

Mixer brings tunes and laughs

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The Meredith Entertainment Association (MEA) hosted its semi-annual mixer last Thursday night in Cate Center.

Originally, mixers were designed to provide an opportunity for students in the area universities to get together and have a good time. However, in the past, attendance at these functions was low due to various campus rules, such as the restrictions on alcohol. This year, MEA members decided to get more people involved in the planning of the event in hopes of a larger turnout.

"I have been involved with MEA for the last three years, and Thursday night's crowd was the largest I've seen at a mixer," said co-chair Aubrey Sexton.

Most MEA members credit the successful turnout to the amount of publicity given to the event and to the

choices of entertainment.

First, musician Thomas Ball warmed up the crowd with his renditions of pop rock and oldies songs. Then headliner Michael Dean Ester took the stage for his 60-minute comedy act.

MEA representatives Lisa Noel, Rachel Parks, and Kristin Young selected Ball and Ester to perform for the fall mixer after surveying approximately 20 acts at the National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) in Greensboro last spring.

"I believe the school representatives saw something in our performances which they thought would really appeal to the Meredith audience," said Ester. "They worked really hard to provide top of the line entertainment, and I was thrilled to have the chance to perform here."

Ester travels across the country performing in the college circuit be-

cause he finds it much more rewarding than playing clubs or parties.

"It is so much more challenging to do a 60-minute show on a college campus because I have to appeal to a young, intelligent audience and still keep the act funny," said Ester. "Unlike older groups, college students do not want to hear about problems paying electric bills or mortgages because most cannot relate to them. I am twenty-something, and I make people laugh for a living. I feel I can still relate to the students, and so, they respond well to my act."

Ester is also expanding his career from a stand-up comic to a movie star. He recently completed his role in *Senseless*, a Miramax production by the director of *Wayne's World*. This movie will be released in February. He is also currently being considered for the host of *E. Entertainment Television*.

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seen them. Also, my sister, who is six, loved participating in all the games."

All in all, Family Day 1997 turned out to be a huge success for the student foundation, who sponsored the event. Sophomore Traci Tucker commented, "Family day went really well. Everyone who came had a great time. It was a big success for the student foundation."

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Association got involved. Meredith Sherrill, the MCA outreach co-chair, received information about the Crop Walk and developed a project for the club. "I'm very proud to say that over ten MCA members walked, and together we raised over \$200. Even though your body gets weary, you know it's for an exceptional cause so you keep going," commented Sherrill.

The Crop Walk was a huge success and raised an overload of donations. Because of its success, Meredith students will be given the chance to participate again in the Crop Walk next year.

Career Connections

Meredith College Career Center

Orientation Sessions for Sophomores, Juniors & All Others:

•Friday, Oct. 10, 10 am •Friday, Oct. 24, 10 am
•Friday, Nov. 14, 10 am

Sessions are approximately 45 minutes long and are held in Cate Center Auditorium.

UNC-G Career Day 1997-98

Wed., Oct. 8, 12:30 - 4:00 Cone Ballroom
Elliot University Center

Seniors and Graduating Students: "Dress for Success" and bring copies of your resume. Meet with employers and explore career interests and employment opportunities! All students (freshmen - grad students) are encouraged to attend. Call UNC-G Career services at 910-334-5456.

Admissions gets associate director

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Brightly-dressed Shera Hube, new associate director of admissions, has returned to Meredith with a smile. A Meredith graduate, Hube remembers her days as a reporter for the Twig (now the Herald), but she says it was not as large and organized as it is now.

Graduating in 1969, Hube received a B.A. in English and a secondary-level teaching certificate. From 1969 to 1982, she worked at Meredith as an admissions counselor in addition to earning her master's in adult education.

In 1982, she moved on to work for Foundation Inc. as a training specialist. After Foundation Inc., she worked at Olson Management Group as an account executive for the Travel Council of N.C. and Triangle Area Hotel-Motel Association, where she has been until

now.

Hube said working through her daughter's application process for college triggered her thoughts back to admissions, and when Meredith asked,

she "jumped at the opportunity to come back." She wanted to get involved with education again, having been in business for a while. Now that she is back, she will be working with the

Open Day programs for incoming freshmen and transfers as well as minority recruiting. Hube also will be doing some traveling to high schools and working with representatives for the alumnae admissions.

Hube said she was pleased to see Meredith's goal of personal attention to students has not been lost even though the size of the school has grown. Excited about the new programs being implemented, she commented, "Meredith is a special place." Her enthusiasm towards working with new students and recruiting for Open Days is phenomenal, and her warm smile and positive attitude is sure to draw in plenty to make the open days a success.



Shera Hube, a Meredith alumna, joins admissions staff. Photo by Steve Wilson

Meredith College Withdrawal Policy

Meredith College adopted a new withdrawal policy in the spring of 1997 that states that after the five day drop/add period is over, students may withdraw from a classes up until two weeks after the midpoint of the fall or spring semester.

After the midpoint, no withdrawals will be permitted without a medical or emergency excuse. The withdrawal grade for this period of time will be a non-punitive "W" grade.

This withdrawal policy will be affective beginning fall, 1997 when the final withdrawal date is Tuesday, October 21.

The schedule for prorated tuition charges will remain the same in past years. See page 4 of the red fall, 1997 schedule of classes for these dates and percentages.

OPEN DAY CALL

Two more Open Days for High School Seniors, Friday, October 17 and Monday, November 10, are scheduled for this fall. Since we expect even larger groups than the good-sized one we had for the September event, the Admissions Office would appreciate student volunteers to show our visitors around the campus.

If you are available from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. on the dates above and interested in showing Meredith to a group of students and parents, please return the form below to the Office of Admissions on the second floor of Johnson Hall.

Thanks for your help in sharing Meredith! Please call Shera Hube, ext. 8110, if you have questions.

OPEN DAY TOUR VOLUNTEER FORM

Please complete one of the following items if you are interested in volunteering. Return by October 10 to the Office of Admissions, 2nd Floor Johnson Hall.

___ YES, I'll help for an Open Day Tour from 2 - 3 p.m. on the date(s) checked below:

[] Friday, October 17

[] Monday, November 10

___ NO, I cannot help, but am interested in learning more about becoming a Student Admissions Representative.

Your Name: _____

Room # or Address _____

Phone _____

Classification _____

If you agree to give an Open Day tour, we will provide information and a reminder prior to the event. THANK YOU!