

## Sophomores spend week in search of careers

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Sophomores investigated a variety of career options and enjoyed the benefits of numerous resources during Sophomore Career Week.

This year's career week, "Sophomore Sleuthing," was held from Oct. 25 to 29 and was sponsored by the Meredith College Career Center.

A kick-off fair was held in the east wing of Belk Dining Hall from 4:30-6:30 pm on Monday, Oct. 25.

Sophomores enjoyed ice cream sundaes as they visited different booths that had information on choosing a major and career, taking a career planning course for credit,

receiving individual career advising and participating in internships or co-ops.

The fair offered sophomores an opportunity to sign up for the week's events. Toni Rhorer, assistant director of the Career Center, reported that 123 students attended the kick-off fair and about 30 people signed up for individual career conferences.

Sophomore Stephanie Jones attended Monday's fair. She said, "I enjoyed the kick-off fair and found it very helpful. Choosing a major and a career can be very stressful and it is nice to know that there are resources available to help us."

On Tuesday, one-on-one career counseling sessions were held in the Sophomore

Center on first Faircloth from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The career counseling sessions were followed by a workshop entitled "Choosing A Major," which was held at 5:30 p.m. in the Career Center on second Park Center.

Another workshop, "Finding Co-ops and Internships," was held Wednesday evening in the Career Center.

According to Rhorer, "We did not have high attendance at the workshops so we are going to re-evaluate and refocus them for next year."

Career investigation and counseling continued through Thursday. Rhorer reported that the staff of the Career Center felt these counseling sessions

were very successful. She said that the Career Center members want to focus more attention on these sessions next year.

Sophomore Kristy Wanino attended a one-on-one counseling session and said, "They were extremely helpful in finding details and information on what I want to do."

Sophomore Career Week ended on Friday, Oct. 29 with a Career Center orientation for sophomores. Students learned about the resources of the Career Center and how it can help them as they enjoyed refreshments.

According to Rhorer, "Students learned about the services offered in the Career Center, different events coming

up through the year and how to register with the Career Center's on-line resume service."

"We were especially pleased with the number of students who turned out for the kick-off fair. There was not as much participation in the workshops ... but we felt the individual counseling was especially successful," said Rhorer.

She also reported that the Career Center was pleased with the overall success of Sophomore Career Week.

Any student interested in receiving assistance with selecting a major or career is encouraged to contact the Career Center on second Park or call at 760-8341.

## Awareness of alcohol-related problems increases around campus

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Alcohol Awareness Week is held every year at Meredith. The theme of this year's week, from Monday, Oct. 25 through Thursday, Oct. 28, was "Self Over Substance."

The goals of the week, said its planners, were to make students aware of the dangers of drinking and to educate students on the effects of alcohol on a person.

Events throughout the past week gave students the opportunity to see the damages caused by drinking, said planners. These events tried to stress the importance of being responsible while having a good time. The events were sponsored by the Self Over Substance committee and partly by the Student Government Association, Meredith Entertainment Association and the Honor Council.

Monday, the SOS committee brought a wrecked car to campus. They placed the car behind the Alumnae House so that most students could see it. When it was brought to campus, students could hear the story behind the car and know that it was involved in an alcohol-related accident.

Tuesday, members of the SOS committee, including Heilman and Barefoot Residence Director Kelly Conkling and SGA president Jennifer Ricks, helped students wearing "beer goggles" walk a straight line and catch a ball. The course was set up in Belk Dining Hall at dinnertime.

Stephanie Harris, director of commuter life and special services and an organizer of the

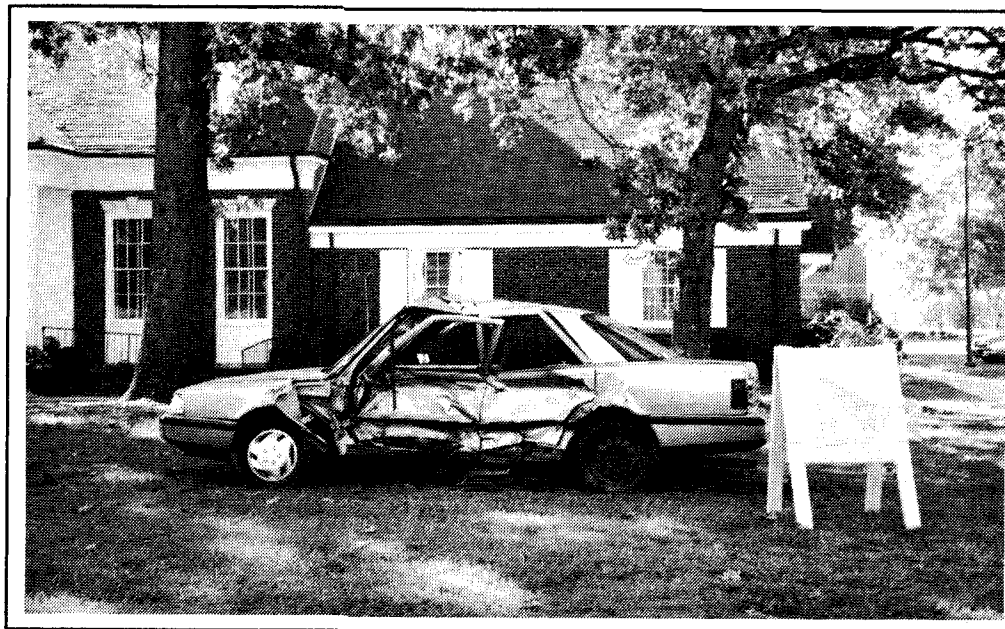
week's events, said that she felt that the obstacle course let students experience the disadvantages of being drunk first hand with the beer goggles.

On Wednesday, the chapel service was dedicated to Alcohol Awareness Week featuring the editor of the Biblical Recorder as the speaker.

The Mocktail party on Thursday of last week proved to students that alcohol is not an necessary ingredient in hav-

ing fun. Students came dressed in their Halloween costumes for a fun time in the Cate Center. They had non-alcoholic drinks and socialized with friends.

Conkling felt that the "overall attendance was great." Hopefully, she said, students put the dangers of alcohol into perspective and will make the choice to be responsible.



A wrecked car sat behind the Alumnae House last week to promote recognition of Alcohol Awareness Week.

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## Traffic flow changes for Friday afternoon's Cornhuskin' parade

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In support of Cornhuskin' activities, the Campus Police has decided that the following traffic and parking measures will be in effect this Friday, Nov. 5, 1999:

\*Parking on Meredith College Drive between the gate house and Johnson Hall will be blocked off all day in preparation for the parade.

\*Drivers will not be able to use Meredith College Drive between the gate house and Johnson Hall during the Cornhuskin' parade, from 3:15 p.m. until approximately 4:30 p.m. Use of the Faircloth Street gate is encouraged.

\*Users of the parking lot north of Jones Chapel are encouraged to park elsewhere if they must leave campus during the parade.

The Meredith College Police Department says that it appreciates the support and cooperation of drivers on campus during the parade.