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## Cate/Park Center make-over nears completion

By Robin Hollingsworth

The most obvious change on Meredith's campus for the 1996 fall semester is the former Cate Center's renovations and additions. The student activities center has now been expanded to better serve the needs of the Meredith College community.

This new facility, entitled Cate and Park Center, will offer convenience to students, faculty, and visitors by including a variety of student-oriented services and campus life organizations under one roof.

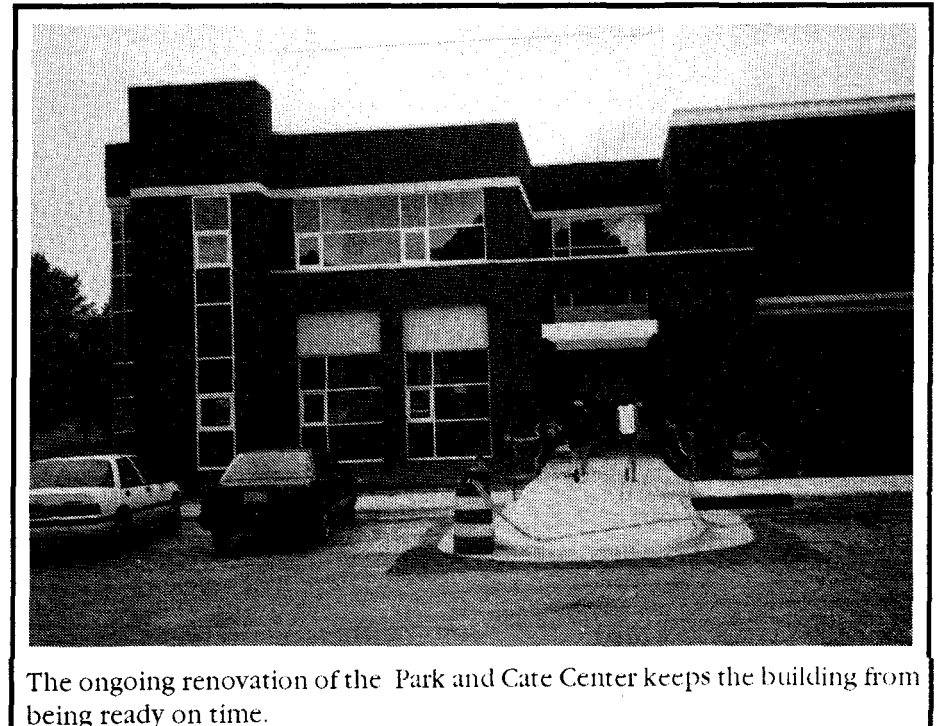
As implied by its name, the new building is actually two centers in one. Cate Center, to the right of the main entrance, is undergoing renovations. The student bookstore, now under new management, continues to offer many old favorites, in addition to new selections, such as CD's, school supplies and Meredith trinkets. Literally a step across the purple and white tiled floor, the new mail room is easily accessible and offers much-needed elbow room, a terrific contrast to the

former postal services area.

The second floor of Cate Center is also in stages of reconstruction, but it will soon feature a spacious, multi-purpose lounge area designed to give commuters and residents alike a place to study, meet friends or watch TV between classes. Another focal point on Cate's second floor will be the snack bar. Last year deemed Traditions, this year it will resume a previous name - The Beehive. The Beehive, when completed, will include a Healthy Choice Sub Bar and Chick-Fil-A.

Park Center, to the left of the main entrance, will hold the offices of the Department of Continuing Education on the first floor. The second floor will consist of the Career Center, the Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development, and student leader offices.

Also on the second floor students can find the Dean Of Students offices. Within this office Residence Life, First Year Experience, and Commuter Life will be located.



The ongoing renovation of the Park and Cate Center keeps the building from being ready on time.

The new student center was scheduled to be completed in August, but delays pushed the date back to early September. Currently, construction

workers are putting in long hours on the new Cate and Park Center, and office staff and students alike eagerly anticipate its completion.

## 1996 orientation beams students into the future

By Allison Carter

When 1996 Orientation Crew arrived on campus on August 13, each organization and class representative were ready to welcome all of the incoming students.

Cheryl Jenkins, Director of Student Activities, and Shelly Hoover, Assistant Director of Student Activities, led the crew in the four day preparation schedule.

Freshman Orientation started at 9:00 am on Saturday August 17 when the members of the class of 2000 drove through the gates. The students had no idea what they would encounter during the next four or five days.

The theme for this year's orientation gave each student the charge to "Go Where No Woman had Ever Gone Before." The new students were the newest of the "Meredithians" to travel

the sidewalks and walkways of the Meredith campus.

All of the parent and student sessions, along with each piece of entertainment, centered around the ideas of space exploration and what the future holds for Meredith.

During the day on Saturday, the freshmen were given time to get their rooms in order and then they were off to explore their futures in space traveling. Parents started to depart from their new college students by late afternoon.

That night, the first ever moonlight showing of a major motion picture took place in the courtyard. The Meredith debut of *Apollo 13* was on schedule with popcorn and moon pies served as the refreshments.

On Sunday, August 18, Transfer Orientation took place as new, more ex-

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Two student advisers and their freshmen advisees take a tour of the campus before the President's Brunch.