

# High Life

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## Seniors Comment On Leaving GHS

**Editor's Note:** Six seniors have commented on their mixed feelings about leaving GHS.

1. "Now as I have only about a week of high school left I find myself reflecting the things about high school that I have really enjoyed, those I have thought were rewarding and worthwhile, and those which I would change had I the opportunity to relive my three years at Grimsley.

"Over my three years I have met and become close friends with a variety of people. These people are no longer only faces I pass in the hall, but now they are individuals, each with a definite character of his own. I will miss not only these faces as I walk down another hall next year, but I will also miss the person, the human being beneath this face which has had such a great influence on my life."

2. "As I reflect over my three years, there are some activities of my three years which will remain with me as worthwhile and thrilling experiences. I think my main regret from high school and the thing which would change if I had these three years to relive is that I would set my values at the beginning and decide what I felt was important and devote my energy to that activity, I would ask myself two questions before entering any activity. 1) How worthwhile will this be for me? 2) Of what benefit will this be to others and will these benefits equal my time and energy? Had I done this I would have no regrets now."

"Since I'm not the sentimental type, I must be honest in saying that I am almost glad to leave, for although I have enjoyed my high school years I am ready for something new. Although I will miss some parts of high school these will be pleasant memories, ones I will never forget."

"On leaving Grimsley, I take with me the memories of many long nights of studying, many days of hard work, and the regrets that all can not be accomplished in three short years of September-June.

3. "If I were to leave any suggestion to those who will be here next year, it would be to determine to yourself to do a good job of one task. Select the facet of school life that means the most to you and do all you can to make it the best. The mistakes of spreading your talents and capability ties too thin, over several school projects or clubs, will leave you frustrated at having done less than your best on them all.

"There is someplace in Grimsley for any sort of talent or interest—it is left only for you to find and become a part of them. It is your responsibility to the school to do all you can to make it a better place by finding the one part of it you can improve."

4. "There are a lot of things to being a senior—and there are a lot of things to remember about this final year. Some of them will, of course, be happy memories you'll keep with a smile. Still, there are others you'll try to forget—things you would just as soon never recall. The whole business of graduation is perhaps a combination of both feelings. You have the feeling it is a bunch of over worked sentimentality, but you aren't sure either if you would want it any other way. You're excited about entering college and anxious to complete high school, but then you stop and think about the good friends you might never see again. You're sick and tired of the routine of

school, but you fail to realize that you have four or more years of routine to face in college. It doesn't matter, just as long as you don't have to face chemistry again—or whatever else was the "bane of your existence"—or so you thought at the time. In short, this last year is good—and it's horrible. It's a time to either grimace or smile as you look back. It's a time to cry at the

### Proctor's Desk Wins Three State Awards

Steve Proctor, senior, won the three highest awards plus a first place award at the 15th annual North Carolina Industrial Arts Exposition staged May 13 and 14 here in Greensboro.

His desk, which he started designing last September, won the Outstanding Achievement Award, the Ingenuity Award, the Industrial Arts Design Award (which he also won last year), and a first place ribbon.

Several months ago Steve and his desk were featured in THE TEEN-AGE RECORD at which time Steve remarked, "This desk is a lot more challenging than anything I've ever built." The other projects he was referring to include his corner cupboard and two end tables, all of which won awards in last year's Industrial Arts Exposition.

Steve worked long, tedious hours on his desk, some phases of the project often keeping him busy in the school wood-working shop until the "wee hours." "It was worth it," concludes Steve, who has now won a total of 10 awards for his Industrial Arts projects. His 1966 entries in the Exposition were in a field of 763 from throughout the state.

thought of it ending or be thankful that it's finally over. Maybe it's a time for both."

5. "Undoubtedly, each of us will carry something different with him when he leaves Grimsley. It may be the wonderful memory of friends and good times. It may be the pride of Grimsley's tradition and heritage, or the reward that comes from participating in some of the many extracurricular activities offered by the school.

"Grimsley is truly unique. In few other high schools can a student find the opportunities for the advancement that are present at Grimsley. The time comes now for each senior to ask himself: "How have I spent my years at Grimsley?" Many of us are apt to think on terms of what we have received from the school. This is only natural, but shouldn't we also think in terms of what we have contributed to the school? That is wherein the true

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Picture Credit, Jim Randolph  
Accepting the Playmasters cup presented by Miss Mozelle Causey on behalf of the Playmasters and the Dramatics Class are Ellen Kay and Taylor Green.

## Excerpts From John McNairy Speech

By John McNairy

Standing here this morning I can sincerely say that you, the members of the class of 1966, are truly ingenious, motivated, and talented. You have proven this to me and your fellow classmates through your actions and accomplishments. I want to thank each one of you for your fervent support of class projects such as ribbons.

You illustrated your imagination and driving spirit when you made up the slogans and enthusiastically hold them for the football games last fall. This was our only money making project of

the year and you made sure that it was a success by making a profit of over \$450.

Next, along came the Christmas season and another Christmas Pageant. You demonstrated your talent by making this year's pageant very successful and different. This was demonstrated by the strong ovation which the student body gave for the cast in "The Christmas Carol."

Then the time came for you to recognize 28 students who you felt were the most outstanding in our class. It is always a great honor to be voted by your peers as one who is superlative, and I

am sure that those who received this honor will never forget this distinction.

Now the clock has turned to the present, and you are busily working on Class Day. Well over two hundred seniors are working either in the cast itself or behind the scenes on various committees. I believe that I can safely say that this production will be highly successful and original. I say this because you have always been enthusiastic and ingenious in carrying out past projects of our class.

A committee is now also deciding on a gift to leave the school which future classes will recognize as being given by the class of '66. This gift will come from the money which you have helped to accumulate through your working on various class projects.

If I had time, I could go on and on about the achievements which you have accomplished as individuals such as scholastic, athletic, and music scholarships, but I won't because it would be too time consuming. However, I would like to recognize and thank one person in particular this morning. This individual is very devoted and indispensable to our class. She works harder and worries more than any of us realize. She has assumed responsibilities which others have refused to accept. I have grown to accept and respect the decisions of our class advisor, Miss Scarborough.

By being President of your class I have formed a closer relationship with the faculty and students. I have learned that there are usually good reasons why the administration doesn't allow certain things to be done. It has taught me to respect and listen to opinions of others even if I didn't agree with them. It has also given me the opportunity to attend student council conventions and make new friends around the state that I shall never forget. By attending these conventions, I have also learned many things which will always be of value to me. Indeed, the presidency has meant much to me and has made this year the most rewarding in my life. Thank you for giving me your co-operation.

## Seniors Dominate 1966 Awards Day; Scholarships, Talent Recognition Given

Awards Day 1966 brought honors and city-wide recognition to GHS students, the majority of them being seniors. The following is a roster of the awards and recipients as announced on Tuesday, May 24.

School Beautiful: Mary Amend, Craig Souza, Tom Long  
Civitan Best Citizen Award: John McNairy

Civitan Essay Cup: Linda McCall, Ken Maddrey

Business Education Award: Ann Robinson

Machine Shop Award: David Levinson

Drafting Award: Steve Proctor  
Woodworking Award: Steve Proctor

Band Award: Steve Adair  
Choir Award: Charleen Pyron

O'Henry Short Story Awards:

Mike Stang—first place, Janet Bernstein, second place

"I Dare You" Awards: Lynnrie Frierson, Tim Weikel

Betty Crocker Homemaking Award: Terri Bowman

Frances Jenkins Award: Sue Fortenberry

Sears Home Economics Awards:

Susan Lewis, Kay Vincent, Judy Rackley, Judy Smith, Sue Fortenberry, Martha Armstrong, Carol Luter, Pam Thompson, Rhonda McGehee

D.A.R.: Judy Ellstrom

Boys' State: Curtis Weaver, Lynn Rose

Girls' State: Bryant Holsenbeck  
Outstanding Business Education:

Ellen Lloyd, Judy Powers

A. M. S. Spelling Proficiency Award: Barbara Mullins

Outstanding Typist: Lynda Luter

A.M.S. Arithmetic Award: Penny Armistead

Secretarial Scholarship: Vivian Armistead

Physics Award: Mitchell Cohen

National Merit Scholarship: Ken Maddrey

PTSA Council Award: Austin Lybrand

Mathematics Award: Hardin Matthews

Spanish Honor Society Bond: Connie Giles

French Awards: David Labell, Julie Thayer

D.E. Award: Barbara Reed

DECCA "Why" Award: Barbara Reed

Pilot Club Award: Judy Ellstrom

HIGH LIFE Samuel J. Underwood Award: Jan Petrehn

Peggy K. Woodlief Award: Mrs. Peggy Woodlief

Whirligig Award: Kathy Hutton

Library Awards: Janice Shew, Linda George, Carole Bostick

Leslie Garret Art Award: Leslie Mitchell

Leslie Garret Scholarship: Ellen Taylor

Journigan Latin Award: Kathy Pearce

Junior Classical Leaque: Barbara Horney, Jim Alexiou

Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship: Gloria Howard

World Peace Speech Contest Award: Jan Petrehn

Voice of Democracy: Linda McKee

United Nations Speech Contest: Michael Scher

Playmasters Cup: Ellen Kay, Taylor Green

Debator Awards: Janice Younts, Jay Pringle

Ben L. Smith Student-Teacher Award: Tim Weikel, Miss Mary Blackmon

Wesley Long Auxiliary Scholarships: Mary White, Pam Hoyer, Linda Harmon, Marsha Lowe, Lorraine Nussbaum, Ellen Taylor, Martha Fenn

Torchlight Scholarship: Ann McFarland

Junior Jaycee Scholarship: Jim Randolph

Sears Scholarships: Steve Proctor, Marjorie Hanson, Janice Shew, Margaret Gunn, Nancy Penfield.

Exchange Clubs Scholarship: Ann McFarland

Gold Star Wearers: Steve Adair, Gigi Cooper, Steve Cumbie, Bob Eisenband, Judy Ellstrom, Bob Fjeld, Sallie Fulkerson, Beth Gibson, Margaret Gunn, Linda Harmon, Barbara Horney, Gloria Howard, Corrie Hutton, Katherine Hutton, Margie Israel, Carole Hester, Ellen Kay, Linda McCall, Hardin Matthews, Dianne Mitchell, Liz Morrah, Kathy Pearce, Linda Pearson, Doris Rouse, Marian Scott, Janice Shew, Martha Smith, Stephanie Smith, Cindy Speas, Sue Swart, Fran Upchurch, Martha Wilson.