

# Meredith honors faculty members

Four Meredith College faculty members became the first recipients of awards from the Faculty Applied Meredith Endowment (FAME), and the originator of the FAME program was



Dr. Thomas C. Parramore

honored during Meredith's Dinner With Our Friends Thursday evening, April 3, on the women's college campus.

Meredith President John E. Weems presented Mrs. Jay Massey, chairman of the physical education-recreation department, and Dr. Thomas C. Parramore, associate professor of history, with Pauline Davis Perry Awards, and Mrs. Olive D. Taylor, instructor of mathematics and Joe Maron, assistant professor of art, with Laura Weatherspoon Harrill Awards.

Faculty recipients of the four cash awards were not

notified about winning the awards before the dinner. Mrs. Harrill, a Raleigh resident and Meredith trustee, was also surprised when President Weems announced the Harrill awards, established by the Meredith College Board of Associates in her honor.

Mrs. Harrill, as chairman of the board of associates in 1977, was instrumental in having the board establish the FAME program as an independent fund for supplemental faculty benefits. More than \$250,000 has been raised for the FAME program.

Harrill Awards, considered presidential merit and recognition awards, are presented by the president. Some criteria used in selecting faculty recipients include involvement in campus activities, dedication to academic area, and commitment to Meredith.

Pauline Davis Perry Awards were established in honor of Mrs. Perry by her husband, Clifford W. Perry, former treasurer of Hanes Corporation in Winston-Salem, and their three children, Clifford W. Perry, Jr., Mrs. Kenneth Sommerkamp, and Ms. Judy C. Perry.

One of the Perry Awards is given for excellence in teaching and the other is given



Mrs. Jay Massey

for outstanding research, publication, or artistic achievement during the past three years. Recipients are selected by the president from nominations by faculty, staff, and students.

Mrs. Massey, Perry Award recipient for excellence in teaching, was cited by Dr. Weems for "her commitment to all her students at whatever level they are studying" and for "her boundless energy in pursuit of excellence that is recognized by all who know her both at Meredith and throughout the community."

Dr. Parramore, Perry Award recipient for research and publications, was honored for publishing "numerous books, articles, and papers in

the past several years." He has "written a book on North Carolina history that has become a state-adopted junior high school text." And, in addition to being a member of four historical societies, he is "recognized across the state of North Carolina as a dedicated historical researcher and writer."

Before presenting the Harrill Award to Mrs. Taylor, President Weems said she was "well-known as an outstanding teacher both by her



Joe Maron

associates and students."

"Her active interest in the total well-being of her students extends beyond the classroom into student life activities, teacher education responsibilities and religious activities. Her dedication to what Meredith College stands for serves as an inspiration to all who meet her," Dr. Weems said.



Mrs. Olive D. Taylor

Joe Maron, the second Harrill Award recipient, was cited by President Weems as being "a Renaissance Man in every respect."

"He has a true sense of today's scientific world tempered by his genuine love of the gentle life, his sound artistic values and his affection for all humanity. His students cite his patience in sharing his knowledge as a quality that makes the learning experience a pleasure," Dr. Weems said.

## Grant made to Meredith College

A challenge grant from William A. and Joyce B. Granberry of Raleigh for the Faculty Applied Meredith Endowment (FAME) at Meredith College has been met by the Wake County Chapter of the Meredith College board of associates, resulting in \$75,000 being added to the FAME program.

Mrs. L. Y. Ballentine of Raleigh, a 1978-79 chairman of the Wake County board of associates, recently announced that a two-for-one \$25,000 challenge grant from Mr. and Mrs. Granberry had been met with the board raising slightly more than \$50,000.

Granberry is chairman of the board of AMIC Corporation of Raleigh.

FAME was begun by the board of associates in 1977 as an independent fund for supplemental faculty benefits. Completion of the challenge grant brings the total raised in gifts and pledges to approximately \$350,000 toward a goal of \$1 million.

## Foreign student visits Washington

by Anne Earp

Margarita (Maggie) Herbozo, Meredith's Organization of American States scholar from Peru, was presented formally to the Inter-American Commission of Women and to the Organization of the Americas on March 15.

Accompanied by Dr. Sandra Thomas during her

six-day visit to Washington, D.C., Maggie met with officials of World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank, Panamerican Health Organization, and World Health Organization.

During the National Town Forum, she heard a speech of Foreign Affairs Advisor Zbignev Breshinski. She also attended a reception at the

John Hopkins School for Advanced Internationals, at which Prince Sinouk of Cambodia spoke.

Maggie commented on her trip, "I went to Washington to get to know the women of the organization who awarded my scholarship. I really like Washington, since it is a very important political

and cultural center."

"In only a few days, I had the opportunity to see so many things and hear so many important people. The thing that amazed me so much was the Kennedy Center where I heard the Philharmonic Symphony. I will never get tired of the Smithsonian."

Reflecting on her past year at Meredith, Maggie said, "All that I have learned here will enable me to help the programs for promotion of women's status in my country." Upon returning to Peru at the end of this semester, she will continue her work as a nurse.

## Playhouse presents one-acts

by Marlene Debo

The Meredith Playhouse will present two one-act plays, "Enter the Hero" and Mark Twain's "The Diary of Adam and Eve," on Wednesday and Thursday, April 23 and 24 at 8:00 p.m. in the Studio Theatre (125 Jones). Admission is free.

"Enter the Hero," by Theresa Helburn, is a modern melodrama about a young girls' contrived love affair with a completely unsuspecting male. When the male finds out everyone

knows he is engaged, he sets about untangling the "misunderstanding." Sarah Taylor will portray the overly imaginative Anne. Deborah Taylor will appear as her naive sister, Karen. Their concerned mother will be played by Charlie Bright. And Ed Smith will portray the entrapped young man, Harold.

The play is being directed by Meredith senior, Samm Thompson, as part of her drama minor.

Mark Twain's "The Diary of Adam and Eve" is a dramatic adaptation of two Twain short stories. The play shows us the practical side of life in Eden. With tongue in cheek Twain shows Adam and Eve learning to live with one another and eventually to love one another. Kristi Morrow will portray Eve. Bob Talley will appear as Adam. And Churck Morton will play the Snake. The play is being directed by Marlene Debo for her drama minor.

## Staley Distinguished Scholar speaks

"Self-Esteem: A Christian Perspective" was the theme of the Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture Program presented at Meredith College Wednesday and Thursday, April 9 and 10. The speaker was Dr. Mahan Siler, Jr., director of the School of

Pastoral Care for North Carolina Baptist Hospitals in Winston-Salem.

Both of the lectures, held in the Kresge Auditorium of the Cate Center on the Meredith campus were open to the public without charge. Dr. Mahan spoke on "The

Roots of Self-Esteem" at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday. The Thursday evening lecture, also at 8:00 p.m., was on "Resources That Enhance Self-Esteem."

Founded in 1969, the Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture Program of the Thomas F. Staley Foundation seeks to bring to the college community distinguished theologians who will challenge the minds of the youth of American colleges and university.

The foundation finds a precedent for its program in the activities of intellectually gifted men such as Paul, Luke, and Stephen, who stimulated the brightest minds of their day and thereby gained followers of Christ.

## Yarbrough scholarship established

A scholarship in memory of Lucile Ward Yarbrough, a Meredith College alumna, has been established at the Baptist-related women's college by her husband, Cecil M. Yarbrough of Burlington, to aid needy and worthy students, Meredith President John E. Weems has announced.

"My wife was always helping people and the scholarship was established to continue this assistance by aiding worthy students," Yarbrough said.

Mrs. Yarbrough received a B.A. degree from Meredith in 1931 with a major in French and English. She taught school, wrote poetry and short

stories, and had a volume of poetry published in 1979, a copy of which was donated to the Carlyle Campbell Library at Meredith and is kept in the library archives.

A member of the First Baptist Church of Burlington, she was a past president of the Women's Missionary Union and former teacher of the Philathea class. She was a founding member of the American Association of the University Women and the Burlington Writers Club.

The Yarbroughs have two sons, Cecil Yarbrough, Jr., who works with Prentice-Hall Publishing Co. in New York, and Dr. John W. Yarbrough, a surgeon in Greensboro.

## Congratulations.....

... to Phyllis Thompson for receiving the lead role in Raleigh Little Theater's production of Mame.

... to Courtney Atkins, who was recently elected Vice-President of the North Carolina College Federation of Young Democrats at their convention in Greensboro, N.C.

... to Kathy Anderson and Joanne Thanos, two History majors, who have won first place in the Wake County Phi Beta Kappa Best History

Research Paper contest. Dr. Thomas Parramore directed Ms. Thanos' paper,

"Ethnicity: The Greek Process," and Dr. Frank Grubbs directed Ms. Anderson's paper, "The Effect of WWII on Public Education in North Carolina." History Department students have won six out of eight Phi Beta Kappa Awards. The contest is open to all colleges and universities in Wake County and Raleigh.

## Meredith's Presidential Election Results

45 Percent Democrats  
90 Percent Carter  
5 Percent Brown  
5 Percent Kennedy

55 Percent Republicans  
43 Percent Reagan  
24 Percent Anderson  
19 Percent Bush  
11 Percent Ford (Write in)  
3 Percent Crane