

# Newly Chosen R.A.'s Announced

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Quite recently, The Resident Assistant try-outs for the 1991-91 academic school year were held here at Montreat. After a process which included personal interviews, the positions were filled.

For several weeks, fliers advertising R.A. tryouts were pasted all over Montreat's campus. Applicants had to fill out their applications, and

provide two references from faculty or staff at Montreat or from an employer. Afterwards, they were given an appointment for an interview in front of a selected panel. This year's panel consisted of Tom Hilgers (head of student activities and residence life), the given dorm's Resident Director, when possible Dean Hargrove, at least one other Resident assistant, and sometimes the given dorm's president. After much deliberation, the new R.A.'s for next school year were chosen.

For Montreat-Anderson Hall the following are new

R.A.'s: Samantha Steelman, Lisa Haynes, Emilia Cabrera, Rebecca Powell, Kylie Vandawalker. Returning R.A.'s are Frances Domingues, Debbie Crain, and Rhonda Littlejohn. One more R.A. position will perhaps be filled for this dorm at a later time.

McGregor Hall R.A.'s all have a previous year's experience. They are: Reid Cavnar, Leslie Blow, Al Goodman, and LeAnn Beach.

Howerton Hall will have a particular challenge with all new R.A.'s: William Mwaura, Simeon Kerich, Joe Troutman, Mark Turner, and John Har-

ris. The other male dorm, Davis Hall will have Matt Liebler, Thys Musengwa, Bryan Hinkle, and Scott Jeffreys as R.A.'s. one position is also open here.

According to Montreat's student handbook, R.A.'s "have the meaningful challenge of helping to involve fellow students in a variety of activities and experiences designed to make resident life more conducive to healthy growth and development." Next year's R.A.'s will all have a challenge ahead of them. with determination and unity the job should be easier.

## National Briefs

Wage Increase- April 1, marked the minimum wage increase to \$4.25 per hour. Labor advocates are pressing for larger increases still, for the approximate 3 million workers receiving minimum wage pay now.

Science Update- Researchers have found that some female eggs in the reproduction processes emit a certain substance which attracts sperm and aid in fertilization. This discovery could lead to male birth control pills, which would decrease the attraction of the sperm to the egg, and treatment for infertile women.

Brady Bill Debate- Presented before the Senate is a seven-day waiting period bill for handgun purchases. If this bill is passed, it would require a seven day waiting period and criminal history check before issuing a handgun permit to the hopeful licensee.

Appalachian Trail Cleanup- The Appalachian trail, which extends 2,100 miles from Maine to Georgia will be worked on Aug. 29-Sept 2. Duties include general cleanup, footpath recovery and other work projects. Expenses are covered, including lodging, food, transportation to work projects once the volunteer reaches a base camp. For more info: (703) 544-7388.

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## Financial Aid Opportunity Grows

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Have you ever looked at your school bill and wondered how you could possibly pay for it all? If so, Montreat's Financial Aid Office is the place to go. Here you will discover the two easiest ways to pay for school: scholarships and workstudy.

There are several different places you can look for scholarship possibilities. These include the bulletin board in the hallway beside the Financial Aid Office, brochures containing school sponsored scholarships, and three catalogues that students may browse through in the office itself. Two of the major school sponsored scholarships are the Presidential Scholarship and the Leadership Scholarship. Unfortunately these are only offered to incoming freshman, but the Leadership Scholarship can be renewed each year through the senior year as long as your

grades and activities remain within certain guidelines. This is good news for freshman now, but what about juniors and seniors? Where are their scholarships? According to Lisa Lankford, head of the Financial Aid Office, the school endowment fund is not large enough to provide these much needed scholarships. She is quick to add, however, that as the fund grows over the next few years because of the building campaign, the possibility for upper classmen scholarships will increase greatly.

One of the catalogues available, "Student Financial Aid for North Carolinians," is specifically for students from this state. The other two, "The Scholarship Book" and "The A's and B's of Academic Scholarships" include a wide variety of scholarships for many different individuals.

The second type of financial aid comes in the form of workstudy. This category

consists of a vast array of aid, anything from federal loans to institutional funds. Federally funded workstudy gives a maximum of four hundred dollars each semester whereas institutional funds can provide up to five hundred dollars per semester.

If you are interested in finding out more, stop by the Financial Aid Office located in Gaither, and talk with director Lisa Lankford. Whether you need a little or a lot she will be more than willing to help you in your search for extra money!

## Quotables

A man is what he  
thinks about all  
day long.

-- H.D. Thoreau