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Trustees pass new parking permit policy

by Kim Allen, News Editor

The Board of Trustees passed a new policy which will increase the cost of parking permits for all Meredith College students. The increase will become effective in the fall of 1986.

According to an excerpt from the Meredith College Board of Trustees meeting on Feb. 10, the college will increase the parking fee for dormitory students to \$40 per semester, for day students to \$25 per semester, and for night students to \$10 per semester.

Charles Taylor, vice president of business and finance, said that the new policy came about because of the problems with freshmen and sophomores needing their cars. The Board of Trustees had a parking committee investigate. Due to the cars parked on the front drive it was decided that something must be done.

The extra funds will be used to improve and to expand the present parking facilities.

"The additional revenue from student parking will go directly into the parking improvements on campus," Taylor said.

For 1986-87 the present policy allowing freshmen and sophomores to have cars on campus only in unusual situations will be continued. If revenues are sufficient, sophomores with a GPA of 2.5 or better will be allowed parking privileges during the school year 1987-88. The possibilities of everyone having a parking permit will then be studied.

In the past the number of people on campus has increased, causing a problem with parking. The junior and senior classes will be larger next year and we will need more spaces to accommodate the number of cars, Taylor noted. Dan Shattuck, chief of security, states, "It is just a natural thing. We have been getting the people and not the parking."

When asked why the college made such a sudden increase in the parking fees, Shattuck said, "The college has been

behind too long. They should have been easing up each year."

"I still plan to bring my car next year, but if it comes to the point where freshmen and sophomores can have cars I hope that it doesn't take away from campus involvement," said Beth Shannon.

Freshman Christy Nicoll said, "As a freshman without parking privileges, I feel that when I am an upperclassman I will be willing to pay the increase so that freshmen and sophomores can have the parking privileges that I was never able to have."



Next year this sticker will cost dorm students \$80 for the year. (Photo by Kim Cook)

Graduate studies department heads comment on admittance of males issue

by Paige Leist, Feature Reporter

Meredith's three graduate programs are in the departments of business, education and music. All three heads of these departments said in recent interviews that allowing men in their respective graduate programs would have either no effect or no negative effect on the graduate and undergraduate programs.



Dr. Ron Bird

"Federal law is very explicit about making all graduate programs co-educational," explained Ron Bird, head of the business department. "Having a few men enroll in

the [graduate] program won't hurt anything. We'd be able to offer a unique service. There are a very few women graduate students whose husbands would like to be in the program."

Bird also said he is "committed to the mission of Meredith College . . . to educate women and help them achieve their personal goals. The graduate program of this department will always be supportive of that mission."

When asked if males would affect the courses in the MBA program, Bird responded, "Of course not."

Having males enrolled in the graduate program in education would have no effect on the program or its courses, stated Mary Johnson, head of the education department.



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"I can't foresee any changes being made to accommodate males," Johnson said. However, she added, "I don't want to see anything jeopardize the single-sex tradition of the undergraduate program."

The graduate degree in music "experiences no lack" without men, stated David Lynch, head of the music department.

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Meredith College to participate in 'Feed Raleigh'

Betsy Short, Editor

Meredith College will be participating in the "Feed Raleigh" canned food drive along with North Carolina State University and other Raleigh colleges on March 22, 1986.

The project is sponsored by WRAL-TV and coordinated by NCSU.

Feed Raleigh's goal is to collect at least 24,000 canned foods to be given to the Central Food Bank for distribution to area soup kitchens.

Christy Browder, Meredith's representative on the Feed Raleigh committee, said she was "real disappointed in the organization" of the project headed by Jay Everette, student body president at NCSU, and his public relations assistant, Krista Peterson.

Browder had hoped to arrange for a majority of the organizations and clubs at Meredith to be involved with this project. However, due to lack of information distributed by Peterson, Browder expects only the Astros to have a good showing at the drive.

Browder said Peterson "did not let any other schools know the progress of the project except NCSU."

Students interested in participating should divide into groups of no more than 15 people and meet at the East Coliseum parking lot at NCSU at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The groups will be assigned one of 40 pre-selected target areas in which to collect cans.

Everette said the areas were small

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Ten 'Outstanding Seniors' selected

Kelli Barefoot, News Reporter

The Senior Class of 1986 has chosen its ten Outstanding Seniors, its class gift and its class doll.

The class officers and one non-partisan member of the junior class tallied the votes of the senior election. The class doll will be wearing a classic knit, long tailed skirt with a long knit cardigan sweater over a white cotton blouse with a collar pin and pearl earrings, according to the election results.

The class gift will be a contribution of undetermined amount to the new art building. The donation will be added to the base amount of the memorial fund established for Jacqueline Edwards who died this past summer in an automobile accident. Lisa Britt, Senior Class President, said Edwards was an art major and the class wanted to do this in her honor.

The top ten Outstanding Seniors were also chosen in the election. Britt said they are chosen for their leadership and contributions to the class, excluding any *Who's Who* member. This year's ten Outstanding Seniors are:

Amy Little
Laura Cochrane
Teresa Ward
Amy Watson
Lisa Robie
Susan Duck
Christy Jordan
Julianne Bell
Cynthia Church
Cathy Tarleton

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