

New tradition to begin at Meredith

**Senior Parent Night
makes its debut on
October 5th.**

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Ring Week, Mother/Daughter Tea and Father/Daughter Dance are all traditions that Meredith students look forward to each year. Now, there may be a new one to add to the list.

Senior Parent Night is an event being planned by the class of 2003. According to event co-chairs Erin Taylor and Dori White, the inspiration for the evening came from members of the class.

"[Class members] expressed the idea that this

tradition should involve our parents/guardians, since we all had so much fun at Father/Daughter and Mother/Daughter," Taylor and White said. "After getting ideas from class members, the class officers decided to have Senior Parent Night."

The event will be held on Saturday, October 5 at 6 p.m. The evening will consist of a program in Jones Auditorium and a reception afterwards in the Johnson Hall Rotunda.

The program will be "designed to honor our parents/guardians and our memories at Meredith with them," Taylor and White said. "Surprises" during the program will include a serenade by the students for

the parents.

Seniors may bring anyone they consider a parental figure. These guests may be parents, step-parents, grandparents or guardians. They may bring as many guests as they want.

Tickets for the event will cost \$5 per person and will be on sale September 16-19 in Belk Dining Hall during lunch and dinner and in the Cate Center from 10-11 a.m. and 2-4 p.m.

"I hope that this will become a regular tradition at Meredith," said Senior Class President Megan Deane. "Since our class is so unique, it only seems natural that we are establishing something new at Meredith."

The Office welcomes younger crowds

**The Office anoints
Thursdays as College
Night.**

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Looking for something new and exciting to do on Thursday nights? My suggestion is to hit The Office dance club in downtown Raleigh's Warehouse District.

The usually upscale and ritzy club has decided to open its doors to the younger crowd of Raleigh. Now, every Thursday night is College Night. Forget about their dress code, which says no jeans, baseball caps, t-shirts, and Tommy Hilfiger. College Night is relaxed.

And don't worry about your guy friends getting in. Normally, men have to be 25 and older, but 18 is the magic number on Thursdays.

The Office is designed with a sense of freshness and business appeal. When you first walk in, you will find a bar and plenty of luxurious couches to rest your tired feet. Past that is my favorite room, which has more couches cen-

tered around fire pits.

There is also an awesome fountain where some people actually make wishes with their pennies.

If you don't like the bar scene, you can always move on over to the different dance floors. If you don't listen to techno, dance yourself over to the Top 40 and R & B side. The DJs are pretty good, but sometimes the music can get repetitive.

Overall, the atmosphere is great. The bartenders and bouncers were actually polite—a real plus. Since their college night is new, the social scene is lacking for now. But the weekends are crowded.

This trendy spot is a great addition to Raleigh's Warehouse District. Once word gets out that The Office has a college night, it will be the place to be.

Bottom line: You'll see me there on Thursday nights!

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One proposed requirement is that students must demonstrate competency in a foreign language at the 200 level, by either completing coursework or testing. It is proposed, according to Pitts, that this requirement supplement the general education requirements for Meredith College.

Pitts said there will be some new courses added to the catalog for this minor if it is approved. The proposed minor will consist of four required courses that will comprise 12 credit hours. In addition to these

required courses, students will be able to choose from a list of electives which will comprise six hours.

Pitts added that four classes already in the course catalog could apply to the new minor. Two of the proposed required courses would be new courses for the College.

The proposal also includes a directed study course designed for either sophomores or juniors. Pitts added that the draft may include further courses in the areas of history and religion, but the details have not been worked out.

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2004!



The Meredith College Alumnae Association
is pleased to announce the
1st Annual
Class Ring Essay Contest

The Question:

In 300 words or less, describe what it means to you to receive your Meredith College class ring. Please reflect on the class ring tradition itself and how it connects Meredith alumnae to each other and to the College.

The Rules:

All members of the class of 2004 are eligible. Entries must be received by 12:00 noon on October 11, 2002 and should be sent to the attention of Catherine Rideout at the Mae Grimmer Alumnae House. Essays will be judged by an alumnae panel and winners will be announced at the class social on Tuesday, October 22, 2002.

The Prizes:

1st place – 10K Meredith College Class Ring (valued at \$385*)
2nd place – One Ticket to Junior Class Ring Dinner (valued at \$25*)
3rd place – One Ring Dinner T-Shirt (valued at \$10*)

*Because these items will have already been purchased by the winners, the Alumnae Association will reimburse the winners for the amounts indicated above.

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