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New physical education major proposed

by Nancy Weatherly

Due to the growing interest in physical fitness and students' demands, the Meredith physical education department has proposed two new majors that may possibly be added to the list of majors offered at the College. These two new programs are a dance major and physical education major with a concentration in fitness. Currently, Meredith offers a fitness minor, but these proposed majors involve a more extensive curriculum.

The core requirements are the same for both the majors. The requirements consists of 16 hours in the following courses: Biology

101 and 141, Biology 322 and 342 (Human Anatomy and Physiology), Health Education 100 (Current Health Issues), Health Education 200 (First Aid), Physical Education 282 (Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries), and Physical Education 482 (Kinesiology).

The requirements for a dance major are Dance 156 (Improvisation), Theatre 245 (Stage Craft), Dance 255 (Movement Fundamentals), Dance 256 and 356 (Composition I and II), Dance 357 (Creative Movement for Children), Dance 359 (Dance History), Dance 453 (Dance Theatre-Performance Group), Dance 455 (Dance Production), Dance 456 (Dance Practicum), and

Dance 437 (Teaching Methods of Dance). Also, a dance major must fulfill 9 hours of dance technique at Level II or above.

The requirements for a physical education major with a fitness concentration are as follows: one hour of each of the following: aerobics, conditioning, muscle tone and stretch, aquatic fitness, weight training, modern jazz, tennis, racketball, swimming II or higher; Home Economics 227 (Nutrition), Physical Education 227 (Leisure Activities for Specific Populations), Physical Education 289 (History and Principles), Physical Education 329 (Theory of Physical Fitness), Physical Education 428 (Management Fit-

ness Programs and Business Facilities), Physical Education 429 (Exercise Prescription) and Physical Education 486 (Physical Education Practicum). In addition, two business courses are recommended: 346 and 366.

Students with an interest in either of these majors should see Mrs. Jay Massey, head of the physical education department, for further information. Obviously, student support of these majors will increase the chances that the new physical education and dance majors will become a permanent part of the Meredith program.



Kenilworth Castle in England fascinated many Meredith Abroad students. For more information on the Meredith Abroad program, see page four. (Photo by Anne Bailey)

Meredith task force insures excellence

by Jennifer Corn

The Meredith Task Force for the Pursuit of Excellence continues to inflict a "consolidated thrust" in support of improvement in the future of Meredith College, said Dr. Allen Page, chairperson for the Task Force.

The Task Force, made up of about 20 members including trustees, administrators, alumnae, faculty, as well as students, have met once each month since May of this year to review and modify the assumptions stated in the President's Message of 1986 and 1987.

"During the first extensive meetings, we

began by discussing our visions and assumptions of what we thought Meredith should be and then documented these ideas," said Page.

The Task Force presented this document to the faculty and President Weems, identifying the following areas in need of improvement at Meredith: faculty and staff resources; the academic program; financial resources; physical resources; student population; student development; and student life.

Page concluded by stating, "We hope that by the end of this year we will be in a position to make solid recommendations for improvement in these areas."

Moderates elect Smith as convention president

by Angle Stroud

The moderate faction in the N.C. Baptist Convention succeeded in electing a moderate President, Leon Smith, on Tuesday, Nov. 10 in Greensboro.

Many Baptists in the state became concerned about the control of the North Carolina Baptist Convention after fundamentalists gained control of the Board of Trustees at Southeastern Seminary last month.

W. Randall Lolley, who recently resigned as president of Southeastern, nominated Smith in a speech before the convention.

"It was the smoothest, calmest convention that I have ever attended," said Dr. John Weems. Although the moderates did win this year, Weems stressed that the battle is not over as long as there is a conservative faction within the convention. Next year, there will be another election which will be just as crucial as the one held on Nov. 10.

Vice-president, public relations director resign suddenly

by Becky Butts

It has been over a month since the College Relations Office became the Office of Publications, and things do not appear to have settled in that office.

On Nov. 2, Molly DeDominicus, the new director of public relations, resigned. DeDominicus began her job on Oct. 7, and worked for three and a half weeks before resigning.

Dennis Taylor, who was named vice-president of institutional advancement on July 1, has also resigned. When questioned about the sudden departure of both administrators, Dr. John Weems, Dr. LaRose Spooner, and Carolyn Robinson, college editor and director of publications, declined to comment.

Spooner said she would issue a statement when the director's position is filled.