

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

CAB'S TWILIGHT ADVENTURE

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November 19
Holiday Open House at North Hills Shopping Center

November 19-22
Carolina Christmas Show, Raleigh Convention Center

November 20
Broadway Series South presents ABBA Mania, Raleigh Memorial Auditorium, 8pm

November 21
Raleigh Christmas Parade

Carolina Hurricanes v Tampa Bay Lightning, RBC Center, 7pm

November 21 - January 3
Raleigh on Ice, North Hills Shopping Center

November 26 - December 20
Phantom of the Opera, Durham Performing Arts Center

December 3-5
Cary Academy Holiday Shoppe

One of the most prominent organizations at Meredith College is Campus Activities Board (CAB). CAB has been very active in trying to encourage on-campus unity and has sponsored several events for students' entertainment. So far this year, CAB has sponsored the Sizzlin' September Concert, Contesta Fiesta, and the Cornhuskin' After Party. Recently, CAB sponsored a campus wide scavenger hunt in which students had to search the academic buildings in order to find free Twilight: New Moon movie tickets.

The scavenger hunt took place on November 10, 2009 and it was a very successful event. Students raced against each other and the clock in search for clues hidden around campus. Once they found the clues, they had to answer a trivia question correctly in order to receive a free ticket. Needless to say, many

students took the event very seriously and some even wore matching team outfits.

Because CAB's number one priority is helping entertain the students, they spent money out of their own budget to purchase 45 tickets to the showing of New Moon on Saturday, November 21. CAB still has tickets left, so be on the lookout for an announcement of another scavenger hunt in the near future.

"We really want to try and get students to stay on campus during the weekend. We worked with Amy Losordo...and she was the one who came up with the idea to give away tickets to a movie on a Saturday, because that way more students would stay on campus that weekend. We figured it was a pretty wise investment because we know how Twilight crazy students are!" stated CAB Chair Apiffany Gaither.

But CAB's events don't stop at Twilight. They are planning on sponsoring many more entertaining activities throughout the school year. Next semester, CAB is planning on hosting several "MC Night In's" as well as a Valentine's Day Social, which is co-sponsored by RHA. The social will be on Friday, February 12th and will have boys

from the all male college Hampton Sydney.

"CAB's main goal is to make people want to stay on campus, instead of leaving all the time. We work so hard on these events, and we love it when people show up because it really feels like we are making a difference for students," stated Gaither.

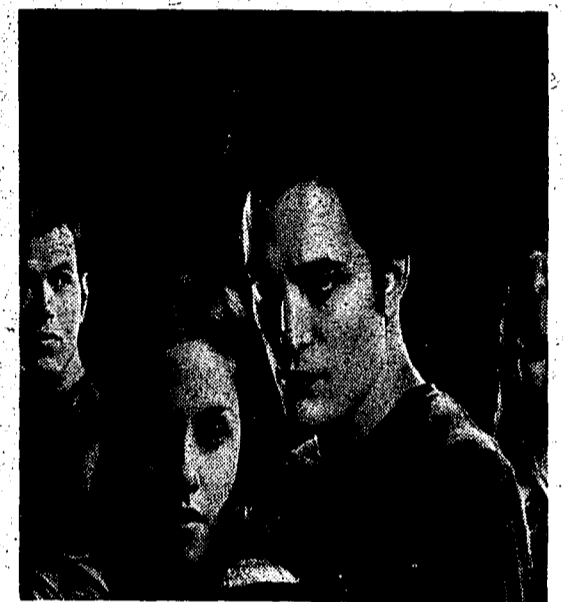


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WHAT WE LOVE WEDNESDAYS

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Crafts: Knitting—Now that the weather has officially become fall-like (chilly and rainy, etc.), I am practically obligated to do a post on knitting. Over the past few years, it has become quite the craze, but I'd like to focus more on the art and natural enjoyment of the craft than the hype. Anyone that has ever entered a yarn store will understand how it feels to run your hands through piles of soft yarns that come in as many shades as you can imagine. And then there are the endless number of knitting needles in all shapes and sizes, and finally the patterns for every clothing item, plush toy, and blanket you have seen in stores—all to be knitted to perfection. One of my favorite knitters of late is WaysideViolet, a lovely young lady who sells her knitted coffee cup cozies and gloves on Etsy (at etsy.com/stores/waysideviolet). And I know there are plenty of knitters on campus who create wonderful knitted creations as well. Now, if only someone could teach me to cast on, I could join in the fun. Any takers?

Technology: Google Reader – It seems like everybody that's anybody reads blogs nowadays. My favorites cover topics ranging from fashion to astrology to graphic design to literature to science news, and until lately I've kept all of them stored in my bookmarks and clicked on each one a few times a day, scrolling through until I started to recognize the older posts. I have experimented with blog readers before (the online programs that let you put in RSS feeds and then combine all of your blogs in one convenient place), but I've always had issues with all of the images showing up or being able to read complete posts. That said, my problems are over as I have found Google Reader. Built in to the Google platform, Google Reader is accessible to anyone that has a Google or Gmail account. When you add feeds, it tracks and stores the full blog posts in easy-to-read format with all images intact. It even lets you mark your favorite posts and stores them in a special folder. So to all of you out there who are still keeping blogs in your bookmarks, check out Google Reader!

Campus Life: Course Flyers—While I often feel like many events on campus are underpublicized (have you ever heard about something and really wish you'd known about it so you could've gone? –I have that feeling all the time), I am thoroughly impressed with the number of flyers I see advertising courses for next semester. I am only a freshman, so this may happen every semester, and I am simply unaware, but some of the flyers are quite eye-catching (kudos to the Religion professor that made the Twilight poster). In a time when departments need more students to keep them afloat, I think these posters are exactly what Meredith needs: an example of how creative the students and faculty can be, and a bit of a reminder of the great academic opportunities still available at Meredith College.

