

# Meredith Herald

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## Meredith celebrates Black History Month

By Beth Hall

In order to celebrate African-American history and its contributions, the Association for Black Awareness (ABA) has planned several activities for Black History Month.

Originally, ABA had planned to hold a black history quiz bowl on February 5, but the organization had to reschedule the quiz bowl for February 24. It will be held from 7:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. The location, which has not been finalized, will be announced later.

All Meredith students are invited to contend in the quiz bowl, as well as students from Peace, N.C. State, and Bennet College of Greensboro. Teams will be composed of those present.

Competitors will be asked questions pertaining to black history. The team that scores the highest amount of points wins. Winners last year received statuettes, as well as gift certificates. The quiz bowl is designed to provide competitive fun, while promoting knowledge of African-American history.

The ABA's Step Show, which was initially planned for January 28, has been rescheduled for sometime in March or April.

Also on campus to commemorate Black History Month, is the display of flags in the Johnson Hall rotunda. These flags were created

by art department classes to be carried in a procession during the January 27 convocation "Wouldn't Take Nothing for Ma' Journey Now." Cheryl Kirk-Duggan, former ABA adviser, who led the convocation, requested the department's contributions.

Linda Fitz-Simons and Lisa Pearce worked with Kirk-Duggan to create physical art to compliment the convocation's message of the importance and universality of music. Fitz-Simons' 2-D art class developed the design of the flags, then rendering their ideas into construction paper patterns. Pearce's art methods class translated the patterns onto felt.

The art classes worked hard to complete 18 flags in two days for the convocation. The finished flags flew images such as a church, clasped hands, and a jazz musician. Each flag represented a student's individual interpretation of the relationship between music and people, the black community in particular.

After the convocation, the flags were placed in boxes and stored in one of the Gaddy-Hamrick art classes. Pearce thought the flags should be displayed somewhere on campus in honor of Black History Month, instead of being indifferently boxed away on a lonely shelf. She received permission to display the flags in Johnson Hall in February.

## 97th Nite: 'Because the night belongs to us'

By Robin Hollingsworth

The senior class gathered in Belk Dining Hall on January 3rd "to party like it's" . . . 1997.

The event was the long awaited 97th Nite, yet another unique Meredith tradition which celebrates the number of nights remaining until graduation.

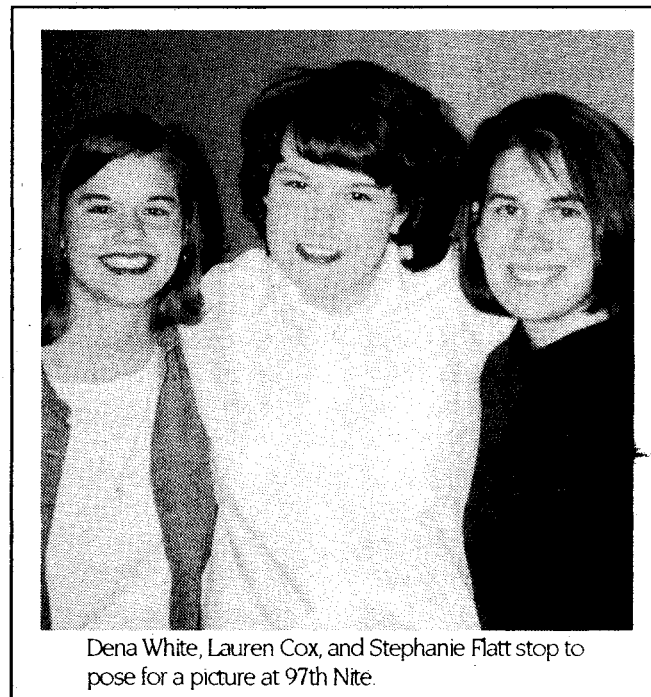
Diedre Parker and Ginny Scholtz co-sponsored the event on behalf of the senior class. Approximately 130 seniors arrived in Belk to dance and

sing to the tunes of Carolina Karoke.

Those brave enough to take center stage belted out old favorites that included hits from the Jackson Five, Beach Boys, Salt-n-Peppa

and a favorite from this year's Cornhuskin', "Dancin' Queen."

Lucky class members won a variety of door prizes throughout the evening. Their prizes were donated from Lord & Taylor, Ladies Workout Express, Nails Too, Western Lanes,



Dena White, Lauren Cox, and Stephanie Flatt stop to pose for a picture at 97th Nite.

Southern Style and Charlotte's.

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## BeeHive is buzzing with business since grand opening

By Emily Fulghum

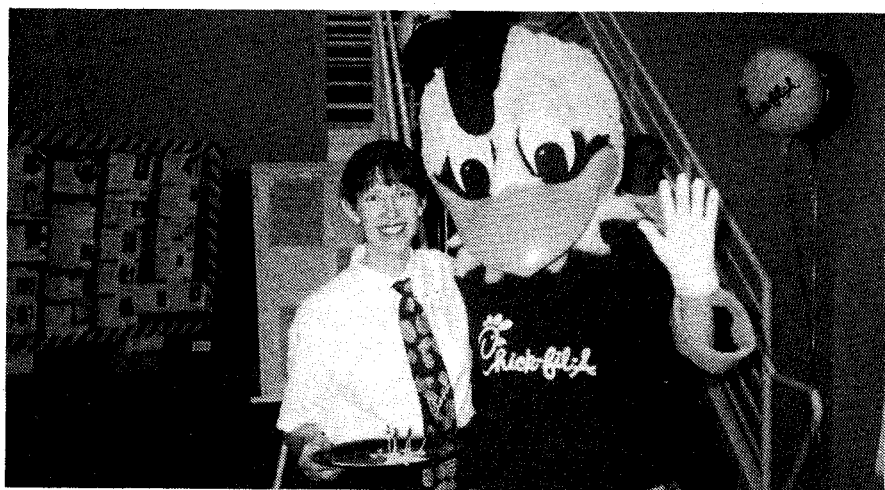
Since its opening a couple of weeks ago, Meredith's newest and most popular attraction has been providing residents, commuters and faculty with an alternative to traditional dining hall cuisine. And on Thursday, Feb. 6, it was made official.

On Thursday morning, a crowd gathered around the entrance to the Beehive, which was trimmed with big red and white balloons, to witness the 10:30 a.m. ribbon-cutting ceremony. The key players in bringing the facility to Meredith were all present and had a few words to mark the occasion. Meredith's vice president Chuck Taylor expressed the feelings of most of the people involved in the Beehive effort as he

said, "You never know whether it's really going to click, but it all came together." Representatives from the Aramark Corporation and Chick-Fil-A were also on hand and stated that they were proud to make Meredith a part of the 70-some colleges and universities across the country that Chick-Fil-A serves in student centers like ours. Finally, the remarks by SGA President Erica Balmer included the popular student sentiments regarding the new eatery: "If you build it, they will come" and "It feels like a real student center now."

The Beehive opened amid controversy regarding a plan to encourage resident students to take advantage of the new facility. Dining Services Director Thad O'Brian addressed the

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BeeHive manager Sharon Stingley poses with the Chick-Fil-A at the grand opening Thursday.

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