

MEREDITH CORP
Form 4
January 30, 2006

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KARPOWICZ PAUL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1716 LOCUST STREET

(Street)

DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
MEREDITH CORP [MDP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/28/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

President-Broadcasting Group

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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) (1)	01/28/2006		A	886	A \$ 0 10,886	D	
Common Stock (\$1 par value) (2)					398	I	by Managed Account
Common Stock (\$1 par value) (3)					4,030	I	by Spouse

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 47.56							02/14/2008	02/14/2015	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
KARPOWICZ PAUL 1716 LOCUST STREET DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023	President-Broadcasting Group

Signatures

By: John S. Zieser, Attorney-in-Fact For: Paul A.
Karpowicz

01/30/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(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.

The reporting person acquired these shares of Common Stock (\$1 par value) through his/her Meredith Corp. Employee Stock Purchase

(2) Plan account upon which quarterly dividends are paid in the form of additional Common Stock. This footnote would normally be included in column 5.

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(3) Shares held in an account for the reporting person's spouse.

(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.

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