

# THE SEMINARIAN

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LET US HEAR FROM YOU!!!!!!

What I'm about to say I think obviously will not fall upon agreeing ears! We have been publishing The Seminarian for some four months now, including last years first issues. When we began, it was with the common objective of providing a service to this, our little world within the world. For us, that goal was defined as "providing an open forum for the expression of common concerns and problems." Our hope was that we could print items which would move others to respond in counter-articles, either agreeing or disagreeing, depending on how the individual felt.

With this, we had visions of receiving articles from every segment of our community, in order that we might learn what everybody really felt. We even had hoped that the professors would contribute substantially to the process of exposing and solving problems, whether they be local or of broader concern, perhaps even theological or historical in nature.

But, alas, I feel that we have failed. People have not written "to the editors" as we had hoped. Oh, we have had some very wonderful contributions, but I cannot feel that The Seminarian has become a force in your lives. If I'm wrong in this feeling, I wish someone would write us and say so. If we're not printing what you want to respond to, or if, by chance, we are, please, I beg you, RESPOND! WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM EACH OF YOU!

Wayne Strever

PERSPECTIVE...

The line "it's a joke boys" is one of the first things one learns upon entering the seminary. The tolerance level for these jokes increases so much in three years that, for the silent majority of students, the whole seminary program becomes a joke. And no one wants to eliminate jokes - they are fun to laugh at and they help us avoid facing the realities of life.

The consequences of the above are that the products of the seminary become jokes who, in turn, lead the Church in the same direction. Does not most of our society already look at the Church as a joke?

C. Stumb (Curly)

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CHAPEL TIME CHANGE?

Yes, it's true. The Campus Affairs Committee wants to know what really is the consensus of opinion. In order to comply, there will be a seminary wide referendum on Monday, November 22, held in The Hub from 8:30 through 4:00. At that time you will be given a choice of three possible times in which we could hold chapel each day. The results of this vote will be given to the Campus Affairs Committee at their next meeting, November 24th. If a change is desired, the committee will take further action to see such instituted during 2nd semester.

Wayne Strever

## REFLECTIONS ON LAST THURSDAY

(Thursday, November 11th, was a busy day at L.T.S. when many feelings were expressed by many people. The following represents some of these, as seen by one who was there, and who cares.)

"This has been a long day. It was planned as a work day, designed in part as student-faculty evaluation and planning of September Programs, and in part as faculty looking ahead.

Unexpectedly, to me at least, several students began to express strong feelings (frustration, repression, alienation, fear...). Many of us spoke, and it seemed to me that we were making honest attempts to understand one another. But we did not really succeed. Something more was needed than expression of feelings that rebounded from September evaluation.

We made plans for that "something more." There is to be a forum in which everybody will have a chance to express his feelings. In probing discussion of such a forum we expressed some real doubts: Will "they" come? Will "they" really speak up? Will a forum merely generate new problems that did not exist before? Will there be reprisal? No one knew the answers, but all agreed that deep feelings exist and that they need to be expressed. (At this point Rob Brown and Jim Fatzinger came into The Hub and brought the monologue to a welcome halt at 9:49)."

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"The above is exactly what I wrote on a couple of P.M.F. "Just Remember" pages between 9:34 and 9:49 on Thursday night. Two students interrupted the monologue. Then others came in and we had a very useful conversation. It brought to the surface the kind of questions that ought to be raised, and that ought to be resolved in continuing faculty -

student encounter.

This personal narrative is not the place to formulate these issues and to seek to deal with them. That should be done by more people, both faculty and student, in another context. It may be useful however to say clearly why this monologue-conversation happened.

I had gone home to dinner after a long day of evaluation and planning that remained frustratingly unfinished. It was then that I read the issue of The Seminarian that begins "A Man Named Christ Lived." Here were feelings again - the same kinds of feelings that had stymied the September Program evaluation. But what was behind the feelings? What problems lurked there? How to find those problems and deal with them? I needed conversation with students.

The students and one wife who came in had also been thinking and talking, and they evidently needed conversation too.

For me personally the next step is to identify the problems that surfaced in our conversation and to search for ways by which we can work on them together. I hope that my conversation partners will do the same thing and that we will be joined in this endeavor by many others who are members of the Seminary enterprise. It may be that our future, both individually and corporately hangs on it! As I see it, this is what the proposed forum is about.

Lee J. Gable

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## SIMPLE MATH

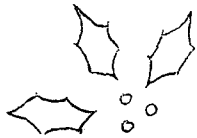
Daily each of us has opportunities to add to other people's burdens or to subtract from those burdens by sharing them.

What's your specialty..... addition or subtraction?

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## PROVERBS 26:12

Do you see a man who is wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him!



# SEMINARY CHRISTMAS PARTY



On December 6th at 7:30 p. m. the Association of Seminary Women is sponsoring an "All Seminary Christmas Party" to be held in the Seminary Refectory. You are invited to attend and participate in the festivities of the evening. There will be punch, hot chocolate and those delicious home-made cookies of the ASW, (of which on several occasions we have had in the HUB), group carolling, entertainment, trimming of the tree (please bring an ornament along), and a visit from HO! HO! Saint Nick.

Within the week you will be contacted by a representative of ASW, to find out if you will be attending. There will be a small fee of twenty-five (25) cents to cover costs, which will be collected at the time.

The ASW welcomes all donations in the area of refreshments. If you would like to contribute cookies for the festive occasion, call Karen at 349 - 8575

All are invited to the party, faculty, administration, staff, seminarians and immediate families of seminarians. See you December 6, 7:30 p. m.!

- Glen Dean -

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## ASW CLASS TO BEGIN

The first ASW class of the year will begin Tuesday, November 23. Our guest will be Dr. Noss, who will speak on the topic "World Religion and the Christian Faith". The sessions will be November 23rd and 30th, and December 7th and 14th from 7:30 p. m. to 9:00 p. m. Location for the classes will be announced later.

- Margaret Stumb -

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The Liturgy Committee Handbook provides both a study guide and a resource manual for groups working with liturgy. Write to:

Liturgical Conference  
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Washington, D. C. 20005

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222 East Fifth Street  
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

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Let us eliminate "the Certainty Principle, the conviction that there is one right answer to every question."

## CAUTION ! ! !

Attempt to keep the "art of questioning" in perspective. Intellectual gymnastics do not strengthen the brain; but clearly defined intellectual skills applied to significant subject matter do prepare students for similar problems in life. The following selection illustrates the point that GOOD questions can be ludicrous when applied to insignificant subject matter:

"This Little Pig went to market."

Why? Did he go to buy or to be bought? Is he a free agent? If to buy, what and for whom? Is he an informed buyer, the sort who would study the Buyers' Index and Consumers' Guide? If, and it is altogether possible, if he is to be sold, what price will he bring? What will be the effect on the market price of the recent attempts to control agricultural surplus? And, in our ever-widening circle of relationships, is there a reasonable or an exorbitant profit for the farmer?

"This Little Pig stayed home."

Once again, why? Why did he stay home? Was he perhaps antisocial? What was there in his background that caused him to stay home? What was his home like? What did he do there? He may have been a truant. What can we do to make our schools attractive to the potential truant? Is it good for us to stay home sometimes?

"This Little Pig had roast beef."

Would you consider roast beef proper food for a pig? Which is better, nutritionally speaking, rare or well-done beef?

"This Little Pig had none."

Why not? Did he eat something else? What would you suggest as a well-balanced diet for a pig? What bad psychological effects are likely to result from the juxtaposition of plenty and scarcity?

"This Little Pig cried, "Wee, Wee, Wee all the way home."

Where had the little pig been? Why did he cry? What does this tell us about the pig's personality and character development? At what age do pigs change from "wee" to "oink"?

- Courtesy of  
Lewis Long -

### L.T.S. Cagers Relinquish First Encounter

Monday evening November 15, the L.T.S. "hoopsters" were subdued in a romping encounter with an F & M intramural team in the Mayser Gymnasium. The first half of the game was a give and take on both sides and ended with L.T.S. just one point down. The half time score was 15 - 16.

The second half, however, told the tale as F & M sank goals from outside like they were going out of style and L.T.S. failed to duplicate. The final score was 23 - 32.

The loss was rationalized in the fact that the L.T.S. cagers had not practiced prior to this competition and indeed this was a determining factor. L.T.S. owes a debt of gratitude to Chuck McHose, Jim Fatsinger, Mike Romig, Ted Corcelius, Carl Jones and Phil Allamong who blistered their feet for the cause. It is hoped that the next outing of the L.T.S. cagers will prompt others loyal to athletic causes to show themselves.

M.L.K. HOLIDAY On Tuesday night November 9th an editorial in support of of national holiday or memorial day for Martin Luther King was heard over radio station WIFI. Written statements favorable to this idea were solicited and will be forwarded to Washington, D. C. — You may wish to offer your support individually or corporately. Write: Martin Luther King Editorial WIFI, Box 156000 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Lewis Long -

## "Jesus Meetings at F.&M."

Every Monday evening at 7:00, in the chapel of the Old Main Building on the F.&M. Campus, people are gathering for informal sessions on Jesus Christ and His ability to transform lives today. So far there is some indication that they are growing a little larger every week. They were started mainly for F.&M. students and some kids from the local Jesus Movement attended. The meetings are for anyone, and I would like to invite anyone who is reading this article to come over to F.&M. on Monday evenings and help make this effort a success.

Each meeting is somewhat different, but they are organized roughly in this manner: first, there is scripture reading and I present a brief Biblical message centered around Christ's life, death, and resurrection, and what significance these have for modern man. Then we hear people from the audience relate to everyone just what the living Christ has done and is doing for them in their own lives. There will be some musical groups making presentations in the meetings, as just this past meeting when some singers from the Jesus Movement came. A very important part of the meetings is a discussion period, where everyone is invited to offer their views on Christ and His work in the world today. I am going to try and make the meetings more discussion centered than they have been so far, so come and present your ideas! Such questions as these will be discussed: How can one find true peace with God in today's chaotic world? Is the spiritual realm a reality? Are man's basic problems today rooted primarily in spiritual, mental, physical, or social causes? What is the realistic approach one must take in dealing with them? What is sin? Who are sinners? How can Christ help the individual with his problems and hangups?

Christ is alive and active among people today! It is the Bible and its content that Jesus Christ will enter and transform any person who sincerely is willing to turn from sin and ask Him to take over their entire life. Jesus brings happiness at its fullest! I've seen it happen over and over again to people. He brings true freedom and release from fear, problems, anxieties, etc.! Let's put this power to work in men's lives today! Pray for these meetings, and pray that God's living Holy Spirit will continue to move in the lives of people everywhere. Praise the name of Jesus Christ! May He continue to shower people with His love. God bless all of you.

John Fueller  
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There will be an important meeting of the SCC on Thursday at 6:30 Nov. 18 in the Hub. All are welcome to attend.