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Celebrating Meredith's Charter Centennial!

Male Visitation Approved

by Nicole Rivenbark

Because of recent petitions and continued protests against the discriminatory policy of where males are allowed on campus, Meredith College plans to open the fall semester with a new policy—men will be allowed to visit their Meredith Angels inside their rooms from 3:00pm until 1:00am.

According to Dean of Students Dotty Moresize, increasing numbers of students are transferring to other schools where visitation is less of a problem. She believes that, by bowing to student pressure, more students will remain at Meredith if they are allowed to entertain male friends in their residence hall rooms. She also believes that Meredith will be able to attract

more young women from liberal northeastern states, who have tended to shy away from Meredith's conservative southern traditions.

Ima Coldfish, a Meredith junior, opposes the new freedom. She considers the "no men in the dorms" rule a unique and special tradition that Meredith should retain. She says that "running around in my underwear whenever I want is a privilege I'm not ready to relinquish."

On the other hand, freshman Babs Freelove agrees with the new change wholeheartedly. "After all, all we want to be able to do is hang out or watch tv. With open dorms, we will have a place to enjoy each other's company in private."

Board approves shorter term, Saturday classes

by Nicole Rivenbark

Are you aching for a shorter fall semester and a longer summer vacation? Most of us would jump for joy at news like this. Start jumping.

While the recent Board of Trustees action regarding the Baptist State Convention has grabbed all the attention, its other big news has escaped most of the campus' attention. Beginning next year, the fall semester will begin three weeks later than usual. Because spending the extra

money on air conditioning will place an undue burden on the decreased operating budget, the Board approved a suggestion from the Office of Business and Finance to begin the 1991-92 school year at the day after Labor Day.

To make up for the lost hours of study, the Board also approved a recommendation from the faculty to establish Saturday classes. The registrar's office will publish a revised course list next week.

Herald wins statewide awards

As we go to press, the Meredith Herald has learned of its winning several awards at the North Carolina Intercollegiate Press Association's annual convention held last weekend at Campbell College in Buies Creek, NC.

The two-day convention was attended by more than 75 student journalists and publication advisors from across the state. Friday featured a day-long slate of workshop sessions for the attendees led by media professionals, journalism faculty and student newspaper editors. Saturday included the awards banquet and the keynote address by Clifton Metcalf, director of News Services at UNC-CH.

A full report will appear in next week's edition of the Herald. (No, this is not an April Fool story!)

Lucky Students to get raise in GPA

by Mary Beth Owen

In honor of the Centennial Celebration, the trustees of Meredith College along with administration officials and faculty, have randomly chosen ten students with a 2.5 grade point average and added an extra credit point.

These students' records will not reflect an acquired GPA of

3.5, thereby making them highly eligible for entry into graduate or professional schools in such areas as law and medicine.

The names of these lucky students will be announced at the Academic Achievement Awards ceremony on April 15 at 10:00am in Jones Auditorium, so listen for your name and congratulations, you lucky dogs!

President Bush proclaims April 5-7 National Days of Thanksgiving (see page 3)