

# THE ENQUIRY

SERVING THE SOUTHEASTERN SEMINARY COMMUNITY

## Convocation Will Launch 30th Year

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary begins the 30th year of its existence on September 2, 1980. This year will prove to be superlative in many ways. Following record enrollments in both Summer School sessions, the Fall enrollment is expected to be the largest in the school's history. Over 40 professors and guest lectures will lead learning in the largest number of academic courses ever offered in the school's history.

The number of women will also be the largest ever. The influx of women has necessitated renovation of a section of Simmons Apartments to house women students. This, added to the Women's Dorm and the Manor House Basement is not adequate for the expected number of women.

The Housing picture is much brighter than in past years with 100 new townhouses filled to capacity. Twenty-three building lots for faculty and staff are nearly complete in Heritage Woods. The Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in St. Louis June 10-12, adopted a \$90,000,000 Cooperative Program Operating Budget for 1980-81. Southeastern will receive \$2,549,205 of that budget plus a portion of Phase 2 challenge budget. The seminary will also receive \$582,444 for faculty offices.

The renovation of Lea Lab to provide office space for Formation in Ministry and meeting rooms for the Board of Trustees is on schedule. The school is nearing the \$2 million mark in its \$3.5 million "Equipping for Bold Mission" campaign.

The new slate of Student Council officers is hard at work to make this a successful year.

At age thirty SEBTS is really coming of age!

## Christian Drama Conference Set

The Third Annual North Carolina Christian Drama Conference will be held on October 10-11, 1980 at Campbell University, Buies Creek, N. C. The conference is under the leadership of Tripp and Jeannie May and John Fulcher. Co-hosts for the conference will be the First Baptist Church and Memorial Baptist Church of Buies Creek.

The purpose of the conference is to provide training in drama techniques that may be used with people of all ages. Leaders in various aspects of drama will be: Mr. Everett Robinson, Drama Specialist for the Baptist Sunday School Board; Dr. Davis Bowen, Director of Youth Ministry for the North Carolina Baptist State Convention; Dr. Paul Yoder, Chairman of the Fine Arts Department of Campbell University; Prof. Dan Linner, Director of Theatre and Prof. Davis Reynolds, Technical Theatre Director at Campbell University. Bryan and Marguerite Humphreys, students at SWBTS will demonstrate the use of mime.

In addition to the teaching and demonstrations by professionals in drama amateur groups will perform in the following categories: speech choir, mime, monologue, reader's theatre, puppetry, improvisation, straight drama, and story telling.

The conference begins Friday evening and runs through Saturday night. Cost of the conference is \$35.00 and includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner (banquet) as well as handout materials.

To register for the conference contact: Tripp May, First Baptist Church, 202 Summit St. Sanford, North Carolina. 27330.

### FOOD STAMP REGULATIONS

New regulations effective September 1, 1980 will make it more difficult for students to receive food stamps. Students enrolled at least half-time in an institution of higher learning will not be eligible to receive food stamps unless they meet one of the criteria:

- be employed 20 hours per week;
- participate in a Federally funded work study program;
- be the head of a household or spouse containing at least one other dependent; or
- be enrolled in school through a Work Incentive Program.

If you fall into one of the above categories, you may want to apply at your local department of social services. Students not meeting the criteria will, under Federal law, be ineligible.

Any inquiries may be addressed to: Sally Bello, State Outreach Coord. Food Assistance Section Division of Social Services 325 North Salisbury Street Raleigh, N. C. 27611

### SEMINARY

#### STAFF CHANGES

Ethel Burton Lee began her duties as associate director of Student Field Ministries on June 1. She replaces Suzanne Davis who resigned to move to Pittsburgh. Mrs. Lee previously has served as circulation services supervisor in the seminary library.

O. L. Cross has become Director of Housing. This new office has been established to handle the increase in demand and availability of campus housing. Mrs. Evelyn Ward has been transferred from the business office to become secretary for housing. The office is located on the second floor of Mackie Hall.

Paul Fletcher officially became the new Business Manager of SEBTS on August 1, 1980. His primary areas of emphasis will be in financial planning, budget control and money management.

#### Refugee Committee News

The Refugee Committee invites all students to join in the effort to integrate our adopted Vietnamese family into American society. The committee is continuing to work in the areas of transportation, housing, language and communications. All students are urged to participate in this seminary community effort.

#### a long hot summer

The Summer School sessions of 1980 set records in attendance as well as in heat! Large increases in enrollment were seen in both sessions.

First term enrollment was 443 and second term was 401.



# editorial

The continuing effort by the seminary to court the favor of the people of Wake Forest is commendable. Last in a long chain of attempts to maintain a positive "town/gown" relationship was the gift by the seminary of a fire engine costing over \$70,000. As in most other instances, this action benefits not only the community but also all of the seminary family.

One attempt by the seminary to benefit the town has had negative effect on the seminary community. The policy of contracting with off-campus groups to use the seminary athletic field (old stadium) has created numerous problems and no advantages for the seminary.

The athletic field is the only safe place to play for all the children living on West Street, Rankin Court, Judson Drive, Rice Circle and Stadium Road. Our children are, however, prohibited from playing on the field because it has been contracted out to the Raleigh Area Soccer League and the Wake Forest Recreation Department. The field is in use almost daily during the hours our children are out of school and needing a place to play. Men and women who live in the dorms or in other seminary housing who wish to jog on the field or toss around a ball generally cannot do so because the field is in use by outside groups all day on Saturday and Sunday.

Large crowds at the soccer games and little league contests (often 700-800 people) disrupt the neighborhood surrounding the field. The privacy of those living here is being invaded. A severe traffic hazard is being created in an already congested area.

A Wake Forest police officer investigating a theft on Judson Drive commented that there has been a rash of thefts and vandalism since the field has been used by outside groups. It seems that the crowd uses the games as an opportunity to scout targets for thefts and then returns latter to pick up the spotted bicycle or other item.

Perhaps the most distressing aspect of the situation is the attitude of many of the persons who use the field. They think little of walking up to look into the windows of the apartments near the field or of using the yard as a rest room for their small children. This writer has been told on several occasions that if I didn't like all the people walking and driving through my yard I could rent elsewhere. Besides, "Seminary students don't pay taxes--the field belongs to the permanent residents."

This situation has continued for a long period of time even with complaints by several residents in the area of the field.

Continued use by non-seminary groups of the athletic field causes an intollerable situation for those students who, as renters, have the right to expect use of it and to have their privacy protected.

It is time that S.E.B.T.S. prohibits any group outside the seminary family to use the athletic field.

Letters to the Editor are welcomed and encouraged. All letters received will be printed but may be edited to comply with space requirements. All letters must be signed. Names will be withheld at the discretion of the editor. You may place your letter in the ENQUIRY box in Mackie Commons Room or mail them to 421 Judson Drive, Wake Forest, N. C. 27587.

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Editor . . . . . Michael A. Lipe

## Shalom Youall!

Welcome travelers! You have come from many directions, many life roles, many levels of society. You are bringing vastly differing experiences and backgrounds. You are of different ages, sexes, races, denominations. Some of you are pausing here to gird yourselves to continue in the calling you have long practiced. Others are here hoping to confirm that call--to put flesh and bone and blood into that dream of being a minister.

Here you will marvel at our diversity. You will also feel comfort in our mutual purpose. You will see that ministry takes many shapes, wears many faces, meets many needs--and all in His name.

As travelers, you bring common yet unique baggage. All have left family and friends to be here. Many careers were abandoned, homes and possessions bartered, many sacrifices made. All must help to carry each other's baggage. The hurt will not go away quickly in lives so radically changed. But the void can be filled with friends and fellowship.

Here you will find a community of scholars who try to also be ministers. You will find a faculty as fair as it is demanding. You will find other travelers to share your journey--if you will only let them.

Cling to your peer support group like the lifeline of a deep-sea diver. Open yourself to their anxieties and hopes. Allow new ideas to enter your mind and mingle with those familiar and all too comfortable prejudices. Challenge and be challenged intellectually. Spend more time in the library than in the commons room.

And, after you have picked up that last syllabus and bought that heap of books, trust that He who brought you here can help you to do what is required.

Now you are not just a traveler. . . you are a pilgrim. Enjoy the trip!

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*"It is possible to find fault with anything if one is of that disposition. There once was a man who, not being able to find anything else wrong with his coal, complained that it contained too many prehistoric toads."*

—Mark Twain

Applications for the position of Assistant Editor of THE ENQUIRY will be accepted through September 10th at 5:00 pm. This position provides a work grant and requires skill in typing. Previous experience in journalism and/or composition will be beneficial. Please submit a brief resume containing information about your background in journalism and a statement about your typing skill to THE ENQUIRY office, second floor of Mackie Hall.

## Letters

To the Editor:

The Seminary community has done an exemplary job of leading the Baptist communities in the matter of assisting refugee families. There may be some pastors who would like to encourage their own churches in this direction, but who fear that they have not sufficient resources. Take heart! The Northeast Baptist Church of Scranton, Pa., a mission

chapel which meets in a loft with an enrollment of 12, has sponsored a seven-member Laotian family. Some of us remember Ann and Mike Lopez, Class of 1979, who are active missionaries working out of this church. Mike and Ann send their regards, and encourage us to "do likewise." Amen!

Joe O'Connell

**Southeastern Offers  
Courses for Laypersons**

Two evening courses have been scheduled for the current term. Beginning on September 4 and continuing until December 18 on Thursday evenings, the courses are open to any interested laypersons.

"The Epistle to the Romans" will be taught by Dr. Malcolm O. Tolbert, Professor of New Testament and is open to high school graduates.

Dr. B. Elmo Scoggin, Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament will teach "Historical Geography of the Bible" for college graduates.

Contact the Office of the Registrar to enroll in either course.

**FOREIGN MISSION REPRESENTATIVE**

**TO HOST STUDENT DROP-IN**

The Regional Personnel Representative, Roger L. Thompson, will be hosting a Student/Drop-in at the Foreign Mission Board/Regional Personnel Representative's office on Wednesday, September 24, 1980 from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. All new students are encouraged to come by in addition to all returning students at Southeastern. The office is located in the Mackie Building, Second Floor, (in the Grader/Fellows Carrels). This office is available to any and all students interested in mission opportunities overseas. Coffee and donuts will be available.

**HELP!**

You are important. The ENQUIRY is your paper. Its purpose is to serve the community of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary with news, ideas, opinion and feature materials. The campus paper should be a forum for the sharing of ideas and the expression of opinion. You can participate in two ways. First, you can inform the paper staff when you have news to share with the community. Have you become engaged or married? Had a new baby? Been called to a position of service? You can share these events with the community by giving full information to the ENQUIRY staff. Simply place the information in the large ENQUIRY box located in Mackie Hall Commons Room or give it to any member of the staff. Secondly, you can become a staff member of the ENQUIRY. No previous experience is required. There are several areas of need. Each school organization or club needs a reporter. There is a need for reporters from all the dorms. Anyone who wants to be a part of the paper is welcomed. As a service to the community we will print free classified ads for any member of the seminary family. Please place the ad in the ENQUIRY box and include your phone number so we can verify the information.



**THOUGHTS in PASSING**

The new Office for Campus Housing fills a growing need. With the completion of the 100 townhouses, SEBTS has entered the housing market in a big way. Mr. O. L. Cross will continue to provide his service to the seminary community as Acting Director of Housing.

I seem to remember the summer school information sheet mentioning "air conditioned classrooms." After spending eight weeks in Johnson Hall in a room that often reached ninety-five degrees I am reminded of a favorite saying of an illustrious history professor: "Never trust a Christian!"

North Carolina was second in total Lottie Moon offerings for 1979 with our total giving reaching \$4,304,464.83. Only Texas with \$7,646,725.29 was able to exceed N. C. This year let's do better!

After living in the crime centers of the Southeast-- Charlotte and Atlanta, it is a little surprising that only in the humble hamlet of Wake Forest have bicycles been stolen from our front steps--twice in six months.

Don't forget to register to vote. You can do it at the Wake Forest Public Library. New students need to be a resident for 30 days prior to registration.

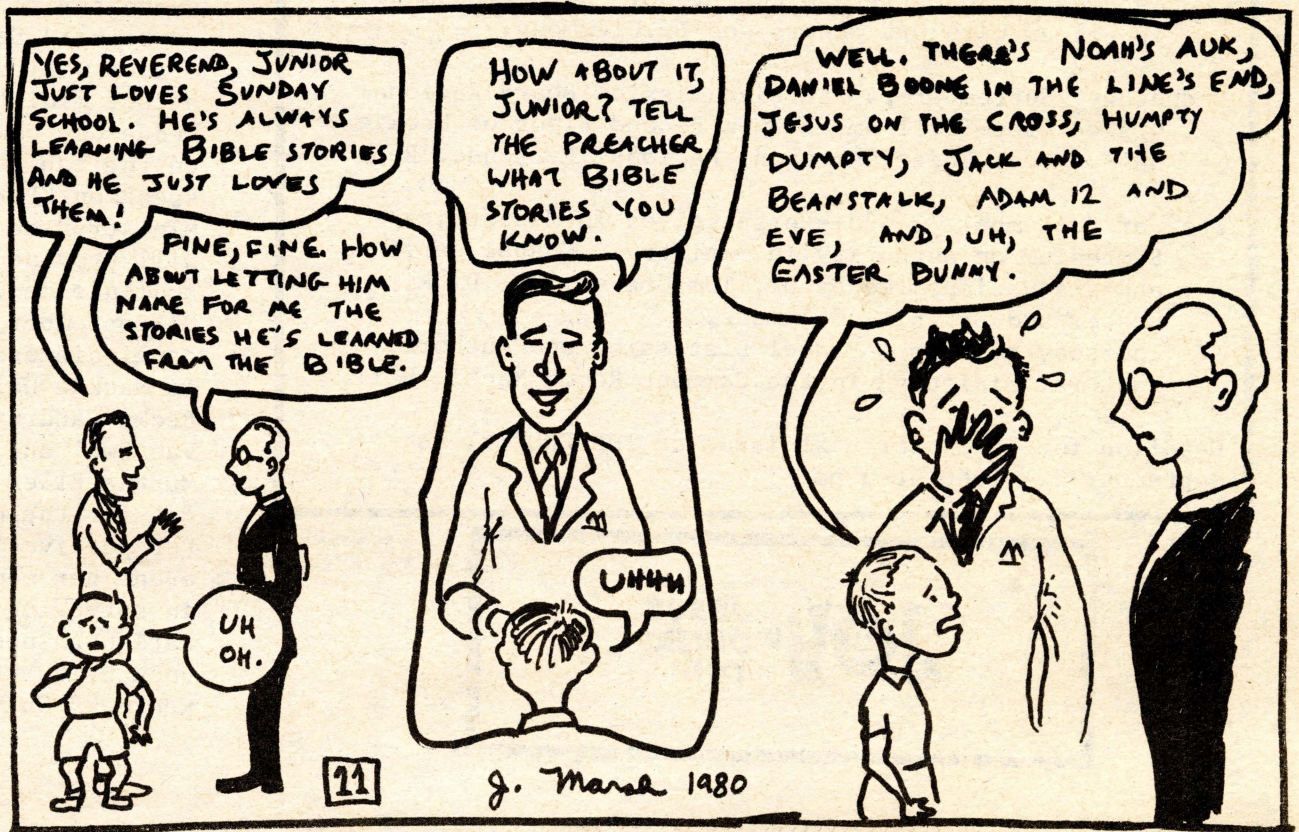
Wouldn't it be a pleasant surprise this year if every person who puts up a poster or announcement on campus would be personally responsible to remove it after it has served its purpose?!

Pulpit committees never look at your transcripts. They do look at your family life. Think priorities!

Tip to incoming students in Dr. Spencer's classes. . . . For an enjoyable hour ask him about Hank, his roommate at Mars Hill.

The S. B. C. has become almost as much a political circus as those held in Detroit and New York this summer. Wouldn't it be a change for the pastor of Brushy Stump Mission to be elected President of the Convention? True, he doesn't baptize 1,000 each year; but he does believe the Great Commission enough to lead his congregation to give 25% of their church income to the Co-operative Program rather than 1 1/2% as some of our "more important" churches are doing.

It sure is great to see so many new, eager, innocent faces on campus. But just wait until they get through that first week of the "syllabus and reading list blues."



## MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

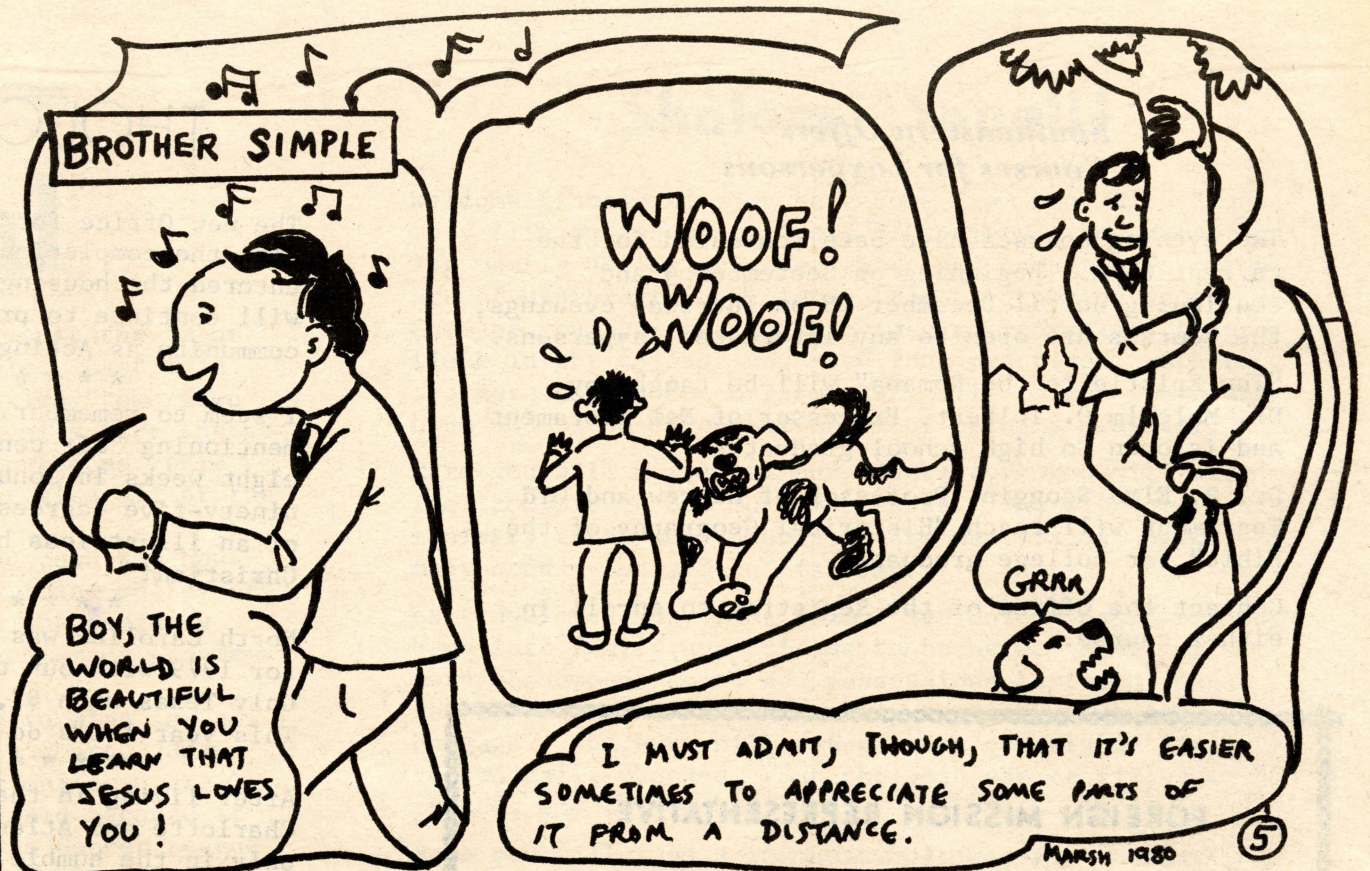
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Wed. and Thur. 8:30 am to 9 pm)



## Calendar

Tuesday, September 2--Fall Convocation 10 am Binkley Chapel

Tuesday--Wednesday September 9-10--Formation in Ministry Workshop for all first year students.

Friday, September 12--President's Forum, 10 am Cafeteria

Monday, September 15--Seminary Wives Organizational Meeting 7 pm in the Betha Room (basement of Appleby)

Tuesday, September 16--Missionary Day, 10 am Binkley Chapel  
Joao Keidann, Brazilian Baptist Missionary to the Portugese-Speaking People of Canada

7 pm Fellowship held by the Perspectives in Ministry Organization, Mackie Hall

Friday, September 19, Meeting for all new students who are interested in Christian Education. Betha Room at 10--11 am with Dr. Powers and Dr. Clemmons.

Wednesday, September 24--Foreign Mission Board Regional Office Drop-in 11 am to 2 pm Second Floor of Mackie Hall. Meet Roger Thompson, Regional Personnel Rep.

Week of September 23--25--Perspectives in Ministries Symposium on Authority in Ministry. Chapel services and discussions led by Dr. Tom Graves, Dr. Dick Hester and Dr. Bill Clemmons.

Thursday at 7 pm a Pannel Discussion on "Authority in Pastoral Ministry" in the Commons Room, Mackie Hall.

Deadline for items for next issue of THE ENQUIRY is September 22, 1980 at 5 pm.

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## PERSPECTIVES IN MINISTRY SET FALL SYMPOSIUM ON

### "Authority in Ministry"

The campus organization formerly known as Women's Issues in Ministry has broadened its emphasis and changed its name to Perspectives in Ministry. One of the goals of the newly structured group is to provide a forum for discussion of issues that face persons ministering both within the church and outside traditional church modes.

Opportunities and needs for ministry, alternatives to traditional ministerial roles and other major concerns facing those who plan to minister will be focal points for discussions, forums and symposiums.

Perspectives in Ministry will host a fellowship in Mackie Hall on September 16 at 7:30 pm. All students are invited to drop by to meet members of the organization and to become a part of it.

The first major project of the group will be a three-day symposium: "Perspectives on Authority in Ministry," to be held September 23--25. On September 23, Dr. Tom Graves will discuss how one's view of authority can affect ministry as the chapel service at 10 am. The Wednesday chapel service will feature Dr. Dick Hester on the topic "Minister as Hero." Dr. Clemmons will speak on "Personal-centeredness as Foundation for Ministry" on Thursday in chapel. Each of the lectures will provide time for dialogue between speakers and audience members.

On September 25, the symposium will conclude with a panel discussion on "Authority in Ministry" to be held in Mackie Hall at 7:30 pm.

Becky Landrum is President of the organization. Debra Van Swol and Bill Harris serve as co-moderators while Martha Eller and Bill Fryar are publicity co-ordinators for the organization.

Perspectives in Ministry plans to conduct at least one event per month. A future project will involvethem in surveying senior women and recent graduates. Information gained in the survey will be used as part of a book being written by Dr. Margaret Howe of Western Kentucky University.