

OPINION

Whines & Gripes

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Dear habitual cruncher, please eat your potato chip lunch before class.

Corn is not the Olympics. Stop yelling at us like you're a coach during practice.

Last time I checked, "quiet study" doesn't mean, "talk on your phone as loudly as possibly for half an hour."

Don't judge me. Halloween is the only time I dress like a hoochie mama. I promise.

I'm tired of seeing printed tees and Uggs on everyone, everyday. Add some color, or spice it up; just be yourself and don't be afraid about not fitting in with everyone else.

Participating in Corn is a choice; stop complaining about it.

When you wear a huge floppy bow in your hair during a presentation, it's hard for me to take you seriously.

Maybe we wouldn't have to go to DH Hill and giggle if Carlyle Campbell stayed open past 12.

Just got another email from Jean Jackson.

FYI, you were born with a loud mouth that you are unaware of. When you whisper, I can hear you at the front of the room, over the professor.

Your name is not Snooki. Please stop spraying tanning. You look like a pumpkin.

We're in college now. We don't need color coded, highlighted emails. It's not cute, it's distracting.

Grab a dictionary and look up the word catty.

Cornhuskin' Wristband Controversy

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It's officially the first day of November and, as usual, the entire campus is dedicated to all things corn. There are hall raids, bonfires, donuts with the President and intense dance practices. Many Meredith students would consider this to be their favorite time of the year. Unfortunately, there's a new policy that's creating a lot of negativity during this year's Corn week: wristbands.

The wristband policy states that in order for the general public to enter the amphitheatre, they must have on a wristband. Wristbands will be distributed in Jones Auditorium beginning at 2 p.m. on Friday. Each guest must be present in order to receive a wristband; you will not be allowed to reserve or pick up extra wristbands. If an individual does not have a wristband, he or she will not be allowed to enter the amphitheatre. When all the wristbands have been given out, the remainder of the audience will have to find alternative seating.

After hearing about the new policy, many Meredith students were outraged.

"It inconveniences everyone. People have family flying in from out of town and can't be here by 2 o'clock. It's turning into a huge hassle," said Katie Wheeler '13.

The biggest complaint about the new policy is that wristband distribution begins at 2 p.m. instead of a later time that is more convenient for family members to arrive.

"Who can get off of work at 2

o'clock?! People work, people have jobs. No one is going to be able to get there in time!" said Meredith Jenkins '13.

Many students have friends and family that were planning on coming in from out of town. Because of this sudden change in the policy, friends and family who have already made plans to attend are going to be greatly inconvenienced.

"I think it's an awful idea! My parents were planning on flying in and now they aren't even going to come. They're not going to be there before 2 and won't get a wristband, so it makes no sense for them to travel all that way." stated Senior Malena Cahall.

The wristband policy was created as an attempt to combat the chaos that often occurs during Cornhuskin' Amphitheatre seating. There has been a lot of conflict in the past over saving seats and people sitting in the aisle. However, a majority of students are still unhappy about the logistics of the new policy.

"I think that something did need to be done, but I wish it had started at a later time to get your wristbands. I don't like that people have to wait in two different lines, one for the wristband and one for the amphitheatre. But I also understand that it's a trial and error process and you have to start at the very beginning to work it out," Karla Shuford '12.

Seniors in particular are very upset over the new change. Many had friends and family coming to see their last Cornhuskin' experience and were not prepared for this change in policy.

"I don't think that these wristbands are fair. It's our senior year. I think it should be first come first serve like always. It's not fair for them to change the rules last minute. If they had given us proper time to tell our families about it, they might have been able to take off work. But to tell us less than a month before? It's really ridiculous!" Erica Bader '12.

Senior Jordan Stewart agreed: "It was something that was very sudden. I didn't feel that there was enough time to prepare for this. It's our senior year, and I want my loved ones there to see all of the hard work our class put into Cornhuskin' for this year. I think students should have a say. This truly breaks my heart."

Many Meredith students have already voiced their complaints, but unfortunately nothing has been done about the new seating policy. We hope Cornhuskin will still be able to be fun experience for everyone involved.

To read more about the new spectator guidelines, please visit the following website: <http://www.meredith.edu/students/leadership-service/cornhuskin-spectator-faq.pdf>.

Correction:

The photograph of Clyde Edgerton on the cover of our last issue was collected from John Kincheloe and credited as "image via John Kincheloe." The image was acquired from John Kincheloe (as the reference via would denote). However we failed to acknowledge that Melanie Fitzgerald, Cable Administrator took the photograph.

This is the last issue of the Herald for the Fall 2011 semester. Please take our readership poll, and help us make your reading experience more enjoyable in the spring!