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THEY WANT YOU!

MILITARY RECRUITERS INFILTRATE HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUSES AROUND THE COUNTRY

As seniors prepare to experience the "post high school" life, and underclassman contemplate what they want to do after graduation, recruiters from the Marines, Army, Navy, and Air Force take on a mission to find young, healthy individuals to enlist.

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Newly formed club serves students, community, nature

Anthropomilieu

BY MELLISA BYRD
Reporter

Members of the new organization called Anthropomilieu collaborate with students to promote the environment and to help serve the Greensboro community. Club members will collect donations of used dresses and make them available on loan to prom attendees free of charge.

Seniors Diana Coons and Alison Harmon created the organization. The ambitious students' club is the offspring of their ideas for environment and services clubs. This club requires a name that will reflect its positive attitude and anticipated impact. "Anthrop" meaning human and "milieu" meaning environment combine to create the club's bold name.

Currently, Anthropomilieu has

roughly 25 members, anticipating future growth. A wide range of volunteer opportunities will be open to students. One of the projects in store for Anthropomilieu is "The Dress Drive."

"The dresses are intended to be loaned to girls who can not afford their own," says Coons. Dresses will be in stock and ready for loan in time for this year's The Woman Is Required to Pay (TWIRP) dance and prom. Any girl who wants to select a gown from the wardrobe collection is welcome to look. Donations the organization will collect include any prom accessories or men's wear.

In the weeks preceding dances, dresses will be on display to girls. Exact locations and dates will be announced before each event.

"It will be without charge,"

said Harmon, "but we do ask that, if possible, those who use them dry-clean them." Any student willing to donate a gently used item can bring it to either of the presidents or to Lynn Rozelman in Room 207.

Coons and Harmon also plan to collect used magazines. Profits made from turning in magazines to the recycling center will go to the school. The donated profit will pay the difference of the cost of buying recycled paper.

While the club is currently in its single-school stage, Harmon and Coons have their sights set on all of Guilford County. The young women hope to expand their service projects to include a broader spectrum of the community.

Regular meetings will begin Oct. 19 in the outdoor classroom behind the Old Science building. For more information on Anthropomilieu, visit www.freewebs.com/anthropomilieu.

Benchmarks set latest standard for quarterly testing

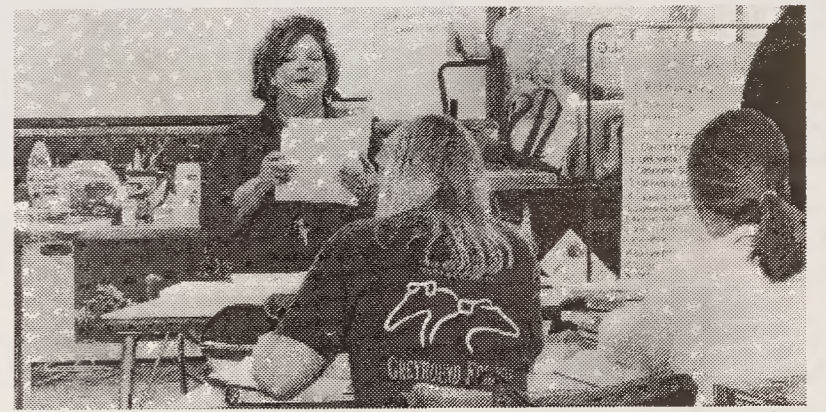
Beginning this school year, teachers must administer tests every nine weeks on material the Standard Course of Study demands

BY WILL BAYLISS
Reporter

The latest buzzword in teacher conversations in Guilford County Schools is "benchmarks." Benchmarks are county-administered tests designed to determine where a student is in his or her academic development and to allow the district to take a uniform measurement of student achievement. While benchmarks have existed for over ten years, new changes have required teachers on a traditional schedule to administer them quarterly, rather than just twice a year as done previously.

The newly implemented system makes use of pacing guides, akin to a calendar of events for teachers. Pacing guides denote material teachers should cover in time increments, allowing them to prepare their students for benchmarks properly.

"It implies the order in which



Ms. Catherine Barnhardt prepares her class for the Marine Science Benchmark that helps determine a student's academic development.

state objectives should be taught. Additionally, it indicates a weighted emphasis on each objective to be taught," said GCS Director of Curriculum and Instruction Amy Holcombe. Some teachers are concerned about a lack of flexibility with the new pacing guides because the instrument dictates what an instructor must cover within a given amount of time.

"Pacing 'guides' delineate what is taught, not how it is taught," said Holcombe, ensuring teachers that creativity is still an essential part of delivering the curriculum.

Research from school systems that have already implemented benchmarks indicates that they are resulting in higher

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Grimsley: historically sound



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Above, the front entrance of Grimsley invites students and guests to the main building that the National Register of Historic Places deemed a cultural resource worthy of preservation. The National Register is part of a program that intends to identify and protect historic and archeological resources.

The National Register of Historic Places recognizes Grimsley as a landmark.

BY HALEY PHILLIPS
Reporter

The National Register of Historic Places added Grimsley High School to its list of "cultural resources worthy of preservation" this fall on Sept. 7. According to its website, the National Register is part of a program that intends to "identify, evaluate, and protect our historic and archaeological resources" by preserving sites deemed important to history.

The school's Alumni Association spearheaded its application

to the National Register.

"As an alumni, I just felt like Grimsley had a certain architectural treasure to it and I thought it needed to be recognized and preserved," said Tim Wiekell, who worked on the project as a member of the association's board of directors.

Buildings must meet specific criteria in order for the National Register of Historic Places to recognize them. Each site must be at least 50 years old and demonstrate some important historical or architectural significance.

"There has to be something significant about the school. It has to be a good representative of the architecture of the time it was built, and certainly

Greensboro Senior High School was," said Harry Bradley, who worked on the project and oversees the school's archives.

The application process took a year to complete. Members of the Alumni Association worked with a consultant to create a 60-page composite about each of the school's three original buildings: the science building (now Old Science), the main building, and the cafeteria, all completed in September of 1929.

"Grimsley is different because it has so many different buildings, as opposed to being one large central building. This is a different style of building from what the prevailing style at the time was," said Bradley.



Police Brutality

Students celebrated on Sept. 30, 2005, but some fans' excitement turned sour.
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Dodgeball

Can you handle the intensity and pressure of a dodgeball game?
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