

Branching Out



News From Meredith Christian Association

MEET CLAIRE THARRINGTON



Claire Tharrington is presently Meredith's Associate Campus Minister.

by Connie R. Morrow Editor

This year the Meredith community is blessed with Claire Clyburn Tharrington as our Associate Campus Minister. Claire is a 1984 graduate of Meredith. While at Meredith Claire double-majored in Psychology and Religion.

Claire gladly admits that she owes a lot to Meredith. Meredith taught her how to think for herself and to be a responsible member of society. As a student she was a Resident Assistant, president of the Religion Club, president of the Granddaughters Club, and chairperson of Outreach with the Meredith Christian Association.

Presently Claire is a student at Duke Divinity School earning a Masters of Divinity. This is her second year at Duke, leaving her one more year before her graduation.

As our Associate Minister Claire serves as a MCA Council member, advisor to the MCA Service Projects and as our friend. Claire sees being our friend as her major role at Meredith. Since she is a former Meredith student — both as a resident and as a non-resident — Claire can relate to us well. With a smile she says, "I've been there."

One message Claire would like to share with all Meredith students "God does not stop speaking to you because you've left your home church." She remembers all of the decisions college requires. She emphasizes that God can help.

Claire is happy to be back at Meredith and we're glad to have her. Welcome Claire!

CALENDAR of Events

Wednesday - October 30, 10:00 a.m. Worship with Molly Marshall-Green

Wednesday - October 30, 12: 30 p.m. luncheon dialogue with Molly Marshall--Green in President's Dining Room

Thursday - October 31, 8:15, MCA Council meeting, Chapel Commons Room



President of Local ASPA Chapter Speaks

by Julie Harris and Jeane Coleman

The second meeting of the American Society of Personnel Administration was held on Wednesday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Commons Room. Guest speaker at this meeting was Paulette Richardson, President of the Raleigh-Wake County ASPA Chapter. Twenty-three students were present to

hear Ms. Richardson talk about the many different aspects of the local chapter and the upcoming National ASPA Conference to be held on October 28. Ms. Richardson also shared her experiences of her advancement up the ladder from secretary to Assistant Regional Personnel Manager at Nationwide Insurance.

Also present at this meeting were the faculty advisors Mrs. Marie Copel and Dr.

Tony Bledsoe with his special guest Brooke Bledsoe (daughter). Next scheduled meeting will be November 12, 7:00 at the Chapel Commons Room. This will also be the deadline for the \$3.00 dues (payable to Kim Dupree) and membership. Everybody is still welcome, so hope to see you there.

Pastures and Pits Need to be Turned into Pavement

by Beth Blankenship Co-editor

I know you must have discussed the parking situation with your roommates one hundred times, but they are powerless to do anything about the problem. I too am fed up with this situation. Meredith, where is your common sense? Certainly not in the parking area.

If there is one thing I know, it's that Meredith cannot use the open land surrounding the physical buildings and areas such as the lake. Furthermore, I agree that having cars along the entrance does take away from the beauty of the front drive and the surrounding

area. However, 1 see nothing wrong with putting parking areas behind Meredith where it is virtually nonvisible to visitors. I say this with a selfish thought in mind. I'm sick and tired of having to park in not the first bottom PIT parking lot but the one behind that.

Seniors, help me out on this argument. Don't you think we've earned the right to park as close to our dorms as possible? I say Meredith should pave the PIT for sophomores and freshmen. I would even be willing to pay a little extra next year for parking stickers to help finance some of the paving.

Of course additional parking space

would leave little temptation for students to park in restricted areas. And what would Security do then? Well, this could save on gasoline for the cars which make "umpteen" rounds seeking out illegally parked cars. An additional expense of parking tickets would also be eliminated. The cost of paper does go up every year, you know.

I think having a car on campus should be a right, not a privilege. And as such, adequate facilities should be provided. You as students can get these facilities if you'd only voice your opinion. Draw up a technical report

with diagrams and solutions. Think of ways to raise funds for the paving cost. Urge a member on the Board of Trustees to heed your concern and possible



solutions. Use your common sense if Meredith won't. Get adequate parking facilities other than pastures and pits.

Send Her to a Woman's College

Nearly 50 percent of graduates of women's colleges hold advanced degrees; 75 percent are in the work force and 50 percent of those earn more than \$25,000; 50 percent work in traditionally male-dominated jobs; and 90 percent say their colleges were successful in fostering self-confidence. (CONTACT: Women's College Coalition, 1725 K St., NW, Washington, DC 20006)

\$1200 Scholarship Available

A \$1,200 scholarship is available for Meredith students wishing to participat in the American University Washington Semester Program this spring.

Programs are available in the areas of American Politics, Economic Policy, Foreign Policy, Journalism and Justice.

For more information see Clyde Frazier, Joyner 112, Ext. 8540. Hurry. The deadline is November 4.

A Halloween Tale of Haunted Halls

Some people believe in ghosts. Even some who attend college believe. Students at two Michigan State U. residence halls believe in them because they live with them.

MSU's Holmes Hall is said to be haunted by two specters. A number of sixth-floor residents at Holmes claim to have seen the ghost of a student who had lived on the sixth floor and committed suicide in 1980.

Gifts for the Needy

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scripture: "It is better to give than receive."

I am asking that each of you take some of your wealth and turn it over so we can give it to people. People who are hungry. People who are cold. People who are depending on us to help. We must "do unto others as we would have them do unto us."

We on *The TWIG* staff, hope we can count on you for your support. But even more, the people in Raleigh hope they can count on you.