

GREENSBORO GRIMSLEY SR HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION



History of GHS-Page Game Spirit T-Shirts

No matter what happened on the field ...we ALWAYS beat'em at the bank!!

For many years many clever people designed and sold Page Game Spirit T-shirts as a fundraiser. We thought you might enjoy seeing some selected shirts from past years....many styles sold out within hours of being offered....GHS clubs and organizations benefitted. This "t-shirt war" began in 1984 with the Slime Page shirt inspired by the release of the first Ghostbusters movie..... response was enthusiastic and the shirt sold out twice benefitting the choral department. Why?

EVERY year we were sure that **THIS** year we would win the annual football game against Page High School. Pep Rallies, Spirit weeks, bonfires, hijinks, clever pranks.... the stories are legendary. We'd field a terrific team forecast to win but winning always seemed to elude us. With enthusiasm and great predictions we thought we would triumph and almost **EVERY** year they'd beat the snot out of us, sometimes by a wide margin and oftentimes by a crushingly slim margin.....so strong an influence was this event that to this day it continues

to draw the largest crowds of students, alumni and community such that attendance at this event surpasses homecoming and graduation.

The t-shirts illustrate a chance to take a "swipe" at our opponent in an attempt to influence a contest for which the students had no other control. Mind you, we won the game just enough to keep those hopes high. The shirts are witty and clever but never cruel or vulgar. Insults, however, were a given. In spite of defeats the eternal optimism and high spirits shown by GHS students helped to provide a great life lesson. Some think this is the reason so many of our students came to understand that a single defeat was just that and losses would often make you stronger... they leaned to give it their "all" and to persevere ... as a result that game was the only thing Page beat us at. This often disappointing fall game built a resolve and inspired our students to become extraordinarily strong in academics and character on and off the field and in and out of the stands.

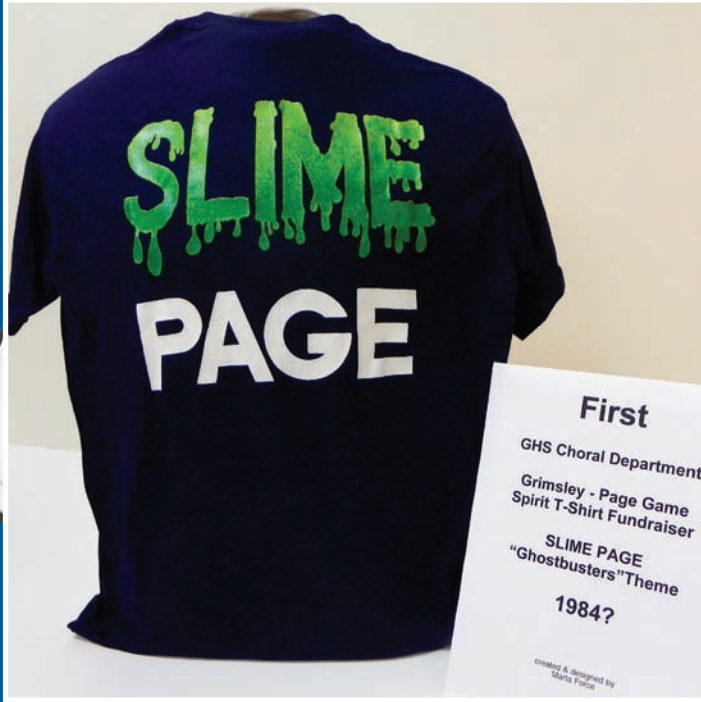
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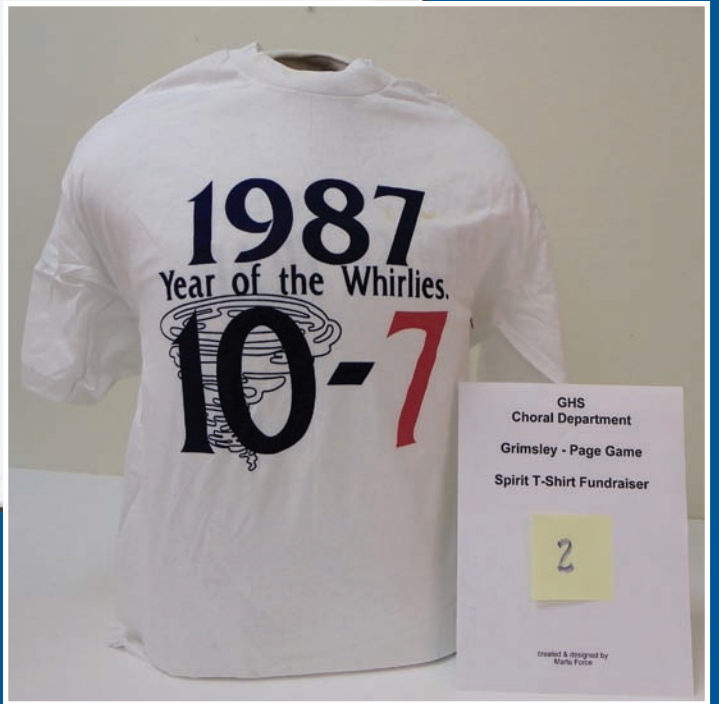
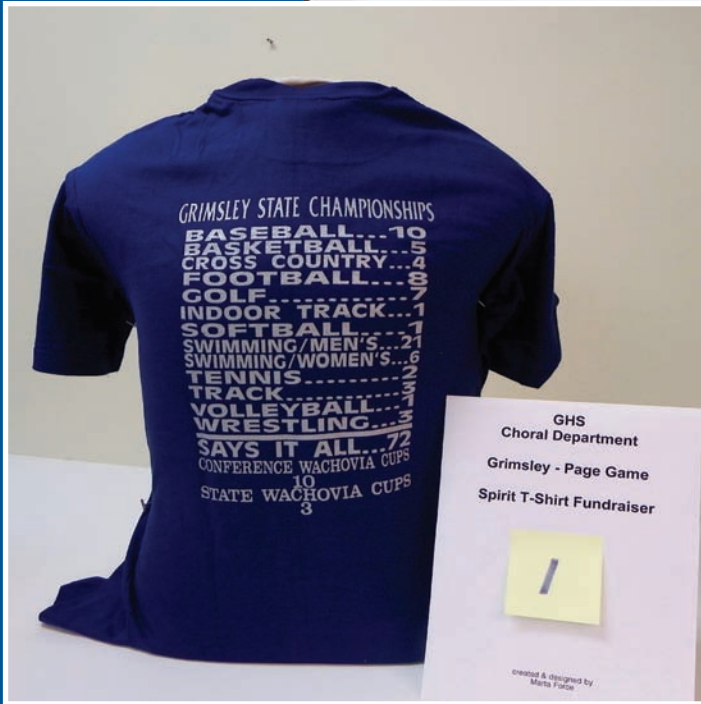
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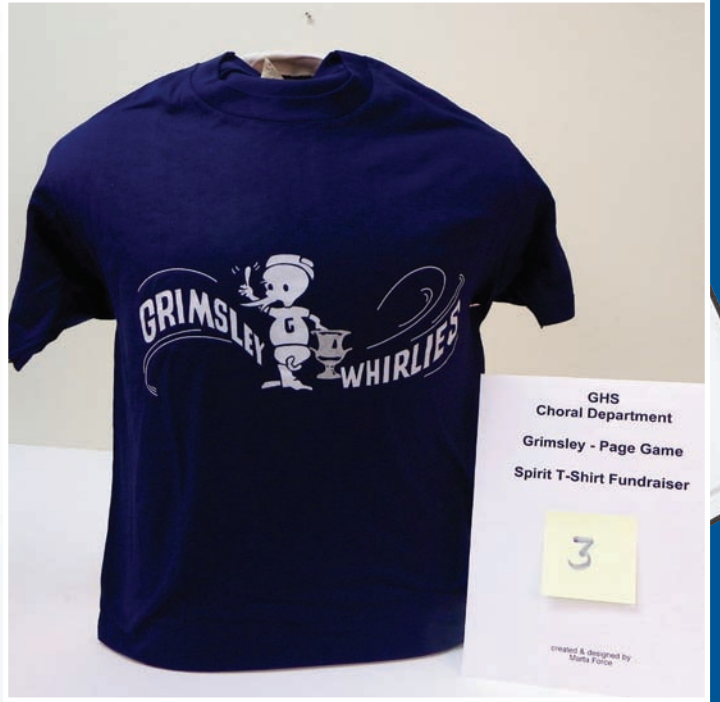
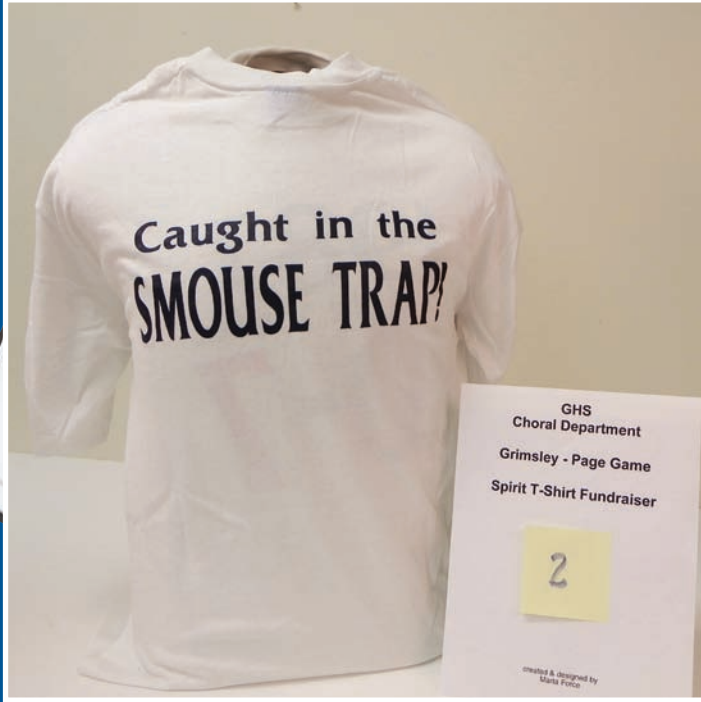


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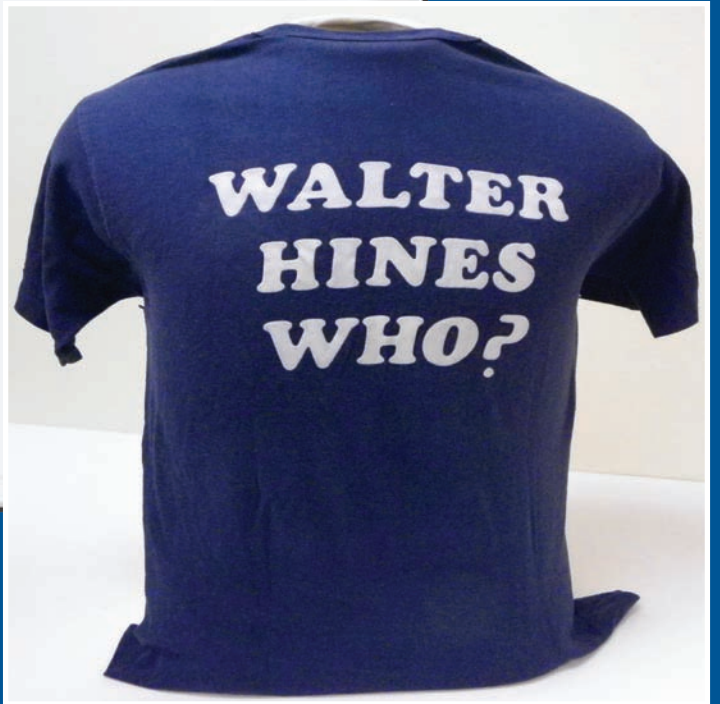
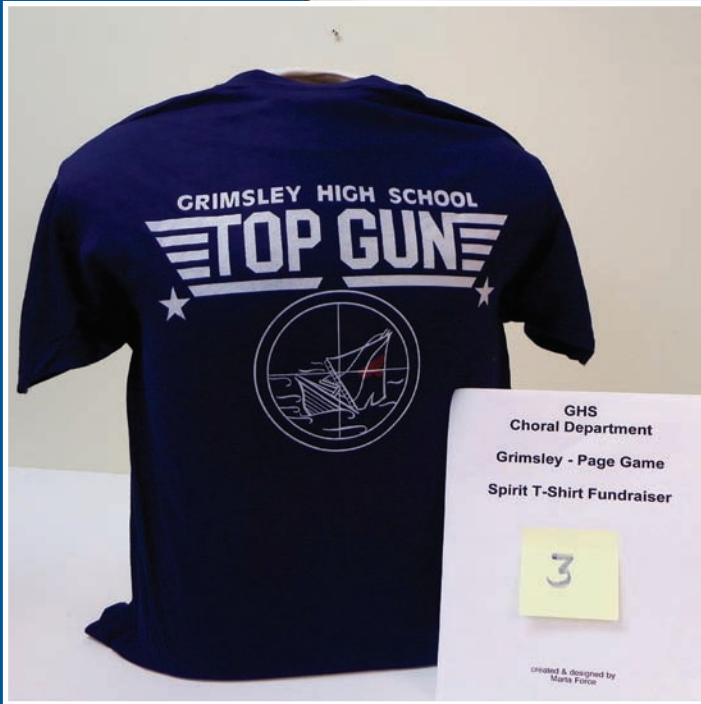


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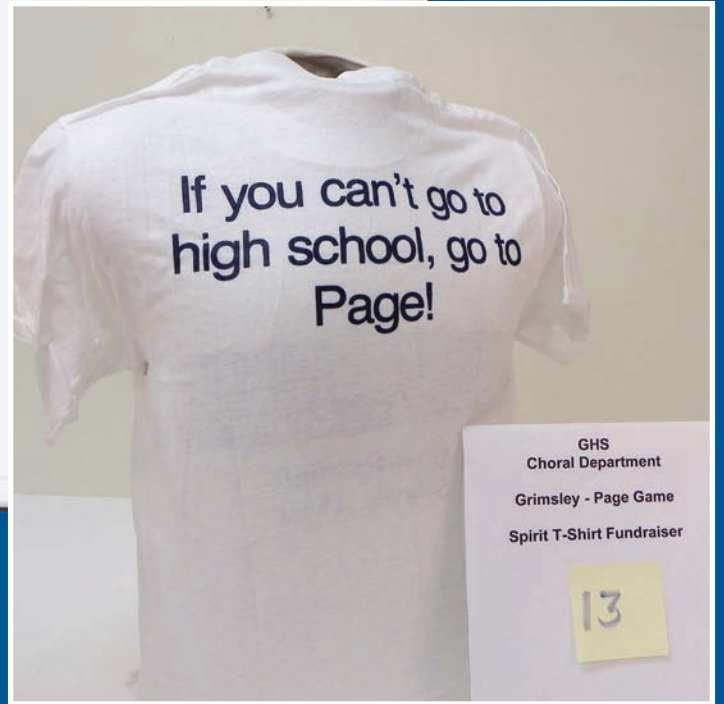
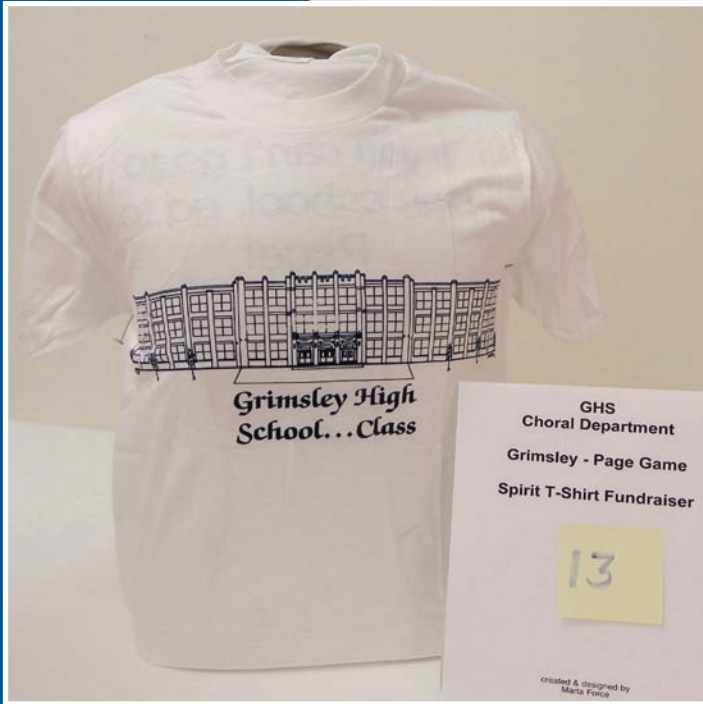


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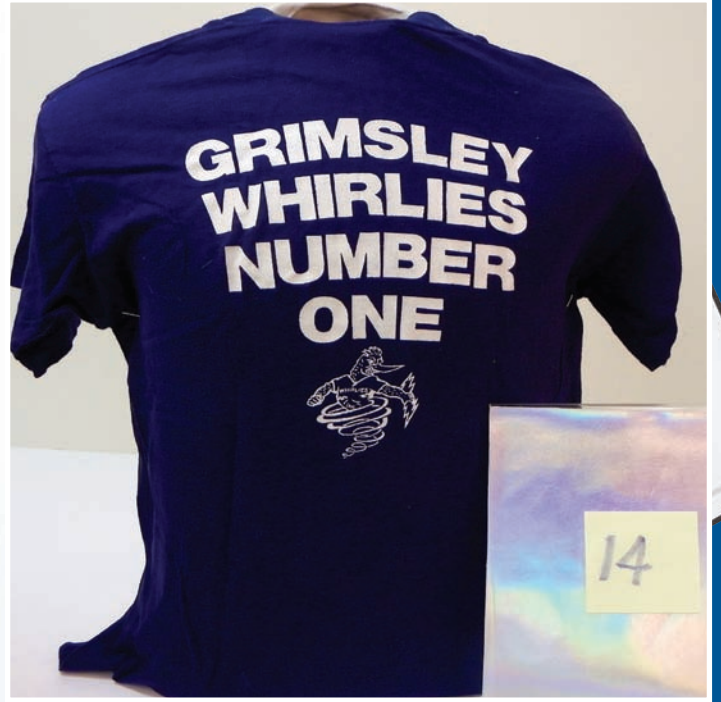


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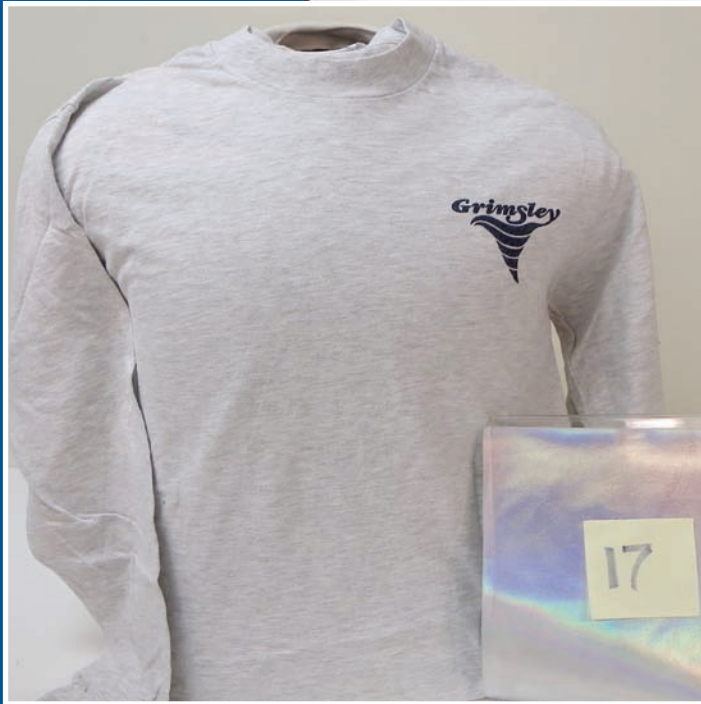


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Whirlie Spirit!



Special Thanks to Don Dempsey '78 of Yellowdog-Design for loan of the photo booth to take t-shirt photos and Dorinda Bowe GHS Office staff for scanning the 1986 photos.

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Whirlie Spirit!



Who's Got Spirit? Whirlies do when they wear their Grimsley sweatshirts and T-shirts.



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Whirlie Spirit!

WHIRLIE SPIRIT NEVER DIMINISHED BY LOSS TO PIRATES

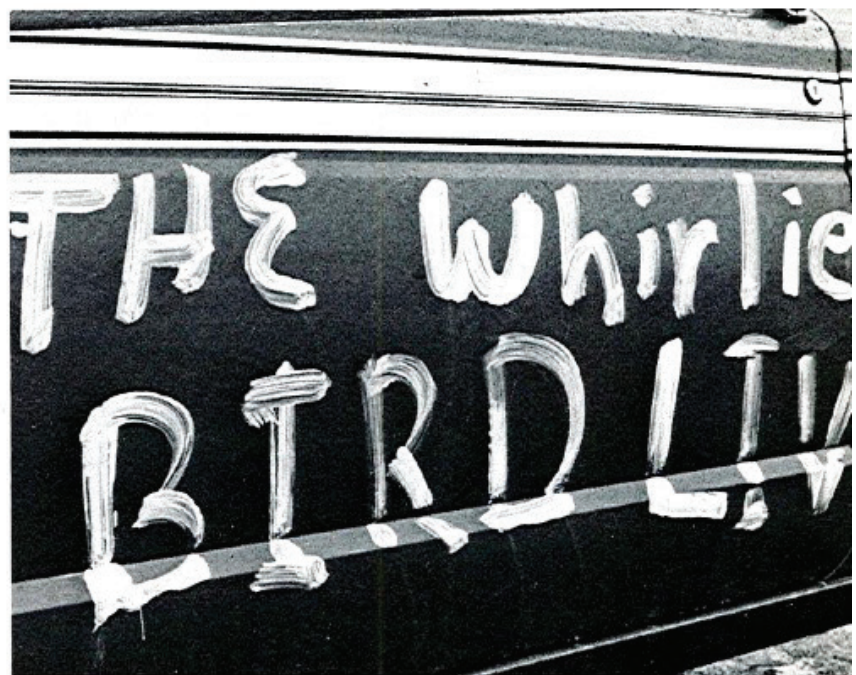
Kickin' up Spirit. Cheerleaders spirit soar and their legs follow as they perform a rigorous cheer.



On and On. As the car proclaims, the Whirlie Bird Lives, even when we lose, on and on and on!!

The spirit week at Grimsley included: Punk Rock Day, Page Prep Day, Coaches & Trainers Day, T-Shirt Day, and Army Day. More people dressed up for these spirit days this year than in any other year at Grimsley High School.

Finally the day of the postponed game arrived. The field was painted with the GHS emblem on the 50 yard line, and "Grimsley Whirlies" decorated either end zone. The Grimsley students rushed out onto the field in a long tunnel to welcome the players to the sideline. Although we lost the game, we did not give in at all; we fought tough all the way, and showed the Pirates that "blue hot" spirit of the Whirlies could always win the important contest — the one of spirit and pride in one's school.





The Eleventh Annual Page/Grimsley Rivalry Reunion Golf Tournament

Friday, October 14, 2016



SAVE THE DATE



Well, Page is holding the trophy for this event (again). Perhaps it is time to stop this (Page winning) trend! The Rivalry Reunion Golf Tournament IS a fundraiser for both school athletic departments and it is all about who has most golfers. We need to have more alumni support for Grimsley and that is all that is needed to beat Page!

Please Save this Date on your fall 2016 calendar!



You can visit the Rivalry Reunion facebook page for more information:
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From Your GHS A&F Co-Presidents

Mary Jane Beavers '73 and Joe Franks '78

Alumni and Friends of Greensboro Grimsley,

As we embark on another school year, many new and exciting things are happening at Grimsley.

There are the new faces of freshmen, new teachers and a new administrator, Grimsley graduate Ryan Moody class of 2001. In fact, the Moody family has a great connection with GHS in that Ryan's father David was a former assistant principal and also an interim principal of Grimsley.

A new football staff has brought renewed enthusiasm and optimism to the program. Friday nights at Jamieson Stadium are still a magic time in your high school career.

Your Alumni Association has also started the year on a positive note for our faculty. For the past few years, through your continued financial support, we have been able to provide the Grimsley faculty with gift cards from Office Depot to help them with classroom supplies at the beginning of the school year.

We are certain that you will enjoy this newsletter and please remember that your annual donations to The Greensboro Grimsley Senior High School Alumni and Friends Association make a sizable difference in the lives of the students and faculty of Grimsley. Through scholarships, teacher grants, participation in capital renovations and general support of numerous events and programs, the quality of the overall experience at Grimsley is enhanced.

We hope that you will join us – this year and for years to come – as a continued supporter of Greensboro Grimsley Senior High. **Go Whirlies!!!**

New Membership Levels Introduced

In May, the Alumni Association Board voted to create a tier of annual membership categories to help stimulate giving from our alumni and friends of Grimsley. We have always had an annual membership of \$25.00 and many people choose to give more than that. What we have come to find over the years is that people often equate a one time gift with lifetime membership. Organizations have always tried to find creative ways of marketing their membership/donation structure. Our Board felt that by creating two additional categories related to the equivalent of monthly donations, this would be a way to motivate folks to give at different levels. In addition to the base membership, a Sustainer Membership will be introduced for \$60.00 per year. Folks, this is basically the cost of a cup of coffee, \$5.00, per month. When put that way, there are many alumni and friends of Grimsley that will find this appealing. The creation of the Whirlie Society, for an annual donation of \$240.00 (or above), comes out to \$20.00 per month. This is equivalent to what many organizations solicit from individuals for various charities throughout the country.

From Your Principal

Charles Blanchard

Grimsley Senior High School has experienced another excellent start to the school year. The Whirlies continue to gain national recognition for outstanding academics and service to our community. These recognitions are not possible without the support of the best Alumni Association in the country! Our current faculty and students are grateful for your contributions to our school! Please enjoy the good news items and updates below.

Grimsley Senior High to Celebrate its 20th International Baccalaureate Graduating Class

Grimsley High School is one of four International Baccalaureate high schools in Guilford County and one of sixty-two in North Carolina. When it was founded in 1995, we were the first IB Programme in Guilford County and one of only four programs in the state. We are in our twenty-first year of offering the IB Programme.

Since its inception, the Grimsley IB Programme has graduated 492 IB Diploma graduates. Forty-nine students earned an IB diploma in 2016, and former IB students are currently enrolled in various Ivy League, private, and state universities across the United States. Many of our graduates choose to study abroad during their collegiate experience.

Grimsley Senior High Receives National Recognition

Grimsley High School is often listed as one of Newsweek's Top High Schools. This includes being named to the **"Beating the Odds"** list of the nation's top high schools this year. That list identifies schools that do an excellent job of preparing students for college while also serving a high percentage of students who live in poverty, accounting for the fact that socioeconomic status is closely correlated with academic achievement across the nation.

Darryl Brown Rebuilds Whirlie Football Program

If you've had the opportunity to attend a Grimsley football game this Fall, you can see the impact that our new Head Football Coach Darryl Brown and his coaching staff have made on the team. The Varsity program has competed hard in every game and already has matched the total number of

wins from the previous season. The JV team is off to a 4-1 start, which is very promising as this group moves to the Varsity level next year.

The following is an excerpt from the News and Record, highlighting our new coach's accomplishments:

"The whirlies get a coach whose Southern teams compiled a record of 94-44 overall and 45-13 in 11 seasons. The Storm won four conference championships and reached the NCHSAA playoffs every year, advancing to the quarterfinals three of the last four seasons. Brown has been named his conference's coach of the year four times, and he was a North Carolina assistant coach at the 2013 Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas."

"Coach Brown is a successful coach and teacher from Southern High School, where he and his staff have demonstrated the ability to teach and coach young men for many years," Grimsley athletics director Lewis Newman said in a news release. "Coach Brown will immediately begin to impact our Whirlies with his weightlifting program, and the coordination of hiring his staff."



Coach Brown

Coach Brown has our program moving in the direction of sustained success. There is no doubt we will be celebrating the "sinking of a ship" very soon!

Calling All Grimsley Alumni and Friends to Support the Chance-Cousins Auditorium Renovations and Fundraising

By Linda and Ron Wilson



The Alumni and Friends Association continues to encourage donations to complete renovation of our historic and **much beloved Auditorium**. Earlier this year, a complete upgrade of the lighting system was completed and has truly made a difference in the performance presentations held there. Recently, Marta Force headed up an effort to have a piano box built to protect our very special piano; it is now installed and in use.

Two very important items remain to be completed: ***an upgrade of the sound system and replacement of the seat back covers*** which were initially installed in 1999 to celebrate our 100th anniversary year as a high school. The current auditorium was built in 1929, and has not only served as a school gathering and performance place, but also serves the community as a performance and gathering place. Eighty-seven years of use takes its toll, and even with upgrades over the years, technology advances and upgrades are always needed to keep our auditorium as a current school and community resource.

We sincerely thank all the donors and classes who have supported this fundraising effort to date! We seek support of our other alumni and friends to help us complete this very important project. Please use the form in the newsletter to direct your donation to the Chance-Cousins Auditorium Renovation Project. Questions can be directed to Linda Wilson at lindaw3303@bellsouth.net.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Linda and Ron Wilson, Grimsley Friends and Co-Chairs



Piano Storage Box Installed

By Marta Force

As part of the GHS Alumni & Friends Auditorium Restoration Project a piano storage box was designed by Marta Force and installed backstage in the Chance-Cousin Auditorium by Pete Williams this summer. The storage box will provide for the security and safety of this legendary instrument (see Piano History in the Spring 2015 GHS A&F Newsletter). The storage box has a winch which raises the front panel to expose the piano, placement channels allow the piano to glide inside and a shelf provides for storage of the piano bench and piano cover. The box is lockable and will soon be painted matte black. Piano Storage Box is funded by the GHS Alumni & Friends Association Auditorium Restoration Fund *thank you* for your donation!!



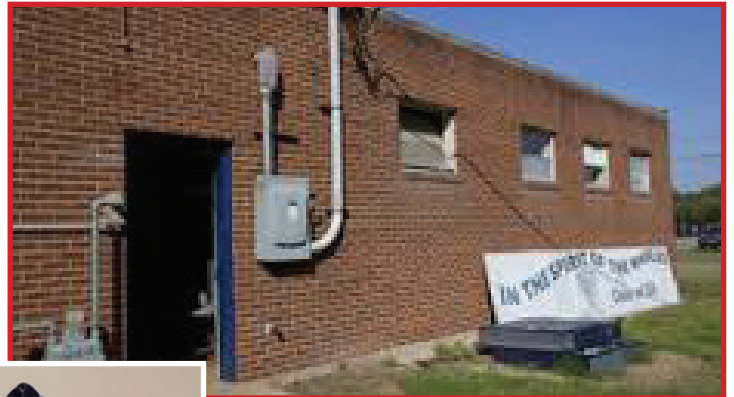
Fall Sports News

By Lewis Newman

We are well underway with fall sports and all teams are working hard, competing and having great success. Our team spirit has multiplied this year **with the addition of our new football coach** and the students are excited and hopeful as we continue to improve all of athletics. We are in a big push currently to have the district **update, build and re-store the Pearl Field House to an updated facility for all male and female athletes as well as sports medicine.** The Pearl Field House has served us well and was built in 1949. She is now showing her age and needs major heating, air conditioning, roof, electrical, lockers and many other upgrades. We continue to express our needs to the school district as Pearl is the oldest existing field house in the district and needs modernization in all aspects. Many high schools, like Western, Smith and others are

getting major athletic upgrades and we feel GHS is due since we have the oldest, most out of date field house in the county. We are also working hard to have a Grimsley High School Department of Athletics Hall of Fame very soon. It has been a difficult task to determine how to best recognize over a hundred years of outstanding athletes. It is a major undertaking to make sure all alumni and others are not missed in the process and to make sure we have one of the top Hall of Fames in the state. More later on the HOF.

All of our teams are doing well and should compete for several conference championships as well as a few NCHSAA play-off potentials.



2016 Scholarship Winners Greensboro Grimsley Alumni and Friends Association

Your generous donations to the Alumni Association help to fund three or four scholarships to assist GHS graduates who are seeking a collegiate level education. Additionally, Alumni and Friends Association donates \$1,000 annually to the GHS Teacher of the year. Below are the scholarship winners and recipients for 2016.



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Josephine Boyd-Bradley Scholarship\$2,000



Imani Smith

The David V. Reader, Sr. Memorial Scholarship\$2,000



Alexis Cooper

Alumni Association Scholarship (unnamed)\$2,000



Meghan Rankins

Dr. Richard Andringa Alumni Association Scholarship\$2,000

Named in honor of Dr. Richard Andringa in 1998. Dr Andringa, a Greensboro physician trained in Pediatrics and Anesthesiology and a Grimsley parent, had six children graduate from GHS (four daughters and two sons) and was co-founder and first president of the GHS Alumni Association.



Shekinah Wiggins

John Atkinson Alumni Association Scholarship\$1,500

Dating from 1998, this scholarship was named in honor of John Atkinson in 2009. Mr. Atkinson, Strategic Account Sales Manager with Nike, had two daughters who graduated from GHS. He served as a co-founder and first vice president of the Alumni Association.



Skylar Chadwick Class of 1956 Scholarship\$1,200

The Class of 1956 of Greensboro Senior High School gave this scholarship to the school as a gift to mark the 50th anniversary of their graduation from GHS and was first presented in 2006. The recipient must be a good citizen, have exhibited leadership at school or in the community, and have taken honors, AP or IB classes.



Matthew Lamb Lee Guard Memorial Scholarship\$1,000

Created in 2008 by Grimsley student Will Curtis '09, this scholarship is given to a male and female senior who participated in school athletics. Criteria include GPA, character, sportsmanship, being a team player, leadership in extracurricular activities and community service. Lee Guard, a man of unquestioned character and a big heart, was a long-time member of the community and the owner of Farmer Electric Sales. He grew to love Grimsley through his four children who attended GHS. He died in his late 50's of a heart attack on Thanksgiving Day in 2007.



Leigh Ramsey Lee Guard Memorial Scholarship\$1,000



Hannah Parrish Lester Gross Memorial Scholarship\$1,000

Lester Gross was a member of the Class of 1976 whose passionate and energetic school spirit for Grimsley was well known and appreciated. While a student at GHS, this Whirlie served on the Pep Board, participated in intramural sports, was a member of the Grimsley soccer team, and was a varsity cheerleader for two years. After his death in his late 40's, a number of his friends, led by Bob Nadler, decided to create a scholarship in his memory. This scholarship is awarded to a student who is involved with music and athletics and is passionate in demonstrating his or her school spirit towards Grimsley. It was first awarded in 2005.



Amelia Gilchrist Melvin Coleman Memorial Scholarship\$1,000

First presented in 2005, the Melvin G. Coleman Memorial Scholarship was created by Mr. Coleman's family: his daughter Dr. Margaret Coleman Szott '88 and her husband Mr. Tom Szott, and Mr. Coleman's widow, Mrs. Marie Essa Coleman '50 who taught typing and business classes at Grimsley for almost 20 years. Mr. Coleman was a sales rep at Gate City Motors for 31 years who was dedicated to his family and his career. The scholarship is awarded to a senior who exemplifies the ideal of the "scholar-athlete", with a high GPA from a challenging curriculum that preferably includes honors, AP and/or IB courses and who participated in one or more of the varsity teams of Cross Country, Swimming or Track and demonstrates dedication and team spirit.

Statistics for Grimsley High School Class of 2016

Total number of graduates:	380
Valedictorian:	Peter Mendham Rizzi GPA 5.50
Salutatorian:	Leigh Arrington Ramsey GPA 5.45
Spanish Immersion Grads:	23
Service Learning Diploma Grads:	84 with a total of 44,621.62 hours of service
Scholarship money earned	\$13,129,677
Best All Around:	Peter Mendham Rizzi and <i>(Best All Around voted upon by student body)</i> Frances Alexandra Henshall
National Merit Finalist:	1
National Merit Commended:	5
SAT Class Mean:	Not available
IB Diploma Recipients:	49
AP Tests Administered:	1,113
AP % scored 3 or higher:	65.8
IB Tests Administered:	1,096
IB % scored 4 or higher:	67.7%
64% went to a 4 year college	
29% went to a 2 year college	
9% attending Out-of-State Colleges	

Still Whirling'...



Where Are They Now?

Retired Faculty are still on the move!

Col. Lazelle Free

I joined the GHS faculty on March 15th, 1982 and left in June 2001. It was 18 years. Most of my time now is spent doing volunteer work at my church; providing transportation for former clients and working with the Whitney M. Young Committee of the Old North State Council (BSA). Working with ROTC at Grimsley, my memorable moment was experiencing how the cadet matured from an unsure freshman to a very competent sophomore, junior or senior.



Dennis Hands

How are you enjoying your retirement (what are you doing)?

For the first seven years of retirement I worked with alligators, snakes and spiders at the Natural Science Center of Greensboro. Since 2008 I've been teaching astronomy at High Point University and working with Cline Observatory at GTCC.

What is your favorite memory of Grimsley, (activity or teaching moment)?

I was honored to work with Larry Williamson and the Academic Team for a few seasons. That was very rewarding. And working with Coach Weaver and the basketball team was a real opportunity for personal growth.



Dennis with a red clown nose with the telescope at Cline Observatory.

Still Whirling'...



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Retired Faculty are still on the move!

Hedy Thevaos

What did you teach at GHS and for what years?

When I first came to GHS, Mike Renn was principal. This was 1986 or 87. I was part time, sharing my day at Kiser for one year. Then I shared my day with Weaver Center. I was put in the building where brick masonry is held. I was put in a “pie shaped” room with risers... the old music room. They put 30 some kids in there. I was teaching U.S. History. I literally had to THROW their test papers to them at times. The lowest point of that year was when a student anonymously put a note on my work area reading “you never looked at me once, this year” I was mortified. We could hardly breath in that room. It’s a wonder I knew their names! BUT a lesson was learned. From that point on, NO student could accuse me of NOT making eye contact with them...perhaps more than they wanted...From there, I went on to teach Economics, Sociology and AP European History until my retirement in 2001.



How are you enjoying your retirement (what are you doing)?

I retired at the end of the school year 2001, ending a 32.5 year career. Retirement was NOT easy for me. I remember being very sad the day the teachers went back to work in August 2001. I also got a bit depressed. You see, teaching really defined me in my professional career. I LOVED it. After formal retirement, I subbed for certain teachers until December, 2015. Then I decided that enough was enough. 45 years in education was it for me! Now I love retirement! I have 7 grandchildren that make life so wonderful! I have my health and my sense of humor is still in tact. What am I doing? Whatever I please, whenever I please. Was it all worth it? You bet your boots it was!!!

What is your favorite memory of Grimsley, (activity or teaching moment)?

That is a tough question. Of course, my fondest memories are the years my two daughters went through and graduated from Grimsley. One went on the NCSTATE(93) and the other to EAST CAROLINA. After 1998, when Jamie graduated, I felt like I was finally me and not someone’s mom! If I tell you that I loved every minute of it, you will think I am daffy, but I did. My favorite memories were every day. I learned to laugh at my mistakes, cry with the students, give a hug, a handshake, or write a note of support. (Now, I am telling all my secrets that no one knew about.) My hero at Grimsley was Bill Whites. After that horrible day, I thought we had seen the last of him. But he came back, and that took courage! (editors note: Bill Whites, assistant principal, was publicly shot by a student on campus) I could go on and on, but I don’t want to bore the reader. I will keep the rest of my good memories to myself.



In Memoriam



Willie Mae Hall

Willie Mae Hall passed away on Thursday, May 12. Willie had been a resident at Heartland Living and Rehabilitation Center and is survived by two sons.

Said Gayle Manahan of the GHS retired faculty, "We will all miss this spirited, enthusiastic math teacher. She packed a lot of energy in her petite frame and always had a twinkle of mischief in her eyes when she smiled and laughed. I believe she came to Grimsley from Dudley High School in the early 1970's and is pictured in the first retired faculty luncheon photo in 1990. Rest in peace, Willie Mae."



Brenda and Mickey Lawson

Mickey and Brenda Lawson were killed July 22 when an 18-wheeler collided with their vehicle after they had celebrated Brenda's birthday with dinner. Brenda Lawson was a very well respected and retired Art Instructor at Grimsley High School. Mickey was born on July 4, 1943 in Pensacola, FL. Brenda was born on July 22, 1945 in Scotland Neck, NC, Brenda taught art and photography for 30 years in the Guilford County School System until her retirement. Her love for teaching and children drew her back to substitute teach. Phyllis Moore, an art department colleague said of Brenda "Brenda was an extremely intelligent creative person who embodied the definition of a true teacher and I miss her."





***Class of 1976 Reunion
October 15th, 2016***

7PM

**Crown Room
Carolina Theater**

More info: whirlie76@gmail.com

***Class of 1952 Luncheon
October 24th, 2016***

12:30PM

**Golden Corral
Lawndale Drive, Greensboro.**

More info: blaughon@CompuServe.com



Class of 1986 Reunion was held August 20

A great thanks to the GHS Class of '86 for their generous donation to the GHS Alumni & Friends Association of \$750.

Enjoy this class enjoying their reunion!





Class of 1956 Reunion was held June 3 & 4

Thanks to all those that donated to our GHS Class of '56 Scholarship. \$2,438.69 was raised to continue our scholarship. This amount was donated by many classmates during our 60th reunion June 3 & 4, held at Bryan Park. We sang our GHS Fight Song – we sang our GHS Alma Mater!





Hear Ye!, Hear Ye! and Huzzah!

Time for all former Madrigal Singers to get together !

2016 marks the

50th Anniversary GHS Madrigal Singers

so we're planning a

Thanksgiving Weekend 2016 **Reunion**

We're in the early planning stages but hope events will include:

Friday evening November 25 at 7 PM
for Caroling at Friendly Center
Madrigal Singers of all years are welcome!

Campus Tour & Family Picnic

Bring your family, your camera, that stellar voice, all your memories and vintage photos!

Social Event on Saturday evening November 26 Place: TBA

Will have photos from most years — videos of some performances.

Grimsley Madrigal Singers 2016 will perform.

Memory Lane

Jeanne Meredith Busse (1966-69), Ron Hill (1969-78), Marta Force (1978-2004) and Marshall Johnson (2004-16) will be on hand to celebrate with you and enthusiastically deny rumors that you were ever a problem while singing with the Madrigals!

Reservations open October 1, 2016 – close November 15, 2016

We will provide further details in the Fall 2016 Alumni Newsletter (www.whirlies.com). Please send email address/contact info to us at the Reunion: email address listed below.

Please mention the years you sang with the Madrigals.

In July, we will send you an email with details and reservation form.

Please make your plans NOW to join us!

November 25-26, 2016

Questions? Comments? Threats? Want to volunteer to help?

Serve on a committee? Have something to contribute?

Contact:

GHSMadrigalReunion@triad.rr.com

You can also respond via Facebook page

GHS Madrigal Reunion.



The FIRST Madrigal Singers 1966-67



Department Feature



Exceptional Children

The Grimsley High School Exceptional Children's Department is gearing up for a successful 2016-2017 school year!

We have welcomed several new staff members this year that will serve our students in a variety of capacities. **Nyia Potts**, is a new adapted curriculum teacher, and she has a new teacher assistant, **Maurice Toplin**. **Preston Spivey** is a new support assistant in **Sarah Gann's** adapted class and **Donald Haase** joins **Jane Miller's** adapted class this year. New teachers joining **Shannon Thomae** and **Kolton Wade** in the inclusion program are **Janice Tolliver**, **Jesse Tripp**, and **Tajae Pryce**. They will work to support students in the general curriculum classes. **Sherri Moore** and **Vickie Aiken** are returning as our Occupational Course of Study teachers this year.

Many great changes have been made in the adapted curriculum classrooms. All three classes are now housed in the Old Cafeteria building making it easier for students and teachers to interact. Each day adapted curriculum students volunteer for one period at various businesses around Greensboro. Some of the places they visit for job training activities include: Goodwill, Salvation Army, Greensboro Coliseum, Greensboro Science Center, and the Greensboro Ice House. One of the extra-curricular activities that adapted students love is the 12th Man Club. New Grimsley football coach, Darryl Brown, welcomed

club members who get to participate in football activities with the team. There are pre-game activities on the field with the Grimsley cheerleaders and one student is chosen to be an honorary captain for the game. Students in the club love the experience of interacting with their peers and participating in this Friday night fun!

Additionally, our Occupational Course of Study (OCS) students have begun to attend their job site experiences for the year. Sites in the community where our OCS work include: Moses Cone Hospital, Friendly Pets, Servant Center, Brookdale/Lawndale Nursing, Kindred Hospital, Awards of Excellence as well as TJ Maxx. Last spring students received second place in the county-wide Employability Duel and were commended for the best portfolios and presentations in Guilford. Ms. Aiken and Ms. Moore report that they have heard from several graduates of the program who are now employed in the community and even have one graduate who attends GTCC.

The EC teachers and students are proud to be a part of the Grimsley community and appreciate your ongoing support.



GHS Club Feature BROOKS BUDDIES



BROOKS BUDDIES is a service club that pairs Grimsley students with elementary students at the adjoining Brooks Global Elementary School. This is a one on one mentoring experience that occurs one day a week during the Grimsley student's lunch. The buddies do a variety of things together including: reading, recess, lunch and some tutoring. In my time as faculty sponsor, I have heard of many instances where a Whirlie has had a profound positive impact on a young person at Brooks. These stories make me proud to be associated with the Brooks Buddies Club.

The club is run by the students in terms of screening applicants, organizing the first few trips over, and communicating between the buddies and the Brooks staff. This year's co-presidents are Mackenzie Phillips and Nina Dakoriya who have both been with the club since their freshmen year. Below is some of their insights/reflections.

Brooks Buddies is a great club where Grimsley students go to Brooks Elementary once a week during their lunch to connect and spend time with a student at Brooks. Students are also able to gain service learning hours.

MACKENZIE PHILLIPS: "Throughout the school year students of all grades are able to take a short walk over to Brooks Global Elementary to get a service opportunity like no other. It really is a highlight of many of the buddies' weeks, and is a great opportunity to have a connection between the two schools as well."

NINA DAKORIYA: "You think you are missing lunch with your friends, but really you are forming a great bond with a child who really looks forward to seeing and spending time with you. Seeing the smile on their faces when you walk is a great pleasure that makes it all worth it!"



Blair Ramsey, former president, with her buddy at the Brooks "Go Far" road race.



Carly Maas a GHS student who went to her buddy's 5th grade graduation.

As the pictures show, the buddy relationship extends beyond the walls of the classroom.

GHS Club Feature THE MULTICULTURAL CLUB



THE MULTICULTURAL CLUB

has been a popular club at Grimsley since at least 2006, when it appears that several culture clubs merged. It has long been a student led organization that has sponsored an annual Multicultural Fair featuring dancers, music, food, and fashion. This year, it is undergoing a transformation from a club that features cultures to one that explores the many cultures present in our own community. Grimsley is host to exchange students from Spain, Italy, Germany, Brazil, Denmark and Finland. There are close to 40 students who are participating, or have recently graduated the ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) program. Additionally, Whirlies have lived abroad,



either with their families or through educational envoys. The club will offer an opportunity for these students to share their experiences and offer a view of the world from their unique position.

The Annual Multicultural Fair will continue and be expanded into a global learning experience open to the Guilford School Community and feature informational sessions, discussion

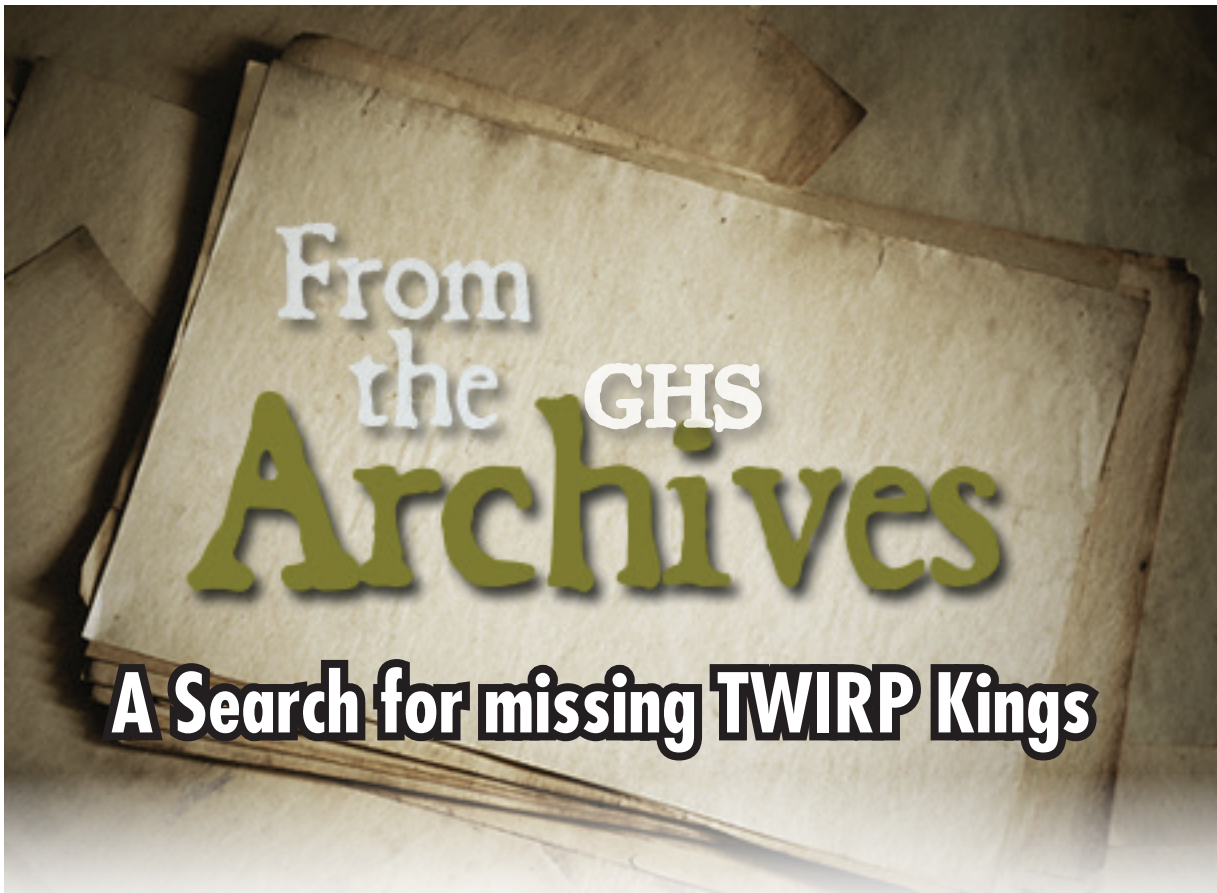
forums, and of course, food and fun. The first club meeting is set tentatively for October 18, at 4 pm, in the Media Center. At this meeting, students will be invited to share on the theme of education around the world. Meetings include shared readings, video clips, and most importantly, student voices.

Are you a Whirlie Alum who has lived in another county and culture? If you are interested in participating in our meetings or Spring event, please contact club sponsors, (and school librarians) Jen Worrells and Jessica Sherard.

This image is of a collection of flags in the Media Center representing the many countries Whirlies have come from.



EXTRA! EXTRA!
Grimsley looking for news articles
for Spring Newsletter!
Deadline for submitting articles
is April 1, 2017.
Email Marta Force
mforce@triad.rr.com



We have determined the T.W.I.R.P. Kings started in 1980, when Mr. Glenn was Principal, and that Ken Anderson was the first elected. We also do not know the reason as to why or who started this tradition that will be 37 years old this year. **Can you help us?**

The current list of names is included below for reference. **We are missing a total of 18 out of 37.**

If you have information regarding our quest please contact **Harry Bradley** at: hbradley25 Bradley and/or **Peter Byrd** at: byrd908@aol.com.

Thank you.

1980 Ken Anderson	1992 Chris Leone	2004
1981 Marty Blackman	1993	2005 Tra Deese
1982 Tommy Neese	1994	2006 Micah O'Hare
1983 Chris Poole	1995	2007 Josh Stewart
1984	1996	2008 Chris Wong
1985	1997	2009 Keith Manley
1986 Eric Porterfield	1998	2010
1987	1999	2011 Ali Ali
1988 Rommel Atienza	2000	2012
1989 Ethan Albright	2001 Jesse Adams-Doolittle	2013
1990 Damien Graham	2002	2014
1991 James Brown	2003	2015 Daniel Goodwin

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ARCHIVES REQUESTS

Looking for GHS Historic Items for the School Archives

From Harry Bradley and Pewter Byrd of the GHS Archives

We are always eager to receive donations of historic items associated with Greensboro Senior - Grimsley Senior High School for the GHS Archives, and we hope you will consider donating items you or your family no longer wish to keep. Please do not throw out items of historic interest connected to GHS! We would like to add them to the school's collection. (*Please note: the following is not an exhaustive list of items we would like to have.*) If you have items you would like to donate, please contact me so we can make arrangements. Thanks, Peter Byrd '74, Byrd908@aol.com

HOME MOVIES: One thing in particular we have long hoped to obtain are **copies of home movies of GHS events**, in particular of May Day ceremonies (held each year at GHS from 1939 until 1972). We feel sure that other GHS events over the years were filmed by parents or students, for posterity; we'd like to add copies to the school collection as well (and possibly put them on-line for all to enjoy)!

EARLY-YEARS' DIPLOMAS, CLASS RINGS

PROGRAMS: printed programs from graduations, baccalaureate services, concerts, plays, May Day, Homecoming, Torchlight inductions and other groups' ceremonies, athletic events (including football and basketball programs), awards ceremonies, building dedications, etc. Also, invitations to graduations and other school events.

PHOTOGRAPHS: photos of people and events connected to GHS, either on-campus or away. (A key should be provided, mentioning date, names and class years, and other pertinent details of the photograph; care should be taken if writing on the

back of a photograph.)

"SPIRIT ITEMS": buttons, ribbons, pins, pennants, a letter jacket or sweater, mugs, license plates, and who-knows-what?

RECORDINGS: pre-1960 records and tapes of the band, orchestra, and choir (please note: phonograph records require special handling for shipping)

SCRAPBOOKS: not only personal scrapbooks, but also scrapbooks for clubs and other school organizations you were a part of

REFLECTORS: the school yearbook from 1909 to 1930, we are always looking for copies of *Reflectors* to add to our collection

HOME SPUNS: the school literary magazine from the 1920's to the 1960's, we are missing issues from many years of this former publication

HIGH LIFES: we especially need copies of many issues of the school newspaper from the late 1930's through the early 1950's. Several of the school years in this period--the late 30's and several years in the 40's--we have no copies of *High Life* at all. (Some later years are also needed; please feel free to ask if you have some to donate.)

WHIRLIGIGS: while we have copies of every issue of our yearbook first published in 1950, we do need some better-condition copies of some of the books in the 50's, especially 1957, and we're always on the lookout for copies of the 1952 and 1958 *Whirligigs* as well. Also, at this point, we do have limited numbers of extra copies of most years of the *Whirligig*, so if you are wanting to replace a lost or damaged (or never-bought) copy, please contact me to inquire about availability.

Thank You!



Cindy Underwood, GHS Registrar, expresses her thanks for the improvements to the Counseling Center.

Here is what YOUR GHS Alumni & Friends Association have provided for GHS in recent years:

Annual contributions to GHS Students and Faculty

- Office Depot gift cards to each staff member to begin each school year
- Scholarships (see scholarship page this issue)
- Annual contribution to Senior Tea
- Annual contribution to Project Graduation
- Printing of Senior Awards Day Program
- Providing Faculty Grants for extended study
- Provide \$1000 gratuity to the GHS Teacher of the Year

Projects

- Planting hardwood trees on front lawn (twice)
- Funded the start the GHS Lacrosse Team
- Major renovation to athletic weight room
- Security Cameras for campus
- Campus phone system
- Auditorium Renovation
 - restore and refinish/stain original stage floor*
 - new to GHS black curtains for stage*
 - new to GHS acoustical ceiling cloud*
 - new windows and doors (courtesy GCS)*
 - roof leak repairs (courtesy GCS)*
 - update electrical service (courtesy GCS)*
 - new lighting and sound system*
 - grand piano storage box*
 - replace auditorium seat covers - coming soon*

Coordinating Counseling Center Refurbishment: Moving secretarial/registrar station providing improvements to traffic flow.

If you have historical items you wish to donate to the GHS Archives, please contact **Harry Bradley**: hbradley25@msn.com

If you would like to donate goods or services towards any improvement at GHS please let us know.

Our Alumni Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

We want to make sure we are meeting all needs ... if you have a suggestion or idea regarding what you would like to see the Alumni & Friends Association do next please contact:

Susan Gentry

Alumni & Friends Association Secretary
susancgentry@bellsouth.net

Traditions: Some, like Excellence, Never Change

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Some Need Your Help to Maintain.

*Please consider
 renewing your
 membership.*



Greensboro Grimsley Senior High School Alumni and Friends Association

Amazing changes in education since you graduated! Your annual membership of \$25 will help us help Grimsley students and faculty, past and present, continue to “sing thy praise through all our days” through:

Project Graduation - contributing to “the (safe) place to be” activities following Graduation each year

Alumni and Friends Newsletter - been missing this? We have lots to brag about!

Scholarships - we contribute \$7,500 directly and administer five others totaling \$3,500

Auditorium Renovation - our newest project – bringing ours into the 21st Century

Educator Grants - providing GHS teachers with funding for special projects

Senior Tea - co-sponsored by the Association, this tradition is unique to Grimsley

Please consider renewing your membership this June to: Greensboro Grimsley Senior High School Alumni and Friends Association
 PO Box 4248 • Greensboro, NC 27404-4248 or renew online at www.whirlies.com. June is our renewal month.

Our Grimsley traditions are important to us all. Your memories and support play a big part in continuing these. *Thank you always!*

Whirlie Spirit Forever!



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Name: _____ Grimsley Graduate? Year ____ or Grimsley Friend ____

Mailing Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Phone: _____

Annual Membership Initiate or renew my annual Association membership: ____ \$25

_____ Whirlie Sustainer Membership (\$60 annually once or Monthly donation of \$5.00)

_____ Whirlie Society Membership (\$240 annually once or \$20 donation per month).

Please visit the GHSA&F website to choose from the following options above for the NEW Tiered Membership Plan. You will have the following donation options: join via check/mail, join via PayPal, PayPal monthly bank draft, set up direct bank draft. Thank you!!

Chance-Cousins Auditorium Renovation Project

I enclose \$ _____ towards the Chance Cousins Auditorium Renovation Project.

This donation is made "In Memory" __ or "In Honor" __ of:

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This form is also available on the website: www.whirlies.com (Payment via credit card is also available via **PayPal on our website.**)
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