

Do you need a campus number? Go Fish!

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You always call her. You always forget a phone number, can't find one, or are too lazy to look it up in the CamTel, so who exactly is the person that helps you in a flash?

That woman who is the key and link to all offices, teachers, and students from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. every day at Meredith College is none other than Phyllis Fish, the switchboard operator.

Fish has been here for the last three years and seems to adore what she does. She said that operating the switchboard "has to be the neatest job that's just pleasant everyday." With Valentine's Day just behind us, Fish has experienced one of her

favorite times of the year.

"Valentine's is a knock out with all the flowers and candy," she said, noting it is really fun to see all the people so happy.

Fish worked at a Chevrolet dealership as a receptionist before coming to Meredith, so she has always worked around the public and phones. She decided to try for a job at Meredith after hearing about a job opening through her daughter, Michelle, who graduated from Meredith in 1993.

Fish fell in love with the college while her daughter was here because she thought Meredith was "such a great school" and made her daughter's stay so pleasant that she thought she would love to work here. Fish went for an interview and got the job that she now loves so much.

Fish is a Raleigh native who now lives in Cary and in her spare time likes to watch old movies, especially *Gone With the Wind*, and work in the yard. Fish has been married to Billy Fish for thirty-three years and also has a son named Michael, who is an NC State graduate.

Fish said that her daughter, Michelle, carried on the angel theme from Meredith when her last name became Angel after she married. Fish and her husband enjoy going to the movies, to the beach, and out to eat. Fish calls going

to the beach their "all time favorite thing."

Fish also has another very important pal in her life, and that is her "really neat little affectionate dog," Molly. Molly is a Westie that lives with the Fishes indoors and is "very close" to Phyllis.

The part of Fish's job that she enjoys the most is dealing with the students, who she said are all so "polite, sweet, and special." She said that anytime they ask for phone numbers, "it is always followed by a thank you."

The busiest part of her job is during times of bad weather like Hurricane Fran. The switchboard "lights up like a Christmas tree," she said.

Fish has two favorite students that have helped her out a lot—Christal Webber and Frankie Epps. Webber now works at the campus child care center, but Epps still works when Fish takes her lunch break.

Fish said that Webber still comes back to help her some-

times during Valentine's Day. They've both been and still are "helpful and best friends."

Now that Fish's son and daughter have moved out of the house, she says that Epps and Webber are "like family." All in all, Fish thinks Meredith is "a great school."



Phyllis Fish, switchboard operator, is there to guide all of the Meredith community through the telecommunication lines and receive their deliveries.

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Basketball wins again

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Meredith continued its winning ways with victories over Bennett College on Feb. 18 and North Carolina Wesleyan on Feb. 21 bringing their record to 19-2 for the season.

In action last Wednesday night, the Angels easily handled an outmatched Bennett team by beating them 83-47. From the tip-off, Meredith was in control of the ball and the score.

In fact, the best part of the game came early in the first half when Bennett's coach

was thrown out for harassing the referees with shouts including, "Go on and give me a technical [foul]!" Her ejection brought the crowd to a roar.

Saturday's game, the final home game of the season and "Senior Day," was a 63-43 win for the Angels. Sophomore Beth Goodale had 15 points and 15 rebounds, Junior Aedrin Murray added 15 points, and Junior Wendy Cooper scored 11 points.

Meredith closes out its season this weekend in Greensboro in the tournament.

Housing Change Week

March 16-20

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

All changes will be made during the week of March 16-20 in the Residence Life Office. The housing change hours are 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon and 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. No changes will be made after March 20 until the drop/add period Fall of '98.

Guidelines:

1. If space is not available, then you will not be able to change rooms.
2. Students who are already housed and do not want to change rooms will not be asked to change to accommodate someone else.
3. Students are prohibited from harassing and/or bribing students who do not want to move from their rooms. Violators will forfeit their right to change during the academic year.
4. All parties involved in a housing change must be present and/or they must send a representative. If a student cannot attend the housing change then she must send a letter stating that the change is OK.
5. The Residence Life Office will not approach other students to ask them to make any housing changes on behalf of another student. You are responsible for making your own arrangements. All changes must be approved and changed in the Residence Life Office March 16-20 during the designated times.

Remember that the deadline for housing change week is March 20, 1998, at 5:00 p.m. Thanks for your cooperation.

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