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Portland Campus
Newsletter

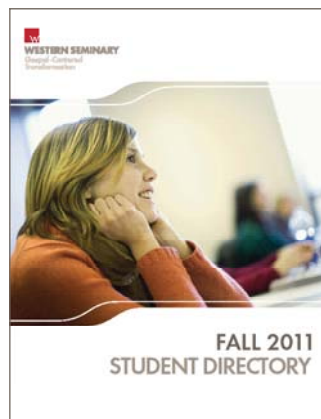
Portland Campus Directories Available

You're invited to stop by the Student Services Office in Armstrong Hall to pick up a free copy of the Portland campus directory of students, faculty, and staff.

Out of respect for your fellow students, we ask the following:

1. Please do not make any copies of this directory. Additional copies may be acquired from the Student Services office.
2. Please do not give or loan your directory to anyone other than a current student, faculty member, or staff person of Western Seminary.
3. Please do not use this directory to solicit personal business.

Note: If you would like to put your picture in the directory, update your picture, or if you find an error in this directory, please contact Mark Baker at mbaker@westernseminary.edu.



Western Alum Offers C.S. Lewis Conference

You're invited to "C.S. Lewis: Lay Ministry of a Mere Christian," Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. Dr. Christopher Mitchell takes the audience on a journey into C.S. Lewis' faith and writings. Dr. Mitchell is director of the C.S. Lewis center at Wheaton.

The conference includes an evening session on Friday, which starts at 7 p.m., and morning sessions on Saturday at 9 and 10:30 a.m. The event costs \$20 and will be hosted by Eastridge Church at 14100 SE Sunnyside Road.

Register at eastridgechurch.org/events. More information is available at (503) 855-3970.

Partners in Ministry Fall & Holiday Events

Is your husband planning on going into ministry? Are you excited, scared or uncertain about partnering with him?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions or if you would just like to get to know other Seminary wives, then plan on attending any of all of the Partners in Ministry events.

CRAFT NIGHTS

LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, SEPT. 27, OCT. 25, NOV. 29

Gather with other women for a relaxed evening of creative expression. You may either bring a project from home or plan to participate in a group craft. Hosted at Nancy Laney's home, 706 SE 58th Ave. Portland, 97215.

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY CLASS

TUESDAY EVENINGS, OCT. 4, 11, 18
FROM 6:30-8:30 PM

We will together study God's priorities concerning our personal walk with Him, our prayer life, our marriage and family life, and our ministry. The class will be taught by faculty wives and a pastor's wife.

Please contact Kenine Stein in the Women's Center for Ministry for more information, kstein@westernseminary.edu

DESSERT AND GIFT TABLE

TUESDAY NOV. 8, 6:30-8:30 PM
IN THE STUDENT CENTER

You will be treated to a delicious dessert and have a chance to fill a grocery bag with baking supplies such as flour, sugar, nuts, pie filling, chocolate chips, etc.

In Recognition of Constitution Day

We are grateful to the federal government for the provision of funds to Western Seminary students through the Direct Lending Program.

As such, we would like to take a moment to commemorate Constitution Day with a few interesting facts.

The information shared here was obtained at <http://www.constitutionfacts.com>. This website has great resources for those interested in further study.

"I confess that there are several parts of this Constitution which I do not at present approve, but I am not sure I shall never approve them. For having lived long, I have experienced many instances of being obliged by better information, or fuller consideration, to change opinions even on important subjects, which I once thought right, but found to be otherwise."

*Benjamin Franklin,
1787*

A few important dates in the formation of our nation's history:

Jan. 14, 1784	The official end of the Revolutionary War takes place when Congress ratifies the Treaty of Paris.
May 25, 1787	The Constitutional Convention opens with a quorum of seven states in Philadelphia to discuss revising the Articles of Confederation. Eventually, all states but Rhode Island are represented.
Sept. 17, 1787	All 12 state delegations approve the Constitution, 39 delegates sign it of the 42 present, and the Convention formally adjourns.
June 21, 1788	The Constitution becomes effective for the ratifying states when new Hampshire is the ninth state to ratify it.
Feb. 4, 1789	The first presidential election takes place but the results will not be known until April 6.
March 4, 1789	The first Congress under the Constitution convenes in New York City.
April 6, 1789	George Washington is elected the first President of the United States under the Constitution with 69 electoral votes. John Adams is elected Vice President with 34 votes.
June 8, 1789	James Madison introduces the proposed Bill of Rights in the House of Representatives.
Sept. 24, 1789	Congress establishes a Supreme Court, 13 district courts, 3 ad hoc circuit courts, and the position of Attorney General.
Sept. 25, 1789	Congress approves 12 amendments and sends them to the states for ratification.
Feb. 2, 1790	The Supreme Court convenes for the first time.
Dec. 15, 1791	Virginia ratifies the Bill of Rights, and 10 of the 12 proposed amendments become part of the U.S. Constitution.

A few interesting facts about the constitution:

- The U.S. Constitution has 4,400 words. It is the oldest and shortest written Constitution of any major government in the world.
- The Constitution was "penned" by Jacob Shallus, a Pennsylvania General Assembly clerk, for \$30 (\$726 today).
- Since 1952, the Constitution has been on display in the National Archives Building in Washington, DC. Currently, all four pages are displayed behind protective glass framed with titanium. To preserve the parchment's quality, the cases contain argon gas and are kept at 67 degrees Fahrenheit with a relative humidity of 40 percent.
- A proclamation by President George Washington and a congressional resolution established the first national Thanksgiving Day on November 26, 1789. The reason for the holiday was to give "thanks" for the new Constitution.

Activities Calendar on our Website

Did you know that you can find information on Student Ministry Team events, registration and financial aid deadlines, and local ministry opportunities on our website? Click on www.westernseminary.edu/Calendar/index.htm to access the calendar and see what upcoming events may be of interest to you.

If you would like to request that an event be added to the calendar, please contact Mitra Motlagh.

Western Seminary Israel Study Program

A group of Western students will be studying with Professors Jan Verbruggen and Carl Laney in Israel May 13-June 3, 2012. Those who have participated in past years say that this is one of the defining experiences of their seminary training. And for the 2012 program we have over \$10,000 available for scholarships.

Please pick up an application for the Israel Study and scholarship from Jan or Carl. Oct. 15 is the deadline for your application.

Have You Entered Our Bibleworks 9 Giveaway Yet?

The contest is open to all Western Seminary students. To enter, simply like us at [Facebook.com/WesternSeminary](https://www.facebook.com/WesternSeminary) or follow us at [Twitter.com/WesternSeminary](https://twitter.com/WesternSeminary)

If you are connected to us through one or both of these already then you're already entered to win.

The contest will end the morning of Oct. 14 and we will choose one winner that afternoon.