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## Meredith Chapel subject for Sunday service

by Kim Allen, News Editor

Some students at Meredith College have raised questions about Sunday morning worship services in the Meredith College chapel. When asked about Sunday church services, Campus Minister Sam Carothers said, "We've talked about it in the past," and added "I am not totally closed on it, I have several questions."

Carothers said that his first question was whether or not Meredith College should provide all services students need. "I don't think that we can provide the type of stimulation and experience that you can get from a local congregation," he said.

Carothers' second question was really a concern about Meredith College having a "church" on campus. "We actually have a chapel," Carothers said. According to Carothers, a church is made up of people committed to doing something, who then

group to form a church. This is not what is present on Meredith College's campus, he says. "We have a chapel where we come together, loose knit, one time a week for worship experience. There is no way that that can take the place of all that a church can do."

Carothers feels that Meredith College offers an artificial environment at Convocation on Wednesdays. The school has various speakers which greatly differs from churches and synagogues where services are usually led by a resident minister, priest, or rabbi.

Carothers also questions the issue of student interest and cited an incident from two years ago. A devotional time was held in the fall of 1984 and, as Carothers explained, "No one came." Also, buses ran for the first four weeks of school to local churches and, by the last Sunday, the number of riders was down to ten. Carothers explained that because of these two incidences, he wonders how

many students would attend on Sunday morning at Meredith. "Students who want to go to church can get rides with other students or through buses," Carothers said.

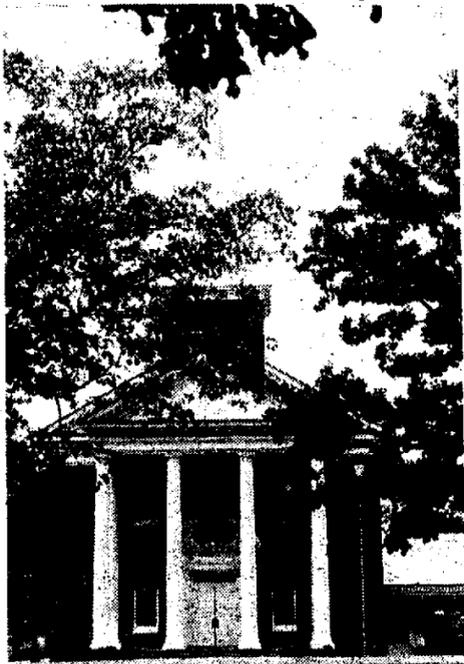
When the idea of the chapel was in debate, according to Dr. Jerry McGee of the Educational Advancements Office, the Meredith Board of Trustees members did not want a church because they felt students should not be taken out of the community churches.

Dean of Students Dorothy Sizemore gave four reasons for Meredith not offering Sunday morning services.

1. Worship services are held on Wednesday which is unique, because most churches do not offer these.

2. Organization is required for weekly Sunday morning service. It is difficult to maintain high quality worship services — the kind that Meredith College students

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Meredith's chapel — a useful investment or dust collector? (Photo by Stephanie Bennett)

## Twenty-eight Meredith seniors chosen for 'Who's Who'

by Betsy Short, Interim Editor

According to Dorothy Sizemore, Dean of Students, the seniors honored in *Who's Who* are nominated by the faculty on the basis of the following criteria: scholastic achievement, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to the college, and potential for future achievement.

The final selection from the faculty nominations is made by the Student Life Committee members, excluding seniors, and a special subcommittee of juniors that works closely with seniors in campus activities.

A maximum of 30 seniors are selected each spring. This year's selections are:

Christine L. Arnold  
Lisa M. Britt  
Jean Michelle Cherry  
Lisa L. Clark  
Sandra C. Close  
Karen M. Cockrell  
Jonelle Davis  
Lori J. Dowdy  
Theresa D. Duffy  
Dalinda A. Dunn  
Gwendolyn R. Godwin  
Susan R. Goins

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## Meredith College Honor Council compared to other women's colleges

by Casey Bass, Features Editor

Due to some controversy with Meredith's Honor Council, the *Herald* decided to compare the judicial system at Meredith with those at other women's colleges.

In Meredith's Honor Council, "The student accused is sitting. I read the plea and turn it over to the Solicitor General. The Defense talks and calls witnesses, then the Solicitor General does the same," said Donna Elliot, head of Meredith's Honor Council.

"After all the witnesses are heard, and the final questions are asked, the Defense and Solicitor General make final state-

ments." Then both voting and non-voting leave to discuss the verdict and possible penalty.

Vaiden Kramar, head of the Judicial Board at St. Mary's College described the usual order of hearing a case there.

"The Judicial Board consists of nine students (one from the freshman class, two from the sophomore class, two from the junior class, one from the senior class, two S.G.A. members and the day student president), along with three faculty members who act as advisors," Kramar said. "When a vote is taken, there must be five students and two faculty members in

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## Low water level makes lake an eyesore to public

by Betsy Short, News Reporter

The water level in the lake at the amphitheater has reached its lowest level in the past two years, according to Grounds Superintendent Dorcey Adams.

As a result of the lowering water level the lake has become clouded with brownish muck and overgrown algae. What is usually a major attraction at Meredith is now an unseemly eyesore.

"The lake does enhance or take away from the beauty of the college," Director of Student Activities Rhoda Sowers said. The lake is not only a highlight of Meredith's campus, but also of the Raleigh community. 'Pops in the Park' attracts a major crowd from throughout Raleigh each fall. Outsiders come to the Meredith lake area for picnics, meditation, walks

and weddings." Sowers said "a clean lake would make a difference in Meredith's image."

According to Adams, the remedy for the lake is rain, a lot of rain. "We have not had any run-off water. One big rain will fill it up," Adams said.

Other than praying for rain, little can be done to raise the lake level. However, Adams cleans the lake periodically, every few weeks, clearing out trash and spraying the algae with septicide. The septicide temporarily cuts off the plant's oxygen, stunting its growth, Adams said.

A pump was installed in the lake to reduce stagnation when it was built in the 50's. Yet, Adams explained, the pump is ineffective when it is submerged, which is the case now. Since the pump is not above the water, it cannot help circulate it.

The moat area also aids in circulation

as the water flows over the dams, Adams said. The dams are not useful, however, unless the water is high enough to drain

over them.

One practical solution, according to

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Meredith lake brings both to the beauty and uniqueness to campus — depending on level of water.