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Dean Presents Honors and Awards

At commencement exercises Dean Elizabeth C. Nordbeck presented twelve candidates graduating with honors: Lynn L. Martin, summa cum laude; Debbie Ann Derby, Barbara L. Kershner, Luann H. Ketcham, Stephany S. Sechrist, Julia Ann Shearer, and Esther R. Ziegler, magna cum laude; Ralph B. Galen, Richard M. Hanley, Steven W. Rodgers, Arthur C. Runyan II, and Judy A. Wadsworth, cum laude.

Academic prizes were awarded to graduates and other students. The Jacob Y. Dietz Prizes for the best papers in church history were given to Mary Lou Green and Ralph B. Galen. The Spessard Prizes in Christology were awarded to Olusegun A. Okubadejo and J. Thomas Shelley. Rebecca Seldomridge received the Frederick Schaeffer Prize in Church and Community. The Paul Reid Pontius Memorial Award for excellence in the field of worship demonstrated by a first or second year seminarian was given to Ruth Kershner. Barbara L. Kershner was honored for the best sermon.

Murdale C. Leysath addressed the

Leysath Addresses Graduates *Degrees Granted to 42 Candidates*

graduates, guests and members of the seminary community at the 158th commencement exercises held May 14, 1983. The Rev. Dr. Leysath is Conference Minister of the Minnesota Conference of the United Church of Christ.



Dr. Fauth and Dr. Leysath

The Rev. Dr. Robert T. Fauth presided and conferred graduate degrees upon 43 persons. Dr. Elizabeth C. Nordbeck presented the candidates and announced academic prizes. Representatives of the trustees, faculty, alumni/ae and students also participated in the program.

Speaking about "Authority and Power", Dr. Leysath said that power is the ability to move, to get something done. Power needs authority, permission, and authority is earned by accountability. Dr. Leysath suggested that the Holy Spirit gives authority and power to clergy and laity as they are accountable through life in the new Covenant to Christ and their covenant community.

The Master of Divinity degree was awarded to 29 candidates, the Master of Arts in Religion degree to 5 candidates and the Doctor of Ministry degree to 8 candidates.

Olde English Feast Enjoyed

Commencement is a solemn occasion, but this year a lighter note was sounded at the Olde English Graduation Feast held the evening before the official ceremonies.

The Bill of Fare included deer meat soup, homemade dark and light bread, honey-whipped butter, roast pig, roast turkey, roast ham, smoked whiting, parsley potatoes browned in butter, red beets, hot vegetable of the day, stuffing balls, fruit and cheese, dessert, honey mead wine, stout beer, punch and coffee.

Medieval music for the candlelight dinner was provided by "Oriana" and there was entertainment following the feast.

Trustees Authorize Computer

At its April meeting the Board of Trustees authorized purchase of a computer for the Office of Development and Communication. This will facilitate the detailed record-keeping necessary in that office.

The board approved a 1983-84 budget of \$1,461,000, representing an increase of 1%. This budget reflects a change in the management of Richards Hall and Dietz Refectory. Franklin and Marshall College will manage these facilities for the seminary, which will be used by students at both institutions.

A committee was appointed to seek

new sources of funding. Capital funds used to offset budget deficits in the last five years are no longer available for that purpose.

The board also approved a planning model which will be implemented to develop short term and long term (beyond five years) goals for the growth and direction of the seminary. Co-convenors are Robert Dorney, Trexler-town, and Charles Patterson, Lancaster.

Carl Spence, Boyertown, was welcomed to the board at this meeting. He represents Pennsylvania Southeast Conference.

McFadden Appointed

John R. McFadden, Palmyra, has been named director of development at Lancaster Theological Seminary.

Dr. Robert T. Fauth, president-interim of the seminary, in making the announcement highly praised his work.

"John McFadden has proven to be an able administrator," he said, "and will be a tremendous asset to the seminary in his new position. He has demonstrated outstanding ability and dedication to fulfilling the goals of this institution in his previous assignments."

McFadden was graduated from Lebanon Valley College and served as assistant director of development at Lebanon Valley, and was director of corporate support for Elizabethtown College.

He is past president of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives. In 1976, he was nominated and selected for inclusion in the Directory of Outstanding Young Men of America. He is a member of Lions International.

He is a deacon at Trinity United Church of Christ and is a member of the board of directors of the United Church of Christ Homes in Annville. He and his wife, Ann, are the parents of a daughter.

Bartholomew Addresses Alumni/ae

"The Seminary and the Church belong to each other," Alfred C. Bartholomew '42 insisted. "This concept characterizes the history, purpose, and program of Lancaster," asserted the professor-churchman, and graduates are the crucial persons in making all that real during each succeeding era. No matter the changes, conflicts, or growth, the mutual involvement of church and seminary in their educational enterprise is constant and stable.

Speaking on the title, "Surrounded By Saints", following a standing round of applause, Dr. Bartholomew, retiring General Secretary for Service of the United Church Board of World Ministries, laid the challenge before his fellow alumni/ae at the Annual Banquet held this year at Historic Strasburg, April 14.

The program also contained the presentation of the 1983 graduating class as new alumni/ae, recognition of faculty, and other guests, as well as the announcement of the Allan S. Meck Award, noted separately in this *Bulletin*.

Althouse Honored for Trustee Service

L. Bruce Althouse was honored for his service to the seminary at an Executive Committee luncheon in Dietz Refectory. He was first elected to the Board of Trustees in 1965.

During his tenure as a trustee Althouse was chairman of the physical plant committee and served on the financial affairs committee. He was also a member of the building committee for the Philip Schaff Library.

An alumnus of Franklin and Marshall College, Althouse has been involved in Lancaster area affairs for many years. He is retired from Penn Dairies, Inc.

President Interim Robert T. Fauth presented the Lancaster Theological Seminary Service Medallion to Althouse. Dr. William Longsdorf, chairperson of the Board of Trustees, read the citation and invited others to add their comments to the official recognition.

The Service Medallion is awarded for outstanding service to the seminary by a trustee.



Mr. Althouse

Wainwright Gives Convocation Lectures

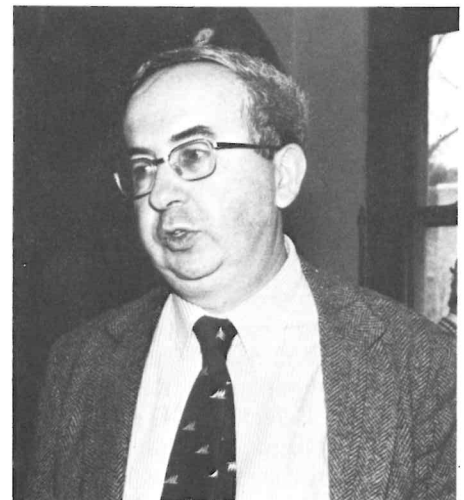
The annual Spring Convocation was held on the seminary campus in April. Dr. Geoffrey Wainwright, Roosevelt Professor of Systematic Theology at Union Theological Seminary, New York, delivered the 1983 Swander Lectures in Christology on the topic: "The Threefold Office of Christ."

Dr. Wainwright, a distinguished contributor to the current Christian dialogue on liturgical and ecumenical theology, proposed in his lectures that the threefold depiction of Christ as Prophet, King and Priest can offer a suitable basis for contemporary Christology. Drawing richly upon the history of Christian thought, he showed that the Threefold Office was used widely by Christian theologians before Calvin gave the conception its classic Protestant statement.

In Christian tradition the conception has had five distinct theological uses: (1) Christological—used to speak of the Person of Christ; (2) Theological/Anthropological—used of humanity in its relation to Christ; (3) Soteriological—used to give the faith of Christians a "firm basis in Christ" (Calvin); (4) Ministerial—used to describe the offices of the ordained ministry; (5) Ecclesiological—used to depict, as in the Mercersburg theologians, the church as the extension of the Incarnation.

Devoting a lecture to each Office of Christ, Dr. Wainwright employed the five traditional uses of the Threefold Office to give substance to a contemporary understanding of Christ as Prophet, King and Priest. A distinguishing feature of Dr. Wainwright's lectures was the way he illustrated and supported them with references from the Western Church's liturgical and hymnic traditions.

Seminary faculty shared in leading discussion sessions. Dr. Elizabeth Nordbeck and members of the Arts Ensemble led the group in worship during the convocation.



Dr. Wainwright

Conrad Receives 1983 Allan S. Meck Award

Merlin L. Conrad is the 1983 recipient of the Meck Award for Excellence in Ministry. Pastor of Calvary Reformed United Church of Christ, Reading, PA, Conrad was honored at the annual LTS alumni/ae banquet in April. Merlin Getz, associate minister, Pennsylvania Southeast Conference, presented the award.

A native of Ohio, Conrad is a graduate of Muskingum College. He received the Bachelor and Master of Divinity degrees from Lancaster Seminary. He was awarded the Doctor of Ministry degree by Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in 1975. He was ordained in 1961 in Louisville, OH.

Conrad is past president of the Shenango Valley Council of Churches. He serves on the board of Berks County Family and Childrens Services. He was chaplain of the Pennsylvania Senate in 1968 and was awarded a Pennsylvania House of Representatives Citation in 1971. He founded the Richfield, OH, Human Resource Center in 1973 and was named Citizen of the Year there two years ago.

In 1971 Conrad was elected to the Lancaster Seminary Board of Trustees. He is a member of the student affairs committee.

The Allan S. Meck Award was established by the LTS Alumni/ae Association to recognize graduates for distinguished service and contribution to the professional parish ministry. The award honors the Rev. Dr. Allan S. Meck, who was president of the seminary from 1947 to 1957. Seven pastors have been honored since the Award was established in 1977. The award is represented by a citation and a bronze medallion cast in the seal of the seminary.

Degree Delayed

John R. Martin, Doctor of Ministry candidate, missed LTS graduation May 14, but he's been through enough commencement exercises this year to last a long time. His daughter graduated from Messiah College that morning; LTS exercises were midday; one son graduated from Virginia College of Medicine in the afternoon; the other son graduation from Eastern Mennonite College eight days later. John attended all but LTS exercises, thanks to a chartered plane from Harrisburg to Richmond. On Friday, May 20, Dr. Donald Freeman, representing LTS, participated in commencement exercises at Eastern Mennonite Seminary and presented John his diploma. John is a faculty member and registrar there.



Dr. Conrad and Rev. Getz

Community Hour Offers Varied Topics

A number of distinguished lecturers have addressed the seminary community on Tuesday mornings during the Spring semester.

C. William Mensendiek delivered the Schneder Memorial Lecture on "From Lancaster to Sendai and Beyond: Our Continuing World Mission". A career teaching missionary, Dr. Mensendiek drew upon his experience to review the history of Christian mission work in Japan and to project the direction it must take in the future.

Robert A. Schneider spoke about "A Bewildering Passion: Rufus Anderson, Foreign Missions and American Denominational Identity—1850-1870". Dr. Schneider's doctoral studies in American church history focussed on this theme.

Elizabeth C. Nordbeck also talked about an individual and his impact on Christianity in his time. Dr. Nordbeck's topic was "A Radical's Progress: the Rev. Daniel Rogers in the Great Awakening".

"The Religious Right and the Christian Faith" was the theme chosen by Gabriel Fackre, Abbot Professor of Christian Theology, Andover-Newton Theological School. Dr. Fackre has published a book by the same title. His presentation set off the claims of the Moral Majority against the tenets of Christianity.

Elsabeth S. Hilke spoke about "Feminism and Christology: Is There A Problem?" Dr. Hilke is assistant professor of Religion and Philosophy at Hood College.

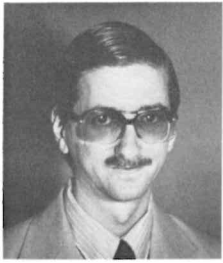
Padmasani Gallup, prominent leader in the Church of South India and wife of a career missionary, lectured on "Doing Theology in South India".

Judith and James Kipp brought slides to illustrate their discussion of life in northern Nigeria. Their family spent more than a year there while Jim served as a physician with the Rural Health Program under assignment from the World Ministries Commission of the Church of the Brethren.

"Agression As a Theological Problem" was the topic of a lecture by Richard Allan Hughes, professor, M.B. Rich Chair of Religion, Lycoming College. Dr. Hughes is the author of *Theology and the Cain Complex*.

John Schwartz, Jr., a United Methodist minister and counselor at Covenant House, a Roman Catholic agency which ministers to runaway and homeless youth in New York City, spoke about "A Covenant in Times Square: Prayer, Community and Serving the Poor".

Community Hour lectures are always open and friends of the seminary are welcome to attend.



Michael C. Bair
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James R. Behrens
M.Div.



Richard W. Blice, Jr.
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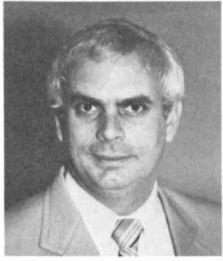
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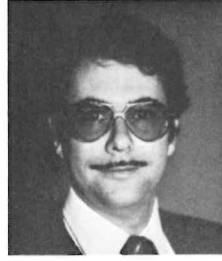
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Barry James Earley
M.Div.



Raymond Jeffrey Fisher
M.Div.



Ralph Blickenstaff Galen
Cum laude
M.Div.



Barbara Lynn Kershner
Magna cum laude
M.Div.



Luann Herndier Ketcham
Magna cum laude
M.Div.



Eugene A. Liddick
M.Div.



John R. Martin
D.Min.



Lynn Larry Martin
Summa cum laude
MAR



Haydn James McLean
M.Div.



Steven W. Rodgers
Cum laude
M.Div.



Jeffrey Lynn Roth
M.Div.



Arthur Clyde Runyan, II
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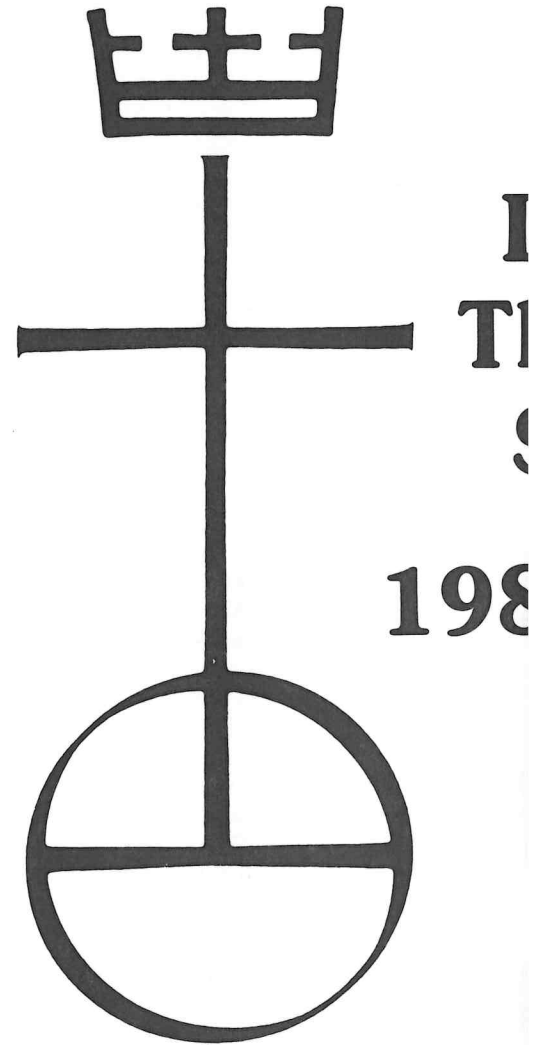
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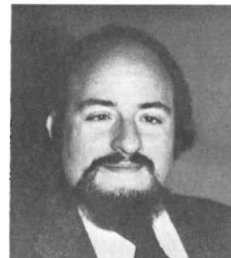
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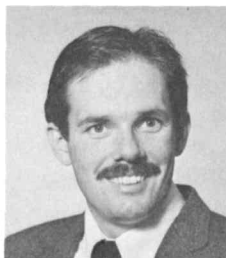


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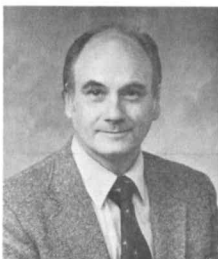
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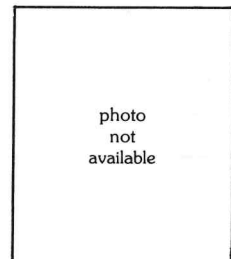
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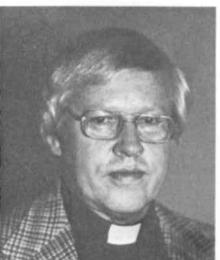
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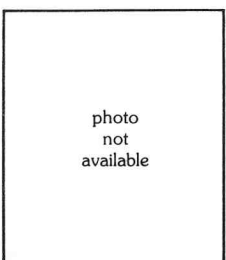
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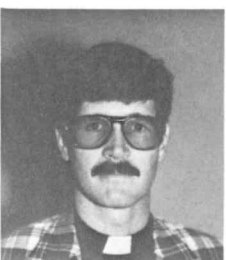
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M.Div.



Harry Leroy Wolpert, III
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Esther Rittle Ziegler
Magna cum laude
M.Div.

Arts Ensemble Presents "Celebrate God" in Worship

During the 1982-83 academic year, chapel and community activities at Lancaster Seminary have been enriched by the performing arts. Many students and spouses have taken part beyond the ten that presented "Celebrate God" on tour in January.

The tour itself touched three states in nine days: Connecticut, New York and New Jersey. One appearance was part of the New Jersey Association's winter meeting. The schedule was designed with a day off on Friday, January 28, spent in New York City. Lunch with UCC Secretary and LTS trustee, Dr. Joseph Evans, was followed by time for relaxing and theatre. "Celebrate" opened on January 16, with a pre-tour date at Christ's Reformed U.C.C.,

Hagerstown, Maryland, in recognition of that congregation's funding of the Ensemble program.

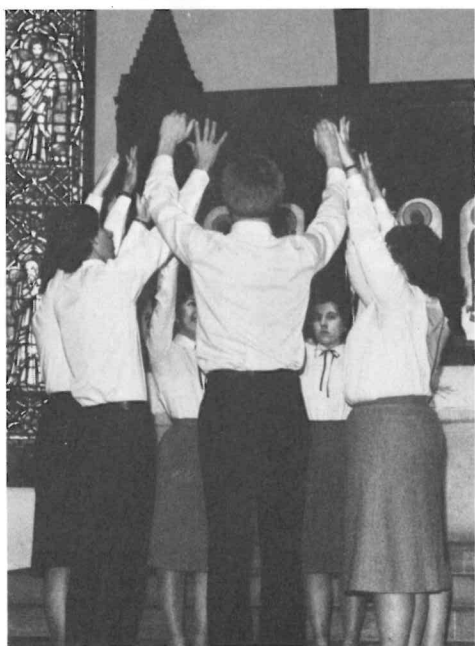
The year has also included several mini-groups, doing special repertoires for worship services in nearby churches or other local programs, as well as chapel services on campus. Parts of "Godspell", "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown", and a clown-ministry group have been busy. There have also been specially gathered musical groups for chapel and other times.

Dana Schlegel, assistant pastor at First Reformed U.C.C., Lancaster, has given general coordination to the program, through an agreement with First Church which makes him available to the seminary. Altogether, nearly 25

seminarians and 4 spouses took part during the year. Organist and Sacred Music Professor, Frank McConnell, and a few other regular faculty members have also been involved.

Reports indicate that during the year, not counting chapel, Ensemble groups made presentations in 24 churches. Nearly 4,000 persons made up the total attendance.

The 1982-83 schedule for the Ensemble will actually go beyond the close of the school year. Members of the Ensemble will be at General Synod XIV in Pittsburgh June 27 to present two selections during the morning worship time and remain to take part in the Lancaster Luncheon at 12:15 in Smithfield Church.



Alumni/ae Notes

John Blackwell '70, has been named Area Conference Minister for the Metropolitan Association, New York Conference, leaving his position in Ohio Conference, effective June 1.

Donald M.C. Englert, Old Testament Professor Emeritus, served as "Biblical Scholar in Residence" during the Lenten season at First Reformed UCC, Reading, Dennis Fredericksen '69, pastor. Dr. Englert preached each Wednesday evening, and led the adult Bible classes both Sunday morning and Wednesday evenings.

In Memoriam

A number of losses in the ranks of our graduates have occurred since the last *Bulletin*. We are aware of these and remember them with thanksgiving.

Irvin A. Raubenhold '17, November 16, 1982, in York, PA, where he had been living in retirement, a member of Grace UCC, where he had served as pastor.

James B. Santo '60, December 19, 1982, in Minnetonka, Minn. He was serving as pastor of Mizpah UCC in Hopkins, Minn.

Walter L. Schacht '43, February 19, 1983, in California, MO, where he lived in retirement. He had served a number of pastorates in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Missouri, completing his active ministry at Jamestown, MO.

Gerald H. Hinkle '56, February 25, 1983, in Sherman, Texas. He was serving on the faculty of Austin College, having gone there in 1968, following doctoral work at Yale and a period on the faculty of Ursinus College.

Aaron R. Tosh '19, March 3, 1983, in Loma Linda, Cal., where he had lived in retirement for a number of years. A recipient of an armed forces citation in World War I, he later served churches in Virginia and North Carolina, as well as a period on the staff of Hood College.

Joseph I. Hammond '49, March 28, 1983, in Fort Myers, Fla., where he was serving an Episcopal parish. He had served parishes in New Jersey, near Philadelphia, before going south.

Judith A. Kocher '82, April 7, 1983, in Bedford, PA. She had graduated with honors last Spring and was serving as pastor of the Bedford Church of the Brethren.

William Foose '53, sent us a color postcard showing the impressive campus of Good Samaritan Home, Quincy, Illinois, where Bill serves on the staff.

Jeanne H. Linderman '81, was ordained an Episcopal priest last year by the Diocese of Delaware. She has now been instituted priest-in-charge, Christ Church, Delaware City.

Ann Lutz, Trustee, one-time student, and wife of Earlin Lutz '51, was awarded the prestigious John Hus award this Spring by Moravian Seminary. Ann was the first female graduate of that seminary, earning her M.Div. in 1970.

Robert Naylor '70, began work April 1, on the staff of Office for Church Life and Leadership, to which he moved from a staff position in Penn Central.

Lawrence Rezash '55, became Minister of Southwest Ohio Association in January 1983. Larry had been serving in Yorkville, Illinois since 1971.

Gordon Sperry '45, moved to an assignment in Australia this year. Officially appointed missionaries by UCBWM, Gordon and Marion anticipate being in their post for 5 years.

John H. Case '81, (M-Div) and wife Naomi are serving an Inuit (Eskimo) community in Northern Labrador under the auspices of the Board of World Mission of the Moravian Church, Bethlehem, Pa.

Spectrum Courses Announced for Fall Term

Spectrum, theological courses for laypersons, will offer six courses for the 1983 Fall term.

"The Little Deaths: Losses in Our Lives" will be taught by Paul Irion. The course will deal with how we cope with the losses that change our lives and how we can minister to others.

"Peacemaking in a Nuclear Age" will be taught by Donald Kraybill. This course is designed to show how Christian faith relates to this urgent moral question.

"Revitalizing the Sunday School" will help religious educators develop knowledge and skills needed to organize and renew the local church school. It will be taught by Douglas Whiting.

"Keeping in Touch: The Spiritual Journey" will be led by James Miller.

Council Meets

Five newly elected members of the Alumni/ae Council were officially welcomed at the annual meeting, April 14, on campus. They are Douglas Albert '62, Barry Fillman '68, Woodrow Kern '41, Pamela Moffat '78, and Raymond Morris '64.

Appreciation was expressed to the retiring members, John Blackwell '70, Charles Sigler '51, Marion Smith '48, Gordon Sperry '45, and Donald Stump '61.

Marion Smith representing the Nominating Committee, recommended that the officers for 1983-84 be Mary Wenck '61, President; Wilbur Albright '70, Vice-President; Douglas Albert '62, Secretary. These were accepted. Retiring officers, President Harold Henning and Secretary Charles Sigler, were thanked for their service.

Other items in the meeting included reports from President-Interim Robert Fauth, and Director of Seminary Relations, Richard Glatfelter '51. President Fauth urged the importance of the alumni/ae in directing students to the seminary, Dick Glatfelter noted that more than 50 graduates had registered as being willing to have prospective students referred to them for contact and follow-up.

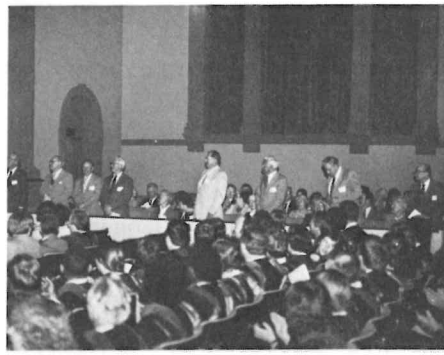
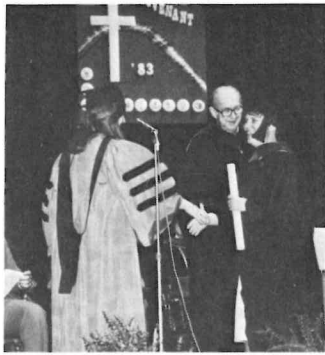
The survey taken with the annual Council ballot regarding the selection of alumni/ae days was reported. A preference for dates in May was indicated. Details will be worked out by the Council and the seminary administration.

Creative ways to use a personal journal in prayer, Bible study, meditation and inner reflection will be explored.

"The Bible: Now I Get It!" will be led by Charlotte Whiting. The class will try to discover the contemporary meaning of scripture by understanding the variety of writing forms in the Bible.

"Church and Family: Friend or Foe?" will be taught by Dennis Clemmer. The course will examine expectations of the family in relation to the church community, including ways in which church participation may undermine family life and how the two may become more mutually supportive.

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