MEREDITH CORP

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BAUM HERBERT M			Symbol MEREDI	Symbol MEREDITH CORP [MDP]				(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of E	(Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction				<i>)</i>)		
1716 LOCUS	T STREET		(Month/Day 11/08/200					_X_ Director Officer (give below)	titleOther	Owner er (specify
	(Street)	et) 4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line)				
DES MOINES						_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I	- Non-Der	rivative Se	curitio	es Acqu	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transactio (Month/Day/	Year) Exercise any	ecution Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock (Restricted) (\$1 par value)	11/08/2003	5		A	523	A	\$0	3,691	D	
Common Stock (\$1 par value) (2)								13,200	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.28	11/09/2005		A	6,000	11/09/2006	11/09/2016	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.8438					11/11/1997	11/12/2006	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.5					11/14/2001	11/14/2010	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.6					11/13/2002	11/13/2011	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.7813					11/11/1998	11/11/2007	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.7188					11/09/2000	11/09/2009	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.0313					11/10/1999	11/10/2008	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
	\$ 45.275					11/12/2003	11/12/2012		6,0

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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)				Common Stock (\$1 par value)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 49.75	11/11/2004	11/11/2013	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 51.975	11/09/2005	11/09/2014	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,0
Stock equivalent units	\$ 0	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	9,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BAUM HERBERT M							
1716 LOCUST STREET	X						
DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023							

Signatures

By: John S. Zieser, Attorney-in-Fact For: Herbert M.

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares awarded pursuant to the 2002 Meredith Corporation Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors (the "Plan"). The shares are subject to forfeiture and are nontransferable until five years from the grant date.
- (2) Shares held by the reporting person in street name.
- (3) This option was awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corp. Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors, becomes exercisable one-third per year over a three-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, and expires on the tenth anniversary of the grant date.
 - Stock equivalents issued at fair market value (the average of the high and low selling price of Meredith Common Stock on the issue date), pursuant to Meredith Corp.'s 2002 Stock Plan for Non-employee Directors (the "Plan"), which will be converted to Common Stock (\$1
- (4) par value) on a one-for-one basis upon the reporting person's retirement from or termination of service on the Meredith Board of Directors. Quarterly dividends are accrued in the form of additional stock equivalents. Data in this footnote would normally appear in the Title, Exercisable Date, and Price columns.

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