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Meredith clubs plan PEW

The week of March 24-28 has been designated as Political Emphasis Week, a first at Meredith. Sponsoring the event are the Young Democrat Club, College Republicans, the History Club, and Phi Theta.

The first event on Monday night is an informal panel discussion on the Democratic Party. Participants are David Price, Executive Director of the N.C. Democratic Party; Wayne Leftin, Director of Minorities in N.C.; Donna Jones, N.C. Head of Common Cause; Jimmy Phillips, a Jim Hunt appointment aid; John Bennet, Director of Jim Hunt's Re-election Committee; Cathy Rigger, member of House Speaker Carl Stewart's staff; and Ben Ruffin, Special Assistant for Minority Affairs. The discussion will begin at 7:00 in 103 Joyner.

Gubernatorial candidates and former Governor Bob Scott will speak Tuesday night

in the cafeteria at 7:30. All Young Democrat clubs in the area have been invited and refreshments will be served.

Wednesday night at 7:00 the College Republicans will sponsor a panel discussion with representatives from Republican candidates running for state office. Representatives from William Coby, candidate for Lt. Governor; I. Beverly Lake, candidate for Governor; and John East, Senatorial candidate, will participate in the panel held at Cate Center Auditorium.

On Friday voter registration will take place at Cate Center. The tentative time is between 9:30 - 12:30. Meredith students are eligible to claim Raleigh as a residency.

During the week both political clubs will distribute informational literature in the cafeteria and Cate Center.

On the following Monday, March 31, a mock election

will be held in the cafeteria during lunch and supper for the presidential candidates only.

Political Emphasis Week is an event designed to inform the Meredith community and dissolve the political apathy so prevalent in today's college students.

Alice in Wonderland



Carolyn Grubbs watches as Sandra Thomas (Alice) talks to John Lindsey (Humpty-Dumpty) upon her arrival in Wonderland. The February 27 faculty production of ALICE IN WONDERLAND was a hit with Meredith students.

News and Announcements

Class Elections
Filing for Class Elections:
Monday, March 17 through

Friday, March 21. Voting:
Monday, March 24. Run-
offs: Wednesday, March 26.

Rising Seniors file and
vote in cafeteria. Rising
Juniors in 1st Brewer. Rising
Sophomores in 1st Vann.

Stunt Night
March 19, Jones
Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
Everybody Come!!

Green-Up Day
March 17 - Sponsored by
S.G.A. Clean up Meredith for
a beautiful spring. Help Make
Us Green!

Pre-Registration for Fall 1980
Rising Seniors March 17-
21. Rising Juniors March 24-
28. Rising Sophomores March
31 - April 3.

Housing Drawing
Rising Seniors April 23.
Rising Juniors April 29. Rising
Sophomores May 1. Odd
Suites May 2.

Political Awareness Week
March 24-28
Monday and Wednesday -
Democrat Day
Tuesday and Thursday -
Republican Day.

Biology Dept. News
Dr. Clara Bunn, head of
the biology department, Anne
Earp, Susan Foster and
Sandra Veil attended the
second annual Pre-medical
Symposium at Bowman Gray
School of Medicine in Winston-
Salem on March 8. They heard
addresses by the Associate
Deans of Admissions from the
four North Carolina medical
schools, learned about ad-
missions and financing, and
toured Bowman Gray.



Dr. "Smiley" Preston (the Cheshire Cat) huddles with her owner, Dr. Calvert (the Duchess) in ALICE. In the midst of midterms, the packed audience was charmed by the energetic and downright zany faculty performance.

Self-study results given

The accrediting team for the Southern Association visited the Meredith campus March 10-12 as part of a self-study required of private colleges every ten years. The team's visit culminates two years of careful evaluation and study prepared by on-campus committees of faculty members, trustees, staff, and students.

The Southern Association team, composed of teachers and administrators from private southern colleges, evaluated the college according to particular standards submitted to the various committees. The individual committee prepared reports which were then submitted to the Steering Committee, headed by Dr. Lois Frazier of the business department. The Steering Committee collated the reports into a final report which the accrediting team evaluated, along with the Meredith College Catalogue and the Handbook. The visiting committee also examined personal files on students and faculty.

Financing of the institutions and Student Development were two areas

of particular interest to the visiting team. They examined the financial plans recently proposed by the college, with the concern that money would be appropriated for student programs. Members of the team talked with students informally about various aspects of student life.

At a final session held on Wednesday, March 12, the team suggested various improvements to the representatives from the various self-study committees. Among the improvements suggested, revision of the health services was proposed. The team was also interested in S.G.A. making an in-depth study of the present honor system and its effectiveness. Also, intramural programs were stressed as needing improvement.

In their oral evaluation, the team found Meredith having favorably met all the guidelines set by the Southern Association. According to Dr. Frazier, one member of the team, Marguerite Chiles from Furman University, was particularly complimentary of the Meredith students.

Hospitality Weekend approaches

by Laura Moore

Hospitality Weekend is to be held March 22 and 23 this year. It promises to be a busy and informative weekend for approximately 200 visiting high school seniors. Dean White, organizer of the event, feels it is an ideal time for girls who have been accepted at Meredith to become acquainted with the "academic, spiritual, recreational, and social aspects" of the College.

The guests will arrive on campus Saturday morning and attend a short opening presentation featuring Mrs. LaRose Spooner, assistant to the President. Mrs. Spooner will speak on the value of a liberal arts education and will include an explanation of

Meredith's philosophy of required courses and their importance.

A difference in this year's plan is the emphasis placed on the importance of the first two years at Meredith. The visitors will be given time to visit all the departments, especially those of a prospective major. Dean White explains that "we don't want to force anyone into deciding their major before they've had the opportunity to visit each department."

An audio-visual display will be set up at Cate Center at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. The recruiting film will be shown and displays will be set up, depicting various student activities.

The Synchronized

Swimmers will perform at 6:30 p.m. in Weatherspoon, followed by free time for the guests to use the gym facilities. All Meredith students are invited to the film and display in Cate Center as well as the swim show.

Saturday night, Meredith is sponsoring special entertainment for guests and students. Fashoo and Fluffo from "Clowns of America" will entertain in Cate Center at 8:00 p.m. The clowns are friends of Sophomore Jill Kibler, who guarantees the audience will "have lots of fun and will laugh hard throughout the whole show."

On Sunday, a worship service will be held on campus at 9:00 a.m. in Jones Auditorium for guests and

Meredith students.

According to Dean White, the purpose of Hospitality Weekend is to help prospective students "finalize their college decision because it is a personal commitment they must be happy with." She says the goal of the weekend is a sort of "mini-orientation," giving the guests a chance to "be and act as they would next year as college freshmen."

For Freshman Karen Gordon, a hostess this year, hospitality weekend accomplished these things for her. She comments, "last year when I came, I felt accepted, relaxed and very secure. Everyone was so friendly and very willing to point out Meredith's good and bad points."

Several Freshman halls are planning special events for their guests. On Second Stringfield students are decorating their doors to represent the different events at Meredith such as Stunt and Cornhuskin'. The Freshmen on Second Vann are planning a pizza party Saturday night for their guests.

Dean White comments on the participation of Meredith students in the Weekend: "I am impressed when I see Meredith students so interested and feeling so good about being here that they are willing to pass along their love, loyalty, and excitement to others. This type of orientation is the best way to pass these things along."