

Seminary Starts New Addition

On May 18, Madison mayor Hon. Ellwood Kerkeslager, Dean Maxine Beach, President Tom Kean and board of trustees chair Barbara Caspersen G'83, '86, '90 (from left, above), shovels in hand, joined the Drew community in groundbreaking ceremonies for the long-awaited addition to Seminary Hall.

Work on the addition will effectively shut down the traditional home of the Theological School for a little over a year—move-in is currently scheduled for August 2005—but only minor inconveniences are expected with no disruption to the school's academic responsibilities.

The new space will provide much-needed handicap accessibility to Seminary Hall and includes several new classrooms, offices, and a common space. Of course, progress has its costs, and the office space that housed the seminary's first presidents will fall into history, becoming part of the second-floor passageway that facilitates access to the new addition. ~ D.P.R.

Drew Spruces Facilities



Each year, almost immediately following the last echoes of annual commencement exercises, contractors swarm onto campus in a mad rush to complete all pending projects before students start arriving for the fall semester.

In addition to the usual fix-and-refurbish activities, this year's schedule of summer work includes several major operations:

■ The music wing addition to the Dorothy Young Center for the Arts nears completion. The facility will house a 433-seat performance

BRIEFINGS



The McClintock Center for Counseling and Psychological Services has received accreditation from the international Association of Counseling Services, Inc., which recognizes that the center meets a stringent level of performance, integrity, and quality.

The Methodist Library is exhibiting "I received My Commission from Him, Brother: Woman Preachers in the Methodist and Holiness Traditions" throughout the summer of 2004. In this exhibit, 14 women who became leaders and preachers in the Holiness movements share their life stories and writings.

The Drew University Center for Holocaust/Genocide Study presented its 4th Annual Charles Kushner Yom Hashoah (Day of Remembrance) Commemoration on April 21. Speakers, Toby Pearl and Aviva Slesin, both film writers and producers, spoke about "Secret Lives: Hidden Children and Their Rescuers During WWII," which depicts the story of how non-Jews saved Jewish children from the Nazis by taking them into their homes.

In celebration of Women's History Month in March, the Theological School honored one of its first female professors and pioneers in the field of Feminist Theology. The Nelle Morton Lecture Event was titled "A Toolkit for Women in Ministry."

The Caspersen School and the First Congregational Church of Hackensack sponsored a church music conference, "Sound a Mystic Bamboo Song: Christ Amidst the Realities of Asian Poverty and Suffering," March 20. The keynote speaker was I-to Loh.

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space along with teaching studios, departmental offices, practice rooms, and an electronics lab.

- Work on the Seminary Hall addition has begun. The new space will include classrooms, offices, and a common area. Completion is expected in August 2005.
- Exterior restoration has been completed on S.W. Bowne Hall. Roof sections have been repaired or replaced, windows have been refurbished or replaced with new units, damaged stone has been removed, and the entire building has been power-washed.
- Mead Hall's portico steps are being replaced with a new stone structure. Chimneys will also be repaired as part of the same project to prevent water infiltration.
- In the Hall of Sciences, the organic chemistry lab and the physics/analytical labs are undergoing major renovations.
- Brothers College is scheduled to receive major electrical and HVAC upgrades, exterior window repairs, and renovations to toilet facilities.

In addition to the above, roof work is scheduled for Baldwin Hall and the Learning Center; Hoyt-Bowne Hall will undergo window repairs and brick repointing; the University Center will receive all new windows; and the central heating plant will undergo repairs and upgrades. ~ D.P.R.

Five Faculty Retire



Several long-serving faculty members were bid a fond farewell as they retired from the University in 2004. Among them they have given 160 years of service to Drew, and we salute in their new endeavors Professor of English Janet Burstein, with 28 years' service; Charles Courtney, professor of philosophy of religion, who has guided Drew students for 40 years; Leedom Lefferts, professor of anthropology, serving 28 years; Professor Rosalind Seneca, who taught economics at Drew for 24 years; and Joan Weimer, professor of English, who has given 40 years to the Drew University community. ~ D.P.R.



Tom Evans at the Bowne Memorial Gateway

Master of the Gates Recognized



In April, the Morris County Prosecutor's Office recognized Thomas Evans for his

"outstanding leadership and dedication to the law enforcement profession." The award acknowledged Evans' continued service to the community through his post as Drew's director of public safety, where he is affectionately known as the Master of the Gates.

