.m. - Julian Bond - at Millersville (3)
- ** 9:00 p.m. - Bowling (4)
- Alumni Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 10

8:00 a.m. - Executive Cabinet meeting - L 204

- * 9:10 - 9:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer
 - Alumni Council Meeting
- Thursday, October 11

- * 9:10 - 9:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer
- ** 9:00 p.m. - Bowling

Friday, October 12

- * 9:10 - 9:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

DATES AHEAD

November 8 - 9 "Seminary Sampler" for College Students

(over)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) ALL - COMMUNITY DINNER

Monday, 6:30 p.m. is the time for the All-Community covered dish dinner to be held in the Refectory. All students (married and single), faculty, staff, spouses, and children are cordially invited to join in the great food (prepared by the women of the community), an exciting program, and lots of warm fellowship. Babysitting will be provided, so bring the entire family.

Bonnie McDowell
Dennis Moritz
Orientation Committee

(2) The Seminary Choir is reorganizing. Anyone (student, faculty, staff, spouses) interested in joining the choir is invited to come to rehearsal-- Santee Chapel on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Frank McConnell

(3) Julian Bond is speaking at Lyte Auditorium, Millersville, Tuesday, October 9th at 8:00 p.m. Student cost \$1.00

Donald M.C.Englert

(4) Bowling Tuesday and Thursday, Oct. 9-11 at 9:00 p.m. Leisure Lanes, Columbia Pike. Touch Football Thursday 4:30 p.m.

Donald M.C.Englert

On Monday, October 8 - The morning prayer service will include the celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. The Rev. George H. Bricker, Dean of Faculty, will be the celebrant-preacher. All the members of the Seminary Community are invited.

Ad Hoc Worship Committee
Francis Ringer, Chairman

DIRECTOR OF FIELD EDUCATION WANTS TO SEE YOU

You are cordially invited to stop in at L 203 (across from Edna Hafer's office). I would like to see every M.Div. student to learn from him or her what kind of work he or she is doing and, particularly, if anyone is interested in exploring one or more of the many job requests which I have received from churches and other places. Please come to see me. Thanks.

Allen Kroehler

INFORMATION ABOUT LEARNING EVENTS

I receive and save information about available learning events - such as human interaction experiences, transactional analysis workshops, experiential learning events, etc. I was reminded of this this week because of recent requests from participants in the seminar in human relations and change and by new fliers which just came to my desk about the Esalen Institute Mid-Atlantic Conference (when all the big, big names in the movement for the development of human potentialities will be together at the University of Maryland) and from Kirkridge describing their Marriage Marathons and a new Deepen Your Marriage! weekend for people recently (or soon to be) married. Come to see me whenever you want this kind of information

Allen Kroehler

FROM THE OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNICATION

The LTS Alumni Council will be on campus from Tuesday noon until Wednesday noon, October 8-9. Presiding over their fall meeting will be their President Ms. Dorothy Book (1971). The following members will be here: Ralph Geiman, Greencastle, Pa.; Alfred Sandrock; York, Pa.; Paul Snead, Dover, Pa.; Robert Aregood, Reading, Pa.; Robert Dilliard, Altoona, Pa.; Warren Hoopes, Lancaster, Pa.; Jeanne Ingold, Hickory, N.C.; Ghulam Nasrani, Hazleton, Pa. The Alumni Council and members of the Student Community Council will be sharing informally at Mr. Farrar's home (519 W. James Street) on Tuesday evening beginning at 7:30 p.m. This will be a casual, drop-in affair until 10:00 p.m. or so. Other persons in the Seminary community may "drop-in" and "drop-out" as they wish!

The Office of Development and Communication will be seeking volunteers to serve on a task force for prospective student recruitment to help when visitors come to campus and in certain instances to go off campus for recruitment purposes. Mr. Farrar will be working with the Student Community Council in this regard, too. Please drop by the office (206) and leave your name if you would be interested in helping out.

Lyman Farrar

Lancaster Association Ministerium progressive dinner has been postponed from October 5 to November 9, 6:30 p.m.