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Jane Dittmann, associate dean for advancement in the Trinity College of Arts and Sciences at Duke University, has been named vice president for Institutional Advancement for Meredith College.

Dittmann, of Durham, NC, will begin her tenure with Meredith on Feb. 14, following the retirement of Dr. Murphy Osborne. Osborne, who has held the post for 13 years, announced his retirement last September.

The appointment comes at a time when Meredith is preparing to launch a major fundraising campaign, and Dittmann will have a key role in that effort. She will also supervise all college functions related to development and alumnae affairs.

Dittmann's appointment was announced by Meredith College President Maureen Hartford.

"Dittmann will be an excellent addition to Meredith's senior management team. With her talent and experience, I am confident she will build on

Meredith's previous fundraising success and provide vital leadership as the college prepares to launch the most aggressive fundraising campaign in its history," said Hartford.

Dittmann joined Duke's arts and sciences development in

1993 and has been associate dean for two years. She was director of development for three years. Dittmann came to Duke after working in the non-profit and public interest sectors. She is a licensed attorney and practiced with the state of North Carolina from 1983 to

1989.

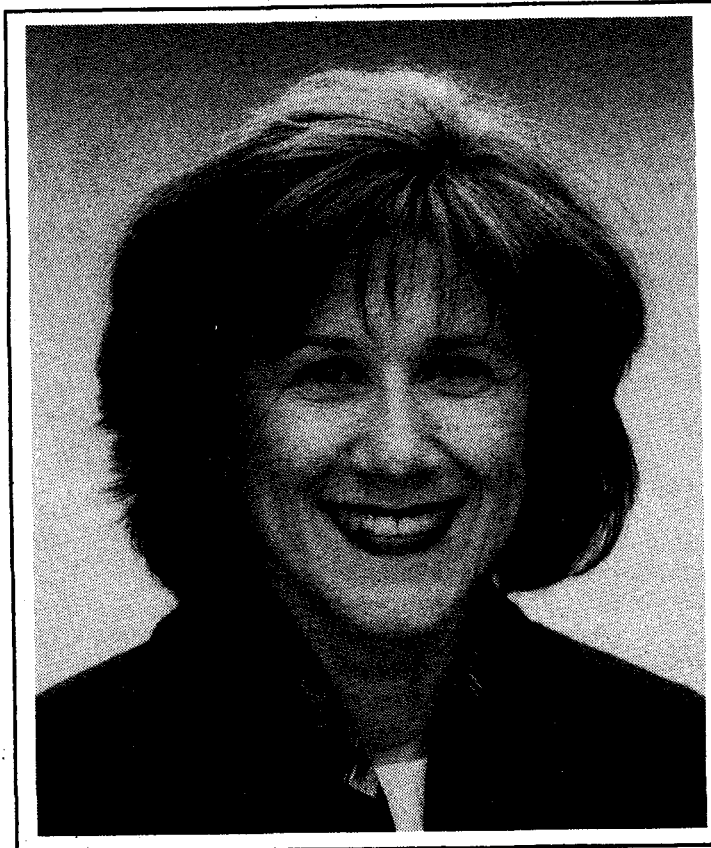
"I am honored to be selected for this position at such an exciting time in the history of Meredith College," Dittmann said.

"Maureen Hartford and her leadership team are exceptional. The students, faculty, administrators and alumnae of Meredith possess a profound commitment to the success of the college.

"It is a pleasure to join such a caring community of learners and leaders who take great pride in the important past achievements of Meredith and believe firmly in the promise of its future."

Dittmann will leave her position at Duke at the midpoint of the university's \$2 billion campaign. She provided development leadership for the \$400 million arts and sciences campaign goal.

Dittmann, who earned a bachelor's degree from Salem College in 1978 and a J.D. from the Wake Forest University School of Law in 1981, has been a member of the adjunct faculty at North Carolina State University where she taught a course in fundraising and philanthropy. She has been a volunteer mediator since 1991 and is active in other volunteer community activities.



Jane Dittmann, currently at Duke, will join Meredith in February as the vice president for Institutional Advancement.

PHOTO BY STEVE WILSON

Basketball team preps for challenges

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Editor in chief

In the next month, the Meredith College basketball team, led by seniors Holly Lowman and Leigh Akers, will face some tough competition, according to Coach Carl Hatchell.

The team faces its challenges after Christmas Break and Saturday's 68-64 loss to the NC State club basketball team. Though Meredith was supposed to play Huntington College in Alabama last weekend, that school's new athletic director did not want its basketball team to make two very

long trips in a short period of time. Thus, Meredith vs. Huntington has been rescheduled for later in the semester, and Hatchell scrambled to get the club team as an opponent.

During last Saturday's game, Jen Schwachenwald, sophomore, led the Angels with 17 points. Tina Harkness trailed her with 13 points.

Sophomore Tracy Sumner played her first game back after tearing a ligament in her foot last semester. Sumner shot two for three from the floor, and Hatchell said that she was trying hard to get back in the game.

"We were a little shaky starting out," Hatchell noted. "We had trouble scoring."

But he saw an improvement in the Angels' second half playing, adding that the team led at one point. By the game's end, Meredith was down two, shot to tie, missed that shot and then fouled NC State's club team.

"It was a game we could've won, and maybe should've won," said Hatchell. But he added that as long as the team keeps working together, their season should end well.

Meredith, which is currently 3-3 among NCAA teams and 3-5 including two losses to club

teams, faces a difficult schedule in the coming weeks. However, even with these losses, the Meredith basketball team has led with five minutes to go in every game.

Today, Jan. 17, the team faces Averett. Tomorrow, Thursday, Jan. 18, Meredith students should support the Angels as the team takes on Methodist at 7 p.m. in the Weatherspoon Gym. Other upcoming opponents include Chowan, which Hatchell says is having its best season in many years, Peace, Wesleyan and Newport Apprentice, which Hatchell says is the best team on Meredith's schedule.