

EDITORIALS

Insuring the safety of the students

It's two a.m. and you're asleep in your bed. Suddenly a noise coming from your (first or second floor) window awakens you. A dark figure is seen lurking himself in the window. You rush for the phone — he is on the outside window seal. You punch in the new 24-hour security number, 8524 — he has hopped to the floor. The phone rings.

One ringy-dingy — he's walking towards you. Two rings-dingies — you scream. Three ringy-dingies — he's shoved you on the bed. You drop the phone. Four ringy-dingies — his hand is over your mouth.

The call has been transferred from the Security office to the radio phone. "Security, can I..." He hangs up the phone.

The one thing that has been con-

stantly said about our phone system is that it is advanced. It is made to work with tomorrow's technology. Great! I think that a phone system this advance could be programmed to have one number we could push to get security. Even if we could push asterisk and a number that would be easier.

I also think that a way should be found to let the line connect with the security guard's beeper; therefore, it would not have to ring the security office first. This would take a lot of time off of the present system and in an emergency, every second counts.

Also, although we were given the information concerning the new number in hall meetings, that doesn't mean everyone will remember it. Meredith could either put the security number under the

plastic on the phone or could have a pizza place sponsor a sticker stating "emergency numbers." They could put their pizza delivery number and the Meredith security number on the sticker.

Usually during emergencies a person can't think straight and remembering the security number could be impossible; however, if the number is right there on the phone — presto, help is on the way (unless the security guards are off-campus getting coffee and a midnight snack from Burger King).

Another way I think Meredith security could be improved is by having emergency booths throughout the campus.

North Carolina State University has these, you may have seen them. They have blue lights on top and a box with a telephone in them. When a student picks

up the phone, NCSU security knows exactly where the person is calling from.

Although NCSU is considerably larger than Meredith, there are areas of the campus that need to be monitored. This "phone booth" would improve the security here at Meredith by insuring the safety of joggers and other students walking in the distant areas of the campus.

I urge all of you write a letter to the editor to express your opinions on these topics. Please turn your responses in to 113 Heilman or The TWIG box in Cate Center (outside the C.C. Box Office).

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Separation and Divorce Support Group

by Jenny Beavers

Two more students joined the original group of four at the second Separation and Divorce Support Group meeting last Wednesday night. We all, again had a good talk together, sharing new developments, inter-relating our stories, searching each other for ways to get through it all, and also accepting our of-sorts in which we tether a bit, yes, but

anger and our fears. Somewhere among all these girls who are getting to know each other stretches a line of hope, empathy, and strength. Please don't think it's useless or too late to grab hold of that line and pull it close. That line, our means of relating and sharing because of our troubling situations, is not only a tow rope to hang on to; but also a high wire

most importantly on which we walk above obstacles below.

For those who have hesitations, we encourage you most of all to join our group. It's easier to talk about it than to keep it all inside. Our next meeting, and all the following meetings, will be Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. in the Personal Growth Center of Cate. Hope to see you there.

Talent Show open to students

The deadline for entering the fourth annual American Collegiate Talent Showcase (ACTS) is rapidly drawing near. Interested students must have their entries postmarked by April 15, 1985.

ACTS is a national competition for college students who wish to pursue a career in the entertainment industry. Not only can ACTS provide students with that all-important industry contact, but also gives them the opportunity to compete for cash and scholarship prizes, showcases, auditions, overseas tours and more.

Categories include contemporary and classical music, drama, dance, variety, songwriting, comedy writing, plus a special merit award in video production.

Students should submit their entries on an audio or video cassette not more than 5 minutes in length with a black and white photo. For additional information and official entry form contact:

ACTS, Box 3ACT, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM 88003 Telephone: (505) 646-4413.

What's coming up at MC

- April 1 - Student Leadership Training Seminar
- April 12 - Student Leadership Awards
- April 15 - Awards Day
- April 17 - Play Day
- April 17 - Intramural Awards
- April 23 - High School Visitation Day
- April 29 - Baccalaureate
- April 26 - SGA Installation
- April 27 - Little Friends Weekend
- April 28 - Spring Fling

SWIM MEET APRIL 2 7 p.m.

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Are you a photographer?

Don't forget to enter the "Nation of Readers" photography contest sponsored by the Carlyle Campbell Library and the American Library Association.

Details are available at the Reference Office in the Library. The deadline for entries is April 11, 1985.

The TWIG would like to apologize to Dina Durham for misspelling her name in the 10 Outstanding Seniors List.

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