Roof to leave financial aid position

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Philip Roof, director of Financial Assistance at Meredith, will be leaving the Meredith community on Feb. 11.

Roof has held this position since Oct. 22, 1995.

He said that he "loves working at Meredith today as much as he did the day he began five years ago."

Roof said that he "has the best job because Meredith is a great school" and he "works with excellent people."

"I only do one percent of the work around here. They say I am here more for entertainment," he added.

Roof graduated from Berea College in Kentuky in 1988 with a major in business "like everyone else in the 80's," he said.

When he left college he went straight to work in financial aid at Lees-McRae College until 1991.

From there, he went to work with Duke University's finiancial assistance staff, but he quit in 1995 because he said that the university was so large that no one seemed really important.

"I wanted to be somewhere I could see instant positive feedback and that happened at Meredith," he said.

"I get to give money away for a living, and I love it."

Roof has played an active role in the Meredith communi-

ty.

In his years here, he has been an FYE teacher and adviser and a Sophie Lanneau leadership program adviser. In addition, Roof has participated in leadership seminars, and he has even been a judge during a famous Meredith tradiditon: Cornhuskin'.

Roof is leaving Meredith to work with Chase Manhattan Bank's Education First program

"This will be the first time I wake up in the morning and do not head to a college campus in 16 years."

He will be working out of his home in Durham promoting the bank's program, which encourages learning institutions to join Chase Manhattan to work toward a better education.

He will travel throughout North Carolina and Virginia to different colleges and universities including Meredith in order to build partnerships between the bank and the schools.

Chase Manhattan Bank has a great deal to offer institutions of higher learning, he said.

"They can help provide student loans, provide expensive technological services and much more."

When asked what he would like to tell Meredith students, Roof said, "In life sometimes you take a job when you love the job you have.

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New scholarships to assist future Meredith students

JEANNIE MORELOCK
Director of the Office of Marketing and
Communications

Murphy Osborne, vice president for institutional advancement, has announced the following signigicant gifts to Meredith College:

The William Randolph Hearst Foundation has established the William Randolph Hearst Endowed Scholarship for Minortiy Scholars with a \$100,000 gift.

This gift is to probide financial assistance to minority students who have need and who intend to remain permanently in the United States.

"This is a significant scholarship which will not only allow students who have financial need to attend Meredith but will assist us in offering a more diverse experience to all of our students," said Osborne.

Bobbitt Clay Williams, '57, of Huntinton Beach, Cal., has

established the Bobbitt Clay Williams Scholarship with a gift of \$25,000.

This scholarship will be used to provide financial assistance to students majoring in business, with preference given to students from Nash County.

"Bobbitt is a wonderful example of an appreciative alumna who is offering resources to allow others to obtain the education experiences which she was afforded," said Osborne.

"Students in the future will be accorded this opportunity because of her gift, and our college is honored by such loyalty."

The Margaret D. Schorger Endowment has been established through a gift of \$10,000 from William D. Schorger, of Englewood, Col.

Margaret Schorger graduated from Meredith in 1994 and died in 1999. Her father started this scholarship in her memo-

rey to provide financial aid to students with learning disabilities.

"This is a very sensitive and caring contribution to our college, and it is not only one that will assist our students in the future but will assist us in remembering a very important person in our past," said Osborne.

Jim and Meg Conner of Raleigh established the Dr. Jim and Meg Conner Scholarship to provide financial assistance to students who have financial need at Meredith College.

"We are elated tha Dr. and Mrs. Jim Conner, two renowned educators and civic leaders, have chosen Meredith College as their vehicle to assist students," said Osborne.

"These people have served the educational systems of the U.S. for years, and we are honored to now have them as special friends of our college."

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feb. 4 filing ends. 5 p.m.

feb. 7-11 Candidate/ / ubmit

specialty campaigning materials for approval

feb. 7 Workshop. 7-8 p.m., Kresge

feb. 8 Workshop, 6-7 p.m., Kreige

feb. 11 Workshop, 10-11 a.m., Kresge

feb. 14 Campaigning begins. 8 a.m.

feb. 15 "Meet the Candidates" speeches

Campus-wide: 5-6 p.m. in BDH

Rizing Seniors: 9 p.m. in BDH

Rizing Juniorz: 8 p.m. in Krezge Auditorium

Rising Sophomores: 9 p.m. in BDH

feb. 21-22 Polling, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. in Cate Center

feb. 24 Run-off elections (if needed). 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. in Cate Center