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Members of the Mountain Retreat Association anticipate the completion of the Montreat Dam renovations by January 2004. Workers from Taylor & Murphy Construction Co., Inc in Asheville began repairs on August 30 by removing the trees around the Moore Center and making a cut on the earthen section of the dam. The remaining project entails concrete work to rebuild the earthen section of the dam and construction of a new walkway. Need for the project arose on May 4, 2004 when parts of the earthen dam collapsed into Lake Susan.

Writers Refurbish Lit Magazine

by April Heyward

English majors Nathan King, Whitney Rayl and Moriah Geer-Hardwick plan to reorganize the literary magazine next semester as an online journal.

King hopes the publication will "put together good, solid pieces of literature produced from the college."

The name and schedule for the new journal is currently undetermined. The publication will be separated into four categories: poetry, fiction short story, non-fiction short story, and critical essay.

The three students will serve as the editors, Geer-Hardwick for non-fiction, Rayl for fiction, and King for poetry.

The students will work on the journal during their one-hour Literary Magazine Editing class, where they will review, critique and decide which submissions will be published. "The way we accept pieces is going to be democratic," says King. "It's not just going to be one opinion of the piece; it's going to be three different opinions."

The team also seeks help with layout, web design and knowledge of HTML.

In the future, they attend to submit a charter to SGA for approval as an official school organization.

"My vision would be to see [the magazine] in both forms, to

continue keeping it as an online journal, but also having it as a printed publication maybe once or twice a year," says King.

Students previously published a yearly literary magazine entitled *Logos*. The magazine ended in 1996, as student interest in the work dissipated.

King, with former students Kendon Barretta and Scott Hester, came up with the idea last semester and approached Dr. Rich Gray, head of the English Department, with the proposal.

The group is currently receiving submissions for the journal. Students interested in submitting

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Former Trustee Endows Millions for Scholarships

-Press Release

Students at Montreat College and the University of North Carolina in Asheville will soon have more scholarship opportunities thanks to a newly established scholarship, the J. Alfred Miller and Berenice M. Miller Scholarship.

Al Miller, a prominent Asheville civic and business leader who died last year, established a trust for the scholarship that will be funded with approximately \$3 million in assets. Named for Miller and his late wife, Berenice "Bunny" Miller, the trust will

provide scholarships for students from Buncombe and immediately adjoining counties.

Alfred Miller served on the Montreat College Board of Trustees from 1961-1969. He was named Trustee Emeritus of Montreat College in 1995. Miller also served on the Asheville-Biltmore College Board of Trustees from 1958-1963 and was instrumental in helping transition the college into the four-year university that is now UNC-Asheville. He received the University's highest honor, the Chancel-

lor's Medallion, in 1990.

For 41 years, Miller served as president of Miller Printing Co., a company founded by his father. The business was sold in 1969 and became Daniels Graphics.

"Alfred Miller was committed to the city of Asheville and Buncombe County. This is evident in

his selfless acts of service and gifts of time and finances," said Montreat College President Dan Struble. "The J. Alfred Miller and Berenice M. Miller Scholarship will continue this lifelong commitment to quality higher education in our county."



History professor Bill Forstchen, junior Jeremiah Siemens and senior Phil Duvall pose with former Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich, on a recent trip to a Civil War battlefield in Virginia.

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"The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. He is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him."

- Exodus 15:2 NIV

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