

CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

MSA BLOOD DRIVE at Cate Center, Meredith College

- o When: Thursday, January 31, 2013
- o Time: 9:30 am – 3:30 pm
- o Where: Cate Center, 3800 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh NC
- o Sponsored by: Meredith College Student Association (MSA)
- o Partnered with: REX Hospital

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE at <http://mysignup.com/msa>
(If all slots are taken, walk-ins are ALWAYS welcome)

All donors will receive a pair of movie tickets to Raleighwood, food from Smithfield Chicken N' Barbeque, a chair massage from Healthsource (optional), and 100 points in the "Donate for Life" program!

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call, Ad-eelah Sayed, at (919)439-2132, or send me an email at sayedade@email.meredith.edu

Celebrating Student Achievement Abstract Workshop:
Tuesday, February 5 | 4:40 p.m.
Harris 208

This workshop is for those who are planning on submitting an abstract and participating in CSA Day.

While workshop attendance is not required, past attendees have found it very beneficial in preparing winning proposals.

Bring a copy of your abstract and receive helpful feedback on how to make it stronger. CSA Day will be Tuesday, April 16, 2013.

"The Colton Review" is Meredith College's art and literary journal. Work submitted by students, faculty, staff, and alumnae is juried, and winning entrants are notified by email.

Submit your best photography, drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, typography, graphic design, digital image, printmaking, illustration, interactive design, or textile design. There is a limit of four submissions per entrant.

You can download a pdf file of the call for entries (with details regarding entry formats), entry forms, and artwork labels at the Art Department's website, www.meredith.edu/art.

You should submit your artwork to the Gaddy-Hamrick Art Center on Monday, February 4, between 12 and 5 p.m., or Tuesday, February 5, between 12 and 5 pm. No email entries will be accepted.

For more information, contact Dana Ezzell Gay, faculty art advisor, at gayd@meredith.edu.

In a couple weeks you will be sent a ballot for campus elections. Elections board needs to ensure that you are given the appropriate ballot that matches your class affiliation. Currently, your affiliation is based on the number of credit hours you have. Please look on webadvisor to determine your current class.

Classification is: SR [90+ hrs], JR [60+ hrs], SO [26+ hrs], FR [<26 hrs]
If you affiliate with a different class, please complete this form by Friday February 1 to ensure that you receive the appropriate ballot: <http://tinyurl.com/classaffiliation>

Sisters United Host UNC Clef Hangers

Hannah Thornton, staff writer

The Clef Hangers, an all male a cappella group from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, performed Tuesday, January 15, 2013, at the Sisters United Benefit concert in Jones Auditorium. Meredith's Encore and the Bathtub Ring also performed, showing that the women at Meredith have some a cappella in them as well.

Sisters United is an organization created and run by students. Initiated by the Class of 2013 and fueled by the angels at Meredith, it was started as a response to the 2010 Summer Reading book *Half the Sky* by Nikolas Kristoff. Among countless stories of the marginalization of women all over the globe, the ultimate message Kristoff sends to his readers is that by educating women, a whole village and community can be educated and changed for the better.

Through the Sisters United organization, Meredith sponsors the education of five girls, one in Ghana and four in Kenya.

Now, how does Sisters United get this money? The students do not simply write checks and donate their coins - instead, members of Sisters United and the Meredith community work to brainstorm fundraisers. One of the major fundraising events to happen within this academic year is the benefit concert that featured the University of North Carolina's Clef Hangers. The contributions raised by the 240 people who attended the event helped towards the fund that supports the organization's purpose - to sponsor the education of those five girls.

In addition to donating, fundraising, and writing letters to the girls, a group of Meredith students and faculty

were able to travel to Ghana and visit the Beacon House Orphanage and get first-hand experience of the difference between supporting from afar and volunteering within.

The trip took place over winter break from Dec. 7-19. Eight students and two faculty, including Chaplain Stacy Pardue and Professor Callie Debelis, conducted a literacy program at the orphanage with the children, helped to teach multiplication and planted mango trees on their new property. They showered the kids with much-needed attention, including hugs, books and playtime.

The Clef Hangers at the concert helped to illustrate the importance of making your dreams possible and going out to do and not just to think. Both Sisters United and the Clef Hangers have gone beyond their communities to make changes in the world. As the Clef Hangers sang in honor of Sisters United, "I bless the rains down in Africa. Gonna take some time to do the things we never had."

And amidst the cheering, the waving, and the frantic attempts to remember the phone numbers called out from the stage only half an hour before, a sense of satisfaction arose within the auditorium. Whether it was because of a successfully entertaining evening, the mystery of where the Clef Hangers get all of their buttons, or the knowledge that step by step change is happening and we are becoming the leaders Meredith has taught us to be, the atmosphere that night was encouraging and kept everyone in the audience tune-d in.

Google Maps (cont.) Social Media (cont.)

officials, displeased that the world can now see into their secret country, boasted that, "When our enemies try to peek into our republic, they only see a fog."

North Korean citizens- with the exception of the elite, whose connection is still strictly controlled- are cut off from the Internet. Because of this, they are unlikely to know that Google has made the map their country public.

Google said "Creating maps is a crucial first step towards helping people access more information about parts of the world that are unfamiliar to them."

Google is now trying to enlist the more than 24,000 North Korean defectors who live in South Korea, one of the world's most wired countries, to help them add detail to the map.

in July 2006, Twitter is a social networking and microblogging site that allows users to send and read text-based messages of up to 140 characters, known as "tweets." In 2012, Twitter had 500 million users and grossed 140 million dollars-- Twitter's numbers are almost exactly half of Facebook's data from 2012.

"Twitter is more in-the-now than Facebook. It's less about pictures and 'how you're doing' and there aren't any dumb games on Twitter," said Meredith Sociology major, Taylor Hudgins. As people continue to deviate away from the Facebook explosion and migrate towards the Twitter era, the stakes are high for Facebook's developmental team. "Facebook used to be about networking, now it's just people complaining about relationships and advertisers trying to make money. The biggest problem--it's just not cool anymore," said Merritt.