



# THE SEMINARIAN

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## KEEP UP THE PARISH TRAINING

An alumnus writes:

"It is my sincere hope that Lancaster Seminary continues to provide preparation for the parish ministry. While it is true that there is an over-abundance of ministers, there is a shortage of parish ministers. Look at the vacancies, they are there. However, they are there only for those individuals who are willing to serve normal everyday people. People that cannot pay \$10,000 base salary, but people none-the-less that need the guidance provided by a pastor. The small community is made up of Christians also, the city and budget don't have a monopoly on Christ. Keep up the parish training, LTS, because each year you graduate a few ministers that take these small communities as their first choice rather than as their last, waiting for the 'right' job. It is for this reason and because of the purpose of LTS that she remains a valuable experience in the Church."

(This was part of a note that came into the Office of Development and Communication from an alumnus.)

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## A NOTE OF THANKS

We wish to thank all those of the seminary community who offered prayers for our son David during his recent illness. As new parents we were quite dismayed and found strenght in your concern. David is doing fine and has returned to school.

Sincere thanks,  
Nathan & Mary Ellen Baxter

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Next week is the beginning of Holy Week. To help celebrate this week, the climax of the Christian year, there will be special services both during morning chapel and special evening services. There will be two services on both Monday and Tuesday, and one Wednesday.

On Monday, April 8, during Morning Prayers at 9:05 a.m., there will be a Service of the Triumphal Entry. Then, in the evening at 9:00 p.m., Tenebrae/Stations of the Cross will be celebrated.

During Tuesday's morning chapel, Good Friday Office will be held. At 7:30 p.m., selections from St. Luke's Passion by Bach will be performed by the seminary choir under the direction of Frank A. McConnell in the Santee Chapel.

Concluding the Holy Week services will be a Service of Penance during the Wednesday morning service at 9:05 a.m.

## The Chapel Committee

Editor's note: These services promise to be very meaningful and should be a great way to prepare for a joyous Easter; so don't forget to mark these services on your calendar!

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## A SAD SPORTS NOTE

The world of sports here at LTS was greatly saddened Monday with the announcement that, after 31 years, "Doc" Englert has decided to give up his part in the seminary athletic program. This is a resignation from an entirely voluntary position. "Doc" has expressed his regrets for the necessity of this decision and says that he will miss the contacts made there.

Thanks for all your work throughout the years, "Doc".

## FINANCIAL AID

Seminarian financial aid questionnaires will be in mail boxes by Monday, April 8. Please try to have them back to Mr. Farrar's office before the Easter break. After Easter financial aid application blanks will be available from Mr. Farrar's office. Those wanting personal interviews will need to set up appointments with Mr. Farrar during the last two weeks of April and the first week of May. Official word of grants-in-aid for the fall will come in writing from Mr. Farrar's office.

Personal note: I am late in getting the survey instrument to you. The "crunch of time" has hit us all! Please know that we will do all we can to help you in your financial aid planning for the academic year, 1974-75.

Lyman Farrar

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### EASTER EGG HUNT: APRIL 6

For all Seminary children, up to and including age 6. The time is 10 am. All children meet on the Seminary parking lot near the HUB. Rain date is Sunday, April 7 - Rain or shine!

Don't forget Friday, April 5, at 6:30 pm. That is the night for the painting of the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. This activity is for all Seminary children 7 years and older. Come and have some fun at 535 N. Pine Street. If there are any questions, call Cathy Jones at 392-2214.

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### AN INVITATION: SUNDAY NIGHT SUPPER AT THE FARRARS!

Seminarians (both singles and marrieds) are invited to 519 W. James Street for supper on April 21. Informality will be the style of the evening, dress- and food-wise. You can "pick up" your dinner anytime between 6 and 9 pm. Drop in and drop out when you want! Stay to have some fun - take a break from the "time crunch"!

## ARTS FESTIVAL COMING

Yes. Once again it's almost time for LTS's annual spring arts festival. This year's festival will be held on April 17 and 18, and promises to be a great time of fellowship as well as great art--art of all kinds!

Beginning the festivities will be a special morning chapel service during which some unique approaches to worship will be used by all who attend. In order that this service be as meaningful as possible, everyone is encouraged to attend. Thursday's chapel service will also be unique for it will involve some dance.

Wednesday night will be a fun night of family entertainment. During this program, we will have music by Frank McConnell, Joyce Rupp, and John Payne. There will be a special performance of Dr. Suess' "Sneetches" which will be performed by several of the seminary's children. A spelling bee conducted by Doc Englert is also planned. "Search for Significance" is the title of the multi-media presentation. Rounding out the program will be a special song written by the Cable's daughter and arranged by the Englert's son.

Of course displays of all kinds will be featured. These will run the gambit from Paul Thompson's needlepoint Duckie to Denny Bechard's butterflies to Alice Zimmerman's potting to Barry Lohman's doughnuts to who knows what else. Everyone is welcome to participate and bring their art, whatever it may be. Displays will be set up in the HUB beginning Wednesday morning through Thursday at 5 p.m.

Another great part of the festival is that refreshments will be available throughout!

So, don't forget--mark up those dates on your calendars.

Arts Festival Committee

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### HUB NOTICE

Anyone interested in the position of HUB Chairman please speak with Paul Thompson, John Fureman, Larry Canfield, or Mike Romig.

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CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - 149:25

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

CALENDAR

Monday, April 8

- 9:05 A.M. - Morning Prayer - Service of the Triumphal Entry
- 9:30 A.M. - Commencement Committee Meeting L 204
- 4:30 P.M. - Softball
- 8:00 P.M. - Volley Ball
- 9:00 P.M. - Tenebrae/Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, April 9

- 9:05 A.M. - Morning Prayer - Good Friday Office
- 7:30 P.M. - Selections from St. Luke's Passion by Bach  
performed by the Lancaster Theological Seminary  
Choir under the direction of Frank A. McConnell,  
F.A.G.O., in Santee Chapel

Wednesday, April 10

- 9:05 A.M. - Morning Prayer - Service of Penance
- 4:30 P.M. - Softball
- 8:00 P.M. - Volley Ball

Easter Recess begins after last class

Thursday, April 11

- 7:00 P.M. - Volley Ball

DATES AHEAD

- April 16 - Mr. Samuel Saylor, Ministers Life Insurance  
Company, will be on campus
- April 16-19 - Rap-with-the-Faculty Week
- April 17 - 18 - Arts Festival
- May 2-3 - Board of Trustees Meeting
- May 9 - 10 - COMMENCEMENT

## THE REGISTER

### Executive Cabinet

No Report

Next Meeting - April 10

### Campus Affairs

No Report

### Student Community Council

No Report

### Doctorial Studies

No Report

### Collegium Development

Information Reported: The Collegium Development Committee has reviewed and analyzed this year's collegium program and has concluded that collegium is a viable and positive educational process and worthy of inclusion in a seminarian's education for the ministry. This decision was based on joint faculty and student opinion. Student opinion was collected throughout the year and specifically at the committee's meeting on February 25, 1974 in which each collegium sent a representative to give an indication of their feelings toward the collegium process.

Therefore, the committee is in the process of planning for next year's collegia formation. Basically, there are two alternatives for the formation arising from the fact of next year's incoming Juniors. It is anticipated that the 1974 Junior Class will approximate the size of this year's class.

The first alternative is to have segregated collegium groups per each class. One advantage of this approach is to prevent reviewing of the same basic data that this year's participants have gone over. Secondly, it allows communication channels which have been built in the collegia (sometimes through a long and arduous process) to be broadened because of the fact of familiarity among the members of a collegia group.

The second alternative is to integrate the classes in the formation of the collegia. Obvious advantages of this method are also twofold. First, people who have experienced seminary life have valuable insights and contributions to share with next year's Juniors. Some collegia this year have regarded very highly the opinions of their Senior members.

Before I state the second advantage it is necessary to realize the following facts. It is assumed the collegia will consist of 7 to 10 members (students and preceptors); above 10 members in a group inhibits group communications and accomplishments. Therefore, sheer numbers of approximately doubled student participation would dictate subdividing of existing collegia groups. As a result next year's groups would consist of subgroups of this year's collegia plus next fall's Juniors.

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The second advantage is, therefore, that the changing of collegia groups would portray a dynamic parish environment more realistically. A limited change of this nature would not inject chaos into the program, and would permit collegia retaining a sense of continuity.

The present model the Collegium Development Committee is considering consists of the following:

- 1) Juniors and Middlers integrated within collegia groups.
  - a) A three to five week classroom and group experience meeting once a week starting in October (or late September). The time would be divided to include both examining the theory of group interaction (Middlers could reflect on their past year's experience) and actual practice of group interaction.
  - b) This composite group would then determine the specific procedures for implementing group formation (combining collegia subgroups and Juniors).
- 2) Seniors would have their collegia groups which would focus on the following:
  - a) Discussion and implementation of plans for placement in the parish ministry.
  - b) Determination of objectives and goals for continuing education.

In this approach it is hoped to draw on the insights of upperclassmen. It will portray the changing parish environment in a more realistic manner. It will not force Seniors to review repetitious material and will facilitate them in their placement, in a very busy time of their seminary education.

Please keep in mind this is only a proposed model. The committee invites your comments and constructive criticism from clergy, students, faculty, and administrators. The collegia process can be an important part of one's seminary education. It deserves each individual's concern and consideration. Please feel free to contact me or any member of the Collegium Development Committee before April 18, 1974.

Thomas C. Smith

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### April 17 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF SEMINARIAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

On April 17 seminarians will elect the officers for the 1974-75 Seminarian Community Council. Also the ballot will be two proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Seminarian Community Council.

Larry Canfield

The dates for pre-registration for the September Session and Fall Term classes has been changed from April 17-18 to April 29-30. The collegia requested a later date for pre-registration so that the course offerings could be discussed in their groups. The schedules of courses for both the Fall and Spring Terms, 1974-75 will be placed in the mailboxes.

George H. Bricker, Dean

### SALE IN BOOKSTORE - STARTING MONDAY, APRIL 8th THRU GRADUATION.

20% discount - cash sales only - on all books with the exception of American Bible Society and certain denominational publications.

Nancy Norris