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CONTINUALLY BEGINNING

In many ways, January is a beginning. It's the beginning of our calendar year: 1975. Our financial year dates from now. We make resolutions to better our lives which we hope to begin on New Year's Day. The January semester here at LTS means another academic beginning for some of us, and a time to rest and prepare for the coming semester for others.

And yet this January is also a time for continuing. The school year is but half over. Most of us live in the same rooms, apartments, or houses we did in December. The weather is, for the most part, the same as it was before the new year began. But perhaps more important is the fact that we are the same people we were in 1974 --- or 1973, for that a matter --- in spite of our resolutions to lose five pounds, smile more often, or talk to our plants. We may be learning to see the world and its people in an entirely new light, beginning to really appreciate the natural world, or opening ourselves more to our Lord's will, but these are improvements upon the person we already are.

We return from Christmas or from January break to people we have become close to, and to new new people, as well. At least a partial list of those who are new students at LTS this semester is as follows: the Pennsylvania students are John Anderson, from Camp Hill, James Moyer, Fleetwood, Leatha M. Archer, Howard, Dennis Spangler, Lancaster, Paul Thomas, Harrisburg, and Thomas Schreck, Reading. Out-of-state students are Margaret Clark, Norwalk Connecticut, Linda Lalas, Holiday, Florida, and James Smelley, LaCrosse, Virginia. Welcome to both these new friends and to the old.

--J. Deni Bechard

SANTEE LIVES

Next week is has been set aside thru-out the world as "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity." The Spiritual Life Committee has made plans for two activities in conjunction with this week. The first is a twelve hour Prayer Vigil on January 21. It is hoped that everyone would feel free to take part in this worthy endeavor, especially if they could sign up for half hour or hour on the sheet outside of the chapel. Please contact any member of the Spiritual Life Committee if there are any questions.

Then on Wednesday, January 22, the Novitiate at Wernersville has invited our community (seminarians, faculty, and administration) to visit with them. Father Walsh is making arrangements for this, so please contact him for any further details.

Looking a little into the future, we find that the Historical Symposium/Colloquy will be here February 3-5. This will not interfere with chapel services! However, for these three days only, chapel will be at 9:00 a.m.

Still a little further in the future, the preacher for the first Monday of the spring term will be the Rev. Clayton Rammler who is the Association Minister of the Southwest Ohio Association.

Please remember: chapel during the month of January will begin at 8:45 every morning. Also, every Friday morning at 7:00 a.m., there will be the celebration of Holy Communion.

Also please remember that all worship services are open to everyone, including YOU!

--Spiritual Life Committee

OPEN LETTER FROM THE HOLLY TRAIL

On behalf of Lancaster Branch, A.A.U.W., thank you for helping us with Holly Trail. It was an excellent tour - an estimated 1100 tour goers and over \$2,000.00 profit.

Our appreciation for the use of your lovely campus. The Chapel and Dietz Refectory are both beautiful. It was generous of you to share these buildings with us and the community.

Our gratitude to the particular students who acted as guides in the Chapel. This was helpful to us and a benefit to the people on the tour.

A word of thanks to Frank McConnell and Michael Iski for providing organ music on each day of the tour. This added an extra dimension for Chapel visitors.

To all the students, faculty, and employees who were inconvenienced by our presence on campus, our apologies. We thank you for your patience and cooperation. Our profits are used by our national organization in awarding Fellowships to women and by local projects such as Citizen Scholarship Foundation. So your help has aided many people.

Gratefully,
Joan Krick, Holly Trail
Chairman

HYMNALS

New UCC hymnals have been ordered for the chapel. Total cost is \$370.00 for the 100 hymnals. A campaign to raise the money began last year. Persons have contributed \$210.00 giving hymn books in name of doner, in memory, in honor of someone. Please make checks payable to LTS and give them directly to Mr. Wolf. This is a way to give a lasting gift to the seminary.

(Editor's note: Some suggestions if you have no one to donate a hymnal in memory of. In memory of Goliath, Abishag, Enoch, or Quirenius, governor of Syria!)

JUST A REMINDER

- AMF Dinner - February 20 at 6:30 PM
Meadow Hills Resturant.

MUGS

A few of the LTS 150th anniversary mugs are still available from the Office of Development and Communication. No more will be ordered unless demand requires it! These are "permanent souvenirs" and cost \$6.50.

THANK YOU!

To semenarians Mike Iski, Joyce Rupp, Dana Schlegel, Jim Werner, Nancy Lily, Alice Zimmerman, Deni Bechard; to Frank McConnell, to John and Ruth Balazs, to all the seminarians (and F&M students) who eat in refectory; to Dr. Glasse and his family - to everyone who helped in any way to "make way" for the AAUW Holy Trail, thanks! 1100 persons from the Lancaster area visited LTS - the chapel, the refectory and the President's house. Involvement with the community is a plus for LTS.

--Lyman Farrar

KEYS NEEDED

Have you ever wondered what you could do with all those old keys that no longer havelocks that fit them? Paul Clark can solve that problem for you. He would like any old keys you might have. These keys will be sent to President Ford, Andy Young and the Vietnamese ambassador to show for the political prisoners in Viet Nam. Either give the keys to Paul or put them in his mailbox.

HISTORICAL SYMPOSIUM COLLOQUY

Another major event in the 150th anniversary celebration is the Historical Symposium/Colloquy. It will February 3 to 5. The theme will be Mercersburg Theology. For furthur details see Dorothy Book.

SHROVE TUESDAY

June and Francis have invited the Seminary community to an Open House at their home, 445 College Avenue on February 11 from 8 to 10 P.M.

To: Seminarians

Re: Financial Planning, the seminary's and our own

From: Lyman G. Farrar

Working with a number of you in the area of financial planning, with the LTS Budget Council, and with my spouse, I realize how more and more the importance of financial planning in these days. Maybe "these days" should be accented, because of the state of our national economy which so affects personal financial planning and planning for the seminary.

1. A piece of information that has gone out to faculty, trustees and a number of our alumni is that LTS' Friends Fund is running \$13,000 behind a year ago at this time. This is the very important Fund that "insures" a balanced budget for LTS. I share this information, now, with all seminarians, for you may be able to help us reach the \$110,000 goal that is needed this year, a goal that is some \$18,000 higher than the almost record year of giving (\$92,000) in 1973-74. If you have names of persons you feel would be interested in LTS, please let me know. I would also like to have suggestions concerning approach, i.e., personal letter, personal visit, etc. You may also want to write your home church and ask them to take a special offering for the seminary during the 150th anniversary year. Additional sources for income need to be found. Financial planning for the seminary requires this! Any suggestions you have will be welcomed.

2. In April, some of you will be making application for help from LTS in your financial planning for next year. Whether you apply directly to LTS or seek other sources for help in your financial planning, there are opportunities for learning more about this subject. I hope that we can get a financial planning seminar put together for those interested here on campus. For your information at this time, however, I do a "rewrite" of a news article that was in the SUNDAY NEWS on January 12. The Farmers First Bank in Lititz is offering a monthly series of programs entitled, "Consumer Awareness". The information that follows is from the news article.

"If you really want to delve into the various facets of budgeting and money management, you can take advantage of a special Consumer Awareness Program being offered by the Farmers First Bank, Lititz. And the price is definitely right -- it's free!

The program will feature four separate monthly sessions beginning the week of March 10. If enough people sign up for the sessions, two separate times will be offered at each of the bank's five branches -- 9 to 10:30 a.m., and 7:30 to 9 p.m. Course instructors will be Tom Mayer, education director, and Gloria Degler, public relations officer at Farmers First.

The March session will cover the topic of "Financial Management" on the following dates and locations: March 10, Neffsville branch; March 11, Lititz branch; March 12, Intercourse branch; March 13, Marietta; and March 14, Lincoln.

'Consumer Protection and How To Increase Your Purchasing Power' will be offered in April. Dates and locations are: April 7, Neffsville; April 8, Lititz; April 9, Intercourse; April 10, Marietta, and April 11, Lincoln.

In May, students will learn about 'Establishing and Using Credit Wisely' on May 12, Neffsville; May 13, Lititz; May 14, Intercourse; May 15, Marietta, and May 16, Lincoln.

The final session, offered in September, will cover 'Trust Services and Long Range Planning'...Sept. 15, Neffsville; Sept. 16, Lititz; Sept. 17, Intercourse; Sept. 18, Marietta, and Sept. 19, Lincoln."

Anyone interested in attending these sessions should make reservations for all or part of the program with Gloria Degler, 626-4721 Ext. 248, by one week prior to each monthly session. Deadline for the March program is March 3.

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SEMINARY COMMUNICATOR - 150:15

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*Open to Seminary Community

**Open to General Public

- Numbers in parentheses refer to announcements which follow.

CALENDAR

Monday, January 20

**8:45 A.M.	- Chapel	
11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.	- APC	L214
7:30 P.M.	- Lancaster County Historian Meeting	Chapel
**9:00 P.M.	- Bowling	

Tuesday, January 21

**8:45 A.M.	- Chapel	
Prayer Vigil for Christian Unity		(1)

Wednesday, January 22

8:00 A.M.	- Executive Committee	
**8:45 A.M.	- Chapel	
**4:30 P.M.	- Service of Prayer for Christian Unity	(1)

Thursday, January 23

**8:45 A.M.	- Chapel	
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Friday, January 24

**8:45 A.M.	- Chapel	
*6:00 P.M.	- ASW Progressive Dinner-Dessert	

Saturday, January 25

**1:00 P.M.	- Bowling	
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DATES AHEAD

February 3 - 5 - Historical Symposium/Colloquy	(2)
February 11 - Open House at the Ringers' Home	
April 16 and 17 - The Arts Festival	(3)
Saturday, April 19 - The Celebration Road Show	(4)
Wednesday, April 23 - Norman and Sandra Dietz will be here in Lancaster	(5)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communicator 150:15

- (1) To: All students, Faculty, and Administration Members: The Spiritual Life Committee would like to take this opportunity to remind all of you of our invitation to the Novitiate at Wernersville on the 22nd of January. Information in regard to time of departure and directions to the Novitiate were in the last calendar of events which all of you should have received in your mailbox. Please fill in and return the reservation slip which is found in the calendar so that Father Walsh will be able to make appropriate arrangements.

In connection with the trip to Wernersville the Spiritual Life Committee is sponsoring a twelve-hour Prayer Vigil for Christian Unity on January 21. Please sign up for half-hour or hour-time slots on the sign-up sheet outside of the chapel. For those who may have any questions as to what is entailed in regard to a prayer vigil please contact any member of the Spiritual Life Committee. The committee is hopeful that all those who are available during the month of January will do their utmost to help with the vigil and attend the evening at Wernersville.

One other reminder: Chapel during the month of January will begin at 8:45 every morning. There is also the Celebration of Holy Communion every Friday morning at 7:00 A.M. in the Chapel. We urge anyone who can to participate in the Spiritual Life of our community. Wishing you all a joyous and blessed New Year of service for our Lord.

Spiritual Life Committee

- (2) The celebration of our 150th Anniversary continues with the Historical Symposium Colloquy - February 3 - 5. Detailed schedules of this event are posted on bulletin boards around the campus. The Spiritual Life Committee is planning the chapel services for the event. Mr. McConnell will be one of the respondents. Some members of the faculty will be convening the sessions. This is an event for everyone! Plan to attend the lectures - join in the fellowship - learn about Mercersburg theology!!

Dorothy M. Book

- (3) April 16 and 17 is the Arts Festival here at the seminary. Again this year we will have displays of your hand made things and collections plus possibly a puppet show, dance, another variety show, etc. If you are thinking about making something for the Festival now is a good time to begin. If you have any ideas for the the Festival or would like to serve on the committee please let me know. We will have a meeting in the next two weeks for planning.

Alice Zimmerman

- (4) On Saturday, April 19, The Celebration Road Show will be in the Lancaster Area, sponsored by the Lancaster Association. Anyone who attended Penn Central Conference's Annual Meeting last year I'm sure has really good memories about the Show. This jazz group is alive, dynamic, vibrant! More information as to time and place later.

Alice Zimmerman

- (5) On Wednesday, April 23, Norman and Sandra Dietz will be here at Lancaster. Norman and his wife Sandra are well known for their plays like The Apple Bit. Their plays are a blend of theology and comedy that will spark your imaginations. Do mark this date on your calendar. More information on this later.

Alice Zimmerman

Part-Time Work In A Church? If you would like to work about 20 hours a week, primarily with youth, in the First United Methodist (formerly EUB) Church in Ephrata, Pa., an historic congregation with about 750 members, with Pastor Ohms who has had many years of experience supervising intern students, please contact him at the church, 733-2604 (morning hours are best) or at his home, 733-6033. I have a few other leads for churches who need help. Please see me.

Allen Kroehler, Office of Field
Education

June and Francis Ringer invite the Seminary Community to an Open House at 445 College Avenue on February 11 (Shrove Tuesday) from 8 to 10 P.M.

Francis Ringer

Repeat notice: The faculty and students of Lancaster Theological Seminary are cordially invited to join the Wernersville Jesuit Novitiate community for dinner and an ecumenical service of prayer for Christian unity on Wednesday evening, January 22. Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. Directions for reaching the Novitiate:

- Leave Lancaster at 4:30 p.m. and proceed north on Rt. 222 to Rt. 724 in Shillington (first traffic light: Two Guys on right).
- Turn left on Rt. 724 and proceed several miles to Rt. 422.
- Turn left on Rt. 422 and proceed to Church Road in Wernersville (Arco station on left; Amoco station on right).
- Turn right on Church Road and proceed about one-half mile to Novitiate entrance on right.

If you plan to attend, please sign your name here and put slip in Father Walsh's mailbox opposite Grace Nuss's office.

I plan to be present at Wernersville on January 22.

Name: _____