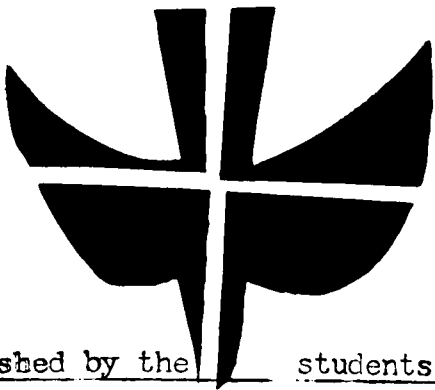


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INTER-SEMINARY PROGRAMS PLANNED WEEK OF PRAYER AND CHRISTIAN UNITY

There will be an Ecumenical Service at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary to open the week of prayer for Christian Unity. This week is sponsored by the Roman Catholics and the World Council of Churches. Participating in the service will be representatives of Conwell, Philadelphia Divinity School, Eastern Baptist, Mt. Airy, and St. Charles seminaries. The students, faculty, wives and friends of all seminaries have been invited to attend a brief concert of sacred music by the St. Charles Seminary Choir, worship together, and attend a reception following the worship service. Sunday, January, 26, 1969, is the date. 3:00 P.M. is the time. More information can be obtained from any member of the Inter-seminary Committee. If you plan to attend please indicate your intention by signing the sheet on the bulletin in Hagin Hall.

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E. MT. AIRY NEIGHBORS DRIVE

Note: For those who would like to become involved with the Mt. Airy community as well as the seminary community, consider the following appeal.

East Mount Airy Neighbors is launching a massive membership drive on Sunday, January 26, to enroll all those people in the community who care about what is happening in Mount Airy, people who will make the city of Philadelphia and City Hall familiar with what an enlightened community like Mount Airy can become.

They are seeking people who care whether the apartment dwellers have their trash picked up, their buildings in good repair and people who want to keep the area from eroding into slum areas. The neighbors want people who care about their children and who are striving for good communications with the Board of Education on particular local school problem. (cont'd on page 4)

AN EDITORIAL: A TIME FOR U.S

There always seems to be a time for everything. There is a time for living, a time for dying, a time for burning, a time for building. For the third in a series of four, it was a time for Ben-Jochannan last night. Actually it was a time for rambling, a time for exercise in everything and nothing in particular. Yet it was also a time for cliches, and a time for being human. Dr. Jochannan began to talk on the question of how the slaves came to America... but before we got the how and the why, we first needed a bit of background. For the rest of his lecture, we recieved the pre-history that gave rise to slavery in America...but didn't get to the question in particular. Rather, we ended up in contemporary history, with the World Wars of our century, and the results that we now live with.

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ECUMENICAL DAY

As in the past, Mt. Airy has been invited to an "Ecumenical Day" at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. We have participated in this program in previous years. This year the topic for discussion centers around schism and heresy. "The central question that will be asked is this: On what principles has the Christian Church in the course of her history refused communion (unity) with other Christian groups?" In preparation for the discussion the students interested will meet regularly for study. The date of "Ecumenical Day" is Wednesday, April 16. Are you interested? Sign up on the list on the Hazen Hall bulletin board. There will be a meeting of those interested during coffee break, Monday, January 26. More information can be obtained by contacting Tom Sinnott.

From all reports the exchange with Gettysburg was very successful. We plan more such exchanges starting at the beginning of next quarter. Thanks to Bob Kidd, Dave Genszler, Craig Tozzo and Bob Rodriguez who went on the first exchange. Thanks also to Jack Heikkinen, Mark Fritch, Carl Shankweiler and Larry Smoose who were hosts to our Gettysburg guests. We also thank Dean Lazareth and Mr. Kaufmann for their guidance and assistance in planning this exchange.

Many important and exciting things are happening on the Inter-seminary scene. Do you want to be a part? See any member of the Inter-seminary Committee.

Tom Sinnott

THE SEMINARIAN is somehow, in someway, by the Grace of God, published each week by the students of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. The office is located in Room 62, F hall, and most any other place you might have met the staff, including the Ivy Hill. Deadline for the next issue is January 28, 1969, or any time before we are done typing. The Editor is Mark Andrew Fritch. Contributing to any need is George William Yoder, Fredrick Paul Schneeberg, and Robert Freeman Holley. Others writing or contributing in any creative way in this issue are: Larry Smoose, Bill Villaume, Ray Ursin, Tom Sinnott, and John Raymond Sabatelli.

A TIME FOR US CONTINUED

Though Dr. Jochannan never did really dwell on his topic, eclectic comments did give rise to a few interesting ideas, as well as over-used cliches. For example, it was insightful to learn that the attitude which sees the Africans as uncivilized is a myth. It was only after Stanley and Livingston that the Africans became "savages". Or, another interesting point is that all humans have the right to be free... not just the European or American, but the African too. Other things could be cited for further examples, but the significance of these statements doesn't really lie in themselves, as they may or may not be true. The value of these is in the substance. Finally it seems, the time has come for ripeness, and Dr. Jochannan has given us something to sink our teeth in, something to think about, something that is relatable to understanding Black History and its meaning for us. Yet, he didn't tell us about slavery in America.

So it was a time for everything and nothing in particular. But, it was also a time for cliches, such as "might is right". Not only cliches in this normative sense, but a time for cliches and myths, about government, history being visited on the tenth generation, and eye hang-ups all over the world. Somehow the cliches and the polemics were sad and silencing, sort of lulling one to sleep. But then came the breath of fresh air, the air of humanness that seems to be so lacking in the discussions of this type. When the floor was opened to questions, Dr. Jochannan began to speak on the humanity of men one to another, and the prejudices that infect us all. It was then, when he began to identify with me, and I with him that the illogical lectures finally began to have meaning and to be atleast tacitly comprehensible. It was a time for understanding this evening, a time for listening... and perhaps we've heard what is really being said; listen closely, for it may be more significant than our prejudices will admit.

PERSONAL NOTICE:

Lost: One bippy.

If Found: See Mr. Ken Garver. He'll most likely be in the basement under the main dorm keeping warm?

Please, please would someone find my bippy?

AROUND CAMPI

Happy second anniversary to Gordy and Sandy and happy birthday to Bob Holley-- Congratulations to Roy Lloyd both on his up-coming marriage(Oct.4) and on the good word that a church is waiting for him in Western Penn... Bill Munz will also be taking the big step to the altar in June, 1969... remember Holy Communion next Wednesday- if you are married do plan to stay for lunch.. Ask John Sabatelli about his new and unusual arrangement of the Doxology... Sobering thought-- the end of the quarter is less than one month away... the Pub house sale this year was generally unexciting but that still did not stop one junior from spending fifty dollars plus... Quote of the week "I decided to hand in my resignation as manager of the universe, I was surprised to find out how quickly it was accepted." (Sam Keen in "Hope in a Post-Human Era")

THE PAROUSIA

Mark that date well, for last Friday several seminarians thought that the parousia had finally been realized. It must have been the parousia. How else could a Mt. Airy athletic team have won a game? But the impossible possibility had been actualized. Mt. Airy had beaten Westminster in basketball 42-40.

The first period looked disastrous as Westminster quickly ran up six points without much trouble at all. The period ended with Westminster ahead 16-6. The second period proved considerably different as Mt. Airy started to crack the Westminster press with sharp passing around the outside. In addition the defence held Westminster to only three points in this period. Noteworthy was the fact that everyone who was on the floor for Mt. Airy in the second period scored. The team showed a balanced attack and a tight defence which was quite impressive.

The second half was tight throughout, with Mt. Airy holding a slight lead until the early fourth quarter when it was widened to 10 points. With about five minutes remaining in the game, Westminster applied a pressing

defence which seemed to force a great many change overs. By the last minute the gap had been closed to one point. Steve Fossum hit a foul shot to put Mt. Airy ahead by two points. With five seconds left Westminster had the ball at their end of the court, but the shot missed. Time ran out before the rebound could be played.

High scorer for Mt. Airy was player-coach Steve Gerhard with 17 points.. Steve Fossum at Guard contributed 11 points with some especially timely outside shooting in the second half. The rest of the scoring was as follows:

Steve Borgren	6
Mark Fritch	4
Larry Snoose	4

Strong in the rebounding department were Mark Fritch and Steve Borgren.

In the future there are hopefully two games with Gettysburg and perhaps one with Howery's Midgets from Abingdon. If the team can play as they showed they were capable of in the second quarter, they should have a good chance to pile up a few more wins.

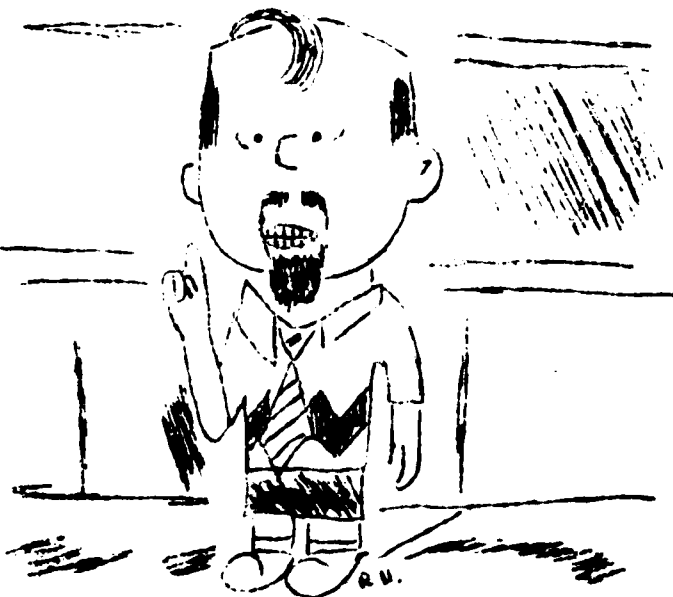
Did you Know----

That at the refectory canteen all sodas are 15¢
The only 10¢ beverages are canned juices; milk, hot chocolate, tea and coffee.

ARA Food Service Mgs.

"HAIRCUTS ARE FOR THOSE WHO CAN AFFORD IT!"

Yooz guys better not laugh At MY HAIRCUT!"



culture corner

The Philadelphia Track Classic is being held this Friday, January 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center Convention Hall, Civic Center Blvd. and 34th St. Tickets range from 2.50- \$5.50. For information call LO8-3699. In addition there is an Ice Hockey game on Sunday Jan. 26, in which the Flyers play Pittsburgh, tickets are \$2-\$6.50. The game begins at 7:05 at the Spectrum. The 76's are busy on Saturday night at the Spectrum, playing Detroit. The game begins at 8:00, and tickets are \$2-\$6.

An event more in keeping with this column is the Philadelphia Orchestra Concert, at the Academy of Music tonight at 8:30, and again on Jan. 27. William Smith will be conducting, with Malcolm Frager at the piano. The opportunity to attend can be yours for the low price of \$1.50. This is made possible to anyone who reads this column, and goes to the Amphitheater ticket office about 1-1½ hour before the concert. Then go immediately to your seat as they sell more tickets than there are seats.

Finally one last note, for Ray Ursin. On Feb. 1, the Young People's theater is presenting the "Legend of Petos Bill and the secret of Invisibility". It is at 2 p.m. and costs \$1 for Adults and 50¢ for children.

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As a member of the organization, the news letter will keep you informed on the good news as well as the problems in the Mt. Airy community. This would include letters to the editor, to City, State and Federal government representatives on matters regarding our own area as well as neighboring areas on West Oak Lane and Germantown.

The East Mt. Airy boundaries extend from Germantown Avenue to Stenton Avenue and from Washington Lane to Cresheim Valley Road. Board members attend the meeting of the West Oak Lane Coordinating Council when overall community concerns are involved.

Membership dues are \$5 a year to cover the cost of mailings and operating expenses. If you would like more information, call the Neighbors at CH7-7770.

CALENDAR

Friday, Jan. 24 - 2:00 Basketball practice at Mt. Airy Presbyterian Church

Sunday, Jan. 26 - 3:30 Installation of the President of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod, Brwn Maur

Wed., Jan. 29 - 11:15 Holy Communion

12:45 Luncheon for the seminary community

7:30 Lecture #4 on Black History by Dr. Ben Johhannan in the Chapel

NOTE

These students and guests who do not pay board at the seminary are requested to make reservation for the luncheon following Communion next Wednesday. For tickets contact Ron Yergey, Nelson Gaetz or Lee Berry. This is so that Mrs. Heinbach will know more accurately how many people will attend. We thank you for your co-operation. See you there!

big man on seminary

For those of you who are having a crisis of identity, we submit the following:

A B.M.O.S. can babble idiotically and still be relevant.

A B.M.O.S. is Ultimately Concerned at all times.

A B.M.O.S. always complains about the food in the refectory, but comes back for seconds--- thirds, fourths...

Above all, the B.M.O.S. possesses the gift of Ingenuity. Who else could be a straight D student and still receive synod aid? Who else could pull C.P.E. in Miami, and internship in the Virgin Islands? Who else could leave a ring around a shower stall?