MEREDITH CORP

Form 4

Stock (\$1

Common Stock (Restricted)

(\$1 par value) (3)

par value) (2)

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#### **OMB APPROVAL** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading GRIFFIN JOHN H JR Issuer Symbol MEREDITH CORP [MDP] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1716 LOCUST STREET 12/13/2006 below) below) President - Publishing Group (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock (\$1 2,000 D 12/13/2006 M 7,100 46.165 par value) (1) Common

by

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Secur<br>Acqui<br>(A) or | rivative ities ired rosed of . 3, 4, | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) |                           |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (A)                      | (D)                                  | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amo<br>or<br>Num<br>of Sh |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 46.165   | 12/13/2006                           |   | M                                      |                          | 2,000                                | 08/12/2006   | 08/12/2013         | Common<br>Stock (\$1<br>par value)                     | 2,0                       |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 46.21  |                                      |   |  |                          |                                      | 08/08/2009   | 08/08/2016         | Common<br>Stock (\$1<br>par value)                     | 30,0                      |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 49.1   |                                      |   |  |                          |                                      | 08/09/2008   | 08/09/2015         | Common<br>Stock (\$1<br>par value)                     | 26,0                      |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 49.97  |                                      |   |  |                          |                                      | 08/10/2007   | 08/10/2014         | Common<br>Stock (\$1<br>par value)                     | 40,0                      |
| Restricted stock units (5)                          | \$ 0  |                                      |   |  |                          |                                      | 08/08/1988   | 08/08/1988         | Common<br>Stock (\$1<br>par value)                     | 9,4                       |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Keiationsinps |           |                              |       |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|--|--|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |  |  |
| GRIFFIN JOHN H JR              |               |           | President - Publishing Group |       |  |  |
| 1716 LOCUST STREET             |               |           |                              |       |  |  |

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DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023

## **Signatures**

By: John S. Zieser, Attorney-in-Fact For: John H. Griffin, Jr.

12/14/2006

\*\*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 held by the reporting person in street name.
- Mr. Griffin holds shares of Common Stock (\$1 par value) in his Meredith Corporation Savings & Investment (401k) and Employee Stock
- (2) Purchase Plan (ESPP) accounts. Quarterly dividends on the 401(k) and ESPP shares are paid in the form of additional Common Stock, \$1 par value. This footnote would normally be included in column 4.
- (3) Shares were awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corporation Stock Incentive Plans. The shares are subject to forfeiture and are nontransferable until vested, as specified in each award agreement.
- (4) This option was granted pursuant to the Meredith Corp. Stock Incentive Plans and becomes exercisable in its entirety on the third anniversary of the date of grant.
- Restricted stock units granted pursuant to Meredith Corp.'s 2004 Stock Incentive Plan which will be converted to Common Stock (\$1 par (5) value) on a one-for-one basis upon the attainment of specified EPS growth targets and the completion of a three-year period of service. Quarterly dividends are accrued in the form of additional restricted stock units.

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