Artists for Oxfam

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October 15th, Thursday, 6:30pm is this months' potluck supper and will take place at the home of Ginny Bunch 241 Atwells Ave. Providence(house in back of jewelry store) 831-1638

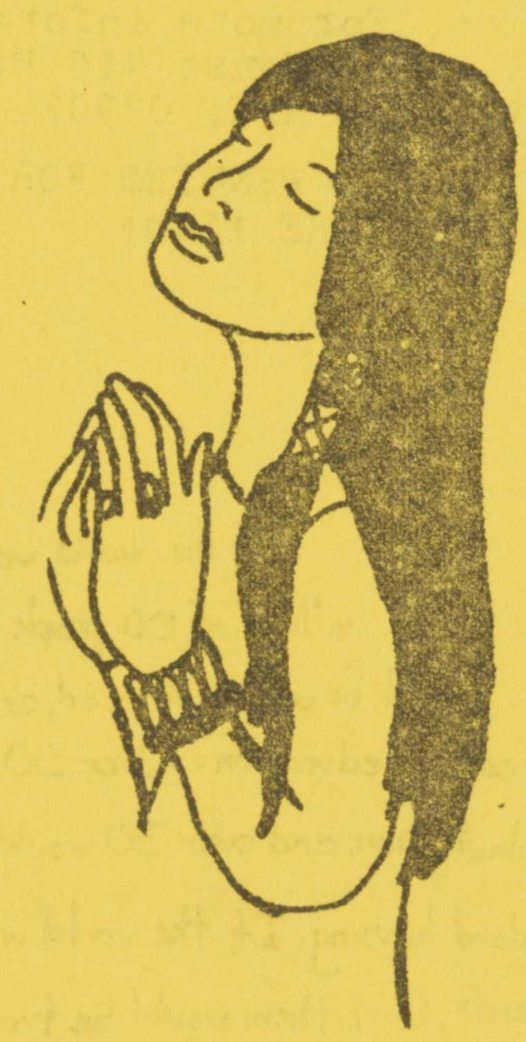
OXFAM AMERICA DEPENDS ON YOU

Donations have really dropped over the summer months. Please continue to send-remember that even a few dollars go a long way in many of the countries where Oxfam works.

NORA CAROLYNE LESTER: A TRUE FRIEND OF THE POOR

We are sad to relate the death of Nora Carolyne Lester on August 29th. In a few words, Nora was a true friend of the poor. Her life was selflessly and totally dedicated to the numerous needy people whom she served in so many ways.

Nora committed many hours as a volunteer at Amos House since the death of Sr. Eileen Murphy in 1983. She also volunteered at McAuley House in Providence and the Pine Street Inn in Boston. Most notably, Nora founded and directed the Mathewson Street Church soup kitchen. In addition, she served and helped with the Friendly Visitors Senior Citizens Program and as an overnight volunteer for the Medical Center and Veteran's Hospital.



Realizing the connections between poverty and military spending, Nora worked actively with groups such as 'Artists for Oxfam' and Mobilization for Survival. All of her volunteer efforts were made on top of her solitary missions-the many times she brought food and supplies to the most destitute in all areas of the city, at any time of day and night.

Nora is very much missed by all of us and especially by her friends on the street. She rests in peace.

So Is My Life

My duty moves along with my song:
I am I am not: that is my destiny.
I exist not if I do not attend to the pain
of those who suffer: they are my pains.
For I cannot be without existing for all,
for all who are silent and oppressed.
I come from the people and I sing for them:
my poetry is song and punishment.
I am told: you belong to darkness.
Perhaps, perhaps, but I walk toward the light.
I am the man of bread and fish
and you will not find me among books,
but with women and men:
they have taught me the infinite.

PABLO NERUDA