

Students of today, leaders for the future.

John Dauer, NFI President

We can all help. We can help the Catholic students of the University of Kentucky, and other surrounding universities by pledging our support to them during the upcoming phonathon which takes place during the evenings of Nov. 4th-8th. This phonathon is conducted by Catholic students at the Newman Center at the University of Kentucky in order to raise funds through pledges from willing donors. These funds are allocated to the student fund which is overseen by the Newman Foundation. These funds are used by the students implementing Catholic oriented activities throughout the year. Not only are the students in charge of actually raising the money, but they also manage the funds in their student account. They must establish and maintain a financial budget, as well as plan the activities,

meeting, and trips for which these funds are utilized. This helps to provide the students with real life experiences in working as a team, developing leadership skills, managing a budget, and in helping others to grow in the development of their Catholic faith. It is wonderful to see such a vibrant, energetic group of students working together within the Catholic faith. Let us all be generous in our support of these Catholic students whom will be our leaders in the future. May they serve as role models for our faith in the community and throughout the world.

The events unfolding on Sept. 11th has taken a toll on us all. It is still difficult to comprehend how anyone could conceivably carry out such a vicious act against our country and against many innocent people. Yet it

has happened. We all must continue with our lives, but yet it has caused many of us to pause. To take time. Time to pray. Time to heal. Time to think. Time to reflect over what is really important to us in our lives. Time to make changes, now while we still can. Time to refocus our lives to our faith, our family, our friends, our education, and our country. If there can be any good that comes from these tragic events, perhaps it can be that we have all become a little more dedicated to our faith, and will continue to remember how important freedom is to each and everyone of us. With this in mind, may God give us the knowledge, skills and compassion to help one another in the spreading of our Catholic faith.

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It's Phonathon Time

Kristy Maggard

Don't be surprised if your college student finally decides to phone home in the near future. Beginning November 4th - 8th, UK Catholic students will be manning the phones and calling home as part of the UK Newman Center's annual phonathon, the only fundraising effort held by students for students. The money pledged by parents and family goes directly to the student fund. This fund provides money for various student activities throughout the year such as spring break service trips, community service outreach programs, for participation in national and state Catholic student conferences, and Pizza Theology. Please help the students meet their goal of \$14,000 by pledging this year.

Meet the 2001-2002 Student Ministry Intern

Abby Clark

Greetings! I am the Student Ministries Intern for the 2001-2002 school year, and my name is Abby Clark. I live at the Newman Center and work with the campus minister, Kevin Steele to organize and implement various student activities. Originally from Louisville, Kentucky, I came to UK three years ago as a freshman and immediately became involved in the Newman Center. Ever since then, it has been a place for me to belong and interact with other people, and I greatly appreciate the opportunity to have such a place. I am a Mathematics Junior and with this, I hope to pursue a career as an Actuary. On the side I enjoy drawing, playing violin and guitar, and being outside. I am looking forward to a busy, but fulfilling year as the intern. On behalf of the students I would like to thank you for the opportunity you provide to us through the Newman Center. It a very special place and many of the students here would be lost without it.

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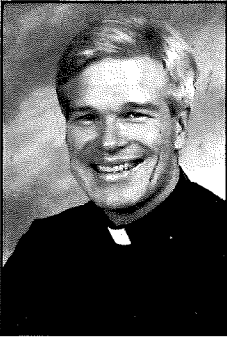
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A Message from Fr. Tom Farrell

Fr. Tom Farrell, Newman Center Pastor



Never have I been so glad that our building is open twenty-four hours! People are coming to Newman Center in greater numbers than ever, and at all hours of the day, ever since the tragic events of Sept. 11th. Students and faculty, staff of the

university, friends of the parish, perfect strangers, all of them come to pour out their souls, to sort through the conflict of emotion, to connect with others, to lend and derive support, and to find strength in

God's grace to move from one difficult day to the next. Like so many others in this country, the people who make up the community of faith at Newman Center were overwhelmed and outraged by the terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. We came together repeatedly to give vent to our grief, and to pray in solidarity with countless others. We gave blood and took up a special collection for the families of the victims. We wrote to congressmen and the President, urging caution in crafting a response to the attack, and we began to plan for ways in the weeks ahead that we can come together again, to pray, to discuss, to learn more about the critical issues involved. This week, for

example, we have a forum planned at which a member of the Muslim community in Lexington will talk about the faith of Islam, what it teaches and what it doesn't.

Everybody, in the aftermath of the attack, is asking the same question: "What can I do to help?" We at Newman Center are doing what we can, not just to offer the student body direction; we're walking with them, and listening to the questions they raise, and moving through this dark chapter of our nation's history together. Someone said soon after the attack, "We're going to make it through this." The staff, through our ministry with students, will do all that we can to make sure that we do! May God help us all.

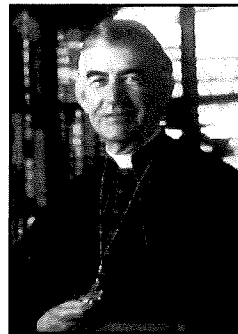
Fall Semester Student Report

Abby Clark

The semester has begun and things are back in full swing at UK's Newman Center. We have been busy planning events for the semester and have already had great success with many activities. The semester began with "Welcome Week" which included many social activities such as ice-skating, pancake breakfasts, volleyball tournaments, and faith sharing groups and culminated with the Welcome Mass and Spaghetti Dinner. The other large event that has already taken place is the Fall Retreat. The large turnout of over 50 people headed to Camp Andrew Jackson for the weekend and bonded over student speeches and small group discussions. Everyone met somebody new which is especially important for the freshmen. Our weekly faith sharing groups have resumed as well. These groups meet once a week to discuss topics relevant to student life as well as the scriptures. Future plans include attending football games together, camping trips, movie nights, Habitat for Humanity, and other service projects. The semester has gotten off to a great start and I am sure that it will only get better!

Abby Clark, is a Mathematics Junior and 2001-2002 Student Ministry Intern

California's Quinn to Speak at the Newman Center - November 2nd



Archbishop John R. Quinn will be in Lexington on Friday, November 2nd to speak at the Newman Center which adjoins the University of Kentucky campus on Rose Street.

Quinn was named the first archbishop of Oklahoma City in 1971 and the sixth archbishop of

San Francisco in 1977.

He will be speaking at 7:30 P.M. on the topic "The Reform of the Papacy: The Costly Call to Christian Unity", which is also the topic of the archbishop's book. His appearance in Lexington is being sponsored by the Father Moore Memorial Lectures series which is part of the Newman Foundation Inc.'s speakers program.

A reception will follow and the evening is open to all free of charge.

2001-2002 Speakers Schedule

7:30 P.M. at University of Kentucky Catholic Newman Center

Archbishop John R. Quinn
Friday, November 2, 2001
(Also presiding at Nov. 1 Evening Mass)

Lisa Wagner - A One-Woman Show
"Haunted by God: The Life of Dorothy Day"
Friday, February 1, 2002

Prof. Lawrence Cunningham
Chair - Theology Dept. - Notre Dame U.
"The Interaction of Catholic Theology and American Culture --
Impact on the Future of Our Church"
Friday, March 1, 2002
Workshop: Saturday, March 2, 9:00 A.M.

Grants Report

Jeff Pearson

The Grants Committee of Newman Foundation, Inc., provides grant funding resources for worthwhile projects that are within the mission of the Foundation.

Grant requests are accepted from agencies, groups and individuals for prospective projects each year. Funds are provided for grants on an approval basis as budget monies allow. Each grant is carefully evaluated to determine if it meets the criteria of the Mission Statement, as follows:

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Grants for fiscal year 1999 - 2000, and

2000-2001 have been in the amount of \$18,000 each year. Grants have been provided to 25 - 28 groups and agencies each year to help in the funding of their requested endeavor. Grants have been provided for activities, trips, and conferences related to the Newman Center at the University of Kentucky, Morehead State University, Eastern Kentucky University and Transylvania University. High School Youth group activities within the Roman Catholic Diocese of Lexington have also been funded. Grantees are required to provide a report on the use of the funds to document the projects results. The grant reporting allows Newman Foundation to provide proper stewardship of monies donated to the Newman Foundation.

For more information or to request an application contact the NFI office at 859.255.0880.

NFI Founders & Fellows Dinner

Tracy Parker

The Newman Foundation honored its Fellows and Founders this past Sunday evening, October 7, that a wonderful dinner at the home of Virginia Kraft Payson. A Founder is a person who pledges to and contributes \$1,000 in a calendar year. A Fellow is a person who over the course of several years pledges to and contributes \$10,000. The dinner is an annual event that the foundation host as a way of thanking our donors for their abundant generosity. Sixty-five people attended the dinner which began with a mass given by Fr. Tom Farrell, followed by cocktails and hors d'oeuvres then dinner. The harmonious sounds of Courtney Allen could be heard throughout the evening as he entertained us with his magnificent piano playing. Newman Foundation, Inc. could not operate without the support of those who donate their time and money. As well as those who open their homes to us; Thanks again Mrs. Payson for making us feel welcome.

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2001 Fall Retreat Student Reflection

Dan Schomaker

It's about 5 o'clock, I've jetted from work about 15 minutes early, because I still have to pack and pick up a sophomore. Packing consists of throwing clothes in my old Adidas bag and folding up my bed (leaving only the mattress and frame). I jump in my car, head towards south campus. Halfway there I realize that I don't have a map, so I make a quick pit stop at Newman Center. For clarification sake, everyone else left earlier, around 4 pm. I finally make it to south campus, only about 10 minutes late. I load up my friend Bill and we're off. The Fall Retreat is about an hour south of Lexington at Camp Andrew Jackson, just inside Daniel Boone National Forest. To get there we have to get on the Interstate, which requires going all the way across town, dealing with Lexington drivers (some are kinda crazy) not to mention I haven't eaten all day, so I am a little hungry. In case you haven't caught on, I'm trying to show that life is extremely hectic. As college students, we are always running around, dealing with classes and jobs not to mention other organizations and extracurricular activities we're involved with. On top of this, Tuesday of that week was September 11, 2001. But things got better!

Let me just say right now that God is amazing! He works in many mysterious

ways. Before reaching Camp A.J., God was revealed. The local station was asking people to, at 7 o'clock stop what they were doing, light a candle and lift up a prayer for the victims of September 11. It just so happened that I had two candles and a lighter in my car. At 7 we pulled off this country road into a small food mart and lit our candles and offered our prayers. As we left we saw the clerk through the window, she was staring at us with a smile on her face. By participating in God's love we had brightened her day. God works in big ways as well as small ones.

We finally reached the camp. As much as I would like to, I can't go into a whole lot of details because things just sort of happened. I will say this though; there was a calm and peacefulness in the woods. Lexington and UK were far behind, classes weren't even a thought and my hectic life was gone (at least for a little bit). Like at any retreat there were speakers. Sometimes you gain a lot from them, for me however, this retreat gave me the opportunity to regain my focus. It helped me remember what was really important. It reminded me that my life wasn't my own, that it was God's. It allowed me to turn back to him with a repentant heart and open arms. With all the "stuff" in my life out of the way, I was

able to get back to the basics and remember what Jesus Christ had done for me by hanging on the cross. In the same way, I was able to turn back to God and look at Him face to face. I was also able to get to know other Christians (not only those who came with us from Lexington, but from other places as well: Kentucky Wesleyan and the Christian Appalachian Project Crew) and share in their love of Christ. Fellowshiping with them and singing praise and giving worship to God was awesome. His graces were also revealed in our participation of the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation. I said it once before, and I will say it again, God is amazing!

To sum things up, the retreat for me was a time to get away from my hectic life and regain my focus on the true realities of life. It let me focus my attention on God instead of on insignificant things. The retreat has also given me the strength to continue focusing on God and joining in fellowship with other Christians now that I am back into the swing of things in my hectic life. Lastly, it was a reminder of how much we need to pray and give thanks to God.

Dan Schomaker, a Marketing Senior, is a student representative on the NFI Board.

Friends of the NFI at the Fellow and Founders Dinner



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