

Herald folds; Centennial edition will be the last of the 90-91 school year

Rather dramatic headline. Unfortunately, that's the grim reality facing this weekly newspaper whose staff includes three still enthusiastic but extremely overworked reporters and an editor who holds a 30-hour per week job while maintaining a full-time class schedule. We literally cannot maintain a level of high quality without your support.

If you want to see the Herald continue past Spring Break, here is what you can do.

Every academic department employs student assistants, one of whom could be assigned the department reporter. The Art Department could submit a story about Dr. Greene's pen and ink drawings celebrating the Charter Centennial. The Music, Speech and Theatre Department could write a story about upcoming performances. The Religion Department could write a story on the conflict in the Baptist State Convention and the effect it may have on Meredith students. The History and Politics Department could offer students a background on the Middle East and a discussion of the events leading

to the war.

Every student organization could appoint a Herald Reporter who would be responsible for submitting stories of interest to the campus at large about that group's activities. Intramurals, dances, movies, special events, speakers: the list of activities these groups provide is almost endless. The most logical place to promote these activities and to report their outcome is the campus newspaper.

Surely there are some business students who would like to be able to impress a potential employer with her previous experience. Serving as an advertising representative increases her skills in communication, marketing and initiates contacts in the business world.

A liberal arts college must include students who need practical experience in written communications: copy editors proofread and edit articles, rewrite press releases, and gain useful computer word processing skills.

Our fine art students must count among their number

someone who wants real-life experience in graphic design. Being able to use state-of-the-art page layout software earns your editor \$45 per hour for free lance jobs. Wouldn't you like to have that kind of skill? You can, if you work as a typesetter for the Herald.

If you can give nothing else, can you give one hour on Mondays to help get the papers distributed? Until we find volunteers willing to help with distribution, we'll be forced to eliminate delivery ask everyone to trek to Cate Center for her own copy. It's simply not appropriate to ask those same three reporters to handle delivery in addition to everything else they've done that week.

The pages of this week's edition should illustrate to you, in graphic detail, how desparate this situation is. We want you to have a newspaper you can be proud of, one that you want to read, one that you look forward to reading. If you want to be a part of this important and worthwhile endeavor, call the Herald office at 829-2824.

Today.
Right now.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

In the February 4th issue of the Herald a student responded to the editorial of January 28 "Passive Activism." Within the student's response was a declaration that the editor's ideals had no place on Meredith's campus and that the student personally would like to find an alternate learning facility for the editor. While I believe this student had a legitimate right to disagree with the editorial, I believe her suggestion to send the editor away is a mistake. I was horrified upon reading this remark.

While I realize her crude intent was not to perpetuate narrowmindedness, what the student seemed to suggest was that we rid ourselves of our "misinformed" editor because she does not hold the same views as the Meredith Student. Might I suggest that those who choose to surround themselves with people who only hold views which substantiate their own will inevitably find themselves alone.

My point here is that Meredith College is the most homogeneous environment to which I have ever

been privy. While on one level it is a very comfortable environment, it is also an unrealistic one. Adding homogeneous views to the list of qualities held by Meredith students eliminates our purpose for being here, education.

I personally believe that our editor has truly encouraged some of the Meredith students to think. Regardless of whether I agree with all she has to say, I admire her for doing just that.

Mary Beth Owen

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