



**St. Herman Theological Seminary Board of Trustees
Report
May 2005 thru September 2006**

Your Grace, Bishop NIKOLAI, Father. Chad Hatfield, Dean, Members of the St. Herman Theological Seminary Board of Trustees, it is by the Grace of our Living Lord that **Outreach Alaska** is able to provide some assistance to the students and staff of this seminary. Thanks be to God, this past year has brought completion to projects, changes and additions for others. As Coordinator, it is with humble appreciation to our donors that I provide this report on activities for May 2005 thru September 2006:

More than \$15,000 was raised to complete the refurbishing of the library. There were 3 phases to this Library Project that began in November 2004: A List of Titles requested by Fr. Chad was completed by February 2005. Purchasing of all new furnishings inclusive of tables and chairs for the classrooms, computer lab, and library was finalized by the end of 2005. The final phase included purchasing/installing new carpet and newly painted walls. A donor plaque will be hung this weekend with the library blessing of Vladyka.

All seminarians available for the Adopt a Seminarian project were sponsored for the 2004/05 seminary year.

The sponsor for Father Alexander Larson (Mat. Mary Buletza, Father Gary Breton, and family) traveled to Kodiak for Commencement. Matushka Mary joined the Board of Trustees during that time. **Outreach Alaska** provided 10 commencement announcements to all of the graduates and more to the seminary. Sponsors again gave an icon of the sponsor parish to the graduate. Graduating clergy were given new vestments by their sponsors during the year.

It was requested that **Outreach Alaska** establish a food pantry at the seminary for the married students. This was agreed and a charge account has been arranged for the seminary to purchase needed items at the Safeway in Kodiak with all charges being mailed to **Outreach Alaska** for payment. More than \$6,000 has been raised for the St. Juliana Food Pantry. All construction costs and furnishings have been paid and it is estimated that \$5,000 each year will be line itemed in the **Outreach Alaska** budget for annual purchases. A St. Juliana icon was donated by "Come and See Icons" for the pantry and will be hung with her story this weekend with a blessing from Vladyka.

This year, we had more sponsors than students for the new participants. Again, all students are sponsored for graduation 2010 and a waiting list is ongoing.

I was asked to increase the stipend for the students to \$200 per month - \$2,400 per year.

One of the sponsors, who would not have a student this year, provided his \$2,400 to assist one of our clergy to pay some debts and expenses to his assigned parish.

Other donations have been assigned for 2 First Missionaries Scholarship program - \$2,000.

Outreach Alaska was asked to assist the seminary with funds for a "Discretionary Account" for Fr. Chad. This has been set at \$2,000 per year. We gave \$1,000 from our general funds and \$1,000 from our RODA funds.

Submitted September 23, 2006 by
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