

The Second of the Scholarly Series Raises One of Life's Great Debates: Are Women and Men equal? Does the Bible Say different? By Shon Hastrup

We all can finish this quote, "Behind every good man there is a good ____." Certainly many believe there's no exception when it comes to the Bible. Women are to stay in their place and play like good little house wives while men go and save the day, right? Or is it vice versa? Well many would beg to differ. Friday, November 5th marked the second of this year's scholar series, which was held in the Buetow Music Center between 12-12:50 p.m. Professor Theresa Fitzpatrick from the department of English and Modern Languages, led the presentation about gender and its role within Christianity. The lecture touched on the power indifference between women and men within Christianity, how both are viewed within society, and how both should really be viewed.

This event presented more questions than it did answers, which wasn't a negative. It was stated that the seminar would do that very thing. Yes, many questions were asked such as: what is at stake with challenging the line between women and men, how do men/women

to what has occurred in the Bible, and the timeless "what would Jesus do?" question was also asked. No clear cut resolution to this issue was presented. Again not necessarily a bad thing, for a mathematical/scientific type maybe, but otherwise the open-endedness drove thought. Humans are obsessed with the unknown until it's solved, so most will want to answer these questions that have been fueling discussion and debate for some time. The presentation was only about thirty minutes minus the question period. All and all, it was great for those short on time but it may have been disappointing for those who were thoroughly interested. Though it may have been short, Mrs. Fitzpatrick did a wonderful job and made everyone's time well worthwhile.



Re: Student Complaints Article

Student Senate is on the Job"

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Students of Concordia University, St. Paul, your voices have been heard. In time for the next issue of *The Sword*, we, the Student Senate, will work to construct detailed responses to as many of those concerns listed in last issue's "Student Complaints" article as possible.

Now, you may be thinking, "This is just the tip of the iceberg as far as complaints go," and that's true, so don't be afraid to send any more complaints, concerns, questions, or suggestions to your Student Senate via email at studentsenate@csp.edu. You can also bring your comments to a Student Senator or Student Senate Executive Board member.

As Duke Ellington said, "A problem is a chance to do your best." We as a Student Senate will strive to do our best in representing the student body and the concerns that the body has raised. Again, look for our comprehensive response article in the next issue of *The Sword*.

RLC Trash: Sanitation Issues

Concordia Housing

By William Lange

In the past, residents have been able to bring their bagged trash to the trash room and put it in the bins. This year, the floors of the 3rd and 4th floor of the RLC were not waxed so the trash bins cannot be rolled across them. Residents have been told to take their trash out to the dumpster adjacent to Wollaeger Hall and their recycling to the dumpster closest to the RLC.

In an interview with RLC resident Andria Schwalbe, she gave her account of the current trash situation in the RLC: "It's ridiculous. People leave bags of trash in the halls because they are too lazy to take it downstairs to the trash bins. I've taken four bags of other people's trash out because it has ended

up in front of my door. It's no wonder we have mice in the RLC."

According to RLC Manager, Heidi Goettl, last year RLC had a full time custodian. This year, the sanitation is left up to one student who only works two hours a day. It is this student's job to clean the bathrooms, hallways, stairways elevators. The third and fourth floors of the RLC have not been waxed because of uncooperative students. The halls are to be waxed over winter break. Due to a custodial change, there are not enough hours to take care of trash rooms.

Student workers are responsible for the cleaning of Luther and Wollaeger. If you have any issues with mice, pests, or other problems, students are advised to contact their RAs or Heidi. Since the trash problem has gotten worse, RAs have sent emails of how to prevent mice and bugs from entering their rooms.



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