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“...now Simon Peter was standing there keeping warm. And they said to him, ‘you are not one of his disciples, are you?’ He denied it and said, ‘I am not.’”



Dear Parents and Friends of the Newman Center,

A happy and peace filled Lent. I find the clip above to be very disturbing. How could Peter so blatantly deny someone whom he loved and followed? “With friends like Peter who needs enemies?” I find it very easy to point the finger at Peter; after all, he was the chosen head. How could he do such a thing?

Then I realize that Peter is a mirror being held up to me, and what do I see? You’re right, it is not the face of Peter but my own. Then I begin to realize how often in many circumstances I deny the Lord because I am not acting as a follower or a friend let alone a brother. And so, I journey this Lent realizing that it is Wayne and not Peter nor anyone else I should be pointing the finger towards.

When I realize how I have failed the Lord I begin to appreciate what He means for my life and the quality of living that is necessary to make it “sane.” I am powerless without His assistance and presence. My sin teaches me how very much in need I am of His grace and Spirit. “The truth will set you free...” the Lord teaches us and maybe that should be our Lenten journey to liberation and freedom. Only when I am able to embrace my cross(es) am I assured that the Lord is near and I am empowered to assist my sister or brother in recognizing their glory as children of God and brothers and sisters of the Lord.

Again, have a great Lent but an even greater Resurrection! Alleluia!

God’s blessings

Rev. Wayne E. Killian
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P.S. The door is always open!

NEWMAN FOUNDATION PRESENTS STUDENT AWARDS

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Two recent graduates of Lehigh University, Bethlehem received accolades for their contributions to Catholic Campus Ministry from the Newman Foundation at Lehigh at its annual Board of Trustees dinner May 10.

Mass was celebrated at the Doctors of the Church Chapel in the Newman Center for living and deceased benefactors.

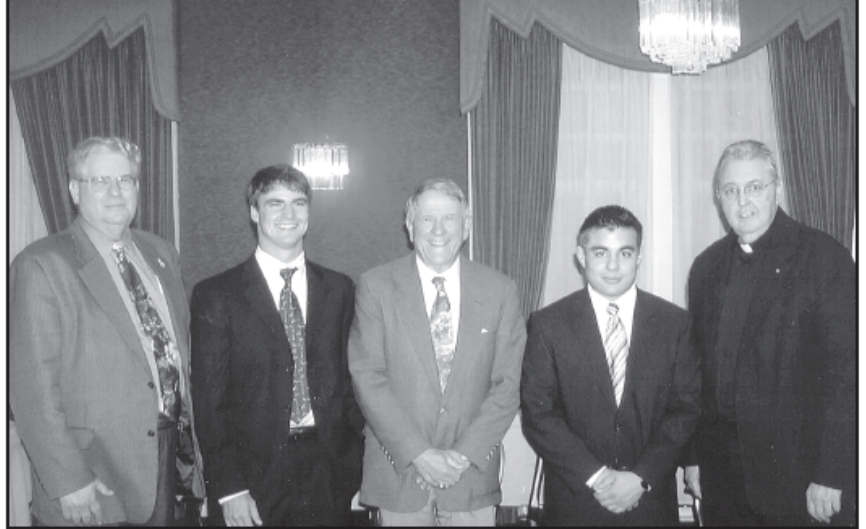
Celebrant was the Rev. Wayne E. Killian, Catholic Chaplain at Lehigh and Moravian colleges, Bethlehem and Diocesan Director of Catholic Campus Ministry. Concelebrating was the Very Rev. E. Michael Camilli, M.S.C., S.T.L., M.S.L.S., H.E.L., Diocesan Secretary for Catholic Life and Evangelization. Dinner followed at the Bethlehem Club.

Award recipients were John VC' "Jack" Lewis of Nashville, Tenn- and David K. Nakasone of Ellicott City, Md., also an All-American wrestler. They received plaques and monetary gifts.

Lewis and Nakasone were chosen by a university-wide survey of the most exemplary grad or undergrad who demonstrates a special quality of service as leadership, commitment or dedication to the Newman Center and Catholic Campus Ministry.

Lewis served as president of the Newman Council this past school year. Nakasone was active in his performance in repairs and general maintenance around the Newman Center.

After the awards remarks were made by Newman Foundation President Dr. Robert A. Kern of Phillipsburg, N.J. Benediction was given by the Rev. Msgr. Alfred A. Schlert, J.C.L., V.G, diocesan Vicar General and a former Lehigh Newman Chaplain.



John W. "Jack" Lewis, second from left, and David K. Nakasone, fourth from left, after receiving their awards with, from left, Newman Foundation Treasurer James Tiefenbrunn, Newman Foundation President Robert Kern and the Rev. Wayne E. Killian, Catholic Chaplain at Lehigh/Moravian colleges, Bethlehem and diocesan Director of Catholic Campus Ministry.



Among those in attendance at the board dinner are, from left: front, Jackie Fetsko, Frank Colon, Mary Pongracz, Fr. Killian, seminarian Eugene P. Ritz; back, Adam Wisniewski, Jim Tiefenbrunn, Frank Donchez, Bernie Brown, Marty Lynn, Ron Koach and the Rev. Msgr. Alfred A. Schlert, J.C.L., V.G., diocesan Vicar General and a former Lehigh Newman Chaplain.

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