

Seminary News

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World AIDS Day December 1

In cooperation with the AIDS National Interfaith Network, Lancaster Seminary will toll the tower bell 14 times at 1:40 p.m. on Thursday, December 1st. The Seminary community will gather on the front lawn of the Lark building at 1:35 p.m. and stand together as the bell tolls. Classes will break and resume after the tolling.

The 14 tolls commemorate each year of the epidemic. The tolling of bells has been a sign of joy, as well as grief, in our country's history, and this simple prophetic act commemorates the grief of so many Americans who have lost loved ones. This is also done in celebration of the outpouring of compassionate service by so many in support of people with AIDS.

Memorial Service

*Tuesday,
November 29, 1994
Santee Chapel
11:00 a.m.
in memory of
Dick Pryor*

Stafford Loan Renewals

ATTENTION: Students who are borrowing under the Federal Stafford Loan Program.

By mid-December, 1994 you will be receiving a "RENEWAL FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID" directly from the U.S. Department of Education.

If you intend to take out a Federal Stafford Loan by 1995 please take note:

- Do not lose or misplace this form.
 - Complete it and send it in as soon as possible after January 1, 1995. The form asks for 1994 income information so you will need to have your 1994 Income Tax Form completed.
- Using this form appropriately saves YOU and US time and energy since it takes the place of the FAFSA

booklet available in the Student Services Offices.

Reach Out!

The Seminarian Community Council and the Worship and Community Life Committee invite all to join in the spirit of the season. While we are all searching for wholeness, healing and peace, may we be gathered in our efforts and prayers. One community effort is to continue with our support of the Crispus Attucks shelter in Lancaster.

Lancaster Seminary is gathering donations for HOSPITALITY KITS for the shelter. Each kit includes a towel, wash cloth, soap, personal size shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb or brush, deodorant, disposable razor and dental floss.

Can you donate any of the above items? a complete hospitality kit? or contribute to the purchase of such items? Please place your donations in the basket under the mailboxes.

It is hoped that our donation can be gathered by and delivered on Wednesday, December 7. For more information on how you can help, please contact Demise Mason or Stephanie Thompson.

LIBRARY NEWS!

Effective November 28th, the NEW PERMANENT LIBRARY HOURS will be as follows:

Mondays - 1:00 pm - 10 pm
Tuesdays - 8:30 am - 10 pm
Wednesdays - 8:30 am - 10 pm
Thursdays - 8:30 am - 8 pm
Fridays - 8:30 am - 12 noon
Saturdays - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

This change in library hours has been necessitated by the recent reduction in library staff. These new hours will enable the remaining library staff to complete necessary library functions. The library staff would like to ask the entire Seminary community to bear with us during this transition time. We will do our best to continue to provide quality services in a timely manner, but we may find that we are obligated to make further adjustments at a later date.

Christmas Holiday Hours

CLOSED Saturday, December 16

Monday, 12/19 - 1:00-5:00 pm
Tuesday, 12/20 - 8:30am-5 pm
Wednesday, 12/21-8:30am-5pm
Thursday, 12/22-8:30am-4pm
CLOSED Saturday, December 23

Hours for

January 3 - February 3

Mondays - 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Tuesdays - Thursdays - 8:30 am- 5:00 pm
Fridays - 8:30 am - 12 noon
Saturdays - CLOSED

Worship Leaders

Week of 11/28 - Dick Berg
Week of 12/5 - Don Freeman
Week of 12/12 - Belva Brown
Jordan

Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let It Snow!

It's getting to be "that time" again whether we like it or not!

In anticipation of what may come, the Seminary has established a "Winter Closing Policy." Every effort will be made to NOT cancel classes. However, if bad weather occurs during the night, information regarding Seminary closings will be aired beginning at 6:30 a.m. on the following television and radio stations:

WGAL-TV8
WITF-FM 89.5 or 99.7
WSBA 910 AM
WARM - FM103
WLAN - 1390 AM or 97 FM

If you are within the listening/viewing area of these stations, please do not call the Seminary, but do listen/watch for closing information. Also, please do not call the television or radio station, since they do report closings immediately upon receiving them. If you do not hear a closing for the Seminary, you can assume that we are open.



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or 97 FM

If you are traveling from outside the listening/viewing area of these stations, there will be a special message on the answering machine in the event of cancelled classes. Please be aware of the weather where you are— you will need to make your own decision as to whether it is safe for you to travel to the Seminary.

If bad weather should occur after you are here at the Seminary, please note that a few rooms in Richards Hall will be available for emergency stays. It is suggested that you keep an "emergency kit" of linens, a change of clothes and your jammies & toothbrush in your car— just in case!

Campus residents: If you are willing to share your space with stranded commuters, please let Shirley Laukhuff know.

Last winter's Snow Queen Anabel Proffitt has reluctantly handed over her scepter to this winter's Snow Monarch, Dean David Greenhaw. He says that our goals are that we will not have to cancel classes and that everyone should remain safe. Pray for a milder winter!

ETC.

THE ACTON INSTITUTE for the Study of Religion and Liberty has just announced its 5th annual essay contest. The contest is open to any student currently enrolled in a theological seminary or religious studies program, or students with a demonstrated interest in religious themes. Prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners, respectively. In addition, winners will have their essays published in a book by the Institute. Two honorable mention papers will also be included in the volume.

The essay should expound on the themes captured in the following quotation:

"Moral defects lead to the loss of liberty. So we may say that it flourishes jointly with conscience. Decay of the one brings about decay of the other. Democracy undermines conscience by making men prefer what others think best to what they think best themselves. So it demoralizes like excess authority. It relieves men from the sense of

responsibility and the duty of effort."

Send entries to Gregory Dunn, Program Officer, The Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty, The Waters Building, 161 Ottawa Avenue Northwest, Suite 301, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.

LIBRARY STAFF ARE STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP MOVE THE BOOKS THAT ARE DOWNSTAIRS IN THE LIBRARY. PLEASE SEE ANN KEMPER IN THE LIBRARY.

COKEBURY HOLIDAY HOURS & SALE NOTICE

Christmas Open House:

Wednesday and Thursday,
November 16 and 17. Save
10% on all in-stock
merchandise and 25% on
selected gifts and books,
PLUS unadvertised
specials!

Just a reminder that the bookstore will be closed November 24 through November 27, and will reopen as usual on November 28.

DISCOVERY SUPPORT GROUP MEETS

**First Reformed
United Church of Christ
40 E. Orange St.
Thursdays from 7:30-8:30**

A discovery/support group for women who are surviving emotionally abusive life situations has formed. "Abuse" is any behavior that is designed (intentionally or not) to control and subjugate another human being through the use of fear, humiliation, verbal and physical assaults. Emotional abuse is a pattern of behavior by a boss/co-worker, spouse/lover, parent, child or friend that demoralizes and destroys self-concept. It is often subtle and confusing. The most difficult ramification is that women come to accept the abuse as being their fault.

For additional information, contact Cate Vincent (293-7839).