

# The Lancaster Theological Seminary

## Seminary News

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### Upcoming Events and Lectures

#### **Tuesday, April 20, 12:10 p.m., Mayer Common, Mexico Cross-Cultural Presentation - FREE**

Susan Lehosky (formerly the Miss Susan Parker), Patti Thomas, and Marcy Nicholas would like to invite the seminary community to a presentation on our trip to Mexico. Please join us for our very low-tech forum about our experiences in Nuevo Casas Grandes, Chihuahua and in Nogales Sonora. For more information, please contact Marcy at [mnichola@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:mnichola@lancasterseminary.edu).

#### **Tuesday, April 20, 7:30 p.m., Santee Chapel, Harwick Lecture - FREE**

Please join the Reverend Mary Hammond for her lecture on Stewardship of the Dechurched. For more information, please contact Jan Eastman at 717-290-8738.

#### **Friday, April 23, 11:00 a.m., In front of Lark, Outdoor Chapel Service with Pets - FREE**

You are invited to bring your beloved pets to outdoor chapel worship. We will gather in front of Lark and anticipate that each animal will stay with the owner, on leash, held, or contained in their habitat, cage or bowl. We will say a simple litany, sing a song, hear a little about St. Francis and then we will process up to receive a blessing for the animal and animal family. This Blessing of the Animals service is standard for October 4 in Roman Catholic, Episcopal and Lutheran churches. It is also done June 2 for Creation Sunday. We are offering this form of worship April 23, the day after Earth Day. We invite LTS students, staff and faculty to take part. This is a great form of fellowship with Creation and another way to pass the peace. (Yes, it may be noisy and some animals will express themselves with exuberance and excitement—God knows.) If you have questions or concerns prior to the day, please contact our sub-committee: Allison Milligan at 717-290-1604, Peter Frye at [pfrye@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:pfrye@lancasterseminary.edu), or Diane Johnson at [djohnson@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:djohnson@lancasterseminary.edu). Our faculty advisor is Tim Van Meter and he can be reached at [tvnmeter@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:tvnmeter@lancasterseminary.edu).

#### **Wednesday, April 28, 12:00 - 4:30 p.m., Lancaster County Career and Technology Centers - FEE**

A national teleconference entitled, "Living with Grief: Alzheimer's Disease" will be broadcast live via satellite to more than 150,000 viewers across the nation. Locally, a lunch is served from 12:00 - 1:15 p.m. Viewers then gather to watch the broadcast on a large screen followed with a panel of local experts from 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. Held at your choice of location (in Mount Joy, Brownstown or Willow Street) registrations must be in to Hospice of Lancaster County by April 16<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$30.00 if you register prior to March 26<sup>th</sup>, \$35.00 if you register after March 26<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please call the Education Department Of Hospice at 717-735-2468.

#### **Wednesday, April 28, 7:30 p.m., Santee Chapel, Lecture by Professor Anne Thayer - FREE**

Associate Professor of Church History, Anne Thayer, will present an Inaugural Addresses: *Looking Back to Look Forward*. The Installation of Dr. Thayer into the Diefenderfer Chair of Mercersburg and Ecumenical Theology will take place as well. For more information, please contact Jan Eastman at 717-290-8738.

#### **Thursday, April 29, 7:00 p.m., Santee Chapel, Lecture - Islam and Christianity: A Muslim Perspective - FREE**

This lecture will be presented by Dr. Mahmoud M. Ayoub of Temple University. Dr. Ayoub is professor and chair of Islamic Studies in the Department of Religion at Temple University. In 1998, he helped devise and implement a graduate program in Muslim-Christian relations for the Centre for Christian-Muslim Studies, University of Balamand, Lebanon. He is the author of numerous books, the most recent being *Crisis of Muslim History: Religion and Politics in Early Islam*. For more information, please contact Jan Eastman at 717-290-8738.

#### **Tuesday, May 4, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Hafer Center, An Easter Seminar - FREE**

This seminar, *Proclaiming the Fullness of Christ*, by Dr. Peter Schmiechen, focuses on significant themes for the work of pastors and lay leaders. How do we preach the cross of Christ without violating the evangelical spirit of our faith, falling into anti-Semitism, or substituting moral platitudes for healthy living? How can we incorporate the fullness of Christ into our liturgies, especially in terms of the Eucharist? This seminar is sponsored by the *Alliance for the Renewal of Ministry* and advance registration is required. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Mary Lin Siever at 717-290-8723 or [msiever@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:msiever@lancasterseminary.edu).

### News from the Library

A display of several publications by each of Lancaster Seminary's emeriti professors, Paul E. Irion and John B. Payne, along with biographies and bibliographies of their publications, is being presented in the Library for the next several weeks. When you are in the Library, you will find this on top of current periodicals shelving. For more information, please contact Chris Beldan at 717-290-8755.

**Request for Nominations for the Richard B. Hull Memorial Scholarship for Musical Enrichment**

The Richard B. Hull Memorial Scholarship Fund was established at Lancaster Seminary in 1993, by Charlotte Hull Whiting '79, in memory of her brother. The fund provides a scholarship award for the musical enrichment of a child or spouse of a full-time candidate for a master's degree at Lancaster Seminary. The award is based on the talent and/or motivation of the recipient(s), and applications are judged by a committee appointed for that purpose. The award may be used toward such things as music lessons (voice, instrumental, ballet), music camp, rental or purchase of an instrument, purchase of music, etc. The award is presented annually. The recipient(s) of the Hull Scholarship will be announced at the Seminary Awards Day Breakfast on May 5. To apply for the scholarship, please visit the Development Office. Deadline to apply is April 21. No applications will be considered after that date. For more information, please contact Claude Dencler at 717-290-8710.

**New Seminarian Community Council Officers**

The Seminarian Community Council (SCC) continues to support academic and community life for students. We would like to recognize the new officers and representatives for the 2004-2005 academic year:

Moderator - Joe Motz

Vice Moderator - Laura Bair

Treasurer - Matt Deal

Secretary - Tracey Mooney

At-Large Representative - Pat McAllister

3rd year Class Representative - Lisa Weida

2nd year Class Representative - Peter Frye

Thank you to all who participated in the SCC elections.

**The Seminarian Community Council is Having a Sale!**

The SCC office in Mayer will be open during coffee hour on Wednesdays, and our clothing will be on sale. The following are the items and prices:

Long Sleeve Denim Shirts - S, M, L, XL - \$10.00/2XL, 3XL \$15.00

Golf Shirts - Red, Black, or Tan - S, M, L, XL, 2XL \$23.00 - 3XL \$28.00

Sweatshirts - Blue, Red, Purple, or Teal - All Sizes \$15.00

Stop by, take a look, and get a great bargain. For more information, please contact a current SCC Officer.

**Register by May 3<sup>rd</sup> for a Student Retreat this Fall**

The Seminarian Community Council is sponsoring a spiritual retreat for the LTS students next fall. The leader is Kent Groff and the retreat will be held at Precious Blood Spiritual Retreat Center in Columbia, PA. Registration is due May 3, 2004. The cost is \$75.50, \$25 of which is due at with the registration, the balance will be due next semester. The Retreat, entitled *Spiritual Fitness for Serving Well*, will be held Friday, October 29 and Saturday, October 30. Take some Holy time for yourself...re-center yourself in the Holiness of why you are at Seminary.....retreat from the hectic semester. Our time apart will focus on six ways to respond creatively to stress and keep spiritually fit. An honest prayer life, balance in one's schedule, self-nurture, health intimacy, the ability to respond creatively to negative emotions, and the ability to put failure in perspective. The Retreat will include presentations by Kent and discussion-praying with scripture, small groups, music, and quiet periods for reflection. You will need to bring a Bible and a journal or notebook (art supplies will be available as an optional way of praying). For more information. Please contact Katie Tabler at [dtabler@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:dtabler@lancasterseminary.edu) or Matt Deal at [jdeal@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:jdeal@lancasterseminary.edu).

### Directories Are Here

Pictorial Directories were distributed to all registered students, via their on-campus mailbox, at the end of September. If you notice that a correction needs to be made, please email the correction to Maryann Bruce at [mbruce@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:mbruce@lancasterseminary.edu) and she will be sure it is included in an addendum.

### Get Your Handbooks!

**Second- and third-year students:** If you have not already done so, please stop by the Dean's Office to sign for your 2003-04 Student Handbook. First-year students received handbooks at Orientation.

### Seminarian Community Council Information

Are you a registered student at LTS? Part-time, full-time? Faculty or staff? Then you are automatically a member of the Seminarian Community Council a.k.a SCC! This on-campus club is student driven and an important aspect of LTS. A few activities the SCC coordinates are an on-campus Blood Drive through the American Red Cross, Welcome Picnic for new students each fall, assists Admissions with DISCOVER Open House events, and assists with various committees on campus. In mid-October, students will be asked to serve on various SCC and Seminary Committees. Please check the SCC bulletin board in Lower Level Lark for any and all SCC News. Future meetings are the following Thursdays in Mayer Commons from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon-October 23; November 6; December 4. Officers for the 2003-2004 Academic Year are: Moderator-Joanne Marchetto, Vice-Moderator-Matt Hoover, Treasurer-Matt Deal, Secretary-Heidi Nelson, 1<sup>st</sup> Year Representative-Katie Tabler, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Representative-Joe Motz, 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Representative-Jon Bailey, Member At Large-Laura Bair. See one of the officers listed above with any questions on how you can become involved and have your voice/concerns heard.

### Cokesbury Information

Almost all of the textbooks for Fall Term remain available for purchase. If you still need any, come by. Our hours during the week of Oct. 6 will be slightly shortened to allow for attendance at the Cokesbury store managers meeting in Nashville. The days with shortened hours will be Tue-Thurs 10:00 to 4:00. Thank-you for understanding. There will be a Commentary Sale Oct 13 -31. All commentaries will be 25% off and The New Interpreters Commentary Set will be 30% off. For more information, please contact Janice Herman at 717-393-1077.

### Library Information

Reminder to ALL Students – You must purchase a copy card from the machine in the library in order to make copies. The card costs \$1.00 and additional value can be added to the card via the same machine. For more information, contact Dawn Proctor in the Library at 717-290-8742.

### New Parking Spot

The Seminary has installed a handicapped parking spot for a current resident student. ONLY a resident student with a handicapped parking license plate can use this designated parking spot. Violators will be ticketed and possibly towed at the owners expense. Please be courteous to the student this spot was designated for and park your car elsewhere. For more information, please contact Victor Wright at 717-290-8745.

### Don't forget...You Can Submit Items for the Next Sem News!

Please email articles, announcements, notices and information to Maryann Bruce at [mbruce@lancasterseminary.edu](mailto:mbruce@lancasterseminary.edu) by the deadline. Items which do not include a name and phone number will not be published. For more information, please contact Maryann Bruce in the Dean's Office at 717-290-8752.

<u>Deadline</u>	<u>For publication</u>
10/14	10/20
10/28	11/3
11/11	11/17
11/25	12/1
12/9	12/15

### Thanks for Being Courteous

As a courtesy to others in your classroom, meeting or in chapel, please remember to turn off all audible sounds and ringers on electronic devices before the class, meeting or chapel service begins. Thank you.