

THE SWARTHMORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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February 28, 1969

Ed will answer Joe
Dear Joe and Ed:

I don't have any way of knowing how really supportive many of our alumni are with regard to the recent heartache at Swarthmore. But I am aware of my sad neglect in wanting to write to Courtney Smith and then finding myself too late! And I am more than sorry for that procrastination. So now I write this brief note to you.

I hope your suggestion in your recent thorough study of the situation is accurate, in your mention of alumni support, but I have also had the misfortune to run into some alumni who are most unpleasantly antagonistic, and this disturbs me enough to make me remember that I wanted to write my word of appreciation. I did write to Courtney once, long before the present confrontation, that I was proud to claim Swarthmore as my alma mater in view of its stand on racial concerns and progress in that area. I am still proud, and have been recently able to reaffirm that on a vacation where I encountered questions and comments!

This is just to give any word of encouragement that may be welcome. I was much pleased with the extensive coverage that your recent communication gave us all of the situation as it had developed over the long haul, and of the way it had all been handled, and I continue to give my enthusiastic appreciation of your attitude during the whole crisis. Being a long-time advocate of the sort of understanding the college has given to this area of the world's problems, my admiration continues.

Keep it up, and accept my thanks for keeping the liberal approach to the world's affairs as a standard for Swarthmore.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Fran
Frances P. Crosby

March 3, 1969

Dear Fran:

Both Ed and I appreciate so much your letter of February 28. Believe me, it means much to all of us at Swarthmore to receive letters like yours.

With all good wishes, I am

Truly yours,

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