

letters to the editor

Publications Board

Open Letter to the Meredith Community:

Do you know how you can make comments or suggestions about the four publications on campus? Students, faculty and staff at Meredith can contact the Publications Board about problems, issues or ideas for any or all of the publications.

The Publications Board was re-established in 1985 by request of the Student Life Committee to serve the college publications and the Meredith Community. The Board reviews the quality of the publications, provides constructive evaluation and suggestions for the campus publications, and serves as a forum for editors, advisors, and board members to consider mutual publications concerns. In addition the board is responsible for reviewing annually the constitutions, by-laws, and guidelines that govern our publications, planning and sponsoring in-service training programs and workshops for our publications' editors and staff and creating an effective communications network between student publications and the Meredith community.

The Board is composed of a chairman, three faculty representatives (at least one being a representative from the English Department), five students, two additional members who represent particular organizations, activities and/or professions, the College Editor, and up to seven members at large. Student members are appointed by the Director of Student Activities. Members are appointed for a one year term.

This year's members are as follows: Mary Ann Lisenba, senior, Publications Board Chairman; Dr. Doug Wakeman, Dept. of Economics & Business, Publications Board Vice-Chair; Beth Turner, senior, Publications Board Secretary; Ms. Nan Miller, English Dept., *Herald* Subcommittee Chair; Dr. John Saunders, Dept. of Religion & Philosophy, *Oak Leaves*, *Acorn*, and *Meredith College Student Handbook* Subcommittee Chair; Denise Bare, freshman; Courtney Latta, freshman; Susan Liles, sopho-

more; Carolyn Booth, Freelance Writer/Photographer; Carolyn Hill, Publications Specialist; Carolyn Robinson, College Editor; Cindy Edwards, Advisor.

The Board meets every second, fourth, and fifth Friday of each month with the subcommittees meeting during the first and third week.

Any comments or suggestions concerning our publications are welcomed. Please submit written comments to Mary Ann Lisenba at 226 Barefoot. Your response is genuinely appreciated.

—Mary Ann Lisenba
Publications Board Chair

A pampered generation

Dear Editor:

My mother has always said that we young people do not know just how easy we have it. When I read the article, "Traditions," I realized how simple things have become for our generation.

For example, we no longer have to lie out in the hot sun for several hours in order to get a tan; now all we have to do is visit a local tanning booth for twenty minutes. Also, today we do not have to spend as much time as our parents or grandparents did in preparing our meals. Now, we simply pop it into the microwave for a few minutes.

The article, "Traditions" stated that through the years college students' loads have been cut down and simplified greatly. I question whether the reduction of our curriculum does more harm than help. Is it actually helpful to simplify the requirements of our education? I believe that the older generation should concentrate more on encouraging us to carry our education further instead of cutting it back.

—Valerie Langdon

Informed about Fetzer

Dear Editor:

I am writing to compliment the staff on an outstanding job with the newspaper, as well as to comment on the article "Tom Fetzer Speaks to College Republicans" in your Vol. 4, No. 4 edition of the *Meredith Herald*.

The commercial that Tom Fetzer has been running on NBC has not been very informative to me. It has in no way helped me decide who is the best candidate for Congress. In the commercial, Mr. Fetzer speaks of the issues of presidential candidate Bush and what Governor Martin believes in; however, he does not speak of any issues in which he personally believes in. However, having missed Tom Fetzer's speech, I found the article prepared in the *Meredith Herald* very detailed and informative. After reading the article, I felt as if I had actually heard his speech. The article thoroughly explains what he believes in; for example, he says he will not vote "no" to tax increase and if elected he will vote for a balanced budget amendment. He also expresses his concerns about the spread of communism in Central America.

This clear and informative article written by Krista Holloman has certainly given me a better outlook on Tom Fetzer, something a multi-thousand dollar commercial was not able to do. NBC needs an article like this one to televise so that the whole nation may receive a clearer outlook on one of our potential candidates for Congress.

—Lou Curtis

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Jennifer Blackwell, *Oak Leaves* Publishing Editor
Carol Sessoms, *Oak Leaves* Managing Editor
Deanna Harris, *Meredith Herald* Editor-in-Chief
Kim Carroll, *Acorn* Editor
Lisa Jones, *Meredith College Student Handbook* Editor