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## WHAT'S UP FOR THE SEMINARIAN THIS YEAR?

In our conversations together about The Seminarian, both Bill and I have expressed the desire to each other to try to do some creative things with the paper this year. One of these creative things that we talked about was the carrying of editorials and opinion in the paper. Off and on throughout the year Bill and I will be offering our own opinions on different issues. We also seek the opinions of you, our readers.

Last year The Seminarian carried an on-going series of articles by different members of the seminary community dealing with the controversy surrounding the Inter-Lutheran Commission on Worship. I am not sure that I completely understood all that this controversy was about but I was glad to see this active exchange of opinions in our community. I hope that this kind of exchange will take place this year, whether it be a continuing of the ILCW exchange or a beginning of an exchange on issues possibly involving campus life or ministry or the world we live in or just being a person.

I hope that this kind of exchange will mean a sharing of what is important and meaningful to each of us, whether it be one's thoughts, views, values, feelings, or even what one of us finds funny. I think that once we begin to share ourselves with each other -- to talk to and to listen to each other -- we will become a closer community and even begin to grow as persons. In doing so we may encounter God's love for us. I hope that The Seminarian may have a part in this.

Ray Miller  
Editor

## DAILY MORNING AND EVENING SERVICES TO BEGIN

Beginning Monday, October 4, both morning and evening offices will be said in Ascension Church. These services will be brief, including psalmody, scripture, and prayer. They will provide opportunity for members of our own seminary community and of Ascension's congregation to share concerns and develop a disciplined devotional life.

The church has long deemed it valuable to frame the day with such devotions, helping us by the very on-going practice of it, to truly lay our concerns and thanks before God and our fellows. We will gather at 7:15 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. Monday through Friday to continue that tradition in our own lives.

Sarah Davison



## GETTING TO KNOW YOUR LIBRARY AND LIBRARIANS BETTER

A close relationship exists between a scholar and the development of skill in the use of library resources. What is true of scholarship generally also applies to the field of theology. Two noteworthy examples illustrative of this relationship come to mind. One of them is Martin Chemnitz (1522-1586), author of the famous Examen Concilii Tridentini and co-author of the Formula of Concord. Chemnitz began his study of theology in Königsberg (since 1945 Kaliningrad in Russia on the Baltic Sea) while serving as librarian of the ducal castle there. The other example that comes to mind is Adolf von Harnack (1851-1930) who in addition to his duties as professor in the University of Berlin and involvement in learned societies served as general director of the state library in Berlin (1905-1921).

An opportunity for LTSP students to develop their skills in the use of library resources will be given on Friday, October 1 at 1:30 P.M. in the library's reference and periodical section. This session is a direct result of a sizable number of students signing up during orientation week for additional briefing in the use of library resources. The October 1 session is not limited to students who are on campus this year for the first time; anyone interested is welcome. To qualify it is not necessary to aspire to the fame or learning of a Chemnitz or Harnack!

- Helmut T. Lehmann, Librarian

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Chuck Koup will be doing our Weekly Football Poll.

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Deadline for The Seminarian is 6:00 Wednesday. Work on The Seminarian will be done on Wednesday nights. Help desperately needed every issue!

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Thank you all for your contribution!

## THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

In this corner, on a "regular hit and miss" basis, the chaplain will do his best to keep you up-to-date on worship activities in the community. Keep your eye on the new "chapel news" section of the community bulletin board (opposite the mailboxes in Hagan Hall) for day to day announcements.

The selection of two new sacristans was a pleasant task again this year. The names of more than ten volunteers went into the old offering plate, from which head sacristan Phil Gustafson drew the names of Judith Behrs and Marjorie Weiss. Judith and Marjorie join Mark Oldenburg and Tom Cvammen who, with Phil, care for the significant details of worship preparation to keep our services flowing smoothly.

By now you should have received a lectionary sheet in your mailbox. It is intended both as an aid for private devotion and as a suggested guide for chapel worship. Taken from the Lectionary for Mass of the Roman Catholic Church, its lessons are intended to correlate with the Sunday lessons of our own three year lectionary.

In a further effort to aid each other in developing a private devotional life I will be receiving both new and "classic" books of prayers and readings. If you're used something recently that you have found helpful let me know and I'll be glad to add it to the growing pile at the corner of my desk. From all of this should eventually (at the parousia?) issue a comprehensive bibliography.

The Seminary Community and Worship Committee is eager for feedback on any and all aspects of the chapel program. Slip us a note anytime or consult our genial secretary, Sarah Davison, for a place on the agenda.

Remember! The prayers of the community are asked for: Keith Wilbur and his wife Nancy during Keith's serious illness; Bev Heidman on the death of her father; and, Corrie Miller in her present illness.

Chaplain Hughes

### NEW SACRISTANS

The sacristans for this year in chapel are the following:

Judith Behrs	Rm. 212	Main Dorm
Thomas Cvammen	Rm. 100	"
Philip Gustafson (Head Sacristan)	Rm. 304	"
Mark Oldenburg	Rm. 219	"
Marjorie Weiss	Rm. 110	"

The seminary community is reminded that the sacristans are available for people who wish to gain entry to the chapel (Ascension Church) anytime.

Phil Gustafson

CONFESSIONS OF THE MASKED HOUSEHUSBAND

FATHER'S PROPHILE  
(pronounced fah-thur)

"FATHER" JOHN ROBERTS

Home: Jacobs Apts., L.T.S.P., Phila., Pa.

PROFESSION: chauffeur, valet, chef and flunky for three mad dwarfs (Sleepy, Grumpy and Hungry) and one seminarian (wife).

HOBBIES: vacuuming rugs, washing dishes and watching Sesame Street.

LAST BOOK READ: The Big Book of Real Fire Engines

FAVORITE T.V. SHOW: "Scooby Doo"

LAST ACCOMPLISHMENT: Baby-sat 4 small kids on a rainy day in a crowded apartment and lived to tell about it.

QUOTE: "Where's Raechel?"

PROFILE: Overmatched, outwitted and devoted to just hanging in there. (Often heard to remark - "just three more years, just three more years.")

SCOTCH: Please !

1st bystander: "Who was that Masked Man?"

2nd bystander: "I don't know, but he left this silver dish rag."

Hi ho, Maytag, away !

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SHERRY HOUR

You might be asking, "what is that ?"

Sherry Hour is held Wednesday afternoon from 4:15 to 5:15 each week, in the Upper Rotunda of the Library.

It offers an opportunity to relax, sip some sherry and talk with other members of the Community.

In order to keep the tradition going, we need you to volunteer to set up and clear. If we have two people each week, it will make the task easier.

Please contact me if you can help.

BILLIE WRIGHT

Sept. 12, 1976

Greetings, fellow interns !

I do hope this letter finds all of you in good health. Some of you have already been in your churches for some time, and others of us have just begun. I trust that you have had rewarding experiences in your days of actual ministry. Needless to say, working with people is what we are all about in this profession. Certainly putting the good news into practice would seem to be more rewarding and satisfying than only discussing it in a classroom.

As far as the Seminary is concerned, there are a number of physical changes. The Pagan Mall, as we fondly know it, is finally completed and functioning. The Refectory renovation was begun and completed this summer. It is furnished in Chippendale furniture in a somewhat Federal style. The third floor of the Dormitory is finished and students will be occupying it this fall. The old temporary administration building will be used for D. Min. students. Last but not least the revisions in the mall area between apts., dorm, library and Hagan have been started. More trees remained and less additional landscaping will be done than contemplated. The driveway is replaced by a maze of sidewalks.

Dr. Raymond Bost has assumed his presidential duties and I am sure we all wish him the best. He does have a lot of work ahead of him. At the same time we would like to thank Dr. Reumann for his job at a difficult time for the Seminary. As of the time I left no one had been called to take Dr. Lazareth's position, temporarily or on a longer basis. We all know that no one will be able to fill his shoes as well as he himself did.

Here comes the pitch: I do believe it would be best for us to keep in touch with one another and those at the Seminary via the SEMINARIAN. We will not always have the time to communicate on a one-to-one basis with our schedules. I would request that those of you who have been working the longest begin by writing to the SEMINARIAN and let us know (within the bounds of confidentiality of course) what's been happening and turning you on in your churches. If you would prefer you could send the letter to me and I will relay information by way of a periodic newsletter. I will endeavor to keep you informed, between the lines, of what is happening at the Seminary. If I can be of any assistance to those of you who are farther away please do not hesitate to write or call 609-829-9367.

Here is hoping that we hear from you soon and that your internship is going well.

God be with you,

Dave Searing

"The world is now too dangerous for anything but the truth, too small for anything but brotherhood."

Adlai E. Stevenson

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Suggestion: Position Available - Campus Mechanic - Open to Anyone

Purpose: To provide trusted service for the L.T.S.P. family for minor automotive repairs and/or tune-ups.

Wages: Set your own reasonable rates.

Anyone interested should advertise on campus bulletin boards.

Tom Irwin

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Help Needed for Guest Night Planning

In case you haven't heard, \$100 has been allotted in the student body budget of 1976-77 for Guest Night. Well, now you know, but the next question you're probably asking is "What the heck is Guest Night?" Guest Night is a program, presently in the planning stages, which will give the Mt. Airy seminary community the opportunity to hear guest speakers give lectures, demonstrations, and/or presentations on a variety of subjects that do not necessarily have to deal with theological education. The possible topics and speakers are endless, from the special interest of a student or faculty member to a presentation on the care of house plants. If enough interest is shown and speakers available, Guest Night will be every Thursday evening following supper (the guest having been treated to a delicious meal at the refectory). Help is needed in order to get Guest Night rolling. Anyone who is interested in helping or knows of possible people who could be invited to speak should contact Margie Weiss, room 110, as soon as possible. Long term commitments are not necessary. You can simply help coordinate things for the specific Guest Nights in which you are interested.

Margie Weiss

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Anyone interested in sharing pottery facilities please meet with me Thursday evening, September 30, at 7:30; 7318 Boyer Street; or call CH8-4190.

Kathy Lee

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Part-time Assistant Teacher- Counselor needed for children grades 1-4 in West Mt. Airy Afterschool Child Care Program. Hours 3-6p.m. 5 days/week. \$2.75/hour (\$41.25/week). Extra hours available. Experience preferred. Enthusiasm and reliability essential. Must be 21 years or older. Call CH2-2099 (Linda and Dennis Bounn) immediately.

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## THE LIBRARY WELCOMES HELPERS

Mrs. Florence Whetstone, who lives on nearby Crittendon Street, started working for us on Monday, September 20 on a part-time basis. Mrs. Whetstone has primary responsibility for matters related to the circulation of library resources and periodical control. Mrs. Whetstone is no stranger to our library. She helped us out from January to June in 1975. And in June of this year she participated in taking an inventory of the library's resources. Mrs. Whetstone comes to us with a great deal of experience in library work. She had major responsibilities for some of the work done during the previous year by Mrs. Paul (Linda) Beck who has assumed a position with the Free Library of Philadelphia. Linda worked with us for a year. We wish her well in her new situation.

We also want to welcome back to our working community Barry Benson, Michael Bennethum, Tom Irwin, Rodney Kopp and Gene Sharkey. We welcome Peter Pettit as a new member of our library team.

Helmut T. Lehmann  
Librarian

### EVERYONE IS INVITED

All You Disco Guys and Gals  
(and all others)

Your presence is requested at

Mt. Airy's first

DISCO MANIA MIXER!

Friday, October 8, 1976

8:00 PM

Satisfying refreshments will be served!

Music provided by "Disco Mike".

Boogie on down (or try to) to the PIT, and  
spend an evening of mirth, merriment & madness.

Courtesy of your friendly  
neighborhood Social Committee.

## NEWS FROM THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

Rod Kopp and Nancy Anderson have been elected Vice-President and Secretary, respectively. 123 ballots were issued, of which 84 students voted.

The Athletic Committee is searching for a pool table. As soon as one is found it will be bought and will be placed in the Coffee Lounge across the hall from the Multi-Purpose Room in Hagan Center. There will also be a can soda vending machine and a candy machine to be obtained shortly. By the end of this week, the floor in the Multi-Purpose Room will be finished and we will be able to utilize it.

There will be a Dorm meeting shortly in order to elect representatives to the Dorm Council.

The Inauguration of Dr. Bost has been set for Tuesday evening, October 19, 1976 at 8:00 p.m. The dedication of the campus will be on Sunday, November 14, 1976.

The following is a listing of the elected and appointed Student Body positions. All committee assignments have been approved by the Executive Committee at their recent meeting. I urge all chairpersons to commence their respective committees and put this structure into action.

To facilitate open communications, the Executive Committee requests that a brief statement of the committee's actions be submitted at the end of each month to the Student Body Secretary. It will be much appreciated if the report is submitted by the last Friday of the month. Your cooperation in this matter will be appreciated.

Bruce T. Ewen  
Student Body President

### COMMITTEES FOR 1976-77

#### STUDENT BODY EXECUTIVE COMM.

Student Body Pres. - Bruce Ewen  
Vice-President - Rod Kopp  
Treasurer - Paul Scheitlin  
Secretary - Nancy Anderson  
Junior Class Pres. - Judith Bahrs  
Middler Class Pres. - Greg Wenhold  
Intern Class Pres. - Dave Searing  
Senior Class Pres. - Tom Cvammen

#### FIRST PROFESSIONAL DEGREE

Jim Echols  
Mark Oldenburg  
Jim Heckman  
Donna Welton

#### BOOKSTORE

Bill Damrow\*  
Gene Sharkey  
Earl Knaus  
Bruce Wallace

#### ATHLETIC

Glenn Zorb\*  
Bob Hopkins\*  
Warren Reichert  
Paul Scheitlin  
Greg Haggerty

#### WORSHIP & COMMUNITY LIFE

Jeff Hedin  
Sarah Davison  
Peter Pettit

#### SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Rick Reeser\*  
Jack Slotterback\*  
Carl Filer  
Mike Cobbler  
Mary Wien

#### SOCIAL MINISTRY

Arlene Stofflet\*

#### REFECTORY

Mark Oldenburg\*  
Al Martin  
Phil Gustafson  
Jeanne Rowan

#### STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Bill Damrow\*  
Ray Miller\*

\* Denotes chairperson.



COMMITTEES FOR 1976-77 - Continued

GUEST NIGHT Margie Weiss	SHERIFF Rick Reeser	INTERSEMINARY Jan Baumann
FURTHER EDUCATION Dick Stevens Mark Brophy	LIBRARY Wayne Kaufman Sarah Davison	DORM COUNCIL Billie Wright
MEN & WOMEN IN DIALOG Craig Herrick	CAMPUS TOUR Elizabeth (Nix) Huseman	RESTORATION Jim Heckman

REPORT OF THE STUDENT BODY MEETING

The first meeting of the Student Body for 1976-77 was called to order by President Bruce Ewen at 9:42 on September 22 in the Amphitheatre. The following were major items of business:

-Treasurer, Paul Scheitlin, presented a \$1950.00 budget. It was accepted by unanimous vote.

-A motion was made and carried to accept the following amendment to the bylaws:

Article IV Section 10

There shall be a Guest Night Committee composed of a chairman (or two chairmen) who shall enlist student participation in planning and carrying out the program. It shall be the function of this committee to plan and arrange for special interest persons to offer presentations to the Seminary Community.

-A motion was made and carried concerning money for athletic equipment as follows:

The Student Body Treasurer shall be directed to secure \$400. presently held in escrow by the administration and use it for the purchase of a pool table.

-A motion was made and carried by the necessary 2/3 majority to suspend the bylaws in order to deal with the following motion:

That the Athletic Committee be authorized to spend up to \$150. from the Operating Principal on equipment.

-Request was made for an assurance given that inquiry would be made into the installation of vending machines in the "Student Lounge" area in Hagen.

-The Nominating Committee: Jeff Hedin, Greg Wenhold and Margie Weiss, presented the following candidates for office:

Student Body Vice President: Rod Kopp  
Barry Benson  
Student Body Secretary: Nancy Anderson  
"Nix" Huseman

The nominations were approved. There were no nominations from the floor. Elections were held by secret ballot beginning Monday, Sept. 27 at 9:00 and ending on Tuesday, Sept. 28 at 5:00 p.m.

-Phil Gustafson announced that the Drama Group would meet in the Library Rotunda on Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m.

CHAPEL

October 5: Office of Terce  
Liturgist: Theresa Bailey  
Lector: Thomas Cvammen  
Preacher: Dennis Ritter

October 7: Commemoration of Henry  
Melchior Muhlenburg - Muhlenburg  
Liturgy  
Liturgist: Mark Oldenburg  
Lector: Ray Miller  
Preacher: Dr. R.A. Olson

WHERE ARE YOU GOD ?!

Sometimes you just don't seem to care.

Don't you see what's happening here?

Why don't you just end it all if that's

What you want to do? Why must there

Be so much suffering?

After all, what good ever came

Out of suffering and death?

...what's that you said about a cross?

Name Withheld

CAMPUS GESCHICHTE:

Reumann: "As the twig breaks... so breaks the branch!"

Helmut Lehman (seminary librarian)... "Who needs books?!"

G. Krodel: "...two is better than one...no, not always. I do not think that two wives are better than one... I could not handle that!"

Student Body Meeting (continued)

-The problem of communicating information to married and commuting students was raised. It was suggested that the bulletin boards in Hagan Center and use of mailboxes would help alleviate this concern.

-Rick Roeser, Sheriff, requested that students keep out of the Hagan lot and the Refectory lot. He announced that the commuter lot would be the one off Gowen Avenue.

-Ray Miller, co-editor of the Seminarian, said that the deadline for articles for the first issue will be Tuesday, Sept. 28. The paper will be put together on Wed. on the third floor of the Refectory in the late afternoon. All help would be appreciated.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Sarah Devison

Acting Student Body Secretary

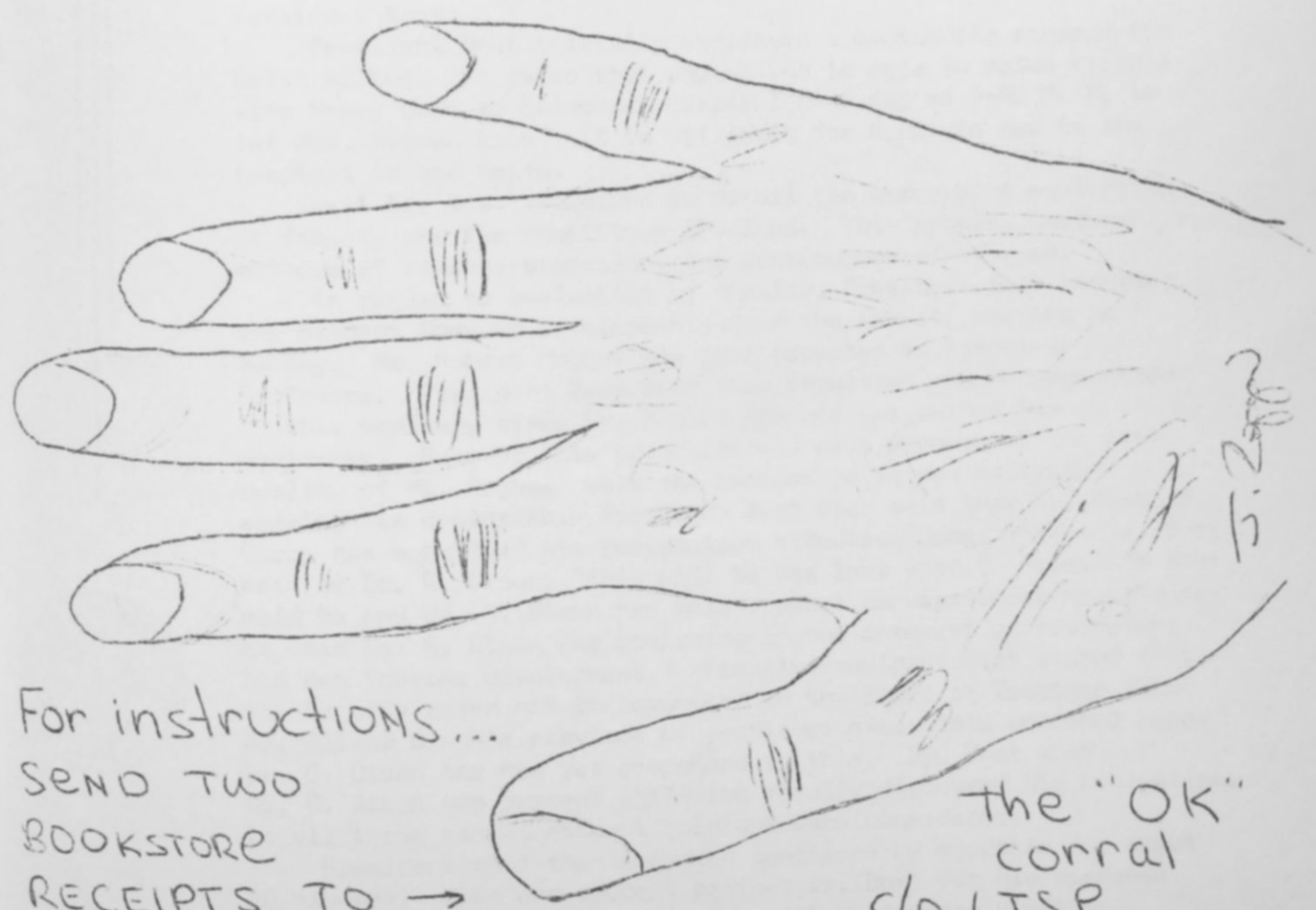
Addendum:

Ray Miller: "It is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all...Six-love...Six-love."



How  
to make  
your  
own...

# Neo-Platonic Ladder!!!



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RECEIPTS TO →

The "OK"  
corral  
c/o LTSP

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