

GHS High IQ -- A Tradition Of Excellence



Mr. Whisenant, Carl Henry Greshwind, Mark Goldman, Rick Covington, Rob Clegg, Beverly Bryant, and Billy Vehorn pose after a tough practice. They plan to carry on the "tradition of excellence" that was started in 1970.

By Eddie Drew

Continuing in Grimsley's "tradition of excellence," the 1983 High I.Q. team has been practicing for competition since its first meeting on October 15.

Five out of thirteen students have been chosen for this year's competition. They are: Carl-Henry Geschwind, Beverly Bryant, Rob Clegg, Mark Goldman, and Bill Vehorn.

Mr. Bert Whisenant has been advisor for the GHS High I-Q team for fourteen years. Whisenant is noted for having three championship titles from his 1970, 1980 and last year's 1982 teams. Most of Whisenant's teams have made it to the finals.

Whisenant expresses confidence in this year's team. "It has the potential to be an extremely strong team," he states emphatically.

Much practice is involved for competition readiness. The team spends approximately one to two hours three days a week reading and studying questions from previous matches, and listening to tapes.

Members of the team urge sophomores and juniors who are interested in High I.Q. to attend meetings. Bryant feels it is educational to attend practice, "It's good experience for people wanting to go out. Especially when you become a senior and wished you came before," she says.

Much frustration and tension occurs during practice. Team captain Geschwind comments, "It really upsets the balance of mind, but, hey, it's fun!"

The preliminary competition, which narrows the field of forty regional high schools to the top eight teams having the most points, will be held on February 5.

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National Education Week -- A Lasting Tradition

By Alise Weinstein

National Education Week has been celebrated in Greensboro for as long as many educators can remember.

This year it was held November 14 through 20, and the theme was "A Strong Nation Needs Strong School."

All of the schools, elementary through senior high were honored this week in many ways. Here at Grimsley there were many activities in celebration of education.

Each morning on the intercom there were special topics discussed

to promote the theme. On Monday, the history of Grimsley High School was discussed and it was presented by Erik Albright

Tuesday, Torchlight, the National Honor Society was the topic (which was presented by Mike Moses.)

EAR, Encouragement and Recognition, which is a PTSA committee that recognizes honor roll and citizenship was the subject on Wednesday, announced by Kathy Moran.

On Thursday information on the Advanced Placement courses

was spoken by Reba Morehead

Finally, on Friday, the topic was the Gifted and Talented Program and sophomore Darin Alston made the presentation.

In honor of National Education Week, there was a courtesy luncheon on November 18 for some of the parents who have done volunteer work in the clinic and the guidance offices.

Some members of the PTSA Board, class presidents, and the student body president were also invited. The menu for the luncheon was the regular cafeteria food and the luncheon began during the early lunch period and continued through the late lunch period.

Each year there are many goals which National Education Week hopes to attain. This year there were four major goals: 1. to increase public understanding and appreciation of the schools; 2. to encourage parents to visit their children's schools at least once a year; 3. to secure civic and community support for measures to improve the school; and 4. to help students gain an appreciation of what schools are doing for them.



JROTC members Michael Fitzgerald, Marvin Garland, Daryl Grisson, and Darius Oakes, helped to carry on the Education Week tradition by presenting the flags at the opening ceremonies in downtown Greensboro. (Rob Chesire Photo)



Two of the talented painters strive to complete the painting of the Home Economics building. (Rob Chesire Photo)

Painters Liven Grimsley

By Allen Patterson

Since last Christmas, Greensboro City School maintenance personnel have been painting both the inside and outside of Grimsley's buildings.

Since the work began, the Vocational Building, the Music Building, the walkways, the exteriors of the gymnasium and auditorium, the first floor of the Main Building and the second floor hall have been completed.

The painting is much needed because it has been seven years since the school was painted, excluding the gymnasium and also several doors around the campus which have to be painted repeatedly because of vandalism.

GHS Principal, Dr. Bonny Baur, respectfully referred to as "Mama" by the painters is choosing all the colors to be used in the painting of Grimsley. Dr. Baur is sticking to a basic color scheme of yellow for the interior of the buildings, which is attractive and easy to match (in case of damage). Most of the original colors are being kept on the exteriors of the buildings.

Roger Roof, Jack Way, and J.C. Westmoreland, crew chief, are the only painters. They have been working in conjunction with the plasterers, who have been filling holes and cracks in Grimsley's buildings.



The basement of the Main Building is serving as the temporary workshop/headquarters for the painters, who travel from school to school, year to year, as painting is needed. It is hoped that the work at Grimsley will be completed by next summer. Then there will probably be another lengthy span before any work is done again. Dr. Baur expresses the hope that students "will respect the work" that has been done and not try purposefully to damage it.

Campus Happenings

SSBAG

SSBAG (Student School Board Action Group) is a city-wide group of students that was established seven years ago.

This group consists of eleven (11) representatives from the Optional School and the Open High School.

The representatives are: Student body presidents, class presidents, student affairs presidents, inner club council presidents, ROTC representatives, newspaper representatives, a student at large from each school, athletic representatives, and bus driver representatives.

Some of the ideas SSBAG discusses deal with the Little Four Basketball Tournament, teacher evaluation, incorporation of the ninth grade into the high schools, and other city school-wide problems. These ideas then are relayed to the school board and other officials.

Service Clubs

The Service Clubs of GHS have been active during the first nine weeks of school. These clubs provide services not only for Grimsley but for other schools as well.

There was almost full participation of the clubs in the Homecoming Projects. The Junior Jayettes received an honorable mention, while the Civinettes received second place. Claiming the trophy for first place was the Exchange Club.

Presently some clubs are participating in other school activities and are involved in fund raisers. The Jayettes were selling Current products and the Exchangettes are going to sell pens. A Christmas Dance will be sponsored by the Civinettes, and all proceeds will go to the Association of Retarded Citizens. The Key Club continues to sell bumper stickers for \$1.00.