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## SPIRITUALITY

My first year at LTS has helped me to break down the stereotype of what a spiritual experience or a spiritual person is. The stereotype consists of the person who is pious, attends chapel regularly, doesn't smoke, does not use obscene language and enjoys God-talk in heavenly terms.

This person's life is well ordered and he is always in "touch" with God. God has already changed this person's life into a workable channel for his will.

I have come to be at odds with this kind of spirituality. It is too easy. God is meaningless to me living this way.

It seems to me that the ability to be spiritual means to live in the Spirit of Jesus. To know that none of our lives are well-ordered. To know that God is changing our lives daily. To relate meaning and love in the lives of others we meet because we need meaning and love. To struggle with a drug addict in his lostness without feeling any better off than him. To relate with any person who has lost his sense of identity. To be spiritual is to risk losing one's spirit so that the other person can gain his spirit. The most spiritual person I know personally doesn't go to church regularly, his life style doesn't fit in, he never talks about God. But somehow when I am around Bill, I feel the presence of God.

- Jonathan Lee McCauley



## WORD AND SACRAMENT OCTOBER 26

The first LTS community service of Word and Sacrament for the 1976-77 academic year will be held Tuesday, October 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Santee Chapel, Dr. George Bricker, celebrant. Afterward there will be a guided discussion session on the experience of the Service

- Spiritual Life Committee

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!!!



It's official! The Seminary Choir, seeking the hour most favorable for the largest number of participants, settled on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. as scheduled rehearsal time.

This early evening hour should enable those interested in singing to attend rehearsals before moving on to other activities.

During the hour there will be instruction in the basics of voice production and exposure to a variety of choral music.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 19, at 6:30 p.m. You are invited!

- Frank A. McConnell

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### SENIOR CLASS MEETING

### UNTITLED

Attention all Seniors!!!

There will be a class meeting on Wednesday, October 20 (right after the Senior Placement Seminar) at 2:00 p.m. in the classroom adjoining the Chapel. Please plan to attend...the Senior class representative to the SCC will be elected at that time. Start thinking about whether or not you would like to be nominated. If not you, who else?

To be a cloud

To be a small cloud

To be carrying rain

To be unburdened of rain

To be a small white unburdened cloud

To have found a niche in the blue sky

To have discovered that the earth is beneath me

And to have discovered that God is above me.

- Makin

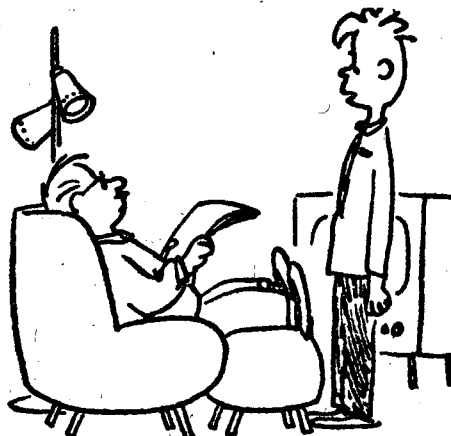
# PRAISE HIM!

CALL ME ANYTHING...  
JUST CALL ME!!!!!!!

To keep the peace in Woodbury, New Jersey, please change my phone number in your directory to: 609/848-4784. A little lady is starting to hate me. I can't imagine why, but 1:00 a.m. phone calls may be part of it!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

- Jeff Hamilton

\* P.S. to Jeff H.:  
appologize to her for our early morn intrusions!!! - the ed



"I've decided to go on to college, Dad, and then, after that, try to become a 'Prophet of Doom'!"

THE CONTINUING SAGA OF "DOC" THINE  
... D.MIN. OF THE OLD WEST

Let me in brief describe the sweet rose which brought forth fragrant blossoms...my dear old Mother.

Uppercrustia Scombroidina Muletrine was the name which graced her personage. She functioned primarily as a member of the social elite in the Boston area. Her husband (that is, her fourth one... just before my father) served as mayor of Boston from January 1 to February 2, 1819. And, of course, she was always the first person on her block to support a given social cause

Now, lest we stray much too thither from the subject at hand, let me present some vital information to you concerning my very personage, and how my indellible name was significantly derived.

To begin with, the expansive period of the springtime of my life is much too painful to reconstruct (I once made an attempt to do so in the course of my Seminary studies, using what was then known as the Ear-ache-son developmental and nutritional model of psycho-diptherial and socio-dynamical development. But, apparently, my professor felt that my recollections and comparisons were all too highly insignificant, for he duly awarded me the grade of D- on the project paper).

I was, at the time of my eighteenth year, an apprentice locksmith. It was during this period that the Lord called me into the ministry.

One day, while cracking a safe lock, it happened...the most unbelievable stream of consciousness ever to flow through the soft, clear and multitudinal recesses of my fantabulous mind...

(to be continued) -es

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PIANO LESSONS

...are available from Susan Mulford, 394-3978. All ages. Reasonably priced. Time, place to be worked out. Thank You!!!

"DOC" ENGLERT...SUPERSTAR

Stop the presses!!! A record has been utterly shattered!!! Last Tuesday night, Dr. Englert bowled a 264...and got 9 strikes out of 12...the highest since Seminary bowling was born!!! We salute you, "Doc" Englert, Superstar!!!

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FOR ALL THOSE WHO WANT  
TO THINK ABOUT WED. FROM 1-3

"I think. I think I am.  
Therefore I am. I Think,"

"Of course you are my bright little star. We've miles and miles of files - Pretty files - of your forefathers fruit - and now to suit - our great computer - your magnetic ink!"

"I know I'm more than that.  
I think I must be."

"There you go man. Keep as cool as you can. Face miles of trials with Smiles. It riles them to believe that you perceive the web they weave. Keep on THINKING Free!"

- Moody Blues

\* P.S. : Descartes thought too!!

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"THINK ON IT..."

"Don't it always seem to go that you don't know what you've got till it's gone.  
Pave paradise,  
Put up a parking lot."

- Joni Mitchell

Think on it. Do we want lawn and trees or asphalt and chrome?

- C. U. Later

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CROP WALK

This Sunday, the 17th of October, the CROP Walk will take place in Lancaster. CROP is a division of Church World Service. Each year, individuals pledge to (this article continued, next page

## CROP (cont'd)

walk fifteen miles around Lancaster City. For this, they gather sponsors who will pay them a given amount of money per mile walked. After the walk is completed, the money is then turned over to CROP to be distributed through the Church World Service. This money is used to feed the hungry people of the world.

LTS is looking for representatives to walk in this worthwhile event. If you are interested, please pick up your walking papers (CROP Collection Record) in the HUB (editor's note: Center for Parish Development) or from Mr. Kroehler.

If you need inspiration, speak to any of the Seniors and ask them what they saw in Haiti and the Dominican Republic as far as hunger and poverty are concerned.

If you cannot be a walker, how about becoming a sponsor? See Linda Lallas, Al Mann, Ben Martindale or Dennis Hartman. Won't you help feed the hungry and show them "We Care?"

The number of people that die from starvation each week is equal to the population of Lancaster City!

- Charlie Hull

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## AN EXCLUSIVE ON-THE-SPOT INTERVIEW WITH PAUL PICKLER, BELL RINGER

"Paul, as our official bell-ringer, what do you think about when you ring the bell at 7:50 in the morning?"

"What do I think about when I ring the bell? It's time to get up! Rise and shine! Hey, I could put in a pitch for restoring the bell tower. I wonder if the bell is going to fall down on my head. You know that rickety building."

"Do you ever feel bad about the people you wake up in the morning?"

"No. It's time to get up, eight-o'clock!"

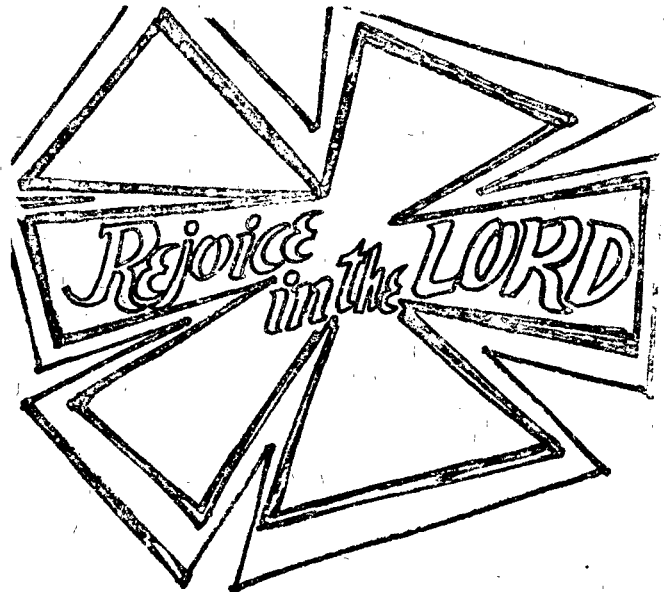
"How did you learn to ring the bell?"

"Just pulled the rope."

"Once again, our hats are off to Paul Pickler's on-the-spot co-operation. We here at LTS should be proud to have such dedication and devotion to the ancient art of bell ringing in our midst."

- C.U. Later

\*P.S. : C.U. Later wishes to clarify some confusion concerning last week's interview with Dr. Payne. Apparently, "Once is enough" is not what he meant, or he didn't mean what he said, or I heard what he didn't say, or I didn't hear what he did say, or...well, you get the gist of it. (C.U. Later is often



confused.) Anyway, Dr. Payne would love to go back, anytime! I think.

- C.U. Later

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## THINK, SMOKERS!!!

Thanks to Allen Kroehler, we here present the substance of a resolution which came before the June 11-13 meeting of the Penn Central Conference, UCC, at Franklin and Marshall College: "A RESOLUTION (presented by smokers)"

We, the undersigned, smokers, present the following for your consideration:  
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THINK, SMOKERS!!! (cont'd)

"WANNA BUY A KEY, MAN?"

"WHEREAS, the ill effects of tobacco smoke on the smoker are well known, and

WHEREAS, the rights of persons with respiratory disease as well as those who simply do not like to breathe smoke-filled air must be respected,

THEREFORE, let it be resolved:

That at all meetings of Penn Central Conference, its Boards and Committees, the rights of non-smokers be respected by having a "no smoking" rule during meetings."

- Submitted by Robert Carter,  
R. Tyler Trimmer

\*editor's note: Maybe members of the faculty and student body will put this "rule" into practice in the classrooms and offices. Let's be respectful of those who do not share our need for "puffing without ceasing." Surely we can wait to smoke until after the C.E. or Counseling course...or that grueling faculty and/or committee meeting. In this way, we will make many people happy...and, maybe, save a little wear and tear on our lungs.

How about it, man? We are selling (renting?) some very, very righteous stuff...maybe, for you, the way to a really far-out trip!!!

Dig...here's the scoop (har, har, har!)...for the price of one greenback, you can "own-up" to a shiny, powerful key...the key to the New Student Center... and that is where it's at, man! And the possession of this key is for what some establishment dude calls "the duration of the user's (dig the dialect, man...is he for real?) affiliation with the Seminary." Dudes (of both/all sexual orientations) should get it together with Doug Turner (I once has a pet duck by that name) as soon as possible. The "Lounge" will be open to the use of the Seminary Community and (wait a minute...maybe it reads "Commune?") their guests.

- Armor Skofink, ed.

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TWO-HEADED MONSTERS IN THE CPD???

Contrary to previous reports, no two-headed monsters have been discovered hiding in the Center for Parish Development.

- ed.

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THE REPLY

It seems the case at LTS, that scriptural didactics must perchance a little deal with textual critics' tactics. Some students, in this process, will end up quite well versed. Others drown in all the stuff in which they are emersed.

Remember, then, this motto, as you struggle to get through, That, going down the fourteenth time, these wisdom words ring true; "Textual critical techniques may sometimes be a bummer." They may not make you smarter, but they sure won't make you dumber.

It may just do your image good when sometime you refer To Metzger when confronting a confused parishioner. And when the course is over, you may not be a whiz, But you'll have gained a clear idea of just what suffering is.

And you'll rejoice; You'll celebrate the fact that you're alive, Secure about the Knowledge that you really did survive. As you sit and vaguely ponder how you spent your stressful Fall, Remember as you register for next semester - PAUL! \*

\*//Moyer- BS Codex, Byzantine Manuscratches. ?//

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+++++ PRAY/WORK FOR PEACE.

## ONE YEAR AGO IN THE SEMINARIAN...

\*Editor's note: Every so often, a column under this heading will appear in the SEMINARIAN. It is my hope that such a column will provide members and friends of the Seminary community with a bit of amusement, entertainment, etc. Also, I must point out that I have often heard that we can learn much about ourselves in the present, and understand better our future path by taking a serious look at the past...in this case, in reference to our life as an institution. Enjoy!!!

One year ago this week, Doug Turner and Nancy Lilly were sitting in the editor's seat. Following are some of the items which appeared in the October 16, 1975 issue...

- an editorial urging readers to attempt to gain an understanding of the concept of change and to "use it effectively in our total lives so existence becomes life."

- an announcement of the appointment of Doug Dandridge as chairperson (the term "chairman" was used) of the planning committee for the 1976 Seminar Abroad. Dan Hamlin, Dennis Hartman and Doug Turner were appointed to the committee.

- an announcement of a meeting, called by Dr. Ringer, for those students interested in learning about the Order of St. Luke the Physician.

- one of a series of articles authored by Thomas Schreck (now an ordained Unitarian-Universalist minister serving as an army chaplain) under the title, "Heretic In The Hub"...this one an attempt to convince Trinitarians that "man made God," and stating, "The question is not shall we worship the true God or an idol? but rather which idol shall we worship?"

- a plea by Alice Zimmerman (now an ordained UCC minister serving in Baltimore), HUB chairperson, for "suggestions for making the HUB warmer - more of a place you enjoy being in."

## WHAT'S YOUR OPINION?

The general election is only a few short weeks away. We want to have a gauge of LTS community sentiment toward the candidates. Please fill this poll out to the best of your ability and return it to the SEMINARIAN mail box (you can easily find it by looking in the third file drawer from the top in the student mail file in the Center for Parish Development.

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- 1.) Are you registered to vote?  
Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2.) Which of these designations fits your relationship to the Seminary?  
Student\_\_\_\_\_ Faculty\_\_\_\_\_  
Administration\_\_\_\_\_ Staff\_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse of a Seminarian\_\_\_\_\_  
Other (please explain)\_\_\_\_\_
  - 3.) Do you, at this time, plan to vote on November 2?  
Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ Don't Know\_\_\_\_\_
  - 4.) If you answered questions #1 and #3 in the affirmative, you are requested to answer this question. If you were to vote today for president, which of the following candidates would you vote for?  
Jimmy Carter\_\_\_\_\_ Gerald Ford\_\_\_\_\_  
Eugene McCarthy (Ind.)\_\_\_\_\_  
Lester Maddox (American Independent Party)\_\_\_\_\_ Other....  
(please specify)\_\_\_\_\_
- None of the above (I do not intend to vote for anyone for president)\_\_\_\_\_

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