



News Analysis

## Draft Registration: A Moral Dilemma?

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Is draft registration a prelude to peacetime draft? Are most Americans in favor of the draft?

When his administration adopted registration in 1979, President Jimmy Carter stressed that it was only a precaution in the event of a national emergency and was in no way leading to a draft.

During the Presidential campaign of 1980, Ronald Reagan stated that he was against draft registration. Now, however, since Congress has approved Reagan's budget hikes in military spending, the President has changed his stand and supports draft registration. Since membership in the nation's standing army is sagging, it is only logical that there will have to be a draft to provide more men to operate the new military equipment.

Only seventy percent of the 18-year-old men who were to register for the draft complied with that order in 1981, compared with ninety-five percent in 1980. There were more than 400,000 registers last year alone. The deepening fear of a war with El Salvador and the Polish

crisis could be a major factor in this decline of registering young men.

On February 17, a group of demonstrators participated in a march on the U.N.C.G. campus that was sponsored by "Students Concerned About Central America." The demonstration was called to protest the involvement of the U.S. in El Salvador. It "was intended to express the group's dislike towards the draft and to inform the students about the seriousness of the El Salvador problem," according to one of the protesters.

While protests such as this one have not reached the levels of those of the 1960's, it is apparent that a growing number of Americans are not in favor of a draft. In a national poll taken in September of 1981 by NBC television, forty-one percent of these surveyed did not favor the draft.

Despite this clear opposition on the part of many Americans, it seems the draft is inevitable. An unstable world economy, Communist influence in Central America, and especially in military spending make it clear that it is.

## Hodge Leads High IQ; Team Wins First Match

Under the leadership of team captain Charles Hodge, Grimsley's top seeded High IQ team, composed entirely of seniors, won its first match of the year against eighth-seeded Smith.

During one of the group's practice sessions, Mr. Bert Whisenant, the team's advisor, revealed the selection process by which Hodge was selected captain. After the elimination of several students competing for positions, Hodge's "all-round ability" to field questions and to work as a team member provided him an "inside track." Other positions were designated on the basis of concentrated areas

such as mathematics, current events, history, and literature.

Team member Michelangelo Grigni ranks among the top five high school mathematics students in the country.

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## GHS Clubs: Service Or Social?

Recently Dr. Bonny Baur, GHS principal, requested from club presidents a list of each service club's enrollment and activities. According to Baur, there had been some public criticism about the service clubs turning into "social clubs."

In light of this criticism, Baur felt that her request was a fair way to find out

which clubs were in fact "service clubs" and which were not.

After Baur's request which she stated was "not to harass, but to protect," rumor quickly spread that service clubs were to be disbanded. Baur emphasized that this is not true. If the clubs are going to take the name of "Grimsley service

Rob Gay scores two points in the fourth quarter to put the Whirlies up by four.

The Whirlies, however, lost by one to defending 4-A state champions, Chapel Hill.

(Sykes Photo)



Whirlies-40 Tigers-41

## Grimsley Falls By One

As Mike Hinson's shot rolled in and out, Grimsley's basketball season came to an abrupt end. The Whirlies were within an eyelash of upsetting Chapel Hill before falling 41-40 in the first round of the state 4-A playoffs.

From the outset, the game was a nip and tuck battle. Grimsley managed to maintain a slim lead in the second half until John Davis hit a free throw with five seconds left to put Chapel Hill on top. The Whirlies threw the inbounds pass to half court and

called timeout to set up Hinson's last shot.

Once again Hinson and Polk pulled the load with 17 and 11 points respectively. Grimsley finished the season with a 19-7 record.

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Second year girls varsity basketball coach Ron Hartsook took a deep breath after a 74-51 defeat to Chapel Hill, the defending 4-A state champions. The March 2 defeat was the worst of the season for the Whirlies.

The score, however, does not reflect the game; the girls had the ball with six

minutes left in the game and a chance to cut the lead to four. But fate was not on their side as All-American Pam Leake grabbed one of her 20 rebounds and drove for two of her 28 points.

Conference Player of the Year, Ann Treadway, scored a game high 32 points, and Lynn Floyd contributed 12 more.

The girls loss to High Point Andrews, 46-43 in the conference championship, set up the game with Chapel Hill.

The Whirlies finished their season 19-3 overall and 9-1 in the conference.

## Computer Program Helpful, 'Fun'

Grimsley students now have another avenue open to them in helping to decide on a school and/or career. This is a computer program called CHOICES.

According to Mr. Bernard Henkle, GHS career counselor, this computer can give students educational information as well as occupational information. It is linked to a central computer bank in North Carolina's Research Triangle.

A student receives a hand-

book to use in conjunction with the computer. One may ask questions ranging from general ones to ones concerning their own personal interests in comparison to established professionals in a selected field. The student gets to keep the computer printout.

Henkle is enthusiastic about the program, emphasizing that it is a personal yet fun way to learn more about prospective schools and careers.

Vocational-education students have the first chance to use the computer which is on temporary loan to the school. However, Henkle seems to think that if enough students show an interest, the school could have the loan period extended. Interested students should contact Henkle in the Guidance Office.

In addition to the computer, the Guidance Office has other occupational information of interest to students in such publications as "Where Tomorrow's Jobs Will Be," and "Job Outlook: 1985", with figures of predicted job openings available and salaries. One can receive other information like this by writing to:

The Bureau of Labor Statistics  
1371 Peachtree St. N.E.  
Atlanta, GA 30367  
and asking for information about future jobs.

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