
Seminary News

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Holocaust Program

Mark your calendars for October 19, November 8 and December 7. The Church Relations Department at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and Lancaster Seminary have developed a joint program to provoke a campus-wide reflection and on-going discussion of the history and theological significance of the genocidal atrocity known as the "Holocaust." The program will heighten the understanding and responsibility of the Seminary community and the church at large in comprehending the impact of the massacre of over 6,000,000 Jews during the Second World War under the National Socialist Party in Germany.

On October 19, an all-campus presentation will be held from 11:00 a.m. until noon, led by Peggy Obrecht, Director of Church Relations, US Holocaust Memorial Museum. On November 8, the Seminary will be closed, and staff, faculty and students will participate in a special tour of the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington. The community will be traveling in chartered buses to the Capitol. On December 7, an all-day conference on the Legacy of the Holocaust on Christian Theology will be held at the Seminary. Please watch the *Seminary News* for more information on these important events.

VESPER SERVICE - Every Tuesday evening, 8:00 p.m., Santee Chapel

1995 Church and Ministry Consultation

The 1995 Mid-Atlantic Region Church and Ministry Consultation will take place at Lancaster Seminary on Monday and Tuesday, October 9 and 10, 1995. This year's theme, "A Common Task: Caring for the Ministry of the United Church of Christ," reflects the task shared among committees and with many others in various settings of the church. At this year's Consultation, insights, questions, struggles and successes will be shared. There will be three major plenary sessions: the first will explore the difficult task of interviewing candidates. The second, led by the Rev. William Hulteen, Executive Director, Office for Church Life and Leadership, will look at the current state of ministry in the UCC and prospects for our future; the final session, led by the Rev. Mary Sue Gast, Executive Director, Coordinating Center for Women in Church and Society, will explore the current state of women in ministry in the UCC.

Worship Workshop Set

In addition to her participation in the Church and Ministry Consultation, The Rev. Lavon Bayler, a minister of the UCC whose lectionary-based worship resources are used nationwide, will lead a workshop titled, "The Church at Worship," on Tuesday, October 10. The event will be held in Santee Chapel, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Bayler is a well-known hymn writer, poet and author. She has written several books on worship, including *Fresh Winds of the Spirit* (books 1 and 2), *Whispers of God*, *Refreshing Rains of the Living Word*, and, most recently, *Gathered by Love*. All students are encouraged to attend Rev. Bayler's presentation at no charge.

Professor Proffitt Teaches Course on Lord's Prayer

"Living Our Lives in the Presence of God" is the title of a course taught by Professor Anabel Proffitt to be presented Tuesday evenings October 17 to November 21. Sponsored jointly by Highland

Presbyterian Church and Lancaster Theological Seminary, the six-week course is targeted to laypersons.

According to Dr. Proffitt, "Amidst the busy-ness of our lives it is easy to lose sight of our connection to God. Using the Lord's Prayer as a model of spiritual life, this course will assist participants in examining their own spiritual journey, while offering resources for the daily nurture of an on-going sense of connection to God." For further information, or to register, please see Mary Lin Siever in the President's Office.

Sex and CIGI

Add a valuable tool to your emerging ministry! Created in God's Image (CIGI) is the new adult and older youth sexuality learning program of the UCC. CIGI's ten sessions begin and end with worship and use individual and group learning activities in a safe, respectful, structured group setting. Informed by UCC positions and surveys, as well as the best current scholarship in sexuality, the emphasis of CIGI is on discussion and reflection in community.

A one and one half day orientation for seminarians and staff, including sample

Do You Have News?

Please put items for the Seminary News in the special mailbox among the student mailboxes in Lower Level Lark, or they may be placed in the mailbox of Barbara Stephens on the staff/faculty side. The Seminary News is published every other week during the school year. The deadline for news is noon on Tuesday in the week prior to publication.

12-Step Group

An anonymous 12-step group will meet on campus every Thursday. For information, please contact LTS Chaplain Allen Kroehler in his Seminary office or at home 393-7005, or call seminarian David Pendleton at 394-9640.

**LAST DAY TO
DROP A CLASS IS
FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 6, 1995**

EXPLOSIVE SERMON!!

When Dean Greenhaw recently preached in another city, the local paper gave his title, based on the beloved old hymn, as, "Is There a Bomb in Gilead?"

News and Announcements from the SCC

The Seminary Community Council Executive Council has had its second meeting...the first with a full staff. Three items of immediate interest to students were discussed. First, the first Thursday of every month is LTS Spirit Day. This is a time for the community to honor the Seminary and celebrate its life. Anyone wearing a Lancaster Seminary sweatshirt or bringing any type of LTS paraphernalia to the Refectory for lunch that day will receive a free dessert with their meal. Second, the SCC and Patti Helmer are giving an All Saint's Day Eve Party on October 31. We are planning to have a dance and other activities. If you want to help or have ideas, please contact Patti.

The last item is a sad and serious one. Last spring when we were receiving

notebooks and SCC material, someone took the Minutes Binder from a mailbox in the Lower Level of Lark. The SCC Executive Council needs the binder to determine what SCC policies and actions have been in the past. Please turn it in to Jim Robison's or Enno Limvere's mailbox.

Attention Men: Need a Suit? How about a Winter Coat???

Someone has given us two politically correct tailored men's suits plus a winter coat. It appears that the jacket size is a 42 Regular; the trouser inseam is 32, and the waist is 32. Anybody match that description? See Donna Kaplan, Faculty Secretary.

Thank You

I would like to thank the entire community for your prayers and support during my father's surgery and recovery. Knowing that so many cared made the uncertain, anxious times bearable and the good news after surgery more joyful. God bless each of you.

Dick Berg

Opportunities for Service

Requests were received this summer asking students to volunteer at two different nursing homes to provide a spiritual experience for senior citizens on a periodic basis. If you are interested and able to fill in some of the times to help in this way, please contact the persons listed below.

Oak Leaf Manor Personal Care Retirement Home

2101 Wabank Road
Millersville, PA 17551
Phone: (717) 872-9100
FAX: (717) 872-2178
Contact: Romaine H. Morrow,
Wellness Director

They are looking for someone to speak at their Friendship Circle on Wednesdays at 2 p.m. A short message of twenty minutes will suffice.

Village Vista 1941 Benmar Drive Lancaster, PA 17603

Phone: (717) 397-5583
Contact: Elma

Richardson, Activities or Eileen Miller, R.N., NHA
They would like someone to lead their weekly religious services; the first and second week of the month are currently open.

Library News

The Library Staff appreciates your patience during the period of time that the library was closed for inventory. We were able to complete the inventory on the first floor and found that over 200 books were missing just from that floor. We would sincerely appreciate it if every reasonable person would check his or her book shelves and please return any library books which are not checked out. The library staff and volunteers will continue with the inventory process on the lower level of the library. We are sorry for any inconvenience which this may cause. We only ask that you please be sure to properly check out any materials which you borrow from the library. Thank you very much.

Need a break from reading, writing and research? Come to Room 106 on the first floor of the library which has been designated as a break room. Snacks are available for purchase, there is a jigsaw puzzle in progress, light reading is available...or bring your own games. All we ask is that you please be careful with food and drink and keep the noise level to a minimum. Thanks for your cooperation, and take a break today!

The library has leased a new book-friendly copier. Copies are still only 10 cents per exposure. However, this new copier may be used in a variety of ways. The new machine will accept \$1.00 bills or coins, or it may be used with a copy card. Students are encouraged to purchase a copy card at \$5.00 each. The card includes \$4.40 worth of copies, and 60 cents for the purchase of the card. The card may be reused by adding value. Because the copier is leased, the library staff requests that you ask for assistance if the copier needs paper or if there is any problem.

Library Study Carrels

Study carrels are available in the library for student use. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board near the elevator. Please check the sheet first to see which carrels are still available. Library books left in student carrels must be checked out to the student. Reference materials and periodicals may not be kept in carrels. There are not enough carrels for every student, so if you find that you are not using a carrel for which you signed, please cross your name off the list so that another student may use the carrel.

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sessions, will be held at Lancaster on Friday, December 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 9, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. All participants completing the orientation will be listed with the Board for Homeland Ministries and have access to CIGI. Training is required by UCBHM to obtain and use CIGI.

Doug Fauth, registered Penn Central Conference CIGI leader will be facilitating the orientation, while Professor Stalfa will be both participant and teaching mentor.

Interested? Place a note in Doug Fauth's Lark mailbox with your name and phone number and any preliminary questions you may have by October 13. A small fee for workshop materials can be paid closer to December 8.

Senior News

Are you a senior, who will graduate in May 1996? A luncheon meeting with all students planning to graduate is scheduled for October 11 in the Hafer Center. At this meeting we will review the steps for graduation and form three committees which include the worship planning committee, a skit committee and the senior gift committee.

If you would be interested in participating on the senior gift committee,

please inform Karna Burkeen this week at extension 105.

Attention Poets

The National Library of Poetry has announced that \$24,000 in prizes will be awarded this year to over 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. Deadline is September 30, the contest is open to everyone and entry is free. Any poet, previously published or not, can be a winner. Every poem entered also has a chance to be published in a deluxe, hardbound anthology.

To enter, send one original poem, any subject and any style to The National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-1985, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be no more than 20 lines, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page.

Church Seeks Keyboardist

A Harrisburg U.M. Church is seeking a keyboardist for a new "contemporary" youth worship service...and it won't be on Sunday! If you or someone you know might be interested, contact Doug Fauth or call Rev. Creamer at (717)236-7247.

Access to F&M Sports and Fitness Center

Franklin & Marshall College has kindly granted user privileges at the Franklin & Marshall Alumni Sports and Fitness Center to all members of the Seminary community, effective immediately. To use the Center, a member of the Seminary community must have a card issued by the President's Office for the current 1995-96 year. A new card will be issued each year.

Spouses and family members must be accompanied by the cardholder or have their own card to use the Center. Family members under the age of 16 will not be admitted without an adult present, and therefore will not be issued a separate card.

We invite you to avail yourselves of this opportunity to use the brand new sports and fitness center within walking distance of our campus. Please remember that we are guests and are expected to follow all the rules and regulations of the College.

Continuing Education at Lancaster Theological Seminary

Future Lectures and Workshops

November 2 and 3, 1995	The Ward Lecture and Workshop featuring Walter Wink
November 10, 1995	Ecumenism Workshop featuring Dr. Gerhard Koslowski
December 7, 1995	Theology After the Holocaust - A Seminar
February 6, 1996	The Gregory Lecture featuring David Hirano
February 14-15, 1996	Afrocentricity and the Practice of Ministry: A Conference on the Contextualization of Theological Education
February 20-March 26, 1996	Intimacy: The Quest for Life Connections featuring James W. Hanna (in conjunction with Highland Presbyterian Church)
March 14 and 15, 1996	The Harwick Lecture and Workshop featuring Douglas John Hall
April 18, 1996	Older Adult Lectures and Workshops featuring Monsignor Charles Fahey
April 20, 1996	Voices and Visions in the Christian Community: Women and Men in Conversation (In conjunction with First United Methodist Church)
May 10, 1996	The McCauley Lecture featuring Professor Elizabeth Huwiler
May 11, 1996	171st Commencement