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## Poet reads about life, love, oatmeal

☐ Galway Kinnell humored and inspired his audience at a formal reading open to the Meredith community and the public.

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Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Galway Kinnell read his most recent book of poetry at a reading in Kresge Auditorium Monday night at 7:30 p.m.

He spoke to a full audience, reading a variety of his own poetry from his most recent book, a collection of his works called *A New Selected Poems*. He also read a few selections by other poets.

"It was a great audience and I loved reading to them," Kinnell said after the reading. "The degree of intensity of listening drew the poems out of me."

Kinnell's selection included light-hearted works such as

"Oatmeal," in which the narrator of the poem has an imaginary conversation with John Keats over a bowl of oatmeal,

Patrick Kavanagh.

"I thought the reading was wonderful," said senior Emily

with the reading," said English professor Dr. Louise Taylor. "I liked the interspersing of poetry from other poets."



Pulitzer prize winning poet Galway Kinnell read from his most recent book of poetry, *A New Selected Poems*, at a reading and signed books afterward Monday night in Kresge.

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and more introspective ones such as "The Olive Wood Fire."

Kinnell included poetry from well-known poets such as William Butler Yates and

Fammartino. "I liked how he read some of his more light-hearted, celebratory poems and intermixed them with the more serious ones."

"I was absolutely delighted

Kinnell read selections

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## Prospective students surveyed campus, programs at Open Day

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☐ The first Open Day of the year brought over 100 prospective students to campus.

Potential students and their parents got acquainted with Meredith last Friday, Sept. 28 at the college's first Open Day of the year.

The Office of Admissions sponsors several Open Days throughout the year for high school students to learn more about campus life, academics, athletics and opportunities for leadership on campus.

Friday's Open Day brought 122 seniors along with 133 parents to campus to tour the grounds, speak with departmental representatives and observe some classes.

Admissions Counselor Dot Livesay, who was in charge of Open Day, said that although the college plans to hold one less Open Day this year than in past years, Friday's Open Day actually brought twice as many students to campus than last year.

Paige Lineberry, a high school senior from Zebulon, said she chose to tour Meredith mainly because she found that it offers the major she wants to pursue.

Lineberry said she is inter-

ested in Meredith because of the college's strong programs in education and dance, two fields she would like to pursue.

Megan Hardee, a high school senior from Wilson, said Meredith is already her number one choice.

"It's the only place I've really wanted to go, so I figured touring it would give me a chance to look around and see what the school is like."

However, as prospective students dodged CAT excavators scooping red clay around the buildings and browsed trip-tics displaying information about the different departments in Johnson Hall, one concern seemed unplaced in their minds: the tuition increase.

Megan Ratley from Wilson, NC said the tuition increase would not deter her from enrolling at Meredith because she is "looking at scholarships to help out with the cost."

Increasing scholarship money to counterbalance the tuition increase is a goal of the Office of Institutional Development, whose top officers have been designing fundraising campaigns to be launched this year.

However, whether prospective students at the first Open Day become students is a question still left unanswered.

Enrollment for the freshman class was down 5% this year according to recently processed numbers.