

### WHAT'S UP IN RALEIGH? Aubrey Jones

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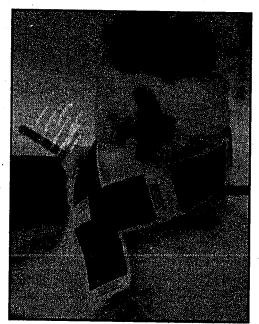
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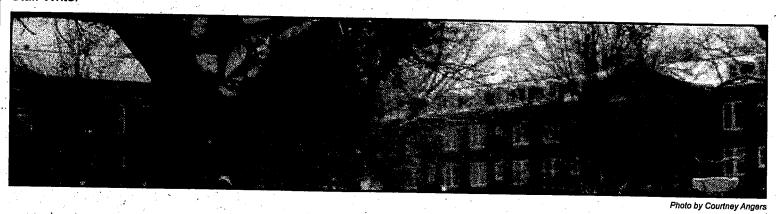
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## SNOW DAY AT **MEREDITH COLLEGE**

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January 19th, a Monday night-I know almost everyone at Meredith was constantly refreshing the WRAL webpage or their email, hoping desperately for lots and lots of snow. Having an extra day off after having to start the semester with a full week would have just been perfect. When the snow did start falling, some people ran outside while others stuck their heads out the window and yelled into the courtyard or ran up and down the halls. We still didn't know if we had school the next day or not, but just the thought of having snow to play in was thrilling.

Meredith was lucky enough to be right along the projected route of some of the heaviest snowfall; we probably got around 4 or 5 inches of snow. Students happily took advantage of the day off that we got on the 20th. I woke up to people shouting and having snowball fights outside, and I don't think anyone calmed down until late afternoon. Every hillside at Meredith was covered with people using makeshift sleds. Some guys were tubing on the hill near the amphitheater (my friends and I left after we got our fill of watching them crash into the bushes or flip over themselves). The hill near the theater was a popular site for those who were using cardboard boxes, cafeteria trays and garbage bags as sleds.

I saw some people with practice snowboards or serious sleds, and my own group of friends checked out the hill near the freshmen dorms. We discovered that a cardboard box covered in plastic was our fastest sled, but a plain, flattened cardboard refrigerator box was nice for two people. We also witnessed the poor students in Heilman having to deal with a fire alarm; several looked very unprepared for the freezing weather. We moved to a hill near the tennis courts later in the day, after we had managed to warm up a bit. The garbage bag we had found did pretty well, though it did make for a rather bumpy ride. We also realized that trying to

snowboard on a cardboard box wasn't exactly the most brilliant idea.

Other Meredith students spent some time sculpting the snow. There were several snowmen, and I know many students saw the White House igloo in the courtyard. Rather appropriate considering it was Inauguration Day. There were a lot of students who were thankful for the snow day simply because it gave them time to stay inside and watch the full inauguration.

Going to class the next day was rather fun because even though we had a delay, there were definitely still icy patches along the walkways. Around 11am I witnessed a girl fall on the ice around the courtyard fountain, and later in the afternoon I joined a crowd of students heading into Jones, all clutching the railing as they gingerly tried out the icy steps. Still, no one was complaining much; snow is just too rare around here for it to be anything but fun, especially when you don't have a power outage. And an unanticipated day and a half off from school? It was a wish come true.

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| Wednesday,<br>February 4 | Free STD Clinic<br>12-3pm,<br>HEALTH CTR | Mock Interviews<br>9am-4pm,<br>CAREER CTR       |   | Mostly Sunny 37               |
| Thursday,<br>February 5  | CCC Prime Time<br>8pm, NCSU              | Poetry Night<br>7pm, 2ND CATE                   |   | Sunny<br>38                   |
| Friday,<br>February 6    | CAB COFFEEHOUSE<br>7pm, 2ND CATE         | <b>MEA MEETING</b><br>10am, HAR 208             |   | Sunny<br>53                   |
| Saturday,<br>February 7  | OPEN HOUSE<br>12pm-12am                  |   |   | Mostly Sunny<br>60            |
| Sunday,<br>February 8    | OPEN HOUSE<br>12pm-7pm                   | Basketball vs.<br>Christopher Newpor<br>2pm, WG |   | Mostly Sunny<br>⊴4            |
| Monday,<br>February 9    | LeaderShape Reg.<br>202 Cate             | Honor Council<br>17pm, CCR                      | 2 | Partly Cloudy<br>64           |
| Tuesday,<br>February 10  | Student Life Meeting<br>5:30pm, DCR      | Schoolgirl Figure<br>8pm, ST                    |   | Partly Cloudy<br>67           |
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### Dear Readers,

Gigi here, wishing you a happy start to 2009! Since it's a brand new year, there are some changes being made to this column. Instead of e-mailing me your queries, there is going to be an Ask-GiGi box on the table across from the professors' mailboxes in Joyner. Use it, use it, use it! I can't wait to hear from you! Gigi