

Seminary News

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Lancaster Theological Seminary

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End-of-Year/Commencement Activities Begin with May 4th Service of Word and Sacrament & Awards Presentations

Students, faculty and staff are invited to join in the festivities during a special Awards Luncheon in the Refectory on Wednesday, May 4. Lunch in the Refectory will begin immediately after the Service of Word and Sacrament, led by Professor Anabel Proffitt, at 11:10 a.m. After lunch, commencement prizes; academic awards; and special faculty, staff and student awards will be presented, beginning at 1:00 p.m. There will be potluck dessert. You are welcome to bring a "brown bag" lunch or purchase your lunch there.

QUADFEST '94

Students, faculty, staff...How about coming to the May 4 picnic? Come on over to the Quad and have something to eat, and for those of you who want to work out those winter kinks, there'll be a mean game of volleyball! Festivities, sponsored by the Seminarian Community Council, begin at 4:00 p.m.

Schedule of Events

May 4

Service of Word & Sacrament, 11:10 a.m., Santee Chapel, Anabel Proffitt

Awards Luncheon.

Refectory, following chapel

SCC Quadfest '94, 4:00 p.m.

May 13

Alumni/ae Council Luncheon, 12:00 noon, Church of the Apostles

McCauley Lecture, 3:30 p.m.

Prof. Lee Barrett III

"Do You Know My Jesus"

Alumni/ae Council Dinner, 6:00 p.m., Brunswick Hotel

May 14

Commencement Worship

8:15 a.m., Santee Chapel

169th Commencement,

11:00 a.m., Church of the Apostles

NATIONAL CATHEDRAL DEAN SPEAKS AT COMMENCEMENT

The Very Rev. Nathan D. Baxter, dean of the Washington National Cathedral, will be speaker at the 169th Commencement of the Seminary, beginning at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 14, at the Church of the Apostles. His address is titled, "*On Being Born Again: Leadership of Institutional Religion.*"

Dr. Baxter was formerly dean of Lancaster Seminary, from 1986 to 1990. While at Lancaster, he was associate professor of Church and Ministry and served as associate priest at St. John's Episcopal Church, Lancaster. Earlier, he received a master of divinity degree and doctor of ministry degree from the Seminary.

After serving as dean of the Seminary, Dr. Baxter was administrative dean and associate professor of pastoral theology at Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He was installed as dean of the Washington National Cathedral in February 1992.

PROF. BARRETT PRESENTS McCAULEY LECTURE

On Friday, May 13, Dr. Lee C. Barrett III, professor of Systematic Theology, will present the annual McCauley Lecture. Titled, "Do You Know My Jesus?" the lecture will be held at 3:30 p.m. in Santee Chapel as part of Alumni/ae Day. Faculty, students and staff are encouraged to attend.

COMMENCEMENT DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

All students are invited to join in the worship service on Commencement Day, May 14. The service, which begins at 8:15 a.m. in Santee Chapel, will include a sermon by Allen Kroehler and the celebration of Communion. Graduating students, their families and friends will have a chance to worship together before proceeding to the Commencement exercises at the Church of the Apostles. We welcome all our friends from the Seminary community to join in this celebration of Word and Sacrament.

STAFFORD LOAN FORM

In the academic year 1994-95 many changes will take place in the federal government's Stafford Loan Program. Many of them relate to management of forms and information on forms.

This week a form for Stafford Loan Information will appear in student mailboxes. Please complete it as soon as you complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or FAFSA Renewal and have information about scholarships and other loans which you will be receiving. Then return it to the Financial Aid/Student Services Office.

Please be aware that the Seminary cannot certify your Stafford Loan without the information requested. The following information will help you complete your forms more easily:

- The code number for Lancaster Seminary is 003286.
- Please answer "yes" to question #92 so that the Federal Government shares the information with PHEAA and Lancaster Seminary receives the Student Need Analysis Document from PHEAA.

- Your housing category is "Off Campus," even though you live in Seminary housing. You are independent individuals who pay rent, utilities, etc.

- A Student Aid Report (SAR) will be sent to your primary address by the Federal Government. You must review it, sign it and send it to the Seminary. We cannot do the school certification without it!

AMERC SUMMER TERM

A variety of learning opportunities (both credit and non-credit) are available at the Appalachian Ministries Educational Resource Center (AMERC) in Berea, Kentucky, this summer for six-week or three-week options.

Courses include Appalachia: The Religious Context, Appalachia: The Social Context, Appalachia: The Church and Strategy, Small Church Ministry, Community Development and Direct Service Ministry, and Family Farm Ministry.

Summer term provides opportunities for experiential learning, special environmental workshops, theological reflection groups, worship and recreation. There is also a six-week opportunity for field internships.

A few openings remain. Take a look at the large poster describing the AMERC experience on the "Study Opportunities" bulletin board next to the Office of the Faculty Secretary. Additional copies of that information may be found on the shelves outside Belva Brown Jordan's office. Ask Donna Kaplan, Faculty Secretary, for a registration form.

CHAPEL LEADERS

Wednesday, May 4 - Prof. Proffitt

Friday, May 6 - Mary Lou Eckels

REFECTORY NEWS

No community lunch will be served in the Refectory on Thursday, May 5. Please come and enjoy the special Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, May 4.

SUMMER HOURS AT COKESBURY

Cokesbury will begin summer hours after Commencement. Beginning May 16, the store will be open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Cokesbury will also be open on Monday, June 6, and Monday, June 20. Please feel free to leave messages in the Bookstore mailbox or on the answering machine (394-1077) when the Bookstore is closed.

TAKE NOTE

5/6/94 - Last day to request Extension for Spring Term

6/6/94 - Summer School tuition due

8/29/94 - September Term tuition due

9/19/94 - Fall Term tuition due

President's Page

Almost There

This edition of the *Seminary News* is the last one for this year and that says we are almost there! Next week brings Alumni/ae Day and Commencement. We bid farewell to those graduating in all three degree programs and wish them grace and peace as they look to new opportunities for growth and service. Commencement is also a time to celebrate the lives of former graduates, as they return to rejoice in friendships and good memories. At the commencement service we will recognize members of anniversary classes: 40, 45, 50 and more than 50 years. It is always overwhelming to greet those who graduated before you were born!

We also recognize several members of the staff who complete full-time service to the school at the end of June: Barbara Stephens will continue working with the Development Office on a part-time basis and Don McKinney leaves the buildings and grounds crew. We thank both of them for their faithful service. As noted earlier, Allen Kroehler will continue next year as Chaplain and we will be recognizing him as he makes the transition to volunteer status.

The year has also brought to us new students in September and January. We know that this has been an important transition for you from college and/or work. We hope this first year met your expectations.

As I think of the year many things are cause for rejoicing: the good community life I experience in worship, class and our work together; the encouraging report on our re-accreditation; the celebration of our centennial; progress on Campus 100 fund raising; new faculty and administrative staff; progress made by faculty in curricular change; and a year of dedicated and faithful work by so many people. Visitors to the campus are overwhelmed by the facilities and impressed by the commitment of students, faculty and staff.

There will be some changes this summer and fall: Don Cooney will use a two month leave to study various approaches to fund raising in the fields of the arts, health and community service. David Greenhaw returns from sabbatical in mid-July. In the fall I will be on sabbatical doing research and writing on the general theme of Christ and the church. Plans will be in place for dealing with all administrative matters for all of these times. In my absence Dean Greenhaw will convene the administrative cabinet and chair the faculty.

Let me also share the sorrowful news that Leigh Greenhaw's father is seriously ill. The prospect for recovery is not good. Leigh has returned from Australia to Arizona, while David and the boys remain in Sydney. Would you remember Leigh and her family in your prayers. Their address is available from Judy Hummer.

So we close the year, knowing that members bring to this time great cause for rejoicing and personal sorrows. I look forward to greeting you in these final days as we bid our farewells and prepare for the future.

Peter Schmiechen

1994-1995 Academic Calendar Lancaster Theological Seminary

FALL SEMESTER

September Term

August 25-26
August 29-30
August 29
September 16

Fall Faculty Retreat
Orientation for New Students
September Term Begins
September Term Ends

Fall Term

September 19
September 22
September 23
October 28-29
November 14-18
November 21-25
December 16

Fall Term Classes Begin
Opening Convocation
Last Day to Add Class for Fall Term
Discover LTS Weekend
Registration Week
Thanksgiving Recess
Fall Term Classes End

SPRING SEMESTER

January Term

January 6
January 9
January 16
January 27
January 30-February 3

Fall Term Grades Due
January Term Begins
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
January Term Ends
Reading Week

Spring Term

February 6
February 10
February 17-18
March 20-24
April 10-14
April 14
April 28
May 5
May 12
May 13
May 15-16
May 26

Spring Term Classes Begin
Last Day to Add Class for Spring Term
Discover LTS Weekend
Registration Week
Holy Week Recess
Deadline for 95/96 Financial Aid Application
Senior Grades for Courses Due
Spring Term Ends
Convocation, Alumni/ae Meetings, Alumni/ae Dinner
Commencement
Spring Faculty Retreat
Grades for Spring Term Due

Summer Term

June 5
June 23

Summer Term Begins
Summer Term Ends

LIBRARY HOURS

May 2-5 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
May 6 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
May 7 CLOSED
May 9-13 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
May 14 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
May 16-20 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
May 23-26 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
May 27 8:30 a.m. - noon
May 21 CLOSED
May 28 CLOSED
May 30 CLOSED

SUMMER HOURS (May 31-August 27)

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - noon
Weekends CLOSED

LIBRARY CHECKOUTS

Books checked out by seniors were to be returned to the Library no later than Friday, April 29. Overdues and fines were to be cleared by that date. Library materials checked out by students other than seniors are due May 13. If you need books after that date, renew them and give the Library your summer address and phone number. Fines will be assessed for materials over the summer.

LIBRARY FINES

Beginning on July 1, library fines will increase to 25 cents per day.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Library needs volunteers to help shift books from overcrowded shelves to empty shelves. Even an hour of your time will be appreciated. Come to the Library on Wednesday, May 25, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Work will last until the task is done. Library staff will provide lunch for helpers. Please let Ann Kemper know by May 12 if you will be able to help, so that we can plan accordingly.

SEMINARY RECEIVES UNITED WAY GOLD AWARD

Lancaster Seminary has once again received a Gold Award from United Way of Lancaster County for its participation in last year's campaign. Gold Awards are given to organizations whose employee per capita contribution is \$100 or more. The Seminary also received a public sector award of excellence for its work in conducting an employee campaign in the workplace. Congratulations and thanks to all who helped in this year's campaign.



CHOIR ROBES NEEDED

Churches in Africa are in need of any kinds of choir robes. If you know of anyone who has robes to donate, please let them know to bring the robes to Donna Kaplan's office at the Seminary. They will be distributed in May 1995.



Bulletin Board

POST COMMENCEMENT PICNIC

Kelly and Dwight Hein and their families invite the Seminary Community to a **Post Commencement Picnic** in the Quad. Please join us in this end-of-year celebration. Some food and beverages will be provided by our families. Grills will be available for your favorite cookout food. Feel free to bring a dish to share, but don't feel you need to bring something just to attend. The picnic is open to students, staff, faculty and their families. Please join us as we celebrate graduation and the end of the 1993-94 seminary year together.

LOST

Brigitte Putnam has lost an antique Danish sterling silver bracelet, about one-half inch wide in a rose design. If you find it, please call her or put a note in the Refectory mailbox.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The First Methodist Church, Duke and Walnut Streets, Lancaster, needs volunteers to assist with Sunday School and the serving of lunch to a number of children on Sunday, May 15, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

The program is prepared, and four adults will supervise the morning activities and lunch. All of the other adults will attend a culmination meeting offsite that day. Meanwhile, back at the church, assistance is needed with the children. **Can you help? Please sign up with Donna Kaplan, Faculty Secretary.**

NOTES OF THANKS

From Brigitte Putnam. . .

It is hard to believe that I will be leaving Lancaster Seminary soon. The time went so quickly -- it seems I arrived here only yesterday. I found that one need not be a student to experience a spiritual interaction with the teachings of humanity in a community such as this. I feel that now I'll be much better prepared to handle life in a parish wherever Harrison is called. So, my thanks goes to everyone who supported the lunch program and the catering that I did, and I hope that it pleased everyone. Saying goodbye is not easy, and I shall miss my friends, but I also look forward to new adventures. Again, thank you and goodbye -- and God's blessing to all.

From Albert Owens and Family. . .

It only takes a moment to say thank you, but your prayers and thoughtfulness and concern will be remembered forever.

