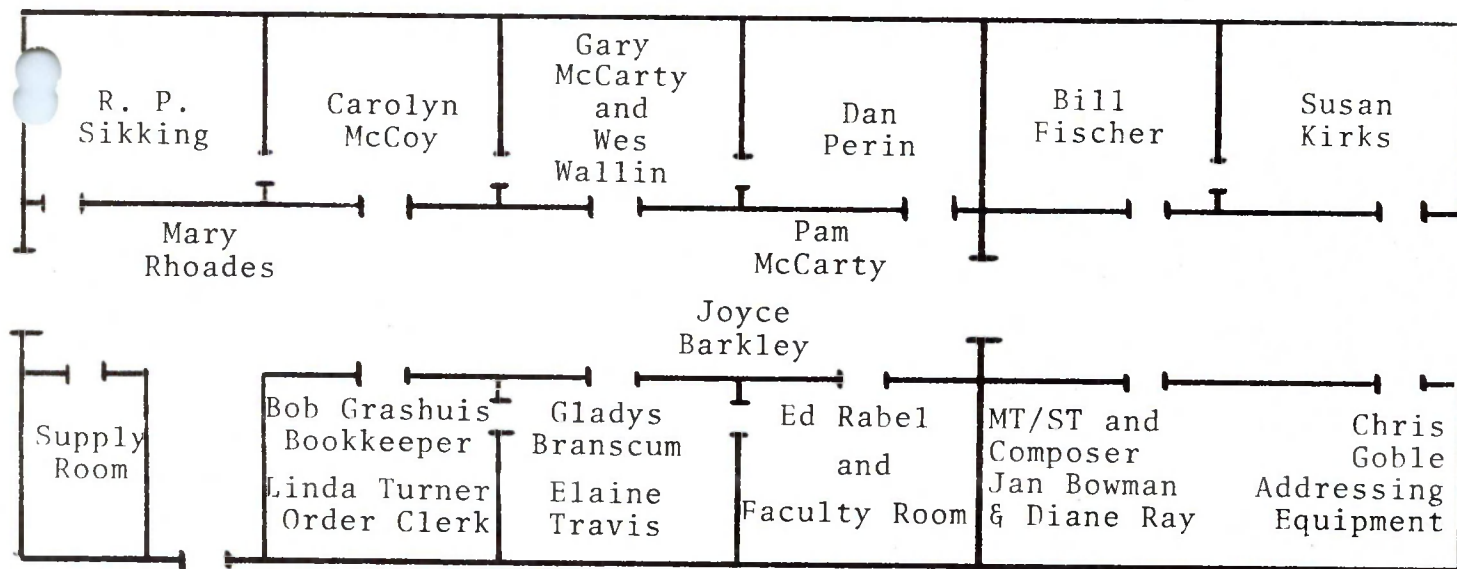


"Thank you, Father, for the perfect outworking of your will in our ministry." I wonder how many times we, here in the Executive Office, and you in your ministry in the field have affirmed that idea. How many times we stand in the midst of challenge and need and give thanks for perfect fulfillment. The wonderful thing is that, as we continue to do so, the fulfillment does come. We want to share with you the blessing of answered prayer that has occurred here in the Executive Office. There have been adjustments in space utilization by Unity School which have freed up enough office space for us to have all of our office requirements on one floor in adjacent rooms. The following diagram should give you an idea of the wonderful, new convenience here in the Executive Office. We will still retain our stock room on the ground floor, where all of our printing and allied activities are conducted. We appreciate your spirit of rejoicing with us in this blessing, and we look forward to your visit in your new Executive Office.



CONFERENCE LAYMEN REPORT

In our last issue of CONTACT we promised the inclusion of the laymen's report and recommendations in this issue of CONTACT.

That promise appears, at this point, to be an evidence of our enthusiastic desire to get the report to you, but appears to have been a little bit premature. It is the wish of the Laymen's Committee to have a little more time in their preparation and presentation of the report since it is their desire and hope that specific action might be taken when once the information is shared. In due course we will be sharing in greater detail the recommendations of the laymen.

THE INTRODUCTION OF A NEW ELEMENT IN CONTACT

The following is "The Spice Cabinet." You will want to read it carefully and share it with your spouse as well as with the folks in your ministry, who will rejoice in the material shared.

THE SPICE CABINET

Barby McClure

The mini-conference of spouses--now affectionately known as the "Spices"-- held during the ministerial Conference in July was truly a fun-filled, positive success! I know you will be glad to hear about that kind of beginning. Thirty-one spices--male and female--attended the three-hour session. Many thanks to our leaders who included Ed Bowen, Helen Hampson, Lani Jones, Theresa Murphy and Virginia Nicola for handling the smaller group discussions in such a smooth way, compiling their findings and then presenting them to us all. We plan to share these and other ideas with you in the coming months through CONTACT.

Plans are already underway for next year's mini-conference, and in the meantime I encourage you to share your thoughts and comments about this adventure by writing me at Unity Christ Church, 2690 Ocean Avenue, San Francisco, California 94132.

The following is the report of the group led by Theresa Murphy and so beautifully read to us by Betty Sikking.

GRACE WHO?

Many times as the spouse of a minister, we are asked or expected to lead a spontaneous prayer time, meditation or table grace.

What causes a feeling of reluctance or hesitation on our part?

1. A feeling of inadequacy--perhaps the minister or teachers are present and we feel they could do a better job.
2. A feeling of shyness or fear.
3. Personal life spills over--something has happened and we just don't feel like praying "right now."

Hints to overcome the above feelings:

If you feel shy, don't cast yourself in this lot--you can overcome it and enjoy a richer, fuller life in doing so. A little shyness or uneasiness is good--it makes us strive to do our best. (Even actors and other professional people feel this nervousness). Remember that prayer is communication--we are constantly putting our thoughts into words--and this is prayer. You may be the channel for just the right words that will bless and help someone. Forget yourself and concentrate on what you are doing. Ask yourself the question, "Why was I asked to pray?" Then make your prayer fit the occasion. Put your feelings or your own inspiration into whatever you pray. Be aware of the freshness in approach that you bring to the expression of Truth. Your attitude is even more important than the words spoken, because shyness often "comes off" as disinterest. Through prayer one can express his own individuality and be himself.

Steps to take to improve one's ability to pray in public:

1. Prepare your consciousness through your own personal prayer time.
2. If your family prays together, perhaps the minister's spouse could lead some of these prayer times--we learn by trying.
3. Always be prepared. Have a Daily Word (or other material) handy with a passage marked that is meaningful to you and that you have given some thought to, and base your prayer on that. Memorize a prayer such as The Prayer for Protection and add your own inspiration. Remember that a prayer does not have to be long to be good, and your prayer or meditation may be more meaningful if it is punctuated with silences.
4. Perhaps an organization could be formed for spouses of ministerial students. At the meetings of this organization the members could receive training for their roles as the spouse of a minister-- and a part of this training could be the leading of prayers and meditations.

MONEY PURCHASE PENSION PLAN AND BANKER'S LIFE ANNUITY

A great deal of quickened interest was expressed by members of our Association during Conference in the retirement programs that are available. If you expressed

an interest or would have an interest in further information in regard to either of these plans, we want the opportunity to share them with you. They add a stability and a strength to our movement, and all of the information is available.

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD HEALTH CARE PLAN

In our last issue of CONTACT we reminded you of the health care plan that has been presented to our membership by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Missouri. You will be pleased to know that,

to date, we have about one third of the response that we will have to have if we are going to have the program. If you have delayed filling out your application form and sending it in, please do so now. The most important part of this health care plan is that it will enable all of our ministers, regardless of age or medical health record, to be able to participate in a health care plan that is outstanding. The coverage that is offered is greater than can be attained on any individual basis. For the great majority of people in our movement it would be available at the same or lesser figure that can be obtained locally. We must become involved in a unified effort if we are going to render service to our movement that can be of immeasurable value to a good many of those involved. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let us know. Such questions can be directed to the Executive Office.

IN MEMORIAM

We know that you will want to join with us in a special consciousness of prayer for two of our co-workers who have made the transition from this life experience into the expanded consciousness of oneness with the Father. We feel a deep spirit of gratitude to our Father for having had the privilege of being involved in our great Unity ministry with these loved ones, and we bless them in their eternal ongoing. On September 6, Helen Mouton, a member of our Emeritus Prayer Group, passed on. Helen was the founding minister of Christ Unity Church on Western Avenue in Los Angeles. On September 7, Jeanne Ramage Jorgensen passed away at her home in Atascadero, California. Jeanne had retired from the Unity ministry in 1971 in meeting a physical challenge. She was the founding minister of Unity Christ Church of San Luis Obispo, California. In our eternal oneness with our loved ones we stand strengthened in our unity with the Father.

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BILLINGS, MONTANA Upon his semi-retirement, Jess McGuire has left Billings, Montana. The new minister there is James Pickering, who was ordained in 1971 and spent the last year doing exploratory work in Guam.

LIVINGSTON, MONTANA Our part-time Unity ministry in Livingston, Montana, will be under the prayerful, capable direction of Jess McGuire in his semi-retirement. We all bless Jess for his willingness to carry on in his service to God in this way.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA In the last issue of CONTACT we were quite premature and inaccurate in our statement that Les Saunders had accepted leadership in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. That was not the case, and for any confusion caused we apologize. Marlyn White has accepted leadership of our great work in Toronto, and is resident now.

LA CRESCENTA, CALIFORNIA With the move of Robert Marshall to Austin, Texas, we are continuing in our negotiation for succession of leadership in La Crescenta.

CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA With the move of Opal Zoellner to Sun City, Arizona, we have negotiated succession of leadership in Culver City. Edna Powers has been accepted as our new minister there.

GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA We continue in our negotiations for succession of leadership in Glendale, California. We are deeply grateful to Clifford Carpenter for his willingness to carry on until succession of leadership can be finalized.

ASBURY PARK, NEW JERSEY John Cuddeback, who has been working with Eric Butterworth at Unity in New York, has accepted leadership of our fine Unity work in Asbury Park as of September first.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK The vacancy created by John Cuddeback has been filled by David Williamson, who has left Unity School and will be working on the staff in New York with Eric Butterworth.

LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA Tom Coates has taken a leave of absence from the Unity work. Dorothy Pierson functioned on behalf of the Association of Unity Churches as an interim minister. The position has now been filled by Ray Eversole, who has been involved at Unity Center of Truth in Detroit, Michigan.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN With the move of Ray Eversole to Florida, the Association is working closely with the board of Unity Center of Truth in regard to succession of leadership there.

SARASOTA, FLORIDA Ronald Potter has tendered his resignation from leadership in Sarasota, Florida, and would appreciate, we know, the prayer consciousness of all of his fellow ministers. He has been succeeded in Sarasota by Rudy Nan, who was ordained in 1971.

SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN LuVerna Bauer, the founding minister of our work in Sheboygan, has retired from full-time leadership to do teaching expansion work. Her successor in Sheboygan is Don Bould, a recent graduate and ordinand.

ARE YOU POSSIBLE?

Every once in awhile we find ourselves in the position of feeling like many things are impossible for us. We may feel like we cannot accomplish anything. When we feel this way, it sometimes leads to the frustrating attitude that we ourselves are impossible. We may feel we do not know which way to turn or how to begin to deal with the things we have to face.

A very interesting experience occurred in the Young Adult Retreat this year, although it is something not too untypical of such a gathering of young adults. After the retreat was all over, we received a letter from one of the young people who had, up to that point, been experiencing many of the same feelings mentioned above. Her response to the retreat was as follows: "This year something really happened for me and for many. In five days' time I discovered answers to problems and barriers broken, all of which have been bothering me all of my life. Now I see myself successful and very possible. Do you understand what I mean by possible? Many times I had thought myself impossible to ever be anything worthwhile. Now I am possible. I find myself handling negative situations most positively and things are working for good."

Perhaps we can all take a hint from the youthful enthusiasm and commitment expressed in the words above. The opportunity for self-discovery is before us all. We can be "possible." We can meet our challenges and break down the barriers which keep us from accomplishing the good God has in mind for us.

The above is representative of the kind of experience we are hoping to make possible for all young adults. With your cooperation and your feeling of being "possible," the Unity outreach to young adults will accomplish a great deal.

Another young adult expressed it this way: "I am challenging myself to put the principles I believe in into practice, especially in the area of personal relationships." She concluded her response with this brief, original poem:

in your voice
I hear the melody of the universe,
and it is joy . . .
in your eyes
I see the brotherhood of man,
and it is hope . . .
in your smile
I feel the warmth of genuine concern,
and it is peace . . .
in your touch
I know the presence of God,
and it is Love.

AUC CODE OF ETHICS One of the most important parts of our movement is the outstanding Code of Ethics that is included in our yearbook. A great deal in the way of prayer has been involved in the development of this code. Each member of our Association accepts these spiritual principles as guidelines for conduct in our movement.

During Conference, Sune Richards, Chairman of the Ethics Committee, worked untiringly with her committee members and additional volunteers, to graphically present the do's and don'ts of our ethics. The role playing skits that were presented were a highlight in our Pre-Conference program. Sune has been asked by the Board of Trustees to continue her efforts in education in this way. In subsequent issues of CONTACT we hope to have the opportunity to highlight our ethics as well. If you have any suggestions of any questions, we know that Sune and her fine committee will be happy to hear from you.

UNITY INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION 1973

Our promotional program for Convention '73 is coming along in fine shape, and we are most appreciative of your enthusiastic response. If you have any ideas or suggestions regarding our promotional effort for Convention '73 or any other aspect of this exciting event, please write to Wes Wallin, Convention Coordinator, in care of the Association of Unity Churches.

The "Poem Contest" is now in full swing and will continue until October 31, 1972, which is the last day on which poems may be submitted to the AUC. This contest is for young persons who have not turned nineteen years old by October 31. The title of the poem must be "Unity, the Way Up" and must have a minimum of sixteen lines of verse. A maximum of three entrees is allowed per young person. You have received information about this poem contest in your Convention packet materials, and the contest was also announced to all young persons who attended the YOU Conference at Unity Village in August, 1972. The grand prize for the winner is a free trip to Convention here in Kansas City, which will include round trip air fare, hotel costs and Convention registration. Please make sure that your young people know about this exciting opportunity.

There have been some questions about some of the items on the pink order form which was included in your Convention packet materials. We will be sending you quantities of registration forms, stickers, sample treasure maps and full color brochures according to the schedule on the "Calendar," which is also in that packet. If the quantities you receive are not enough to meet your needs, then use the pink order form to order the additional amounts you desire. Please be sure to note the availability dates for each item on the order form. The fourth item on your form is "Sample Announcements for Bulletins." These announcements are NOT inserts, but rather are to be copied or to be used as suggested ideas only. The "Sample Treasure Maps" were not designed to be a large distribution item. They are only available in limited quantities and are intended to be "thought-starters" for anyone who is serious about using the treasure map idea for coming to Convention '73.

Our full color brochures are now being printed and we are very excited about the stimulating impact we are sure they will have. You will be receiving a supply of these brochures sometime during the latter part of October. Once again, if the amount you receive is not enough, feel free to order more on the special pink order form after November, 1972, which is the availability date for reorder.

A short time after receiving the brochures, you will receive a quantity of registration forms which may also be reordered if larger quantities are required.

We are most eager to help you in any way to promote Convention '73 in your ministry. The success of the Convention rests entirely in the hands of each individual ministry for its interest and support. We certainly look forward to having you here with us for Convention '73 in Kansas City along with as many persons as possible from your congregation. God's richest blessings in your ministry of service to others.

Please return promptly . . .
MINISTRY INFORMATION CARDS

It is very important that we have this ministry information from you as soon as possible. The card is tan in color and is a part of the minister's Convention materials packet. The information we need is the size of your mailing list and the size of your average Sunday attendance. Your prompt reply is needed.

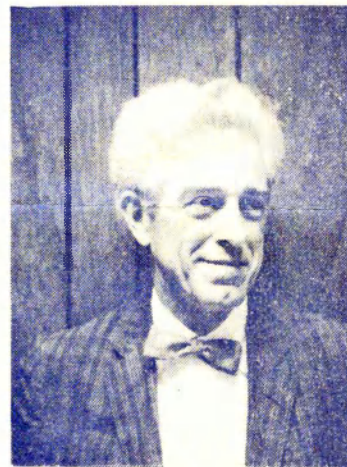
SCHOOL FOR MINISTERIAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

NEW VISITING FACULTY MEMBERS IN SMRS

Two new courses have been added to the SMRS curriculum, as a result of meetings with both the Ministerial Education Advisory Committee and the Ministerial Education Research Committee.

These classes are being taught to the first-year students, and the instructors are regarded as visiting faculty.

The first new class is **ELEMENTARY PHYSIOLOGY** and is taught by Dr. Louis Hasbrouck of Kansas City. Dr. Hasbrouck is a practicing osteopathic physician in Kansas City. He is a graduate of Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. Louis served in the U.S. Army during World War II. In 1955 he graduated from the Des Moines College of Osteopathy and Surgery in Des Moines, Iowa. He interned in Denver, Colorado. From 1957 through 1963 he practiced medicine in Dove Creek, Colorado, where much of his work was among the Navajo Indians. He came to Kansas City in 1963, where he has been engaged in the practice of manipulative and preventative doctoring since that time. He is married, and he and his wife Liz have no children. The course Dr. Hasbrouck will teach is designed to help the ministerial students understand more fully the magnificent body temple with which they have been blessed. The course will be presented in a fully constructive way, since Dr. Hasbrouck is a long-time Unity student. Such a course should be of tremendous value to the students in the future healing ministries.



Dr. Louis Hasbrouck



The second of the new classes is entitled **SPEECH LABORATORY**. It is taught by Mrs. Diane Helmuth. Diane is experienced in speech therapy. She graduated in 1958 with an M.S. in Education from Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, Missouri. She is married, and she and her husband David have two daughters--nine and ten years of age. (Her husband is the principal of Hazel Grove School, which is the elementary school located just off the Unity grounds near the entrance to Unity Village.) They have lived in Lee's Summit for the past thirteen years. Diane and her family are members of the Lee's Summit Methodist Church, but she is most familiar with Unity and its basic teachings. She has taught speech, drama, speech correction and related studies. She will be working with our students in the area of improving the mechanics of their public speaking. We are looking forward to the results of her involvement in the SMRS speech department.

THANKSGIVING VACATION--
November 23-24, 1972

SCHOOL FOR MINISTERIAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES
FALL TRIMESTER--1972
September 5, 1972 - December 15, 1972

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:00 to 8:50	1 & 2 SUVC STUDENT CHAPEL SERVICE	1 U-4 ENGLISH USAGE (Grace Rose) 2 & 8 U-2 DIALOGUE ON METAPHYSICS (Ed Rabel)	1 TR SPEECH (William Fischer) 2 & 8 U-2 TEACHING METHODS (Dan Perin)	1 U-4 ENGLISH USAGE (Grace Rose) 2 & 8 U-2 BIBLE INTERPRETATION (Ed Rabel)	1 U-4 ENGLISH USAGE (Grace Rose) 2 & 8 U-2 BIBLE INTERPRETATION (Ed Rabel)
9:00 to 9:50	1 U-4 UNITY FUNDAMENTALS (Margaret Conn) 2 & 8 U-2 DIALOGUE ON METAPHYSICS (Ed Rabel)	1 U-4 UNITY FUNDAMENTALS (Margaret Conn) 2 & 8 U-2 PRAYER AND HEALING (James Freeman)	1 U-4 UNITY FUNDAMENTALS (Margaret Conn) 2 & 8 U-2 TEACHING METHODS (Dan Perin)	1 U-4 ELEMENTARY PHYSIOLOGY (Dr. Louis Hasbrouck) 2 & 8 U-2 CENTER ADMINISTRATION (William Fischer)	1 TR SPEECH (William Fischer) 2 & 8 U-2 PRAYER AND HEALING (James Freeman)
10:00 to 10:50	1 U-4 BIBLE HISTORY (Philip White) 2 & 8 TR SPEECH (William Fischer)	1 U-4 BIBLE HISTORY (Philip White) 2 & 8 TR SPEECH (William Fischer)	INTEGRATIVE SEMINAR	1 U-4 BIBLE HISTORY (Philip White) 2 & 8 TR SPEECH (William Fischer)	1 TR SPEECH LABORATORY (Diane Helmuth) 2 & 8 TR CENTER ADMINISTRATION (William Fischer)
11:00 to 11:50	1 TR SPEECH (William Fischer) 2 & 8 U-2 BIBLE INTERPRETATION (Ed Rabel)	<i>SILENT UNITY HEALING MEETING</i> STUDENT PRAYER TIME		<i>SILENT UNITY HEALING MEETING</i> STUDENT PRAYER TIME	1 TR SPEECH LABORATORY (Diane Helmuth) 2 & 8 U-2 DIALOGUE ON METAPHYSICS (Ed Rabel)



SCHOOL FOR MINISTERIAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES — STUDENT BODY — SEPTEMBER, 1972

FIRST ROW (Left to Right) - Betty Owers, Pompano Beach, Florida; Marjorie Kass, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; Margaret Baker, Surrey, England; Eve Powers, Whittier, California; Hypatia Hileman, San Jose, California; Dana Voght, Boca Raton, Florida; Gladys Morris, Eau Gallie, Florida; Mary Rowe, Unity Village, Missouri; William L. Fischer, faculty member; James D. Freeman, faculty member; Phillip White, faculty member; Margaret Conn, faculty member; Edward Rabel, faculty member; Betty White, Cougar, Washington; Florence Kellogg, Osceola, Iowa; Dona Unfried, Dallas, Texas; Lora McAfee, Sacramento, California; Marion Sylvester, Newport Beach, California; Kathleen Yates, Seattle, Washington.

SECOND ROW (Left to Right) - Louise Peak, Detroit, Michigan; Linda Turner, Detroit, Michigan; Carol Nash, Anaheim, California; Dorothy Sharpley, Detroit, Michigan; Maryellen Bowe, Modesto, California; Sandra Cousens, Culver City, California; Jacqueline Neal, Washington, D.C.; David Large, Renton, Washington; Gerald Taylor, Denver, Colorado; Roy Fox, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; George Rieger, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; J. Christian Morgan, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada; David Piper, Tacoma, Washington; John MacDonald, Garland, Texas; Charles A. Evans, Fort Worth, Texas; Randolph Schmelig, St. Louis, Missouri; John R. Sherman, Seattle, Washington; Andres Lucas, Denver, Colorado; Carl Reams, San Jose, California; Phyliss Jamison, Los Angeles, California.

BACK ROW (Left to Right) - Greg Penn, Santa Barbara, California; James Parkinson, St. Petersburg, Florida; Robert Marshall, Austin, Texas; Donald Wake, Detroit, Michigan; Walter Tooke, Toledo, Ohio; Luis Mora, Santurce, Puerto Rico; Michael Morrow, West Palm Beach, Florida; Rod Tally, Springfield, Missouri; Randolph Wilkinson, Washington, D.C.; James A. Sherman, Honolulu, Hawaii; Richard Dawson, Raymond, New Hampshire; Donald R. Jennings, Seattle, Washington; Eugene Connor, Asheville, North Carolina; Daryl Mason, Omaha, Nebraska; Glenn Robinson, Ft. Thomas, Kentucky; David Travis, Jackson, Michigan; Conrad Stahl, Lee's Summit, Missouri; Brown Stewart, New York, New York. (Not pictured - Lois Webb, Stilwell, Kansas)

ASSOCIATION OF UNITY CHURCHES
STATEMENT OF OPERATION
8-31-72

INCOME	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
Love Offerings General	20,725.27	96,449.31
Love Offerings Ministerial Education	75.00	720.63
Love Offerings Youth Education	52.00	502.53
 Gain from Operations:		
Curriculum and Material	1951.69	3,984.41
 Other Income:	2,062.52	5,172.69
 Total Income:	24,866.48	106,829.57
 EXPENSES		
General Office	20,291.28	73,258.05
Youth Education	4,136.10	2,373.07
Ministerial Education	3,627.11	17,062.17
 Total Expenses:	28,054.49	92,693.29
 Excess Income over Expenses	(3,188.01)	14,136.28