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Students Honored with Who's Who Awards

by: Deanna Harris

Thirty-one students have been named as 1990 recipients of the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges awards, according to the Office of the Dean of Students.

The awards, given annually, recognize graduating seniors who meet the following criteria: (1) scholastic achievement; (2) participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities; (3) citizenship and service to the college; and (4) potential for future achievement. Nominees must also maintain a 2.5 or better

grade point average.

The selection process involves Meredith faculty and the Student Life Committee. Each faculty member may nominate a maximum of 30 students. The Student Life Committee and other select students make the final selections from the nominees.

This year's recipients of the Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges are as follows: Bonnie Lynn Allen, Elizabeth Ann Avery, Martha Ann Brawley, Amanda Ward Brooks, Yvette Michelle Brown, Amanda Frances Carroll, Lisa Marie Crabtree, Denise Lane Crumpler.

Susan Melissa Ezell, Dawn Marie Flynn, Deborah Carol Gray, Suzanne Michele Hage, Deanna Ruth Harris, Kelli Lane Harris, Tammy LaVerne Holder, Kimberley Dianne Hudson, Mary Leslie Joyner, Patricia Ann Lee, Gladys C. Langdon, Caroline Marie Mata.

Mary Victoria McPhail, Cindy Sebrina Parkman, Paula Lee Puckett, Jennifer Rebecca Snow, Tracy Elizabeth Sternberg, Sherrill Amelia Stinson, Christy Ann Townsend, Jennette Anne Whiteside, Amanda Lynne Williams, Robin Lynn Wright and Kelly Ann Zwicknagel.

Counseling Center Continues to Expand

by: Monique Tambellini

The personal growth and counseling center located on the second floor in Cate Center offers a variety of programs and individual counseling to help students deal with everyday life or chronic problems.

Gina Roberts, the director of the center, suggests students join one of the support groups such as Wings or Eating Disorders. There is also a Dysfunctional Family Group, but it is filled for the rest of the semester.

The counseling center also has discussions on various topics to coincide with special emphasis weeks. During Black Emphasis Week, there will be a discussion called "For Black Women Only" on Feb. 12 in the center at noon. Look for other discussions during Alcohol Awareness Week.

Roberts says, "My primary responsibility is to see the students." Most of the time, the center is busy and there may be a small waiting time for an appointment, usually a few days.

Information about the counseling center

is available through hall meetings, your Resident Assistant, flyers in the mail and on the center's bulletin board. You can also call the center at 829-8427 to get more information or to make an appointment with a counselor.

The counseling center would like to welcome two new faces to the department, Barbara Bettini and Tracy Knight.

Bettini is a counselor who came to Meredith in Oct., 1989 after working in the Research Triangle Park with troubled employees.

Bettini says, "I've always been interested in working with women especially in a college environment."

It is exciting to help women reach their full potential and improve their self-esteem, during such a growing period in their lives, believes Bettini.

She does individual counseling and leads a support group for students of dysfunctional families. Bettini is in the center Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Also new to the counseling center is Tracy Knight, the office assistant.

Knight was a reentry student who graduated in May, 1989 from Meredith with an English degree.

"I wanted to work at Meredith because I loved the people and the campus. I just didn't want to leave," said Knight.

Besides being an office assistant, she also is a poet. Recently, Knight won the Emerging Artist Grant from the Raleigh City Arts.

Knight's poetry is a "strong voice for women and animal rights." She has been published in <u>Pembroke Magazine</u> and the <u>Roanoke Review</u>.

Another interest in Knight's life is the rights of animals. She said, "My personal concern is to get the campus cats neutered and into good homes." Currently, she has found homes for 16 Meredith cats.

Meredith welcomes Tracy Knight and Barbara Bettini, and wishes them luck.