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FINANCIAL AID REMINDER

All students who wish to be considered for financial aid for the 1994-95 academic year must submit their financial aid applications on or before April 15, 1994.

Application forms are available on the shelves across from the Student Services Office in Mayer Commons. Turn them in to Shirley Laukhuff!

Check carefully: Have you completed and attached all the forms? Have you signed and dated all the documents?

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

The Richard B. Hull Memorial Scholarship Fund, established in 1993, stipulates that income from the fund may be used to provide a cash scholarship award, in the neighborhood of \$700, for the musical enrichment of a child or spouse of a full-time candidate for a master's degree at Lancaster Theological Seminary. First preference will be for the child of a student; second preference will be for the spouse of a student. The first annual cash award, to be granted in 1994, will be announced at the Community Luncheon on Wednesday, May 4.

Applications are available in the Student Services area of Mayer Commons. They are to be returned to the Office of Student Services not later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, April 28.

HONORS FORUM FOR STUDENTS and FACULTY

How do you feel about commencement honors? Is our system fair? Is there a better way than high grade point average to recognize outstanding students? Is the system meaningless, and should it be eliminated?

On Tuesday, April 26, 11:30 a.m. in the Refectory, Professor Beth Huwiler, chair of the Educational Life Committee, will conduct a forum for students and faculty on commencement honors. Your views and insights are important. Please attend to voice your opinion and/or suggestions. Your voice needs to be heard!

COKESBURY CUSTOMER APPRECIATION

You are invited to attend Cokesbury's annual customer appreciation day sale on **Wednesday**, **April 20.** Save 25 percent off instock merchandise (except special orders, textbooks or advertised specials).

The bookstore will have a large selection of robes, albs and stoles in stock. Come check it out. Cokesbury will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on this special day.

BOOKSTORE INVENTORY NOTICE

Cokesbury Seminary Bookstore will be closed for inventory on Wednesday, April 27, Friday, April 29, and Saturday, April 30. There is a need for two people to help with inventory. If you would like one-day temporary employment, please see Janice Myers in the bookstore.

Campus Clean-up Day April 16th

CAMPUS CLEAN-UP DAY APRIL 16

Get in touch with Mother Earth! Volunteers are needed to help with a number of small projects all around your campus on Campus Clean-Up Day, Saturday, April 16. The worship and Community Life Committee is sponsoring this day to make the campus a better place for all of us who live, work and study here! All members of the community: students, faculty and staff are encouraged to get involved and make this a fun-filled time with a little work included. Tasks include various clean-up and gardening chores, and projects get underway at 9:00 a.m. Please sign up on the sheet on the newsprint near mailboxes in Lower Level Lark. For more information, contact Ken Waclo.

COMMENCEMENT PRIZES AWARDED MAY 4

Commencement prizes and other awards will be awarded on May 4. A Service of Word and Sacrament at 11:10 a.m. in Santee Chapel will bring the academic year to a close and "send forth" those who will begin new chapters in their lives and ministries. Acting Dean Anabel Proffitt will celebrate the Eucharist and preach.

Following chapel, all are welcome to have lunch in the Refectory, either purchased there or brown bag. After lunch, at about 1:00 p.m., Commencement prizes and academic awards will be presented. In addition, there will be some special presentations to members of the Community (faculty, staff and students). The senior skit will also be presented during this time.

All faculty, staff and students are encouraged to participate in this special community event. Prize recipients will be notified prior to May 4 and are invited to bring their families and friends to share in this special time. Everyone is asked to bring a "pot luck dessert" to add to the festivities. A sign-up sheet is posted on the easel near the mailboxes for those who wish to buy the Refectory lunch and to indicate what dessert you will contribute. Mark this date in red on your calendar as an event not to be missed!

CHAPEL LEADERS

Wednesday, April 13 Shelly Stackhouse

April 18-22 UUA students planning chapel

OF SPECIAL NOTE TO SENIORS.

SENIOR GIFT MEETING

Seniors, please attend the senior gift meeting at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, April 19, in the Refectory.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AVAILABLE

Mary Lin Siever has advised that there are additional announcements available at sixty-five cents each. If you would like to have additional announcements, please see Mary Lin in the President's office.

USHERS NEEDED

A few ushers are still needed for Commencement Day, May 14, 1994. Ushers are needed for the Service of Word and Sacrament at 8:15 a.m. in Santee Chapel, as well as for the 11:00 Commencement Ceremony at Church of the Apostles on Marietta Avenue. You are invited to come as an usher this year, and get a preview of your own special day. Please see Mary Lin Siever in the President's office to make arrangements.

TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS TO WORK/CLASS, APRIL 28

Lancaster Seminary supports the second annual Take Our Daughters to Work/Class Day on Thursday, April 28. This program gives girls the opportunity to see their parents in the adult world of work/school and answer some of the questions girls have about their futures. (Some girls have even said they finally understand why their



mothers and fathers are so tired and stressed at the end of the day.) Primarily, however, this is an opportunity for girls to see their parents in a role other than as mother and father.

Take Our Daughters to Work/Class Day is a chance to share the value of your job. Preparing for this special day should be as much fun - and as valuable - as the actual day. Find out what your daughter thinks you do all day. What are her perceptions of your job and the people with whom you work/attend class?

You are encouraged to participate in Take Our Daughters to Work/class Day. The national attention on girls, combined with the hustle and bustle of your workplace/classroom will make your daughter feel especially important. And you will probably feel pretty good about participating in an event devoted to lifting the self-esteem of daughters throughout the country.

STAFFORD LOAN RENEWALS

Please note: your housing category is **not** "on campus" which is translated to mean "dormitory." Even though you live in Lancaster Seminary housing, you are "off campus." Checking the correct category makes a difference in your potential eligibility.

CAMPUS 100 WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Beginning at 6:45 p.m. with gathering music, a special service will be held on Thursday, April 21, in Santee Chapel to rededicate the original buildings of the Seminary campus. The service is adapted from the May 10, 1894, service of dedication of new buildings at the Seminary. Students are invited to attend this *Campus 100* Worship Celebration and afterwards to come to the Campus Center for refreshments.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MIXER/BUFFET TOUR

Between Wednesday, April 20, and Thursday, April 21, close to 400 people will visit our campus. As a member of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce, the Seminary will host other member institutions, organizations and businesses at a mixer on April 20. This event is an opportunity for people in the business community to become familiar with the Seminary.

On Thursday, invited guests, along with members of the Seminary Board of Trustees, faculty and staff, will tour the campus during dinner. The dinner is one of the concluding events of the year-long *Campus 100* centennial celebration at Lancaster Seminary.

FAITHWORKS '94 EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Participants at FaithWorks '94, July 2-6, at Purdue University in Indiana will benefit from a wide variety of focus groups and workshops. over 350 are planned with leadership reflecting the United Church of Christ's diversity. Each participant will have the opportunity to attend two workshops in skill-building and three focus groups on topics or issues of concern to the church. For more information, call 800-294-3994 or contact your FaithWorks '94 conference coordinator. Registration booklets are on the publications table near the mailboxes in Lower Level Lark or see Phyllis Baum.

UCC HISTORICAL ESSAY PRIZE

The Historical Council of the United Church of Christ announces the 1994-95 competition for the best essay on the history of the United Church of Christ and/or any of its antecedent traditions. That essay which, in the opinion of the judges, shows the best grasp of its subject matter, as well a maturity of interpretation, will be awarded \$200.00 and will be considered for publication.

To be eligible, an essay must have been written by an active candidate for the MDiv degree. The essay must not have been previously published. Essays, no more than 4,000 words in length, excluding footnotes and bibliography, should be submitted in typed or word-processed double-spaced format, to The Archivist, United Church of Christ, Schaff Library, Lancaster Seminary. Entries must be received no later than May 1, 1995. The winner will be announced at General Synod XX during the summer of 1995.





Bulletin Board

BOB AND ANITA REZASH VISIT SEMINARY

The Rev. Robert Rezash, Class of '55, of St. Peter United Church of Christ, Houston, Texas, and his wife, Anita, are staying on campus for the month of April. Please welcome these visitors to our community.

SUSAN MORRIS WRITES

The paper that the Rev. Susan Yarrow Morris wrote while on sabbatical at Lancaster has been received by her local conference and some national folks with "affirming acclaim" she writes to Chaplain Kroehler in a recent postcard.

ROBES, STOLES, PARAMENTS

Brenda Grauer, liturgical artist, will be at Lancaster on Wednesday, April 20, with her handcrafted robes, stoles and paraments. Her artistic liturgical stoles and robes are often given to graduating seniors as gifts by congregations, families and friends. Her works are unique, both in design and as signed art pieces.

Brenda will also bring with her samples of "the Jesus doll," and other items she creates for uses in congregations. "The Jesus doll" has acquired national acclaim since its introduction three months ago for use in educational and Christian counseling settings.

Stop by Brenda's exhibit table in Lower Level Lark on April 20 to talk with her and to place orders.

TOMATOES WANTED!

Vic Wright would like to have some tomato plants to put where the mulberry tree once stood at Frederick and Pine Streets. Vic will tend the plants in this new sunny spot, and members of the community can reap the harvest. Will anyone contribute baby plants?

FREE WILL OFFERING GATHERS \$90.00

Chaplain Kroehler reports that the free will offering in Santee Chapel last week for the relief of tornado victims in Alabama netted \$90.00. Chaplain

Kroehler will see that it is sent to Bishop Susan Morrison of the Easter Pennsylvania Conference, United Methodist Chruch who is gathering the fund. Thanks to the community for a caring and generous spirit!

PROFESSOR HUWILER'S BOOK REVIEWED

The spring issue of COMMON LOT, published by the United Church of Christ Coordinating Center for Women in Church and Society, reviews Professor Elizabeth Huwiler's kaleidoscope Series Resource, Biblical Women-Mirrors, Models and Metaphors. Produced by United Church Press, Biblical Women, which is designed for six sessions can also be adapted for a weekend retreat. The combined leader's guide and student text has a companion video. "This new resource of the Kaleidoscope Series offers fresh approaches to the stories of biblical women. ...various interpretive methods of biblical texts...enable us to deepen our levels of acquaintance with these women who so often seem far removed form our experience. By practicing these methods, we may see reflections of our own lives in their stories, discover qualities to emulate and view some biblical women as symbols of universal experiences," says Joyce Ray, reviewer.

SUPPLY PREACHER UPDATE

Frequently Lancaster Seminary receives calls requesting supply preachers, either on a one-time basis or to cover several weeks at a time. if you would like to add your name to the list of those students who are interested and available to respond to this need, please sign up with Donna Kaplan, Faculty Secretary.

TEXTILE ARTIST SHARES HER GIFTS

Thanks to creative artist Ginny Deneka, a first year seminary student from Corning, NY. She designed and created two banners for the recent meeting in St. Louis of the United Church Board for World Ministries, of which she is a corporate member of the board of directors. For a few weeks, one of the banners, with butterfly and rainbow symbols, will fly over the piano in Santee Chapel.