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Mr. Samuel H. Scripes New York, NY

Dear Mr. Scripes:

We are writing to bring your attention to a grave situation of deep concern to all of us who still believe in the possibility of discovering life on earth - the kind of person who hopes that the date on the milk carton actually does assure freshness, that the man coming to fix the refrigerator really will arrive at 10 tomorrow morning, that the roots of mother nature's glorious weeds deserve to remain well nourished deep down there in the sewer line.

But in spite of all these wonders in which we continue to have faith, The Synergists, a rare species of theater artists, are in danger of extinction. Those same Synergists who flutter from one medium to another in order to help ensure the ongoing life of THE IDEA are at this very moment struggling for survival in the Central Piedmont of North Carolina.

We must act now, while there are still a few left. While we all know how clever and resourceful the Synergist is as a part, they still rely on outside funding to cover the patches in their whole. For example, did you realize that:

- \$1 will keep a dancer in alfalfa sprouts for 3 days
- \$2 will keep a Synergist in beer for an entire rehearsal
- \$4 will keep a Synergist in beer for a very creative rehearsal
- \$5 will provide enough fuel to get the synergymobile to the federal surplus depot
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 \$10 will provide enough fuel to get the synergymobile to the federal surplus
 depot and back
- \$20 will light a dancer's foot all the way across the stage
- \$25 will purchase the entire casts' costume wardrobe from the Salvation Army
- \$100 will provide enough postage to personally notify each and every member of the garden club about the next performance
- \$1000 will pay 1 union hand to unlock the theater door
- \$2000 will pay enough union hands to unlock the theater door and turn on the lights
- \$3000 will pay enough union hands to unlock the theater door, turn on the lights and flush the toilet (union regulations won't permit us to do thi
- And for \$6500 the company directors could spend an entire month researching

 The Riviera 1st hand.

A little can help a little, a lot can help a lot more. Please help us save the Synergists so we can all go back to sleep and leave our mailboxes in peace.

Benny Vista — Development Directo: