

Organizations Come Together to Aid in Relief Efforts

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Meredith College students, faculty, and staff are still organizing efforts to aid those affected by hurricane Katrina. The Meredith School of Business is working with Delta Mu Delta and Pi Sigma Epsilon to raise funds for victims of the hurricane. Other organizations such as the College Republicans and College Democrats are also teaming together to send aid to the Gulf region.

The Meredith College Service Council is working together and on sub-committees to be more effective in their fundraising. A meeting was held Monday, September 12, to discuss the group's progress and how to implement new ideas.

According to sub-committee chair Shannon Pascoe, one idea the group is excited about is creating a volunteer day where they will "adopt" children who have been displaced by the storm and relocated in the Triangle area. They will have an afternoon out with the children where they will have face painting, and other fun activities and games. The date for the festival has yet to be set.

On an international level, supplies from all over the world are being flown into Jacksonville, Arkansas. In response to a list of items needed in the disaster zone was posted by FEMA, foreign countries began to respond. Israel sent baby food, while blankets were sent from Egypt and India and tents from Russia. UNICEF

school supplies have been received from Denmark and generators from China. Thailand has sent rice, and Tunisia has sent bottled water and detergent. All this, not to mention monetary donations from countries like Sri Lanka and volunteers from Mexico and Canada, has been received by the richest country on the earth, one that normally gives the aid.

As the Gulf region continues to rescue and rebuild, they will continue to need aid and assistance. To become a part of this service contact Lynn Wheatley, Director of the Meredith College Service Council or the leaders of other organizations around Meredith campus, and ask how you can get involved.

Meredith College Senate

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Meredith College has many student-run organizations on campus. These organizations allow students to serve as leaders and provide a forum for them to express their concerns and opinions. One of the most powerful student organizations on campus is Senate.

Senate is the legislative branch of the Student Government Association. Its main purpose is to recommend changes to the constitutions and regulations of the Student Government Association. Senators also review present and proposed student organizational constitutions and offer their input on legislative and regulatory changes. Twenty-one members of the student body serve on Senate. There are three representatives from each class, two AMC representatives, two WINGS representatives, a secretary, a constitution clerk, a faculty

advisor, a faculty representative, and the chair. The SGA Vice President serves as the Senate Chair. Senate positions are filled in the spring elections for sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Incoming freshmen may apply in the fall. If all positions are not filled, the class president interviews candidates for the open positions.

Lindsey DeLaFoss, who currently serves as Senate Chair, said, "I really love my position on Senate and am so excited about being on the SGA Executive Board this year. I am striving to work very hard for the student body and aim to go above and beyond my call of duty." DeLaFoss also notes that Senate is still in need of three freshmen senators. The members of Senate are all devoted to making Meredith a better place to be. They strive to make constructive changes at Meredith and look into issues that students are concerned about. In a word, Senate is about service.

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