

MEA hosts school year's third picnic

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The Meredith Entertainment Association (MEA) hosted its third picnic of the school year last Wednesday. Members decorated the Belk Dining Hall with balloons at every table.

A banner hung on the wall reading "MEA presents... JELLYBEAN." The theme for this picnic included Jellybean, a clown who paraded through the cafeteria creating elaborate designs from balloons.

Students began arriving about 4:30 p.m., when they were welcomed with a cheery atmosphere and, of course, the vibrantly dressed Jellybean. A wide variety of music was played: everything from rap to R & B to old 80s hits.

Juniors Susan Miller and

Heather Stephenson, MEA picnic co-chairs, said that they "wanted something original" and "different from the usual." The goal, said Miller, was to

get involved."

MEA has a membership of at least 25 women, which varies from semester to semester. MEA sponsors activities like the White Iris Ball, Comedy Night and Murder Mystery Night.

Cheryl Jenkins, MEA adviser for five years, enjoys working with the women of MEA.

"I enjoy working with the officers and the variety of what MEA offers to students. We just don't do one thing, but many things like dances and Comedy Night.

I like working with a group that involves the entire community with a variety of entertainment," she said.

Jenkins proved her commitment to MEA when she got up and boogied with Jellybean to an oldies song.

"MEA gives you a chance to meet new people and get involved."

**- MEA picnic co-chairs
Susan Miller and
Heather Stephenson**

"try to attract people to MEA."

The picnics that MEA hosts throughout the year are a chance for the students to get together and have fun.

Both Miller and Stephenson said that they like being a part of MEA because it "gives you a chance to meet new people and

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Mullinax named as director of church relations

PRESS RELEASE
Office of Marketing & Communications

T. Robert Mullinax has been named director of church relations at Meredith College. In his position, Mullinax will be establishing and maintaining good relationships with the Baptist State Convention of NC and Baptist churches.

"Our continued relationships with Baptist churches are extremely important to our college, and we feel that Dr. Mullinax's services will allow us even closer communications," said Murphy Osborne, vice president for institutional advancement at Meredith.

Mullinax brings with him 17 years of experience as a pastor and 27 years of experience as executive director of the Council on Christian Higher Education for the Baptist State Convention.

He has also served as mem-

ber and chairperson of the *Biblical Recorder* Board of Directors and as member and vice chairperson of trustees at the Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City.

"I am pleased to be associated with Meredith College, where I intend to make a contribution toward establishing and enhancing positive relations with churches," said Mullinax.

Mullinax received his undergraduate degree from Wake Forest University and then continued his studies at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He did post-graduate studies at the Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary and Graduate Theological Union, both in California, and has received an honorary doctor of divinity from Gardner-Webb University.

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At one point, the site of the Great Serpent Mound was surveyed for development. Alice C. Fletcher, a wealthy Bostonian, saved the mound from being destroyed when she purchased the land. Kincheloe has also begun to do his part in the preservation of the miraculous mounds.

"I started buying the land back in 1991," said Kincheloe. "It has been a personal preservation project. I do not feel like I own the land; I feel like I am a caretaker for the land." If ever the developing company may spring up again, it will be impossible to wrestle the land from Kincheloe's hands.

"I have really enjoyed collecting information over the past 10 years," added Kincheloe. The Great Serpent Mound, the snake formation that would "stretch from the front steps of Johnson Hall to the front entrance at Hillsborough Street," would be an unbelievable sight for anyone fortunate enough to visit it.

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