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ELECTION RESULTS

Student Body Elections were held on Monday, October 10th and Tuesday, October 11th. ~~Ninety-three~~ ballots were cast, with forty-seven needed to elect. The tabulations are as follows:

VICE PRESIDENT

Dave Searing - 7	3 Abstentions
Paul Shoop - 26	
Marie Jerge - 57 - Elected	

SECRETARY

Devie Rippel - 55 - Elected	
Marsha Jark - 33	5 Abstentions

Therefore:

STUDENT BODY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 1977-78

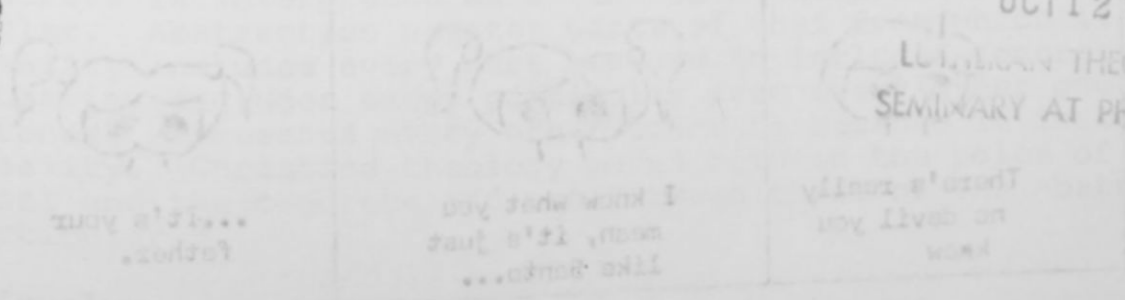
PRESIDENT	Mark Wimmer
VICE PRESIDENT	Marie Jerge
SECRETARY	Devie Rippel
TREASURER	Bruce Trethaway
CLASS OF 78	Mark English
CLASS OF 80	Steve Moyer
CLASS OF 81	Mary Wien



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CHAPLAIN DIEFENQUINAS RETURNS !!!

Dear Chaplain Diefenquinas,

You have been away for a long while. I heard a rumor that you started a Pastoral Care booth at the shore in South Jersey. You call you new method of pastoral care Kiss Therapy. I heard you have a variety of therapies under this bulkhead of Kiss Therapy and each category has a nationality behind it - German Kiss Therapy, Italian Kiss Therapy, Spanish Kiss Therapy, Austrian Kiss Therapy and the list goes on (use your imagination). Chaplain, I've heard of consolation of the bethren and sisteren, but this seems to be stretching a point.

I realize I'm not in the real world yet, but is this the best way to encourage fellowship of the believers, to make people feel part of God's happy family? How was it in the real world while you were on internship? Do people accept things like Kiss Therapy? How far can you go? I don't know. I haven't been on internship. I've only learned out of a book. What is the parish like?

Young and Tender

Dear Young and Tender,

My first major problem was teaching people my name. They called me Vicar Doosenberry, Vicar Diefendorcher, Vicar Diefknocker, and some dude had the gall to call me Diefenderfer. I suggested we simplify things. Everyone would call me V.D. No way would anyone forget my name. Once, everyone learned my name I could minister a lot better.

Ah, yes, the Pastoral Care concession was a rumor. I was in South Jersey. I had a ministry to town people, vacationers, and sea gulls which made some interesting situations. I rebelled violently one Sunday when a parishioner suggested we build a perch over the pulpit and train one of the gulls to sit there during the sermon to symbolize the Holy Spirit and its part in proclamation. You can just imagine what was suggested for the epiklesis.

You asked more questions about internship. As the weeks unfold, I'll share more with you. If any other people have urgent theological questions drop them off at the Chaplain's room (313).

Chaplain Diefenquinas

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There's really
no devil you
know



I know what you
mean, it's just
like Santa...



...It's your
father.

Comic by Bob Bolz

ATTENTION SPORTS FANS
NADER STARTS GROUP OF CONSUMER INTERESTED SPORTS FANS

Do you enjoy attending live sporting events? Are you discouraged that you cannot attend more often due to high ticket prices? Are you tired of hearing about average professional athletes receiving multi-million \$ contracts? Now you can do something about it !! Beginning operation on November 1, 1977 is a group that calls itself the Fight to Advance the Nation's Sports (F.A.N.S.). Ralph Nader will serve as the Chairman of the Advisory Board, and Peter Gruenstein will be Executive Director. This is a non-profit organization that uses the money from members annual dues to cover expenses.

What are the goals of F.A.N.S.? Here are a few:

- 1) "That the average fan is able to afford tickets to spectator sports.
- 2) "That food sold in sports arenas be healthful and reasonably priced and that concessions not be rip-offs."
- 3) "That the opinions of fans are heard, and listened to, in the formation of policies and rules - for example, concerning the use of artificial turf, the designated hitter rule and inter-league play in baseball, the two-point conversion rule in pro football and the three point shot in basketball."

To become a member of F.A.N.S., send in the annual membership dues of \$9.00 to F.A.N.S., P.O. Box 19312, Washington, D.C., 20036. In addition to having the opportunity to voice your opinion, you will receive a monthly newsletter which will update progress being made by F.A.N.S.

Curt Wolff

THEOBABBLE

To Middlers questioning the primacy of Christian theology:

"Christian theology is the theology in so far as it is based on the tension between the absolutely concrete and the absolutely universal... It seems paradoxical if one says that only that which is absolutely concrete can also be absolutely universal and vice versa, but it describes the situation adequately. Something that is merely abstract has a limited universality because it is restricted to the realities from which it is abstracted. Something that is merely particular has a limited concreteness because it must exclude other particular realities in order to maintain itself as concrete. Only that which has the power of representing everything particular is absolutely concrete. And only that which has the power of representing everything abstract is absolutely universal. This leads to a point where the absolutely concrete and the absolutely universal are identical... The Logos doctrine is misunderstood if the tension between universal and concrete is interpreted as a tension between abstract and particular. Abstraction negates parts of that from which it abstracts. Universality includes every part because it includes concreteness. Particularity excludes every particular from every other one. Concreteness represents every other concrete because it includes universality. Christian theology moves between the poles of the universal and the concrete and not between those of the abstract and the particular."

Obviously.

- Paul Tillich, Systematic Theology, Vol. I

FACULTY/STAFF NOTES

Several students have expressed an interest in being kept posted on faculty and staff involvement outside the confines of "7301." Here are some of the things that our faculty and staff are currently doing.

Fortress Press has just published The Church Emerging, edited by Dr. John Reumann. Dr. Reumann has recently attended another session of the Lutheran/Catholic dialogues for the purpose of preparing a volume on Mary in the New Testament.

Dr. Lyman Lundeen has an article in the Summer issue of Dialog. It is entitled "The Self as Gift and Promise." Dr. Richard L. Jeske is the book review editor for that publication.

Dr. Richard Jeske has just begun an eightweek seminar on "The Parables of Jesus for Lay People," sponsored by SE Penn. The sessions are held on Thursday evenings here at the seminary.

Dr. Helmut Lehmann is leading an adult forum discussion on the theme, "Galatians: Letter of Freedom" at Trinity Lutheran, Reading, Pa.

Dr. Raymond Bost has attended two regional seminars sponsored by the Division for Professional Leadership. Attending the seminars were representatives from the Church Vocation Committees, the Examining Committees, and the Continuing Education Committees of our supporting synods.

From October 10 to 13 Dr. Harold Albert will be leading a Preaching Seminar at the Center for Continuing Education of Princeton Theological Seminary.

Rev. David Wartluft is currently serving as a consultant for the New Brunswick Theological Seminary through the sponsorship of the American Library Association. This consultation is aiding the library in looking for options for growth.

Mr. Henry (Bud) Gustafson has begun his duties as Director of Maintenance. Take time to welcome him to Mt. Airy.

TREASURER'S REPORT

COMMITTEE	APPROVED BUDGET 1977-78	EXPENDED as of 9/31/77	BALANCE
Athletics	100.00	55.00	45.00
Contingency	75.00	-----	75.00
Publications	615.00	130.23	484.77
Social Activities	750.00	-----	750.00
Social Ministry	211.00	75.00	136.00
Spouses Club	50.00	-----	50.00
Student Admin.	40.00	21.25	18.75
Guest Night	125.00	-----	125.00
Sherry Housr	50.00	33.28	16.72
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TOTALS	2016.00	314.76	1701.24

565.95 operating prin. as of 4/30/77
 314.76 expended
 93.04 receipts

 344.23 balance as of 9/31/77

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce G. Trethaway, Treas.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

A number of interesting services and special occasions lie just before us. This Wednesday, October 12, Professor Krych will be the preacher at our weekly service of Holy Communion. On Thursday, October 13, we'll welcome as our guest preacher the Rev. Sandra Forrester Dufresne, co-pastor of Calvary Methodist Church in West Philadelphia. In addition to being an effective inner city pastor deeply involved in ministering to the community surrounding her parish, Ms. Dufresne has spoken and led numerous workshops in the areas of sexuality and marriage, both by herself, and with her husband, a Lutheran pastor in New Jersey.

A pair of figures from the earliest history of the church are remembered in our services at the beginning of next week. Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, is remembered at Monday's 5pm service of evening prayer.* St. Luke's Day is observed next Tuesday, October 18, with Professor Jeske preaching at our weekly communion service.

On Wednesday, October 19, you'll have the rare opportunity of two worship services in one day. At 9:40am a brief service will be held in the auditorium at the beginning of Professor Reumann and Fitzmyer's convocation on "Mary in Lutheran-Catholic Dialogue." The regularly scheduled service for that day, evening prayer at 5pm, will also be held, with the lessons and other arrangements as previously announced.

No suggestions this week--to suggest that I'd like to hear from you about how our chapel services are going and should be conducted. Let's continue to learn from our mistakes, to have courage and confidence to try some new possibilities, and to let rubrics and guidelines emerge from the experience of the worshipping community.

Tim Lull

*Some lines from the Epistles of Ignatius, martyr, c. 115.

1. I do not give you orders as if I were somebody important. For even if I am a prisoner for the Name, I have not yet reached Christian perfection. I am only beginning to be a disciple, so I address you as my fellow students. I needed your coaching in faith, encouragement, endurance, and patience. (Ephesians 3:1)

2. Try to gather together more frequently to celebrate God's Eucharist and to praise him. . . There is nothing better than peace, by which all strife in heaven and earth is done away. (Ephesians 13:1a,2)

3. I urge you, do not do things in cliques, but act as Christ's disciples. When I heard some people saying, "If I don't find it in the original documents, I don't believe it in the gospel," I answered them, "But it is written there." They retorted, "That's just the question." To my mind it is Jesus Christ who is the original documents. The inviolable archives are his cross and death and resurrection and the faith that came by him. It is by these things and through your prayers that I want to be justified. (Philadelphians 8:2)

4. Pay close attention to those who have wrong notions about the grace of Jesus Christ, which has come to us, and note how at variance they are with God's mind. They care nothing about love: they have no concern for widows or orphans, for the oppressed, for those in prison or released, for the hungry or the thirsty. (Smyrnaeans 6:2)

TV AND RADIO PROGRAMS OF INTEREST

There will be two TV specials this week dealing with the exceptional person:

*Wed. 4:30 - 5:30 (Channel 6) "Hewitt's Just Different"

This special deals with a mentally retarded adolescent boy who has outstanding abilities in baseball and helps his neighbor make the team.

*Thurs. 4:00 - 4:30 (Channel 10) "I Can"

The true story of Debbie Phillips who becomes a champion equestrienne in spite of her birth defects. The show features Miss Phillips as herself.

Five Programs on the American Adolescent will be aired by Options in Education, an award-winning series of weekly radio programs. The series, aired at 9 pm on Sundays, can be heard on WUHY FM, National Public Radio (90.9) until the beginning of November. The series was designed to heighten awareness of the nature of adolescence, to break down the myths and stereotypes surrounding this age period, and to increase consciousness about the need for attention and services for this badly neglected group of minors. The programs will feature interviews with professionals who work with adolescents, parents, and young persons themselves. Topics will include mental and physical health (including drugs, alcohol, suicide, sex and pregnancy), the youth market, juvenile justice and youth unemployment.

The Lutheran segment of The Protestant Hour will be held for 15 Sundays from October 2nd through January 8, 1978. The preacher will be Rev. John W. Vannorsdall, chaplain of Yale University, and a 1948 graduate of Mt. Airy. The music will be provided by The Heritage, a concert choir formed by the SE Penn Synod in 1975 to mark the bicentennial. The Heritage is under the direction of Dr. Robert E. Bornemann.

A MUSICAL NOTE

The George Britton Folk Studio, 616 Germantown Pike, Lafayette Hill, invites the public to a beginner banjo workshop Friday evening, October 14 at 8pm. This workshop is designed only for those who have never played banjo before. Bill Alberts, former Germantown Academy teacher, will lead this workshop. Participants will leave the session playing several songs using the basic 5-string banjo chords. Admission is \$1.50 and instruments will be provided free of charge.

For further information and directions call CH 7-7802.

SOME MORE FACULTY NOTES

Dr. Bost will serve as a panelist in a Liberal Arts Seminar on "Liberal Education: The Search for Meaning" at Susquehanna University on Thursday, October 13. He will speak on "The Spiritual Dimension." On the same visit to Susquehanna, Dr. Bost will represent LTSP at the inauguration of Dr. Jonathan Messerli as the 12th president of that institution.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Cassette Tapes Needed!!! Tapes are needed to provide a taped text of Williston Walker to Keith Wilbur. 175 pages in tape must be made in time for Keith's study for next Wednesday's (19) exam. If you can donate a tape or contribute money to buy one, please do so immediately. Bring tapes to Main Dorm room 103 or give them to Dave Rowe or Bill Henderson by Wednesday if possible.

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Need re-alignment?? Join us at the Body Shop!!
Excercises Monday, 3:30 pm; Wednesday 10:30 am in the Tappert Room

Claire Burkat

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The October meeting of Spouses Club will be held on Oct. 18 at 7 pm at 7300 BoyerSt. in the old administration building. A Christmas Craft night is scheduled for the meeting. Each person is asked to bring a Christmas gift or decoration idea to share. Complicated directions should be written down and given to a member of the Executive Committee to duplicate. Refreshments will be served. Spouses's Club is open to spouses and fiance(e)s of students and faculty.

Remember: Oct. 18 at 7:00 p.m.

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If you are wondering what devotions in dance is, means, looks like, or, preferable, feels like, there are two options. Join us in the chapel Mondays at 3:15 and/or attend Carla DeSola's workshop at Lancaster Seminary, Sat. Nov. 5, 9:30-4:00. (Cost about \$4). Ruth Becker has details.

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Attention, small groups as you prepare for chapel:
Ruth Becker, Binnie Ritchie Holum, and Ruth Anne Rude, among others are ready and willing to present danced portions of various services of worship: prayers, psalms, hymns, lessons, etc. We need invitations, preferably 4 weeks in advance. We are able to show and discuss what can be done on a given theme, with appointed lessons, favorite hymns, new ones, etc.

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Friday, October 14th, the Social Ministry and Social Activities committees are co-sponsoring a COFFEEHOUSE, to be held in the Pit at 8pm. It is a thematic venture, the theme to be "Songs of protest and change." Virtually any kind of "change song" will do (railroad and work songs, dust bowl ballads, blues, Irish music, or any other nationality, protest, old-timey, Wobblie tunes, etc.) Nor is it restricted to song. Bring your poetry, comedy, readings, instruments, drama and be ready to get loose. We'll have plenty of beer and soda on hand. Why go home when this is where it's at? Questions, see Joe Irvin, Room 100.

ST. THOMAS ACQUAINT-US

Oct. 12 (Wed.)
--9:40 am. Holy Communion Preacher: Dr. Margaret Krych
--Senior Class meeting following Chapel
--4:45 pm. Sherry Hour in the Refectory Come and Quaff!

Oct. 13 (Thurs.)
--9:40 am. Chapel Preacher: The Rev. Sandra Dufresne,
Calvary Methodist, W.Phila.
--9:30 to 11:30 am. Clergy of Greater Germantown on campus

Oct. 14 (Fri.)
--8:00 pm. Coffeehouse in the Pit
Theme: Songs of Protest and Change
Refreshments! Sem and non-Sem talents! Come and join the fun!
sponsored by the Social Ministry and Activities Committees

Oct. 17 (Mon.) ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH
--3:15 pm. Devotions in Dance in the Chapel All Welcome!
--5:00 pm. Evening Prayer

Oct. 18 (Tues.) ST. LUKE
--9:40 am. Holy Communion Preacher: Dr. Richard Jeske
--6:15 pm. VARSITY CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS in the Multipurpose Rm.
We need able-bodied persons (of both sexes) to help us
cheer on the magnificent Mt. Airy Saints in the three home
games this semester. Anyone interested should come with
sneakers and an original cheer appropriate to our team (you
be the judge of that!) No experience necessary! RAH!!!!

Oct. 19 and 20 The Board of Directors are meeting on campus.
Check the date board in Hagan for times of each sub-
committee meeting on Wednesday and the Exec. and regular
meetings on Thursday.

Upcoming Dates:

- Oct. 25 Guest Night: William Greene
- Nov. 3 Rev. La Vonne Althouse on campus to report on the
meeting of the International Assoc. of Women Ministers and
to begin ongoing theological topics discussion
- Nov. 5 after the football game with Gettysburg (2pm.) there
will be social activities, including the Second Annual
Hysterical, Heretical, Harmonious Hymnsing! As you feel
inspired, bring original contributions to Judith Bahrs or
Teresa Bailey in Rm. 217. See them for details.

this is the day the lord has made; let us rejoice & be glad in it

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