## Editorial

## Let's Remember the Positive Things, Too

by Jessica Cook, Copy Editor

Recently, many positive changes have taken place in the Meredith community. The Student Life Committee abolished the outdated, irrational freshman curfew. Computers have been installed in dorms so that students have word processing centers virtually outside their doors. To ensure student security, emergency phones have been installed around the fields and parking lots. Le Greenhouse is experimenting with evening hours. Without a doubt, the deli in the cafeteria has been a huge success; due to student enthusiasm for the deli bar, it remained open for dinner as well as for lunch. Sophomores can now bring their cars to campus. Every semester new and interesting classes are added to the curriculum.

Obviously, the students do have a voice at Meredith College. Policy can be changed; if students work together to voice what they disagree with or want at this college, many goals can be accomplished, even the abolition of the obsolete, unfairly restricting policy of male visitation on the Meredith campus. Nothing is out of reach with perseverance and hard work.

#### Herald Publication Schedule, 1992

The Publication schedule for the <u>Meredith</u> <u>Herald</u> is as follows for the spring, 1992 semester (all dates are Fridays):

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Submissions are welcome and needed from any organization, individual student, or member of the faculty or administration. Please submit your entry no later than Monday noon of the week you would like it published to our mailbox outside of the Office of Student Activities, 1st floor, Cate Center (beside stairs). Graphics and photographs may also be printed to enhance your submission. All entries must be typed or <u>neatly</u> handwritten, and your name and phone number must be included. You may request that your name be withheld from print, and all requests of this nature will be honored. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Parker in the <u>Herald</u> office at 829-2824.

### Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

We, the Supply Store student workers, would like to take this opportunity to respond to Lisa Olliver's letter to the editor in the January 17th edition of the <u>Meredith Herald</u>. First of all, we would like to comment on the selection of used books. Coming Monday or Tuesday almost guarantees that one will be able to purchase used books for most classes. By waiting until the end of the week to purchase books, the chance of getting used books is slim to none. Still there are books that come out as new editions, and it is practically impossible for the Meredith bookstore or any other bookstore to get used copies. With the new return policy at the bookstore, if you have bought a book that you do not need, it is possible to return the book during the first two weeks of classes with only the receipt.

The bookstore does not require that a student purchase books here at Meredith. If a student feels the need to do so, she may copy down her books from a book list provided by the bookstore and try finding those books elsewhere.

We, as student workers, understand Ms. Olliver's financial position as we are working to put ourselves through school also.

Contrary to popular belief, the bookstore does not any profit on the sale of books, new or used. The only markup done on the price of the books is to cover the cost of freight in and out.

As for the argument of better book-buying opportunities for NCSU students, the professor has the option on the book order form to choose whether or not to have used books in stock. It is not the Supply Store's fault if he or she does not want used books, i.e. workbooks, study guides, foreign language books, etc. Also due to our small enrollment, outside book distributors do no wish to cater to Meredith's book requests. Of course, it is the student's option to not buy the books if she does not want to.

We recognize the fact that students are not given the privilege of looking through books before purchasing them. This is due to lack of space allowed for books in the bookstore. There are approximately 20,000 books at the beginning of each semester. It is the student workers' responsibility to make sure each student gets the correct books for her classes. However, we realize we make mistakes, but under the circumstances we do the best we can. It is also our responsibility to understand the system through which these books are distributed. As anyone who has visited the bookstore during book rush will understand, it would be total confusion to

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