EDITORIALS

Turning Wealth into Gifts for the Needy

by Cynthia L. Church Co-editor

How much money do you spend in a week? Twenty, thirty, forty, fifty dollars? Now be honest. Include your dinners out, trips to the drink machines and don't forget the tailgate parties. Oh - I bet you almost forgot new outfit. Have you reached the verdict?

For those of you that are suddenly feeling guilty for being so self-centered and selfish, have no fear. *The TWIG* is going to give you and the entire Meredith community a chance to help others, as well as help yourself. What more can you ask for?

Beginning November 1, 1985, *The TWIG* will begin a fund raiser to benefit the needy in Raleigh. The money collected from the students, faculty and administration will be given to provide

food and blankets for the less fortunate people in Raleigh.

"People" is the key word in the last sentence. Prior to the beginning of the fund raiser, each of us needs to analyze ourselves and our lifestyles. It's necessary to realize all we have, then, we need to compare it to what the people we will be helping have. They are people just like you and me.

Everyone deserves to have food in their stomachs and warmth throughout their bodies, and with your help—they will. We have 'U.S.A. for Africa' on an international level. And now we have 'TWIG for Raleigh' on a local level. TWIG stands for "Turning Wealth Into Gifts."

The fund raiser will stir competition among the individual residence halls (Carrol and Carrol Annex will work together), the various classroom buildings (with Hunter and Weatherspoon joining forces), and the administration building (including Belk Dining Hall and the Chapel).

Now that you know your territory, here's how it will work... The object is to raise the most money above \$50. Any group having under \$50 will not be eligible to win the grand prize.

Prize, you ask? Those bringing in the most money will win a free pizza party. You let them eat, we'll let you.

Every subdivision must have a representative who will be responsible for collecting money in that area. This includes putting up posters reminding your group members to contribute on a daily or week basis, and keeping up with how much money each person turns in -- for two reasons: One--those

that don't contribute don't get to reap the rewards if that area wins. Two--the person contributing the most money will win an additional prize. The second part should be an incentive for everyone to collect money from outside sources.

Also—The TWIG must know who is representing your territory by 3: 00 p.m. October 30, 1985. Representatives living in Heilman and Barefoot call Beth Blankenship. Those in Poteat, Vann and Stringfield contact Vanessa Goodman. Those in Johnson Hall, Belk, Joyner and Wainwright call Cynthia Church. And ya'll in Harris, Carrol, Carrol Annex, Hunter-Gym and Cate contact Cathy Manning.

I believe the majority of us were raised in Christian homes and for those who weren't, I'm sure you've heard this

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Letters To The Editors

Dear Editor:

In my opinion, Meredith is a special place. It has made me take things seriously; it has introduced me to people that I had no idea that I would ever meet; and it has made me responsible for myself and my actions.

Lately I have noticed there is one aspect of campus life that some students are not giving enough attention to and that is their committment to the Honor Code.

A student is not fully enrolled until she submits to and signs the honor code. This should say something of its importance to the efficient operation of Meredith's Community.

Taking part in the honor code ceremony was one of the most memorable of all my college experiences. It was then that I, along with over 300 other freshmen pledged to conduct ourselves in an orderly manner, to support the rules and regulations of the college, and to report the violations of others to the proper campus leaders.

What I do not understand is why these actions are becoming few and far between.

We have only been in school for two months and already I have heard girls speak of numerous things that I never imagined would happen here.

One girl I know has had three pairs of

designer jeans stolen from her while she was doing her laundry. Another student had someone use her money and her time to dry their clothes. She said when she went to retrieve what she thought were "dry clothes", to her surprise they were still "soaking wet". I have heard girls say that they are a little apprehensive about leaving their rooms unlocked and lastly it has been said that some students who have been chosen to represent their peers have had possession of an illegal substance.

Those are just some of the offenses that have occurred already. I think that is enough for everyone to take a second look at what the pledge to the honor code means.

The Honor System is one of Meredith's strong traditions. It sets them off from other institutions. It is the life blood of the total community.

Every student must take an active part in the system for it to survive.

I find it hard to imagine Orientation Week without an Honor Code Ceremony.

The system will gradually lose its thrust if we continue to carry on as we have been.

If we could just "do unto others as we would have them do unto us," the system could revive itself and we could all live together in "sisterly love."

I think the system is worthy of respect and we all have a right to respect each [Continued on Page 5]

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Twig Sponsors Fund Raiser

The Twig will sponsor a fund-raising contest for the underpriviledged in Raleigh beginning Friday, November 1 through November 22, 1985.

Competitions will be among the different dorm halls, the faculty, and the administration. The money raised will be used to buy food and blankets for the needy.

The hall, classroom building, or Johnson Hall contributing the most money over \$50 will win a pizza party.

Every residence hall must choose a representative to collect the money. Each classroom building (Joyner, Harris, Hunter, Music Building) must also choose a representative. The faculty in Weatherspoon will join forces with those in Hunter. Those working in Cate will join with Harris, and those in Johnson Hall and Belk Dining Hall will work together and must have a representative, too.

The editors, Beth Blankenshp and Cynthia Church decided to involve the entire campus instead of just students because of the great need for funds to help others.

All representatives must contact either the editors or managing editors for more information.

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