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Success Acquired By Music Department

Jazz Band

The Jazz Band recently returned from a successful venture to UNC-Chapel Hill to participate in a state jazz contest. Twelve area jazz bands competed for different ratings ranging from superior to average.

Grimsley's Jazz Band received two superior ratings. Not only that, they placed first among all twelve jazz bands. Eric Hipp received recognition for best soloist.



Mrs. Force, Adam Golden Burg, Liz Johnson, Jon Kivett, Stephanie Williams, Clark Oakes, Evone Hartgrove, Joey Elder, Dyane Walker, and Steve Howard pose after a long practice.

Honor

Students

Screened

By Jay Floyd

AP (Advanced Placement) and GT (Gifted and Talented) courses are offered to those somewhat academically superior students who may be repeating subject matter injected in the everyday classroom. Separate criteria are used to select students into these honorable courses. Both AP and GT classes are dominated by carefully screened students labeled as exceptionally bright.

In order to be accepted into a GT class, a candidate's IQ (Intelligence Quotient) is checked, Achievement Test scores are submitted, and a final score is reached by the use of a point system employed for each area. If a student reaches a predetermined score, that student is considered Gifted and Talented, and is enrolled, upon request, into the honors course applied for.

The AP acceptance system utilizes a point system also, but uses a slightly different criteria. Past grades in the area applied for are reviewed and points are attained. Likewise, points are attained in areas such as SAT scores, teacher recommendations, and a specialized test administered to achieve a better overview of the candidate's knowledge in a particular field.

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GHS Madrigals

By Lisa Earley

The Madrigal Singers, a group of sixteen specially selected Grimsley High School students, will attend a national choral contest in Atlanta's Six Flags Over Georgia on April 28 through 30.

They are able to perform a variety of vocal styles including Renaissance, classic, and vocal jazz. They are sometimes required to choreograph their jazz numbers.

In addition to the contest at Six Flags, the Madrigals were also featured on the "P.M. Magazine" Christmas Special and received a superior for their performance at State Contest in February. The judge (Dr. Barbara Bair, UNC-G)

said that they "performed with the musical intelligence of a college group."

Many after-school hours are devoted to perfecting the group's sound and performance level. As a result of this extra work the group is a very close-knit unit, part of the reason for their success. "Every year I think that the next year's Madrigal Singers surely could not top the previous year, but every year they surpass themselves," says Ms. Marta Force, director of the group. "I'm very proud of them."

Madrigal music was the most popular in England, France, and

Italy during the Renaissance period, a time of lace and frills. The texts are filled with flowering phrases of ardor and promise of love, yet beneath the surface is often found that the suitors' promises are "tongue-in-cheek."

In order to be a Madrigal Singer, one must audition for Ms. Force. This year's Madrigal Singers are Kim Adams, Karen Covington, Fran Cahoon, Joey Elder, Adam Goldenburg, Steve Howard, Jon Kivett, Evone Hartgrove, Liz Johnson, Lezlie Fort, Clark Oakes, Mark Robertson, Collin Scott, Jeanette Smith, Dyane Walker, and Stephanie Williams.

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Drinking: Learn To Be Responsible

By Tamera Majors

On February 28, 23 days after four teenage boys were killed due to an alcohol related accident, Grimsley PTSA felt that there was a desperate need for an informative lecture on alcoholism for students, teachers, and parents. The lecture was entitled, "Responsible Drinking and Responsible Decision Making," and the speakers, both from

UNC-G, were Carolyn Brewer and Pat Carter.

Throughout Mrs. Brewer's persuasive speech, she emphasized the need to face and identify a decision before making it. "Think about all the facts and then decide what's best for you. Decisions are important for everyone whether they concern drinking or not." The information obtained from Brewer was

useful and informative, but it didn't seem to be as popular as the controversial issue, concerning alcohol, spoken by Pat Carter.

As Alcohol Education Coordinator for UNC-G, Carter is an experienced professional on the facts, fallacies, and effects of alcohol, as well as knowledgeable on the responses of teenagers and adults.

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Make-Up Days Disrupt Break

By Tamera Majors and Jay Floyd

There have been harsh and bitter feelings toward the decision of the Greensboro Public School Board concerning the two days that were missed due to bad weather. These tense feelings come from teachers as well as students.

Many students had previously made arrangements to be out of town over the Easter Holidays, as is an annual tradition of many Greensboro Citizens. Then, due to inclement weather, two days were taken from the vacation period, making it necessary to remain in Greensboro for four days, because the "make-up days" come after week-end. Students and faculty

have been severely angered by the School Board's decision.

The state's plan of a five-day allowance for days missed due to bad weather has been adopted by the Guilford County School System, but the Greensboro City School Board thought it would be in the best interest of all involved to reject the plan.

This change in schedule is very costly. Reservations, which have been made in various vacation spots, cannot be altered leaving the rented rooms empty for at least four days in order to escape the inevitable unexcused absences.

Imagine. If one-third of Grimsley's population is going to the beach, and they are forced to remain in Greensboro for four days, the following may occur: an estimated cost of twenty dollars per person for the four days missed multiplied by the possible five hundred people who are traveling to the beach, results in a total of ten thousand dollars wasted. This waste of money could have been avoided if the School Board had voted to adopt the five day allowance for make up snow days.

Perhaps with persuasion from teachers, parents, and students the policy could be accepted and applied in the 1983-84 school year.

News Update

Student Council

Wednesday, March 1, the Student Council held an important meeting concerning the "Acts of

God." The "Acts of God" states that the first five days of inclement weather or any other conditions will not be made up.

As of this day, the County School System acts upon this law while Greensboro City School Board has rejected this proposal.

In conjunction with the Student Council of Page, headed by Walker Poole, Erik Albright, Grimsley Student Body President, is proposing that the students and their parents petition the School Board with letters and phone calls to the board members themselves concerning this subject of make-up days.

Leaflets and petition papers were distributed throughout homerooms at Grimsley and Page. The letters and petition papers signed by each school's student body president will be collected by other Student Council members as the week progresses.

High IQ Team Continues Tradition

By Alise Weinstein

Intelligence, practice and results are the key words in the success of our 1982-83 High IQ Team. The team entered this year's competi-

tion seeded number one, and they hope to defend their champion title again this year.

The first televised match, which Grimsley won, was played on Saturday, February 26 against Dudley. Even though Dudley was seeded number eight, the match

score rotated back and forth. The half time score was 119 to 107 in

favor of Grimsley and the final score was 245 to 153.

In the semi-final round which will be held on March 19, Grimsley will play the Greensboro Day

School. If Grimsley should win that match, they will go for the cham-

pionship on April 4. The other two remaining teams in the competition

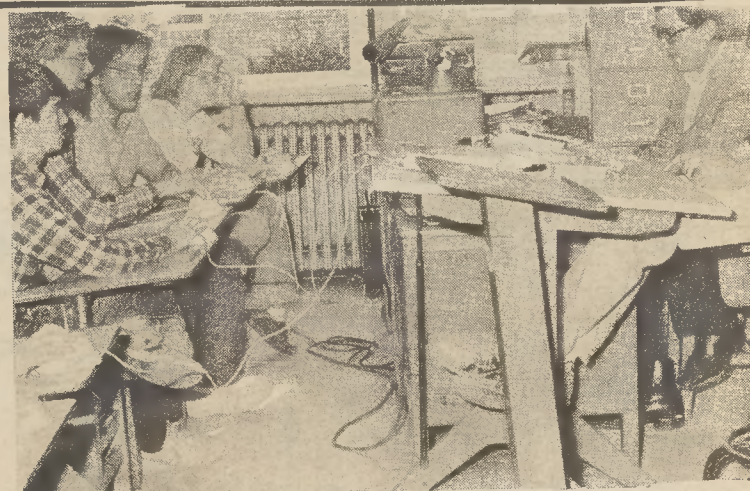
are the North Carolina School of Math and Science and Winston-Salem Reynolds.

Mr. Bert Whisenant, the GHS High IQ coach, said, "I hope our students at Grimsley know how

much time and effort the team puts in High IQ competition to represent the school." He also stated that they have been practicing and

reviewing since October for this year's competition, some since their sophomore and junior years.

He is also encouraging any interested sophomore or junior to come by Room 404 after school to practice with the varsity team.



High IQ team practices after school in Mr. Whisenant's room. (Cheshire photo)