Read This Editorial

Spring is here and so also time for that annual ritual. A ritual I have observed and often participated in every year since 1981: student government elections.

Within a couple weeks, posters will appear in the Garth and our boxes will be stuffed with appeals to repose our confidence in candidates running for office. Stats indicate that eighty percent of us will acquire the ability to completely ignore this activity. Our representatives, once elected, will advocate for us throughout the Seminary structure on various issues and concerns. Even after three years, I still don’t understand exactly what is being advocated. Yet, we students are charged nearly a quarter million dollars a year by the student government in ASC fees in order to ensure that our voice is heard at every level of influence in the system. (Our group back home must have been rather foolish to run the undergrad student government on zero pay!)

Dialog with any three students will reveal large scale ignorance of the function, activity and effect of student government, not to mention disillusionment and disenchantment. Jot down the names of those who display knowledge of these intricacies and send them in, they are a rare breed. Indeed, if they can differentiate between student government and the Office of Student Services they deserve public recognition.

There are sufficient indications that student government at Fuller does not function at the optimal level of representation or advocacy. Unless, of course, there are no issues over which your heart burns or you are concerned about. (But then, it could be my cultural bias that prevents me from seeing Fuller as heaven on earth.) The inability of many of us to list the contributions of the student government or to point to the changes affected in the system here at Fuller on our behalf says that something is wrong on the output side of the equation. The fact that people need to be encouraged (coerced may be a better word) every year to run for office is indicative of the dysfunction (on the other hand, one candidate just turned in their nomination and asked to be placed where ever there was a vacancy, money being the sole draw).

What is the problem statement? Student government at Fuller is without a clear sense of mission or identity. The structure, itself, is flawed. Representation and advocacy are neither seen nor practiced as primary functions. Student government functions more like a financial corporation than as an instrument of change and influence. We as the represented body bear a large part of the blame for our attitude of indifference.

This is not an us-them issue. We, the group represented, need to accept the brunt of the responsibility. We do not demand accountability of either time, money, or power from our representatives. We have not reacted to the apparent tokenism of student government; we have not ratified nor desire to ratify the constitution which governs the whole enterprise. We have not clearly indicated what we expect and don’t expect from the student government. We stand guilty of indifference and negligence.

What can we do? Maybe we need a referendum as to what student government is and what is expected of it. We need to ask candidates why they are running and what they are going to achieve. What methodology are they planning to use? We need to develop a system of accountability that will contrast the amount of money spent and the hours of work put in with the results achieved. We need to make clear as to what the issues we want dealt with are. We can’t complain about Fuller if we don’t make an effort to access the channels available to us for change. Maybe on this year’s ballot there may be room not only for our vote of confidence in a candidate but also place to indicate what we as students want the next All Seminary Council to concentrate their energies on. Most of all we need to support our representatives and our advocates through the year with our presence and prayers.

Fuller Chapel

Tuesday, April 30, 10 a.m. COMMUNITY PRAYER, Prayer Chapel. Take time out at the beginning of your week to pray and worship with the community of believers here at Fuller. Led by the Office of Christian Community. Faculty prayer in the Commons Room.

Wednesday, May 1, 10 a.m. COMMUNITY WORSHIP, Presbyterian Sanctuary. Our guest preacher will be Dr. E. LeRoy Lawson, Senior minister of the Central Christian Church of Mesa, Arizona since 1979, distinguished preacher and prolific author. Dr. David Augsburger will be our soloist and offices will be closed so all may attend worship.

Thursday, May 2, 10 a.m. SWM CHAPEL, Travis Auditorium. Dr. Charles Van Engen, Assistant Professor of Theology of Mission, will be speaking today. He will address the issue of reaching our generation.

Just a little note of interest: The SOT Course Schedule will be available by May 3, for sure this time.

Matthew Philip
SOT Student
**Financial Aid**

**MILITARY CHAPLAIN CANDIDATES**
The Samuel Powell Scholarship Fund assists students preparing to serve as chaplains in the U.S. military. Applications must be submitted before June 1.

**FUKUSHIMA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
This competitive scholarship (median award is $500) assists students whose ministry will "further the development of Christian living and provide service to the community." Applications must be requested by May 31.

**LOANS PENDING FOR SUMMER**
To be on the "Loans Pending" list for Summer, you must have a complete loan application on file at Financial Aid by 5 p.m., Monday, May 6.

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**Denominational Meetings**

**Monday, 10 a.m.**

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**All Other Denominations and Non-Denominations, Ethnic Ministries Classroom**

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**Monday Morning Meetings**

**PRESBYTERIAN (USA) STUDENTS**
Monday morning, April 29, in Finch 301, Dr. Zeb Bradform Long, Executive Director of PRRM (Presbyterian and Reformed Renewal Ministries) based in Oklahoma City, will be speaking to us about the Renewal of the Presbyterian Church.

**RCA/CRC STUDENTS:**
Dr. Richard Mouw will speak Monday, April 29 in Finch 120. Don’t miss this special Monday morning meeting!

**COPING SPIRITUALLY WITH THE PRESSURE OF SEMINARY LIFE?**
Siang Yang Tan will speak out of his own experience as a student and as teacher on ways of maintaining spiritual vitality in the midst of all the demands of seminary life, particularly as the climax of the academic year approaches. This meeting is open to all students who are interested. The meeting will be held on Monday, May 6 in the Ethnic Studies Building, next door to the Catalyst, first floor at the back, 10 a.m.
Therapy Opportunities

Fuller Psychological and Family Services (FPFS) offers many group therapy as well as individual counseling opportunities for the Fuller community. For more information on any of the following, please contact FPFS, and ask for Kim or Terry at 584-5555.

Couples Support Group Fuller Psychological and Family Services is sponsoring a group therapy opportunity for couples. This group will focus on improving communication skills, enhancing understanding of marital dynamics, and offering hints on conflict resolution. The cost for the group will be based on a sliding scale.

African American Women’s Support Group Come join our Support Group as we explore and work on the issues that African-American women face in the 90’s (male/female relationships, parenting, spirituality issues, etc.) Let’s begin to heal the pain of the past as we move into the future.

Co-Dependency Group Many of us find ourselves caught in a harmful cycle of co-dependency in our relationships at home, at school, and at work. The purpose of this group is to address the various aspects of co-dependency in a group setting. The group meets Wednesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. For more information regarding fees, location, etc. please call FPFS.

Group Psychotherapy for Adult Children of Alcoholics Immediate openings for participation in an on-going interpersonally oriented therapy group which focuses on helping individuals from dysfunctional alcoholic families develop more satisfying relationships. The group meets on Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:20 and the cost is $20 per session. For more information, contact John Lucy or Taryn Markee at FPFS, 584-5555.

Low Cost Confidential Counseling Fuller Psychological and Family Service is offering a $10 subsidy for all NEW clients who are Fuller students, employees, or relatives of Fuller students seeking individual counseling. Subsidies will be available through the end of the Spring quarter.

Missions Concerns Committee

Q: What Do LA, India, and the USSR Have In Common?

A: They are all a part of the “Ministry Out of Context” Series sponsored by the Missions Concerns Committee. Bring your brown bag lunch to the Catalyst Lounge, 12-1 p.m., and listen as students share their ministry experiences.

April 30: Urban Missions
Speaker: Jude Tiersma
Topic: “Ministries in Your Own Backyard”

May 14: India
Speaker: Sudarshan Komapalli
Topic: “The Orphans of India”

May 28: Soviet Union
Speaker: Nick Leone
Topic: “Skating Through the Iron Curtain”

Have You Marked Your Calendars for the SWM Banquet?

The SWM Banquet, held on May 10 is a grand celebration of both the SWM graduates and our 25th anniversary! It’s free for all registered students and spouses. However, you must make reservations by signing up or calling our office by the week before. PLEASE SIGN UP EARLY! so you won’t miss out. We anticipate many alum and outside guests attending. Send in your reservation to Box SWM or call Nancy, 584-5260.

Just Keep Marking Up Those Calendars!

Special Convocation on The Great Commission with Ralph Winter, founder of the U.S. Center for World Mission and David Bliss with African Enterprise, South Africa. Come hear an exciting message from these mission experts on Friday, May 17 from 10 till noon in Travis. All in the Fuller community welcome! Refreshments served. Sponsored by SWM GU.

Bob’s Bookstore Business

by Bob Willian, Bookstore Boss

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9. Computers: 30 - 40% off to eligible students, staff and faculty.

REMEMBER: IF YOU CAN’T GET IT AT FULLER, IT ISN’T IN PRINT!
Community Announcements

Singleness and Sexuality

On Saturday, May 11, 9:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. in Travis Auditorium, Dr. Evelyn Jensen, Drs. Jack and Judy Balswick, Dr. James McClendon and others will address the issue of sexuality and the single person in the 1990's. They are planning for plenty of time for questions and discussion. For more information, call Lori Boehning at OCC, 584-5322.

Christian Association for Psychological Studies Chapter

You have heard of the "Lord of the Dance", now find out about the "Lord of the Trance"! Plan on attending the CAPS (Christian Association for Psychological Studies) meeting on May 14, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. A new CAPS chapter has been formed on campus and is open to all psychology and theology students interested in integration issues. Join us for an entertaining and informative meeting.

On-Campus Job Board

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See the Human Resources Job Board (120 N. Oakland, 1st floor) for more details.

Women's City Club

At the request of the Women's City Club, Fuller Seminary is putting up fences to prohibit foot traffic across the Women's City Club property. Please respect and honor their request by not crossing the temporary barriers or walking through the parking lot.

Career Services

Upcoming Interview

Mount Soledad Presbyterian Church, La Jolla, CA interviewing on Thursday May 2 for Associate Pastor of Youth. Presbyterian or non-Presbyterian candidates welcomed to apply. See complete job description and sign up for an interview at Career Services.

Resume Workshop

Monday, May 6 in the Job Room of Career Services from 11:00 to 12:30. Practical tips and examples given for ministry and non-ministry positions.

Seekers Society

Every Thursday, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. at the Office of Career Services, for all job seekers looking for encouragement and networking.
Computers and Word Processing Equipment: Special Prices
Basic Computers has a ministry providing computers to Christian workers and teaching them how to effectively use them. We are now supplying Fuller people with IBM compatible computers complete with an outstanding Bible program, mouse, easy to use menu program, and fully documented MS-DOS. We can upgrade an XT type computer to an AT286 for less than $500. Regular store hours: 2:30-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10-5 Saturday. Ted Barnett, 3132 Foothill Blvd. La Crescenta, CA 91214 (10 miles west of Fuller), (818) 304-0484, or send resume to 301 E. Colorado Blvd., Suite 616; Pasadena, CA 91101.


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Apt. For Rent: Extra large 2 bedroom, living room, dining area, carpets, drapes, A/C. Lots of closets, patio, pool, laundry room, car port. Monrovia near Foothill/Aracdia. $675. (818) 792-6732 Pat.

Full Time Job Overseas: Teach English in China or Hungary next year. Training provided, team-oriented. Educational Services International (818) 284-7955. (Summer opportunities also available)

Research Opportunity: For adults to assist in clarifying issues related to the important area of assessment of child sexual abuse. This opportunity is open to all adults interested in this area. Participation requires about 2 hours of time filling out questionnaires along with an individual interview. All responses will be kept Confidential. If you are interested in participating in this important research, contact Julie Rathbun, The Graduate School of Psychology, Fuller Seminary at (818) 795-3010.

Thank You: To the mystery vessel of God (you know who you are!) who blessed me by putting money in my box last week. You were definitely the hand of the Lord to me. May He bless you ten fold back! Affectionately, VL.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER Sought: The Genesis class of the Arcadia Presbyterian Church is seeking a teacher with a strong biblical background for a one year term commencing September 1, 1991. Genesis consists primarily of married couples, ages 25-35 years. The class meets each Sunday from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. For more information contact Rich Chinen, (818) 304-0484, or send resume to 301 E. Colorado Blvd., Suite 616; Pasadena, CA 91101.

International Students: You are invited to participate in a special Pentecostal Sunday worship service being planned for May 19 at 10:30 a.m. Consider sharing your gifts and talents in a unique way. If interested, please contact the Redeemer PC(USA) Church (213) 537-1372.

Piano Lessons: Call “Zau” at (818) 449-2003 for your beginner’s piano lesson.

Piano Tuning, Repair and Regulation: Experienced, quality service at reasonable rates. Free estimates. Call Dale Paulsen at (213) 257-9496.


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