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## THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN by Rev. Shirley E. Greene

A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked him.

He saw a chariot going by, and he leaped into the chariot and drove like fury. He drove under a juniper bush, and the juniper bush caught him by his hair, and he hung there. He hung there forty days and forty nights, until his wife, Delilah came along and cut off his hair. Then he fell down and he fell on stoney ground.

This hurt his feelings, so he went and hid himself in a cave and the ravens came and fed him. They fed him two loaves and a few fishes.

Then the voice of the Lord came to him and said, "Whom shall we send, and who will go for us?" He said, "Here am I; send me."

Then the voice of the Lord came to him again. He said, "Go back up to Jericho." So he went back up to Jericho, and drove around the walls. He drove around the wall seven times, and then he looked up and saw the wicked Queen Jezebel sitting on the walls. She was laughing at him, and this made him mad. He said, "Throw her down." And they threw her down. He said, "Throw her down again." And they threw her down again. He said, "Throw her down some more." And they threw her down seventy times seventy. And of the pieces they picked up, there were twelve baskets full. He said, "Blessed are the 'piece-makers.'" Now, whose wife shall she be on the judgement day?



The Very Holy Venerable  
Reverend Shirley E. Greene,  
renowned world traveler,  
preacher, teacher, dog  
trainer and goldfish breeder

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AN ON THE SPOT INTERVIEW WITH BANNON DENCLE: CAR WASHER AND WAXER

-Hi, Bannon, what are you doing?

-Well, not exactly.

B-Washing the car...with wax.

B-Oh, just for your paperboy? Our paperboy doesn't come on Sunday.

-Is it hard?

-Why not?

B-Is it hard? No. What are you doing?

B-Cause...does yours?

-I'm writing stuff for the paper.

-No.

B-For what?

B-So does ours, doesn't either.

--For the paper.

Why are you sitting down?

B-for the paper what?

-I'm sitting so I can write. It's cold, though.

-For the newspaper.

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B.for the newspaper boy?

CONTINUING INTERVIEW WITH BANNON!!!!!!!!!!

B-We're standing up.

-What part of the car are you doing?

B-the light.

-Is your dad much help?

B-"No." "My daddy has to help."

C.U.Later tips her hat to Bannon Dencler. He obviously has a great career ahead of him in journalism....he asked all the questions!

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BLUE-NOSED ARMADILLOS (KILLER SPECIES)  
GIVEN REFUGE IN THE C.P.D.?

Contrary to rumors being spread around the L.T.S. campus by persons claiming the distinction of being "reliable sources," there honestly are not any blue-nosed Armadillos (killer species) in the C.P.D. And the Rev. Dr. Doug Whiting has not given refuge to any creatures of this sort. More on the Martian invasion of the C.P.D. next week. Stay tuned!!!

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Dear "Elm" Scofield--

THE SKY IS FALLING, THE SKY IS FALLING!

As I was meditating on my Church History assignments last week, meekly encased in my plush dormitory penthouse, I heard thunderous crash. What was it, I thought? A bird with a thyroid condition? Perhaps an unfortunate student who had a disagreement with his roommate? No, it was none of these.. I glanced in total astonishment out of my window to see the old tree(so much a part of the campus decor for years), come tumbling down on the side of Richard's-on the fence-on the sidewalk-two cats-one dog--and a Boy Scout troop passing by!

The grinding of saws made me think of a Surgical ward; the shrieks of excitement- the patient; and the laughter- the Surgeons! I pondered on the immediate situation and thought; now, wouldn't it be better if they can leaf this tree alone; and branch off onto something else. I decided to get to the root of the matter- but the squirrels got there first! Now, the glorious crew began to dismember the old tree- I guess they thought they were real cut-ups. But, their bark was worse than their bite. Perhaps the saw blades were dull. Anyway, the old Landmark is gone with the wind (gee, wasn't that a movie?)-- now I can see clearly now (a song?) the barracks across the street. Big deal! Well, I don't want to leaf you out on a limb so I'll get off this topic fir now; and maple you'll just reflect on the ecological implications which have now transpired as an ultimate result of this radical change in our campus environment!

Oak "K", I'm sure you'll agree that was a blight article- very nicely put- although I can be quite rotten at times! R.L.



"Brother Forbes' preaching on Sodom and Gomorrah never fails to thrill me!"

## SPIRITUALITY

What is the dividing point between Mysticism and Spiritual Experiences. Sometimes we confuse the two experiences. We call the mysteries of religious experiences mystical. We call things we do not understand a mystical experience.

One point of division is that mystics in all religions usually are very able people who are involved in the discipline of religion. They usually are religionists like Augustine or Eckert. Spirituality is in all religions but as a way of life open to nearly everyone, even seminarians.

Another point of division is that mysticism involves great ecstasy not related to sense perception (not drug induced). It claims contact with Ultimate Reality in a direct, personal way. Spirituality deals with feelings, thoughts and functions that are related to sacred things of a religion. They are grounded in our sense perception of the Spirit.

Another point of division is that Mystics are not always able to validate their claim in light of religious knowledge. They have claims which sometimes causes them to throw off religion and enter into their own communion with God. In spirituality the person grounds his sense of the spiritual life in the validity of a religion. It can be validated by tradition, scripture or a community of reason. The spiritual claim can be perceived as being within or without religious claims of knowledge of the Spirit. Neither disciplines are related to anything magical in nature.

Jonathan McCauley



**LORD** I CAN TRY ME.

*Attention, Seniors!!!*

*There will be a class meeting right after the Senior Seminar next Wednesday.*

*Please remain in the room until a new class representative is elected.*

*Sorry the meeting was cancelled last Wednesday*

*Thanks,*

*E. W. V. S.*



## "DOC" TRINE ON VACATION

"Doc" Trine's column will not appear in this week's paper. He is on vacation in Lititz.

"Doc" will return next week.

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## TAX "FREE" TRIP

A Middle Atlantic Region (UCC) Tax Reform Consultation will take place in Washington November 7-9. National leaders and experts in the field of tax reform will take part in the consultation.

Up to 5 LTS students will be able to attend, with room and board paid!!! You simply must find a way to get to D.C.

If you are interested, contact Fran Ringer. You may be able to get a ride with him.

## THE GLASSE MENAGERIE



Wednesday night, as I was walking in the rain, taking a break from reading the thriller, THE PAGAN SERVITUDE OF THE CHURCH, I wandered by the refectory, that place so much a part of my mid-section. And I noticed a glow from that building which normally casts ominous shadows in the late hours of the evening. So I wandered in and allowed my pupils to compensate for the change, although rather foolishly I realizes that was unnecessary, and I saw alot of strange and familiar faces. There were people shaking hands, some laughing, and some just standing around.

So I began to wander again, as I'm quite proficient at this and I came accross a splendid reconstruction of a cheese safari. There was an excellently butchered beefstick and two big ole punch bowls of well refrigerated apple cider. I knew that cider had received much close attention because of the lack of any after-effects. And right in the center of this cheese spread was a spectacularly crucified pumpkin. I felt sorry for the pumpkin. Somebody had made darts out of toothpicks and little cheese squares and olives for the feathers and just utterly perforated the poor pumpkin. Well, I proceeded to pull a few darts out, hoping to comfort this ill-fated pumpkin. And discovering the cheese to be safe, I decided to ease my ever active gastric juices.

Well, I then proceeded to make a little more busy talk, as I was not in the mood for any great theological excursions and I had already had my bitch sessions of the day from 1-3. I chatted with Thomb and Clod, moved right along and saw Toad and shared a few exciting moments of insomnia. Then before I realized what was happening, my entire body became involved in spasmodic actions I could not control. But my coughing attack finally ceased and I once again wondered which sin it was which caused me to contract this ageless congestion. Having recovered, I wandered back to the banquet table and gracefully spill

ed myself another cup of cider.

I had hoped the exposure to the atmosphere had remedied the retarded remedy, but it hadn't. I mo-sied on over and conversed rather casually with C.U. Later. And Armor Skofink asked me to write an article about our President's homecoming party. So I said I would, and I asked him when it was so that I'd be sure to be there.

Well, strangely enough, during all this time, I tried to think of why it was I felt more complete than when I had entered. I came to a most brilliant conclusion. The gas, oops, missed the 1, the glasse had been restored to our most beloved institution, and I felt that finally some of the drafts would be stifled. Finally we will have some of our panes restored. I must say I felt good about it all.

Seriously, it's good to see your mustache, I mean your face around once again, our dear President Glasse. It's good to have you home. (My compliments to all the many who made the reception possible, sincerely.)

- Owlman

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PLEASE RESPOND TO THE SEMINARIAN

Depending on the response of the students, there is a possibility that a non-credit course in the basics of Public Speaking will be offered through the Center for Parish Development early next year. If you are interested, and want this course to be available to the community, please fill out this form and drop it in the SEMINARIAN mail box (the box in the third drawer of the student mail files/boxes (?) as soon as possible.

- R. Luh

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## CARTER AND FORD TIE!!!

In the SEMINARIAN public opinion poll conducted last week, Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford both received the same number of votes.

However, only 17 persons even bothered to respond to the survey.

All 17 are registered to vote. 15 are students, one (what's up, guys???) is a faculty member, and one a CPD staff person. No LTS staff members or administrators bothered to respond, either.

15 of those responding say they will vote on November 2. One person does not intend to, and one simply doesn't know at this point.

16 persons expressed a preference in the presidential race. 43.75% (7 votes) favor Carter, with a like number expressing preference for Ford. Eugene McCarthy proved to be the spoiler by grabbing 12.5% (2 votes).

THE REAL WINNER IN THIS POLL ISN'T EVEN A PERSON. IT IS "INDIFFERENCE!!!"

PEOPLE, GET IT TOGETHER. VOTE. DO SOMETHING, OR YOU WILL HAVE NO REASON TO COMPLAIN LATER!

- Elmer

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REFLECTING ON UCBWM - SALEM, MASS.

Much to my dismay, no witches were being burned - or were they?

Early European inhabitants of the American continent tended to judge others who didn't live by "the norms" set up by "society." And so they burned witches, persecuted others, and forced many to adapt.

We as twentieth century Americans look back at "those times" feeling we have grown as persons and as a nation. We no longer force our human values and ideals on others. Or do we?

Criticism is now being brought upon our mission programs. Do we as Americans have the right to walk into another culture, with our native medicines, with our native foods, with our native dress and our "Christianity" and force natives of other countries to be assimilated into our culture? Are we creating a balance

of nature?

Think about it, talk about it, pray about it.

- M. Miko

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## "ARMEN DICHTER RETURNS" - REVELATION-

Caught in some small space between Eternity and Sheol's yawning pit  
Exists some force that drives and draws unseen

The one within that space create in it.

So, driven by the knife-edge force to use

The jumbled contents of one life span's space,

Man creates, and looking back, he views

From his creation, Glimpses of God's face.

- Armen Dichter

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## "YOU AUGHTA BE IN PICTURES!!!"

Have you ever wanted photographs of some of the exciting activities on this campus and didn't have your camera at the time? Or do you feel uncomfortable having a flash go off in the middle of chapel? Well...we may not be able to solve all your problems, or help you get all those shots you wanted, but we have an offer you may want to cash in on.

Beginning next Wednesday there will be a "picture board" hanging in the CPD on which you may find some of those unforgettable moments - captured for you in living Polycontrast! Just place your order and you will receive your prints. (We will also take special pictures for you - portraits, etc.)

- THE Photographers

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A REACTION/RESPONSE TO WEDNESDAY'S VERY INTERESTING CHAPEL SERVICE... some may say you were just clowning around...but many of us know there was alot more...Bless You.