

# The Enquiry

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

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**SOUTHEASTERN STUDENTS TO TAKE FINE ARTS TRIP TO NEW YORK IN SEPTEMBER** by Don. Hall

On a weekend (Friday to Monday) in the latter part of September a group from Southeastern will have the opportunity to travel to New York.

Folk in the group will leave by train and stay at the Vanderbilt YMCA. They will see some Broadway shows (tentatively scheduled are "Equus," "A Chorus Line," etc.). They will visit some of the local art museums and possibly visit Greenwich Village.

The purpose of the trip, according to organizer George Gagliardi, will be to experience first-hand the mecca of the creative community and to reflect on it as to how it relates to one's Christian faith.

Tickets for the shows must be reserved and hence paid for no later than the middle of July.

There is a special group rate for the tickets as well as for the train fare. To receive it requires a minimum of 15 people. Housing is \$6.00 a night.

"Having had this experience before," says George, "I can only say that it's one that is educational and entertaining."

He hopes several people will take advantage of this unique opportunity.

**DEGREES TO 238 HERE (ID)**

Southeastern Seminary will confer degrees on 238 persons during commencement events May 13 and 14, 1977. Included in the largest graduating class in this school's 26-year history will be 30 D.Min., 3 Th.M., 16 M.R.E., 150 M.Div., and 39 A.Div. degrees.

Commencement events will include the Commencement Sermon, to be delivered by President W. Randall Lolley at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 13. The Commencement Program will be on Saturday, May 14, at 10 a.m. with Dr. Glenn T. Miller, assistant professor of church history, delivering the charge to the graduates. Both events will be held in Binkley Chapel.

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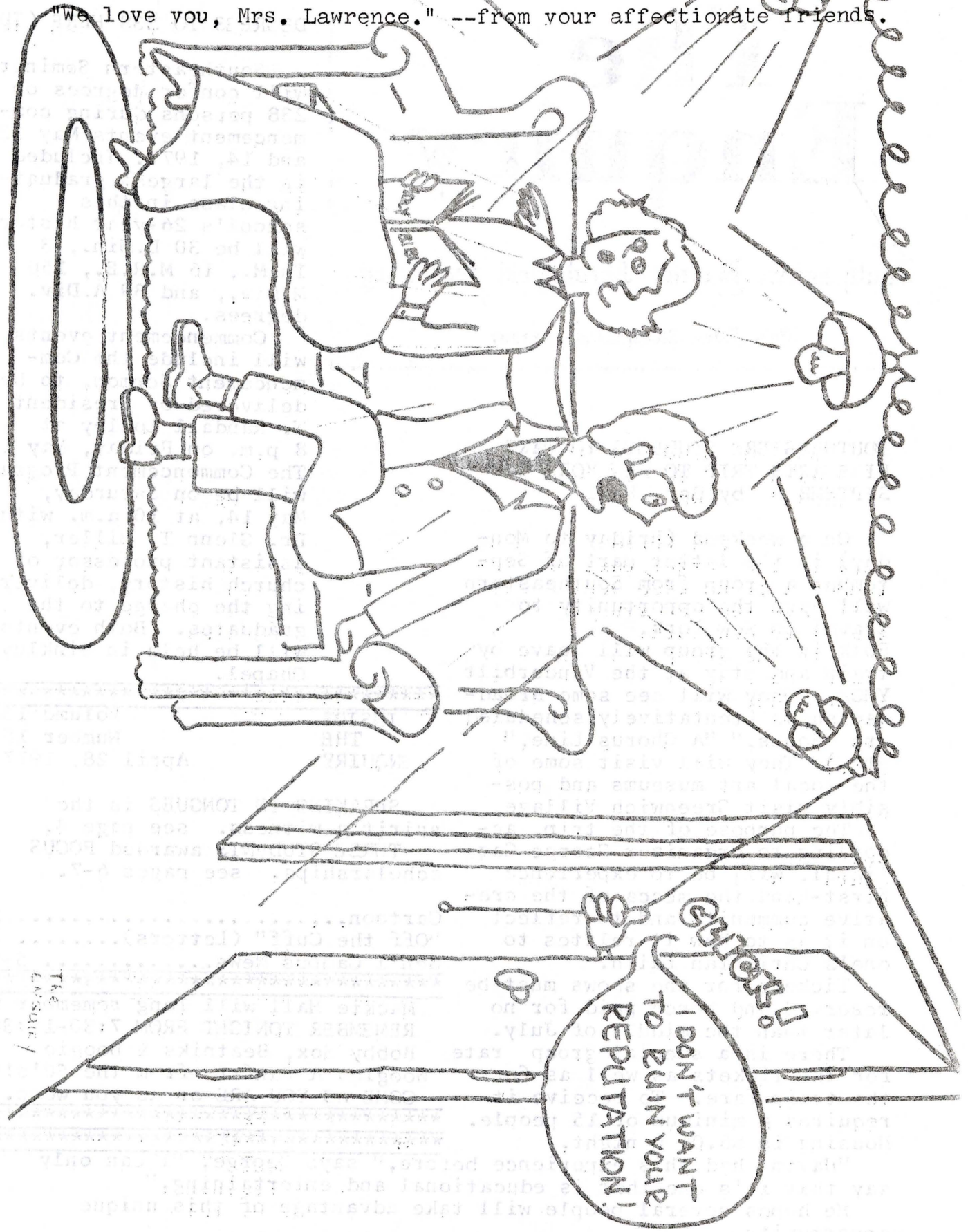
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 Mackie Hall will long remember us.  
 REMEMBER TONIGHT FROM 7:30-11:30!  
 Bobby Sox, Beatniks & Boogie  
 Woogie: A Fanfare from the 50's!!  
 COME AS YOU ARE or as you were.

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"We love you, Mrs. Lawrence." --from your affectionate friends.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

There are visible evidences everywhere in this seminary family of people who are hurting, in pain, feeling a sense of isolation, oppression and despair.

Does that seem shocking? If so, open your eyes, sister and brother, and dare to see! People here on every hand are seeking not only to be heard, but to be understood, respected as people (just because they are) and to be openly loved.

We surely miss the point if we conclude that when our sisters and brothers here risk to speak for human rights and against injustice that they are seeking only to convince or persuade someone else to their own position and opinion! God forbid that we should, out of our own fears and insecurities, be hasty to judge and fail to see beyond the issue itself to the love motivating the risk-taking!

There is risk in moving towards someone in pain, someone who is hurting, someone who needs our presence. Could it be we still are afraid to give ourselves--to let down our defenses, strip ourselves bare before each other and show who and what we really are?

We cover up so much with words: we are afraid to feel and let our feelings show. Some do not understand what it means to minister--to love--by touching another person. There are those of us here who long to flash the words, "Adultery, immorality" on the basis of a loving, caring touch. Yet it seems to me that those who are unable to give, to touch--to feel--are unable to love themselves.

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How can we ever hope to enable others who are estranged and alienated from the love of Christ, to see that love, to experience that love, when we who are to minister are afraid to get close to one another--to reach out and touch one another?

Until we allow Christ's love to move us towards one another, no real community will ever develop here. Students all over this campus yearn for a new sense of community and fellowship--but some of us are of the position that to "fellowship" we must all be of the same opinion. If we hold to such a position, we can never minister in the name of Jesus Christ!

The seeds of spiritual revolution are being planted here. Some of us step out to risk ourselves, and we get put down for it and are misunderstood. That is unfortunate, but it happens. What we must do is affirm together that we are of one affection--to love in and through Christ--then affirm our love for one another.

We are tired of division. We are tired of closed minds and open mouths. We are tired of trying to live only to ourselves--we are tired of hurting and loneliness.

We want to love one another--here and now. We want to break down all the barriers between us--to embrace one another in the spirit of Christ's love--a love that does. And we want to affirm that in Christ there is neither male nor female, but in Him we are as one.

--Carol Neese

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SPEAKING IN TONGUES: THE SPIRIT'S WITNESS by John Clark

Jesus told Nicodemus, in describing what it is to be born again, "τὸ πνεῦμα ὅπου θέλει πνεῖ, καὶ τὴν φωνὴν αὐτοῦ ἀκοῦεις....οὕτως ἐστὶν τὰς ὁ γεγεννημένος ἐκ τοῦ πνεύματος." That is, "the Spirit breathes where (or "upon whom") He will, and you hear His voice (or "speech," "sound," "outcry"--Arndt-Gingrich, pp. 878-9, or "language"--Langenscheidt)... so it is with everyone who has been born of the Spirit." Hearing the Spirit's language, hearing the Spirit speaking, Jesus taught, is the result of the Spirit's breathing life into a person. In other words, when someone is born again, the Spirit's speech is heard.

This, Paul was describing when he wrote, "you received the Spirit of sonship by which we cry out" (Rom. 8:15). The testimony of the Spirit is a vocal thing. "God has sent the Spirit or His Son into our hearts, crying out" (Gal. 4:6).

When Paul wrote that we "receive the Spirit by faith," he did not mean that we are to "take it by faith" that we have received the Spirit. Instead, he meant that we experience the receiving (baptism) of the Spirit by obedient response to the Gospel of Jesus. Conversion is not something we are to believe has happened; it is something that happens because we truly believe. And when it happens, Jesus and his friends taught "you hear His (the Spirit's) voice."

This is what speaking in tongues (not the gift of diverse tongues in I Cor. 12:10) is all about. It is the Spirit's testimony that Christ has entered the heart of a person. It is

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not our responsibility or privilege to profess to be in Christ until the Spirit has born its witness that it is in us (see I Jn. 3:24b; 5:6b).

Speaking as a person, Jesus said, "If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true." How many today are bearing witness of themselves that they are children of God, when the Spirit has said nothing at all! (see Rom. 8:16). There is a short passage in I John that teaches that it is not every body who confesses Jesus Christ, but it is every Spirit that confesses Jesus Christ which is the true standard (I Jn. 4:2-3). There is but one Spirit which will confess Jesus is Lord, and only those who have experienced that Spirit's baptism know the depth of those few little words of John. --- (Post Script) ---

It is the wonderful God-given privilege we have in the United States to express freely our convictions. It is not uncommon, therefore, for a person in this country to be convicted of an ideal and to teach it and live by it. The only real dangers that confront a person who catches a glimpse of eternal truths are: (1) this person will be only half-committed to the truths that he has seen, thereby making further revelation of truth inconceivable and (2) this person will so commit himself to doctrines that they themselves become a god and further revelations are denied. Hoping to do neither, I both express these truths with sincerity and thanksgiving, fully aware of the ramifications that attend them, and I welcome with the same disposition any response of like nature.

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Seniors will be receiving a letter soon asking them to participate in the "Pray and Give" Campaign to help endow the Professorship in Evangelism. We want to give seniors the opportunity to show their support for the new professorship by praying or giving before they leave the seminary community.

We hope you will take time to return the pledge cards indicating your support with either your gift or pledge for prayer or both.

David Sumner, chairman,  
Professorship in Evangelism  
Study Committee

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#### CROP WALK FOR HUNGER

The Wake Forest CROP Walk-for-Hunger will be held on Saturday, May 7. This is a community-wide activity, and all seminary students are especially invited to participate. It will be a 12-mile walk, and participants are asked to recruit pledges beforehand. All proceeds will go to worldwide hunger relief organizations.

Pledge forms may be picked up at the business office. For more information, call Mrs. Kenille Prosser at 556-4834.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger, and you took me in" (Matthew 25:35).

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#### STARGAZER

I notice that the 26th of April will be a day of fasting and prayer for those throughout the world who hunger. I wonder

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if the cafeteria has gotten the word.

Now that the election is over, I feel I can speak my mind about the candidates. We had some very well qualified people standing for office. It is too bad that not everyone can be elected, but in many cases that is just what happened.

I am surprised at the apathy shown by some of our students towards stepping forward and accepting the positions of responsibility. We are all proposing ourselves to be leaders of our future spiritual communities. I should think that we would feel the same responsibility towards the school.

Spring is come, and I cannot help but notice that some of the students are wearing less clothing than they were last month. I must say that Winter was good to some of them. Speaking of clothing, I also notice that some have neither increased nor decreased that which they wore all winter, even on the coldest days.

I have been watching this campus tree house. I understand that even the president gave it a look. It is quite an engineering feat.

Uncle Roger's Bible stories have really been holding up in attendance. I have noticed that some of his classes have a pretty high absentee rate, but not Uncle Roger. He sure can make an hour pass quickly. Even Jim Ward comes.

Which one of the gentlemen on campus has the longest hair? I give my vote to the lad from Virginia Beach. Hand-in-hand they stroll the campus. Isn't Spring wonderful?

Seen on the campus...one of our candidates for Student Council (treasurer) and another well-known charismatic sitting on the grounds peering off into the East in that classic mystic pose. Maybe

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they were begging for alms?

By the instance, I noticed one of our seminarians wandering about with no shoes. That is carrying poverty too far. In one school I know of, part of the dress code is that you wear shoes and a necktie (for boys, you understand). Too bad they did not require clothing.

I meant to mention that our resident guitarist really did a fine job in chapel several weeks ago. See, you missed another good one. Speaking of chapel, if Dr. Brown was speaking the other week without preparation, wouldn't he be something if he were prepared?

Do you think it is rude to close your books and pack before the professor has ended his lecture? Do you think it is inconsiderate for the professor to lecture past the end of the hour?

To those who have bent the editor's ear with such kindly remarks as why don't you drop the Stargazer on his head, we say thanks. For those others, less complimentary, I ask you to give me items which will fit the guidelines of the new Constitution. As a final note, seminarian Wayne Williamson reported that all around the seminary is not honesty. He conscientiously removes his CB radio from his car because he cannot lock it. Someone took his antenna. 10-4.

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INTERNSHIPS FOR BEGINNING  
MINISTERS  
by Bod Richardson

This spring the Field Education Office has been working to develop a program of Internships for Beginning Ministers for the next academic year. An attempt is being made to get 25 churches which are not presently using students to use a student minister on a limited basis. The intern, who is supervised by the pastor and a lay committee, will receive full credit for Field Education (M 191) for two semesters participation in the program.

This program, which may involve churching in 8 or 10 associations, builds upon internships conducted in the Raleigh Association this year. It is less ambitious than the Program proposed to the Lilly Foundation for funding, and is being handled entirely with current funds and staff. It is, however, a significant step in the direction of new alternatives for supervised experience in ministry for the increasing numbers of students entering Southeastern each year.

While primarily designed for beginning students, current students who are interested may pick up information and an application in the Field Education Office. During the summer, churches will be making final decisions about whether to enter into the program. Interviews with applicants will be held in the fall.

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F.O.C.U.S. SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED  
by Deb Griffis

Three students have been selected to receive the F.O.C.U.S. scholarships.

Peggy Stout was chosen to serve as chairperson for next year. Peggy, a middler from Siler City, N.C., has some good ideas for expanding the ministry of F.O.C.U.S. Student participation is a must.

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SCHOLARSHIPS

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As you plan next year's schedule, consider giving of yourself through F.O.C.U.S.

The two students that were chosen to be a part of the Summer Mission Project in New York were Phyllis Mayo and Dale Godwin. These two students will be working with The Emmanuel Paptist Church in Riverhead, New York.

The exciting aspect of their ministry there is the fact that so many Southeastern students have played a part in sending them. Monies that were given to various F.O.C.U.S. teams has been delegated toward this project.

On May 4, F.O.C.U.S. will be leading in worship during the Chapel hour. If you have been a part of F.O.C.U.S. please be in attendance for this worship experience.

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REMEMBER-GOD'S NEW THING AT SOUTHEASTERN by Richard W. Porter

In the fall of 1977 we are going to have an opportunity for moving redemptive fellowship, and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with each other. We are praying and eagerly looking forward to students sharing Jesus' love in song, testimony, and preaching.

We need the students at Southeastern to get concerned enough to give recommendations and ideas. Also we need the names of students who give us Christ-like leadership.

Please submit the name of the student to the Student Council Office upstairs Mackie Hall by May 10, 1977.

We are praying for God's leadership and love to be manifested through this revival to each one of us. Please pray and seek God's will for your part in this revival at Southeastern.

MENDELSSOHN'S "ELIJAH" TO BE PRESENTED BY SOUTHEASTERN CHORUS

Wake Forest (ID)--The Mixed Chorus of the seminary here will present "Elijah" by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy on Tuesday evening, May 3. The performance will be under the direction of Barbara Humble, visiting instructor in church music and will take place in Binkley Chapel at 7:30.

Soloists for the presentation will be Norma Burks, soprano, Anderson, S.C.; Elizabeth Campbell, contralto, Lumberton, N.C.; Jean Allen, soprano, Wake Forest, N.C.; Richard Taylor, tenor, Garner, N.C. and Charles Nathan Burgess, baritone, Norlina, N.C.

The chorus will be accompanied by Evelyn Culton, organist, Chapel Hill, N.C., and an orchestra from the triangle area.

The public is invited to join in the musical worship program.

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Ever wanted to attend a Broadway show or take in a museum or maybe even take a trip around Manhattan?--

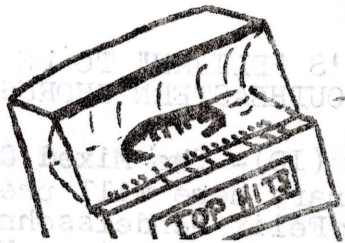
Well, you're in luck, pilgrim, because such a trip is in the works, and you can be a part of it if you're so inclined.

Right now we're still in the planning stages, so if you wish more information on it, just fill out the blank below and drop it in the Seminary post office to Geo. Gagliardi--Box 2003.

There will be a meeting in the immediate future to discuss the basic cost, etc.

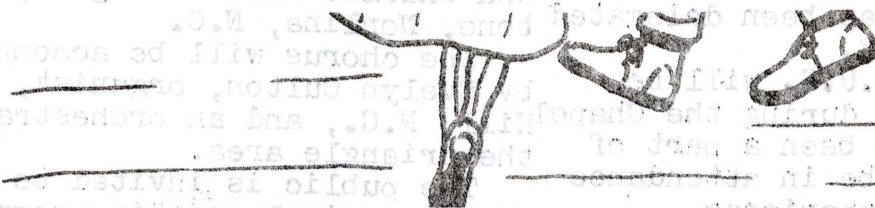
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THURSDAY APRIL 28, MACKIE HALL

FROM 7:30 - 11:30 P.M.

And for "You Night Owls" a SPECIAL TREAT from 11:45-12:45 p.m.

FEATURING, (IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE),

GEORGE GAGLIARDI & LEE TUTEN in "OTTO'S GROTTA"

ROB PIERCE and Co. in "WONDERFUL WINO"

THE "LAST MINUTE" PLAYERS in a RADIO PLAY,

"I LOVE A MYSTERY"

"WHEN T.V. WAS YOUNG" - Courtesy of CBS and

"the one-eyed monster"

A film, "HOLLYWOOD: THE DREAM FACTORY"

and last but not least,

"THE SHADOW STRIKES"

All donations received will go to World Hunger (THANKS!)

COME AS YOU ARE (OR "AS YOU WERE")