

# Meredith Herald

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Celebrating Meredith's Charter Centennial

## SGA offers hidden opportunities

by Ann Hiott, 1991-92 SGA president

Just like our federal government, Meredith's Student Government Association (SGA) has three branches. The executive branch is the SGA Executive Committee. The legislative branch is comprised of the Student Life Committee (SLC) and Senate. The judicial branch is the Honor Council. Each student is represented by the class president or class representative to these committees, but now each Meredith student has an extended opportunity to be an actual voice on one of these committees.

Applications are now being accepted for the following SGA positions: SGA Treasurer, SGA Secretary, Senate Secretary, Student Life Committee Secretary, Student Life Committee Member at Large (2), Alcohol Awareness Week Chair.

Sarah Walker, a junior, applied last year for SGA Secretary. Sarah helped with handbook training, freshman orientation and Alcohol Awareness Week. She also participated in discussions and decisions concerning the Honor Code, the dining hall, parking, new clubs, and Middle East support. According to Sarah, "I have really enjoyed being a part of the SGA Executive Committee. It was interesting to be a part of the decision-making process for Meredith. The secretary is responsible for the minutes and letter writing, but also is an important voice in the committee. The job carries a lot of responsibility, but it is not an overwhelming job. The job requires organization, listening skills, and the ability to work well with others. SGA became an important part of my every day life, which I enjoyed very much."

Ashley Price, a sophomore, served on the Student Life Committee. "When I applied for the position of SLC Member at large, I really did not know what would be expected of me," Ashley said. "I did know that I wanted to be involved in SGA and by reporting the concerns of the students, help make some improvements on Meredith's campus. When appointed to the position, I was

excited knowing that I would be representing the students on campus and that through my involvement we could make a difference."

"In my position, I attended SLC meetings for two hours every other week and chaired the Academic and Student Affairs Subcommittee, which dealt with concerns of the students. As a member of the SLC, I felt very informed of the things that were affecting the campus, the faculty, and most importantly the students. This committee gave me a chance to voice my opinion and represent the students as best I could."

Present and newly-elected members of SGA will be happy to answer questions and discuss the related responsibilities with any interested student. Contact Ann Hiott or Mary Snow Burnette, or inquire at the SGA office in the student leadership suite between 2:00-5:00pm Monday-Friday.

## Herald takes seven awards at statewide competition

### First issue of the year wins top prize

by Julia Haskett

The Meredith Herald won a first prize at the inaugural convention of the North Carolina Intercollegiate Press Association, held on March 23 at Campbell University in Buies Creek. Meredith competed in seven categories against other colleges in Division C (enrollment of 5,000 or fewer). The Herald won an award in every single category in which it competed.

There were more than 200 entries in the contest, which was judged by media professionals from the Durham Herald-Sun, The Miami Herald, The Atlanta Journal and Constitution, the Charleston (SC) News and Courier, and College Media Advisers, Inc.

The very first issue of the 1990-91 school year won first place in the Appearance/Design category. The

October 29, 1990 issue won second place in the Overall Excellence category.

Pam Maxwell's "Nightmare on Helms Street" cartoon took third prize in the Cartoons/Comics category. As not enough entries were received in Division C, Maxwell's cartoon competed against newspapers such as NC State's Technician and UNC-CH's Daily Tar Heel. Her award proves that Meredith can stand next to the "big boys."

Mary Beth Owen won second place in the General/Columns category for her article entitled "Kicking the Habit," which chronicled the life of a self-professed nicotine addict trying to kick the habit for one day. The judges commented that the article used an "interesting format and reveals the crisis well."

Julia Haskett's article about a protest against Gillette for testing its products on animals won second place in the Off-Campus News category. The judges noted that "the story lead is concise, captures the reader's attention and features an unusual angle."

A third place award was presented to Haskett for her editorial dealing with sexist language, "Let's call a spade a spade." According to the judges, the "argumentative editorial is constructive and offers a carefully reasoned alternative viewpoint. Well said and it's handled well!"

Haskett also won third place in the Spirit of Challenge competition for single-handedly redesigning and publishing the first issue of the 1990-91 school year. The Spirit of Challenge competition included all divisions.

Kevin Schwartz, executive director of the NCIPA, offered his personal congratulations to the Herald staff, saying "You've done an outstanding job!"

## Campus Election Results

Congratulations to the following students, elected to represent the students of Meredith College during the 1991-92 school year.

Ann Hiott, SGA President  
Jennifer Hartig, SGA Vice President  
Bonnie Bugnar, Honor Council Chair  
Sara Raynor, Elections Board Chair  
Karen Howell, Residence Hall Board Chair  
Mary Snow Burnette, Student Life Committee Chair  
Amy Lee, Meredith Christian Association President  
Jennifer Pittman, Meredith Christian Association Vice President

Jacqui Dato, Meredith Entertainment Association President  
Pam McBrayer, Meredith Entertainment Association Vice President  
Kitty Pate, Meredith Recreation Association President  
Kimbra Audette, Meredith Recreation Association Vice President  
Pamela Hunter, Chief College Marshal  
Jamie Woodruff, Chief Student Advisor  
Residence Hall Presidents:  
Kelly Parker, Barefoot  
Michelle Lewis, Brewer  
Janna Morgan, Faircloth  
April Dawkins, Heilman  
Shannon Beusse, Poteat