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MCA sponsors CROP project

The Social Concerns committee of the Meredith Christian Association is again sponsoring the 1978 CROP Walk and fast at Meredith in conjunction with WKIX and Raleigh Area Ministries.

CROP is the Community Hunger Appeal of Church World Service. It has two main goals: "to make people in the United States aware of the extent and nature of world hunger; and to raise funds to give a helping hand in the name of friendship and God's love."

Ten thousand people starve to death in the world every day, and CROP offers a way out of the desperation created by hunger. But CROP can only work when people are willing to get involved and to walk ten miles for those people in the world who walk much longer distances every day in search of food, water, and medical care.

The money collected from community CROP walks and fasts is used in many ways - for food, appropriation of technology, seeds, and emergency aid, such as disaster relief. CROP also works locally, for twenty-five percent of the funds collected locally remains for Raleigh to aid in hunger relief here through the Meals on Wheels program and the emergency

Food Pantry at Christ Episcopal Church.

The walk for hunger will take place Sunday, November 19, beginning at 1:15 p.m. from the Meredith College amphitheater. It is a ten-mile walk down Hillsborough Street to the Capitol Square and back to Meredith. The Social Concerns committee wishes to encourage everyone to participate either by walking or by sponsoring someone who is walking. Sponsor sheets can be picked up in the Campus Minister's office in 102 Johnson Hall.

There will also be a fast on Thursday, November 16. The two designated meals are breakfast and lunch. There are sign-up sheets on each hall. For every person who gives up her breakfast on this day, the cafeteria will donate \$.75 to CROP, and for every student who elects not to eat lunch, \$1.00 will be sent to CROP. Remember, the Thanksgiving dinner is the same night, so this is a good opportunity to save plenty of room for that delicious dinner!

Please support CROP at Meredith in any way you can. There are many hungry people who will live a little longer because of your sacrifices.



"American Dame" opens Friday

by Ann Earp

"The American Dame," a one-act comedy directed by Rita Jennings, portrays a history of women and their traditionally submissive roles. Through a series of plots, it shows the humor of the conflict between the sexes.

This play will be presented Friday and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. in Studio Theatre 125, downstairs in Jones Hall. Admission is free.

Acting roles will be taken by Marlene Barnett, John Bono, Beckisue Brown, Becca Gullion Palmer, Karen Mangum, Carol Roser, Gordy Sisk, and Phyllis Thompson. Jeanne Vivone is assistant director.

Top: Rita Jennings and Jeannie Vivona direct nightly rehearsals of cast as they prepare for opening of "American Dame." Friday night in the Studio Theatre.

Area students work with gifted children

by Valerie Ray

Can you imagine 3-year-olds studying ceramics and sketching at Meredith? This takes place in the Saturday morning enrichment program sponsored by PAGE, Parents for the Advancement of Gifted Education. This organization offers opportunities for children, ranging in age from 3 to 10, that have been identified as gifted and talented.

Volunteers from Meredith, N.C.S.U. and the Raleigh area lead classes such as astronomy, computer science, music appreciation, kitchen chemistry, architecture, foreign languages, and dramatic arts. Songs, games, puzzles and field trips are utilized to teach these

advanced students.

PAGE is the only program of its kind for pre-schoolers in the state of North Carolina and only one of a few in the entire nation. PAGE provides "stimulations and challenges that they don't get in the regular classroom," commented Lisa Barker, a Meredith senior and coordinator of PAGE at Meredith. Although the college is not directly affiliated with the program, it has been of assistance by donating the use of its facilities and volunteer students.

Those interested in being involved with PAGE may contact Lisa Barker.



Alumnae Earns NASA Award

Sara M. Sheppard, a 1962 graduate of Meredith College with a degree in business education, was presented a Certificate of Commendation during an awards ceremony at NASA's Kennedy Space Center last week.

News highlights around campus

Golf Tournament

by Darla Stephenson

The NCAIAW State Tournament played on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, November 5-7 was held at Pinehurst. The Meredith representatives were Sophomore Jan Gardner, Sophomore Rebecca Baucum, and Freshman Mary Cobb.

On Monday, the Meredith girls played on the number 4 course and on Tuesday play took place on the famed number 2 course which was described as "excellent" by Freshman player Mary Cobb.

Jan Gardner was in the running for the second flight winner but lost by approximately 6-7 strokes. In this category, Jan Gardner placed 8th, Mary Cobb 10th, and Rebecca Baucum 12th.

Carolina won the tournament and Nine Foust of Appalachian won individual honors.

The Meredith representatives attended a banquet at the member's club at Pinehurst. It was the first time the club was opened to any outside clubs or organizations. Also, the students and Coach Fred Thompson toured the World Golf Hall of Fame.

Home Economics Club

November 2-4 were eventful days for those Meredith students and faculty who attended the North Carolina Home Economics Association Convention in Asheville. "A Force for Families" was the theme for the 61st annual meeting. Some of the speakers' topics included: "Nutrient Update,"

"Women in Power," "Family Financial Planning," "Professionalism," and "Handicrafts, the Highland Heritage and Beyond."

The Home Economics Club here at Meredith will be having a Christmas craft idea exchange party on November 13 at 6:00 in the parlor of Hunter. Everyone in the Meredith family is invited to come and both offer and receive great creative ideas for Christmas decorations and gifts!

On November 27, in the parlor on first Hunter, the club will start the Christmas season off by having a tree-trimming party at 6:00. During the party, there will be a "cookie swap." Anyone who is interested in exchanging favorite cookie recipes should come and join us.

Mini-Page makes learning fun

by B.D. Hall

Newspapers are no longer labelled "for adults only." The Saturday edition of the Raleigh News and Observer carries weekly the Mini-Page, a four-page section for the little people. This section is both educational and fun, for it includes jokes and current news stories, recipes, T.V. features, puzzles, alphabet

games, connect-the-dot drawings and features on pertinent topics like the election process.

Betty Debnam, the creator of the Mini-Page, shared her experience in journalism for children with the Friends of the Library at a luncheon held on campus Nov. 2. In 1969 she had seen the need for a "back to basics"

but fun approach to learning. She knew that children could "get a kick out of learning." Having been raised as the daughter of a newspaper man and commentator W.E. Debnam, she knew that the newspaper business was the ideal home for her idea.

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