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## News Briefs

• Presidential candidates and their running mates wound up their campaign tours on Monday and Tuesday. Senator Al Gore, Vice presidential candidate, was in Raleigh, Monday morning. Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton was in Colorado, Tuesday morning. President Bush campaigned in Louisville, Ky, Monday. Ross Perot was in Dallas, Tex., Monday.

• Magic Johnson retired from professional basketball for the second time on Monday. Controversy has surrounded the Los Angeles Lakers player since he announced his comeback Sept. 29. He cited other players' concerns about playing against him as the reason for his retirement.

• Black faculty members at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, who have supported a black cultural center, have recently received threatening letters accusing them of not pushing hard enough for the center.

• In ACC football, Florida State leads the conference with a 7-0 record, with UNC in second and North Carolina State in third.

• Jerry Garcia of the Grateful Dead performed at a Halloween concert after being off-tour since August. Garcia returned after an illness and is now on a strict diet and exercise program.

• Married actors, Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman, are to sponsor a Christmas treat at Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center in Memphis, Tenn. Cruise will be filming *The Firm*, based on the John Grisham novel, in Tennessee.

## New dimension added to Cornhuskin'

by Amity Brown

In an effort to curb the tensions from Cornhuskin' last year, Meredith Recreation Association (MRA) sponsored "Cornhuskin' Entertainment" Monday night.

The upperclassman side of Belk Dining Hall was filled, with students filling all available seats, sitting on the floor and on tables, and standing along the walls.

"I'm speechless. The attendance we had tonight has been unbelievable," said Stephanie Hubbard, MRA President.

During "Cornhuskin' Entertainment," the class co-chairs revealed their classes' themes in a skit. The Freshman theme is "The Rainbow Connection," the Sophomore theme is "Movin' Right Along," the Junior theme is "Uniquely One Forever," and Senior theme is "Going Out with a Bang."

The skit was parody of a classroom, with Heather Thomasson, junior co-chair, as the teacher. Her



Cornhuskin' co-chairs announce their themes in a skit Monday night. This was the first year that themes were announced before Thursday night. photo by Tracey Rawls

"pupils" were "model student" Mandy Dill, senior chair; Sharon Thomes, junior co-chair; Leah Ritchie and Jennifer Borowicz, sophomore co-chairs; and Georgette McGill and Starlotte Smith, freshman co-chairs.

The group wound up the skit with the "Pledge of Cornhuskin'."

"I think Cornhuskin' is more positive this year than ever," said Dill, commenting on the efforts to keep tensions down by announcing themes.

After the skit, the Traditions co-chairs, Ellen Powers and Amy Willard, announced the rules for the scavenger hunt which followed "Cornhuskin' Entertainment."

According to Willard and Powers, each class must hide an object two feet by two feet, with at least six inches showing. The goal of the

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## Meredith to offer trip to Italy in 1993

Have you wanted to see Michelangelo's *Sistine Ceiling* or his *David*? Have you had a longing to float down a Venetian canal in a gondola or ride a ski lift in the Italian Alps?

"If you have," said Dr. Carolyn Grubbs, "come with us on a Meredith trip to Italy from May 12-27, 1993. We will be going there just after graduation for 17 days of sights, study and fun."

Dr. Carolyn Grubbs of the history department, Mrs. Blue Greenberg of the art department and Mrs. Nancy Smith, Meredith '87 will be the tour leaders.

"We have hand-picked the cit-

ies to see, so this tour is tailored especially for our students and a study of the Italian renaissance," said Grubbs.

"One of the cities we will visit is Perugia and I'm very excited about that, because I was there for a whole summer, studying at the university," Greenberg said. "Perugia is a hill town that was founded by the Etruscans. In fact, one of the few Etruscan gates left is here and you should see the buses inch their way through them."

Perugians boast that they have the first renaissance fountain in all of Italy. It's in front of their cathedral," Greenberg said.

The tour begins in Rome, with a

visit to the Vatican and the *Sistine Ceiling*, which has just been cleaned. Greenberg said, "This generation of visitors will see the ceiling as close to the way Michelangelo painted it as any generation since it was finished."

From Rome, the group will go to Florence, Venice and Lake Como.

The approximate cost of the trip is \$2550, which includes air fare, hotel, all transfers, admissions, all breakfasts and seven dinners.

Students can earn three hours credit in interdisciplinary studies or art history.

The trip is also open to faculty and staff. For more information, contact Dr. Grubbs, x8589.