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Around Campus

Thanksgiving food given to the needy

Thanksgiving was made a little happier for three families in the community, with the help of students at Grimsley. After being assigned families by the Salvation Army, Courtney Scanlan and Melissa Benson, co-chairs of the Student Affairs Committee, gave each homeroom a box for their canned food contributions. Food was collected for a few weeks and the homeroom with the most cans won a doughnut party. Hedy Thevaos' homeroom won with a total of 54 cans. Each family was given a box of food and any leftover cans were picked up by Urban Ministries.

Students also collected money during early and late lunch for turkey dinners for each family. After noticing that seniors were not giving, representatives were sent to homerooms. Courtney Scanlan was a little disappointed in the students' participation but says, "It is always a good feeling to help someone out who is less fortunate."

Weaverfest draws 2700

Approximately 2700 people attended this year's WeaverFest which was held November 21. According to assistant principal Ralph Jarrett this number was large number of parents. Jarrett was pleased with the celebration. "We had better luck attracting parents, which was our major goal," he said. He added that the most popular attractions were the parent tours and the dance performance. Visitors also participated in an electronic music performance, the dessert reception, displays, a plant auction, and fudge booth.

18 year old males need to register

Barry Miller, North Carolina State Director of Selective Services, reminds all young men that they must register with Selective Services within 30 days of their 18th birthday according to federal law. Miller noted that the names of those that do not comply with the federal ordinance will be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice. Failing to register is a felony under federal law, and those who do not will be punishable by a fine of \$250,000 and/or imprisonment of five years.

Miller reminds all young men that if they have not registered yet they can in any local post office.

Spanish Club learns once again to share their good fortune

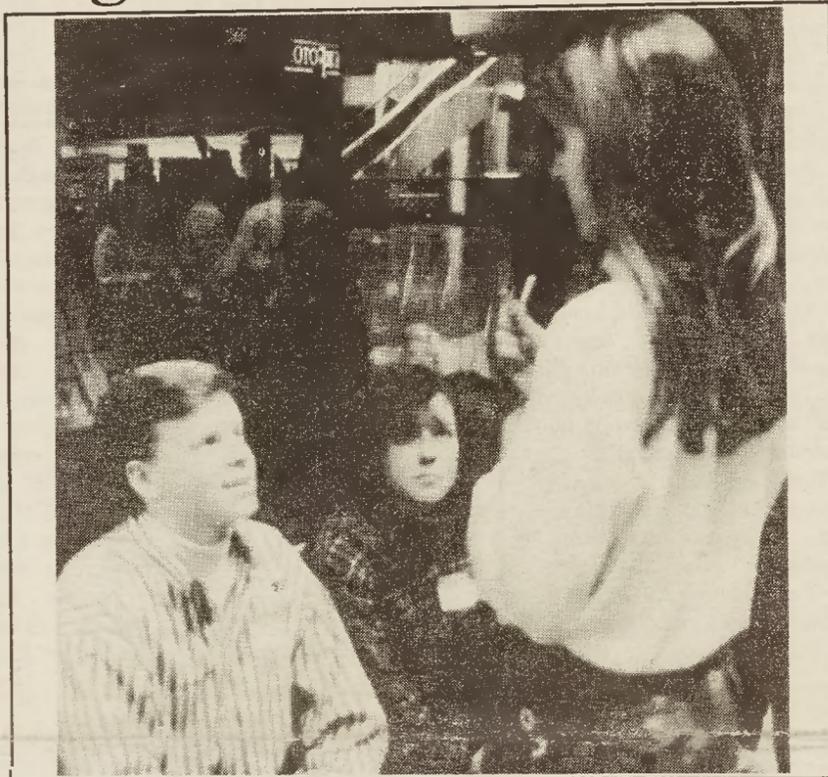
By Lisa Kaiser

"It is important for students and teachers at Grimsley to learn to share their good fortune with everyone" states Susan Inscoc, head of the Advanced Spanish Club. Inscoc started the idea of the helping the Empty Stocking Fund when she was a teacher at Jackson Middle School. Every year she persuaded her students at Jackson to participate in the Greensboro and Guilford County Fund drive. When she came to Grimsley, she brought her ideas with her. For four years she has been coordinating and organizing her Spanish club to raise money for the drive.

Along with raising money for the Empty Stocking Fund Drive, the club also spends one morning assisting handicapped persons with their holiday shopping. This year's event took place December 5 at Four Seasons Town Center when members of the club assisted clients from Gateway Center.

The Empty Stocking Fund Drive is a program sponsored by the Greensboro Jaycees, the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves and the Greensboro News and Record. As contributions are sent in, the money is spent on gifts such as toys, hats, sweatshirts, books and other presents. The gifts will then be placed in stockings and sent to children twelve and under, in Greensboro and Guilford county, whose families are less fortunate and unable to afford these gifts.

Grimsley is only one of the many schools and organizations which participate in the drive, but last year alone Grimsley raised \$1200, which was



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Whirlies help in handicapped shopping program

the largest contribution of anyone. Of all the Spanish classes last year which took part in the drive, the one class which raised the most money saw a movie and ate tacos during their class period as a bonus. "I like having the class work together for a common goal. Sometimes they develop their own personality or common bond," says Inscoc. This year Inscoc does plan on having something for the class who raises the most money,

but is not sure what it will be, yet.

Along with the Empty Stocking Fund Drive, the Advanced Spanish club participates in many other activities. They have played a volleyball game against Page, and won. They will be playing in a softball game against Page later in the year and have already participated in a donut sale. They are also going to sponsor a teachers breakfast for their second year.

Debate Team has done outstanding job

By Jill Robbins

Resolved: The Speech and Debate Team has done an outstanding job in the first year of its existence according to Deborah Childers, coach of the rejuvenated program.

The team is affiliated with the National Forensics League (NFL) which holds tournaments across the country. Awards given at the tournaments, are determined by the number of NFL points the student receives. Grimsley's team has won seven. Mandy Fields won second place in cross examination debate; Brian Dimmick, sixth place as congressman; Myra Scott and Sara Fuller, fourth place each in cross examination debate; Jaya Kasibhatla, second place in cross examination debate; and Mandy Fields and Michael Fogarty received third place each in cross examination debate.

"Contrary to what most people know of the team, there is much more than debating involved," said Childers. "Many students are discouraged from entering the team because of this misconception. "There is something for everyone," she added.

Students can find their own niche in the nine different events in which competition is held. Among these events are Lincoln-Douglas, cross examination debate, extemporaneous speaking, original oratory, dramatic interpretation, and student congress. Lincoln-Douglas is a one on one debate while the cross examination debate involves two against two. Both extemporaneous speaking and original oratory call for an eight minute speech. Although in extemporaneous speaking the student is given only 30 minutes to prepare a speech. In dramatic interpretation, a student is given a script

and may act it out in any way. Student congress includes playing the roles of congressmen and representatives.

Childers described the team as being very diversified. Football players, swimmers, and students involved in a number of extra curricular activities have roles in the team. Since the season runs until the first of April, the team can be very flexible for busy students. Childers extends an invitation to all students interested in joining the team. Team member, Kerri Knight, also encourages students to join the team "because debating is a great way to make friends all over the state, learn a lot and have fun."

Sponsored by the Summit Rotary Club, the team was given \$2000. to pay for tournament fees and transportation cost. According to Jaya Kasibhatla they

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