

## News Briefs

by Addie Tschamler

- Jeffrey Dahmer, a convicted murderer sentenced to 15 life terms in 1991, was murdered in prison Monday. He was said to be attacked by an inmate and died of massive head injuries. A third inmate, Jesse Anderson, was critically injured as well.

- Elizabeth Kelly was released from prison Monday after serving 11 months for child sexual abuse at the Little Rascals Day Care Center. Kelly still denies the charges, along with her husband, Robert Kelly Jr., who is serving 12 life sentences for his conviction on 99 counts of molesting children.

- Jim Bakker will be released this week from a half-way house after spending five years in federal custody. Bakker was convicted of bilking followers out of \$158 million and now plans to return to evangelism. Some doubt his chances for success.

- Dr. Iraj Khalkhali of the University of California at Los Angeles has developed a new technique for detecting breast cancer which could possibly reduce unneeded biopsies. Tests on 147 women at a UCLA medical center showed that the technique correctly identified 90 percent of tumors.

- The Supreme Court agreed on Monday to decide if public schools can require drug testing for its athletes as a part of the fight against drug abuse or whether such tests would amount to unconstitutional searches. Some believe that drug testing may be a good way to deal with drug abuse among adolescents.

## Meredith finding a way to renovate Hunter

by Kimberly Zucker

When students returned to Meredith at the beginning of the semester, they were in for a few surprises.

Upon entering the halls of Joyner, most students did a double take.

The walls had been repainted, offices had been enlarged, and the chalk boards had been updated.

Students and faculty alike enjoyed the changes.

Nikki Garner, junior, said, "I really like the new renovations because Joyner no longer feels like a dungeon. Before it was boring and drab, but now the halls and classrooms are much brighter."

The faculty enjoyed the renovations as well.

Dr. Eloise Grathwohl, a member of the English department, has often been heard saying, "I love the new boards because I can parse Old English verbs in all different colors so my students will not be so confused."

Not only is Joyner newly renovated, but the Ledford building was recently built, and Harris is also relatively new.

So what happened to Hunter?

Why hasn't our science building, a building that should represent today's leading technology, been renovated?

Vice President of Business and Finance Chuck Taylor was able to answer these questions.

He said plans for Hunter are being discussed, but there are several prob-

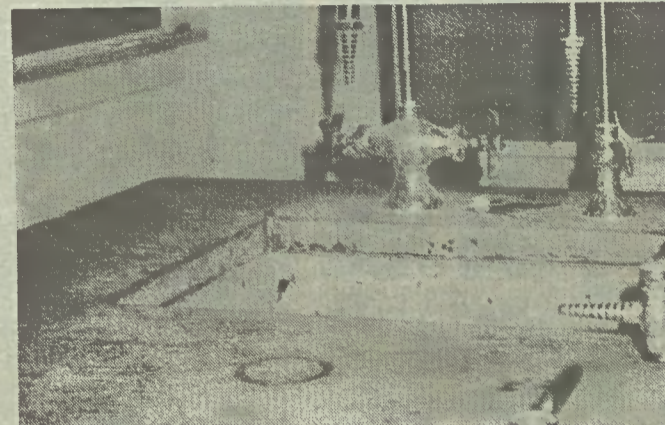


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Hunter's need for renovation is evidenced by the poor condition of its lab equipment.

lems standing in the way.

At the moment, Taylor said Hunter is home to the science and the home economics department. The problem is that the science department needs the labs upgraded, and the home economics department needs a lot more room, he said.

He said Meredith's administration cannot decide whether to build a new building, or move one of the departments to another location that is not being used. He said the only option right now is the basement of Ledford.

A decision must be made whether to renovate the building for the science department and move the home economics department to a new location, or to build a new building for the science department and renovated Hunter for home economics, he said.

Taylor said money is another problem.

When Joyner was renovated, he said, the

money came from a renewal and replacement reserve that is dry right now.

Taylor said a capital campaign, like the one with Governor James B. Hunt, needs to be conducted, or a specific project to raise money will need to be started to restore the reserve.

And Taylor stressed that the college is hard at work trying to solve the problem.

"We just have to figure out which choice will make it better for the students and faculty," he said.

## Senate to consider proposal for Interfaith Council

On Tuesday, Dec. 6, the Latter-Day Saint Student Association (LDSSA) and the Meredith Christian Association (MCA) will jointly present a proposal to Senate for the establishment of the Interfaith Council.

The purpose of the Interfaith Council shall be to promote dialogue and understanding among its member groups and to encourage the coordination of the activities and programs by the member groups. Membership in the Council shall be comprised of all campus religious organizations approved by the Meredith Senate. Other groups which may be in the process of organizing are invited to join. All members of the council shall be expected to sign and affirm through their behavior and programs the following guidelines for a covenant relationship of faith groups:

(1) In accordance with the Meredith College Student Handbook, no group shall solicit students, faculty, and staff for any purpose. All printed materials and verbal contacts must include a clear identification of the group being represented. Only groups approved by Senate may use campus publicity outlets.

(2) Members of the Council shall agree to respect the beliefs and practices of other member groups and shall work cooperatively alongside other groups.

(3) In accordance with the philosophy of student leadership at Meredith College, each group shall be governed by its member students. The faculty/staff advisor and any off-campus leaders shall be non-voting members of the group and must be selected/approved by the voting members of the group.

Student leaders of the participating organizations shall be elected by the voting members of the group.

(4) The philosophy and activities of the member groups shall recognize and honor Meredith College's primary goals of academic growth and community building.

(5) The president of each member group or her designee shall make up the membership of the Council and shall participate in it on a regular basis.

(6) Any group which fails to carry out these guidelines or is found to be violating the guidelines for student organizations shall be referred to the Senate.

If there are any comments or questions, call Danielle Taylor X8686, president of LDSSA, or Jan Yow X7610, president of MCA.