

Former Editor Pursues Career In Music

by Carole Dolin

"Everybody's got something they do. Some knit, some sew, I sing. Music is a gift, and when you're able to sing something and it makes people happy, then it makes you happy."

These were the remarks of Lisa McDowell, former editor of HIGH LIFE. Lisa performs each Wednesday night at High Point's Stella d' Ora restaurant. Occasionally Cheryl Luteman, a 1978 Grimsley graduate, joins Lisa's performances.

Dim lights, cigarette smoke, and the rumble of low voices form the setting. Lisa sings softly with a touch of sweetness. Her fingers, moving in a rhythmic pattern against the guitar strings, hypnotize her listeners. Her eyes close as she feels for the heart of her songs.

Lisa plays country rock songs, including those of Emmylou Harris, John Den-

ver, and Linda Rondstadt, which are spiced up by a hint of Tennessee accent. The main attraction to country music for Lisa is the words. She believes the words are realistic, honest, and make good sense. Lisa also feels country music is easy to play, has a good beat, and most of all, people can relate to the music's meaning.

In addition to Lisa's job at Stella d' Ora, she was offered a job singing for the GGO's sponsors' breakfast. With help from these public appearances, support from her friends, and her ambition, Lisa hopes to enter professional singing in the future. She has the talent, and she has the confidence. This listener believes she will be a hit.

As she sings the song "Today," she sings of herself. "Today is my moment, and now is my story. I'll laugh, and I'll cry, and I'll sing."

Grimsley students study in vain because they are not following the necessary steps for better study habits. Perhaps they need some music or some quick energy food! See following article. [Garnett photo]



Ten Easy Steps To Better Study Habits

Since this is the final nine weeks of school, better study habits can only help the average GHS student. The following is a list of ten easy steps to better study habits, which was printed in HIGH LIFE in 1964.

By following these every night your grades should definitely change. (Unless, of course, you have been following them regularly.)

1. Never study in the same place each night. Why bore yourself with the same old

surroundings? A change of atmosphere will do you good.

2. Never study at the same time each day. It makes life too routine. Try all hours of the night. Schedules are no fun.

3. Always, always listen to the radio while you are studying. It adds variety to the lesson. After all, if studying becomes too distracting, you can always stop and listen to the radio.

4. The same rule applies to television. If you don't have a radio a television set will do. Homework can be done during commercials.

5. Always study your easiest subjects first. Don't worry about the harder ones. Besides, what's the point in working yourself to death if you're not going to understand it anyway?

6. Always take a break and get something to eat while studying. Do try not to take over five breaks an hour, because you might get too full and get indigestion. While we're on the subject

let me remind you to eat foods that will give you energy, like Mars candy bars and pickles.

7. Try to do as much of your homework -- at least fifty per cent -- as accurately as possible. Don't bother to perfect it. It's OK just as long as you barely pass.

8. Don't spend too long on your homework. Ten or fifteen minutes per subject will be adequate. After all, if you go to class prepared for the lesson, the teacher would probably have a kitten. On second thought...

9. Always be sure that papers to be handed in are illegible to read. That way the teacher won't know what's wrong with the paper.

10. Last but not least, comes the most important rule of all. Set aside part of every night to think of excuses for your teachers as to why you failed to turn in your homework, forgot your textbook, and flunked the course!

Birthday Activities Revive The Past

by Ginger Branton

GHS is original! It was originally the only public high school in Greensboro, and on May 19 and 20 will celebrate its Fiftieth Anniversary.

The first public school site was originally Saint Agnes Catholic Church in 1877. It was purchased by Superintendent George Grimsley (for whom Grimsley High School was named) in 1899, and opened as Greensboro High School in 1900. The building, which consisted of four classrooms and two laboratories, was used until 1911 when the school moved to Spring Street. This building was used as GHS until 1929 when the new school was completed on the current Westover Terrace location.

Saturday, May 19 and Sunday, May 20 are the dates for Grimsley's proud celebration of the past fifty years. The celebration will be an historical event with concerts, exhibits, visitation, excitement, and fun! The organizational duties are being led by Grimsley alumni Peter Byrd and Harry Bradley.

Concerts will be presented by Grimsley's band and or-

chestra, conducted by former Grimsley directors. Choral programs will also be featured.

Art exhibits will help beautify the campus buildings for visitation by former students, faculty, and the public.

Dr. Craig Phillips, Superintendent of the State Department of Public Instruc-

tion, will be the guest speaker.

Contests in athletic events will be included, such as a baseball game, to help round out the festivities.

The current students of GHS can make Grimsley's fiftieth year its best. The student body is urged to participate fully in this fiftieth anniversary celebration.

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