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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1 Name and Address of Departing De

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CAPPAERT STEVEN M			S	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MEREDITH CORP [MDP]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Midd		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
1716 LOCUS	T STREET		()1/28/200	6					_X_ Officer (give below) Corp	e title Oth below) oorate Controlle	er (specify	
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023										Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I	- Non-I)er	ivative Se	curiti	es Acqu	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/		Execution		Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) o 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)	01/28/2000	6			A		310	A	\$ 0	669	D		
Common Stock (\$1 par value) (2)										2,500	D		
Common Stock (\$1 par value) (3)										844	I	by Managed Account	

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e Underlying S		Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 46.165					08/12/2006	08/12/2013	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	9,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 49.1					08/09/2008	08/09/2015	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	3,750
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 49.97					08/10/2007	08/10/2014	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	7,500
Restricted stock units	\$ 0					08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	627

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
reporting owner rune / runess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
CAPPAERT STEVEN M								
1716 LOCUST STREET			Corporate Controller					
DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023			_					

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By: John S. Zieser, Attorney-in-Fact For: Steven M.
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01/30/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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 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.
- (2) Shares held by the reporting person in street name.
- (3) These shares are held in reporting person's Meredith Corp. Savings & Investment Plan and Employee Stock Purchase Plan accounts. Quarterly dividends on the accounts are paid in the form of additional common stock, \$1 par value.
- (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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