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LEADING TOMORROW

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Clarification: Woody Williams is a Congressional Medal of

To all citizens of the 2014 Mountaineer Boys State:

attended Boys State, please come to the newspaper office and let us know. May the family traditions continue!!!

Dinner Speaker today Ag. Walt Helmick. Follwed Presentation during the assembly.

Inauguration 2014



Governor Dante McCarroll Jr.



2014 Board of Public Works

Announcements

Honor **Recipient**.

If a relative in your family

will be Commissioner of by a Consol Energy

Be sure to check out MBS





Formal Review

By Jacob Evans

Wednesday night, everyone at The American Legion West Virginia Boys State participated in a formal review. Parents from all over the state came to see what their sons have been up to for the past week. I'm sure many of them were surprised to see what changes Mountaineer Boys State had presented in their children's lives. After finishing up on field the with the Mountaineer Boys State Formal Review, all of Boys' State went to the Cattle Barn order to listen presentations and see their parents.

Barbour Cottage Counselors

John McCauley Cottage Reporter

The Barbour boys have been honored with three awesome counselors this week. Our junior counselor is Jim Park, last year's "Asian Sensation." Jim served as State Auditor at last year's 76th annual Mountaineer Boys State. Our senior counselor is Rick Davison, a natural speaker and an extremely funny man, who also snores. Barbour also had another counselor, Travis Nichols. Unfortunately, Travis got sick and had to return home. The Barbour boys are excited to spend the rest of the week with their wonderful counselors.

THURSDAY'S MENU

Breakfast

Sausage Wrap -

Stick/Syrup

Hot and Cold Cereal

Apples

Orange Juice

Mil

7am Grab and Go Breakfast

on Front Porch

Lunch

Tacos – Meat

Whole Grain Tortilla

Applesauce

Shredded Lettuce

Diced Tomatoes

Sour Cream

Salsa

Cheddar Cheese

Churros

Milk

Dinner

Whole Grain Spaghetti

Meat Sauce

Corn

Garlic Bread

Salad

Apple Bites & Cherry Bites

Milk

Judicial Circuits

1st Circuit	2nd Circuit	3rd Circuit	4th Circuit	5th Circuit
Thursday				
		Calhoun/		Barbour/
Monroe	Lewis	Gilmer	Panhandle	Webster
1st Circuit	2nd Circuit	3rd Circuit	4th Circuit	5th Circuit
Friday				
	Upshur/			
Randolph	Harrison	Marion	Braxton	Kanawha

Supreme Court of Appeals Docket

THE SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS

CONVENES IN THE REAR OF HARRISON

- ENTER THROUGH LEFT SIDE DOORS

WEDNESDAY

9:00 Justices and Attorney General convene in back of Harrison Cottage for orientation: legal instruction;

11:00 Session 1 – Harrison Cottage

Swearing in of all persons who passed the MBS Bar Examination who wish to practice law, required for all attorneys participating in mock trials, and

Conduct other business that may come before the Court

THURSDAY

9:00 Session 2 – Harrison Cottage

Conduct business that may come before the Court

10:30 Session 3 – Harrison Cottage

Conduct business that may come before the Court

6:30 Session 4 – Harrison Cottage

Hear appeals from Circuits 1 (Monroe), and 5 (Barbour/Webster), and

Conduct other business that may come before the Court

Supreme Court of Appeals Docket cont.

FRIDAY

9:00 Session 5 – Harrison Cottage

Announce decisions of appeals from Circuits 1 (Monroe), and 5 (Barbour/Webster),

Hear appeals from Circuits 2 (Lewis), and 3 (Calhoun/Gilmer), and

Conduct other business that may come before the Court

10:00 Session 6 – Harrison Cottage

Announce decisions of appeals from Circuits 2 (Lewis), and 3 (Calhoun/Gilmer),

Hear appeal from Circuit 4 (Panhandle) and

Conduct other business that may come before the Court

3:30 Session 7 – Harrison Cottage

Announce decision of appeal from Circuit 4 (Panhandle),

Hear appeals from Circuits 1 (Randolph), 2 (Upshur/Harrison), 3 (Marion), 4 (Braxton) and 5 (Kanawha), and

Conduct other business that may come before the Court

4:30 Session 8 – Harrison Cottage

Announce decisions of appeals from Circuits 1 (Randolph), 2 (Upshur/Harrison), 3 (Marion), 4 (Braxton) and 5 (Kanawha), and

Conduct other business that may come before the Court

Adjourn *sine die*.

* The Supreme Court of Appeals docket is subject to change.



The Day in photos



2013 MBS Fire Chiefs





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Flag Retirement Ceremony

By Jacob Evans

Tuesday night, everyone at Boys State gathered at the amphitheater to learn the proper way to retire a flag. Citizens gathered around the ground in front of the stage to witness the solemn event. The ceremony was performed by the Boys State Honor Guard by the direction of the American Legion.

After the ceremony, the spotlight was shifted to the veterans that don't really get a lot of recognition, but deserve just as much as anyone else; female veterans. There were four lady veterans that received recognition Tuesday night. The four women that were recognized were: Brooke Russell, Rayna Taylor, Ashley McClure, and Sonja Adkins. If you see any of these ladies around camp, you should thank them for their service.

Legion News

Camper Comments

What has been your favorite part of Boys State so far?

- The best part so far has been crashing through every single cone in the Drunk Driving Seminar. Ankur Kumar Federalist Panhandle Cottage
- Competing in the sports. Joey Yoho Nationalist Lewis Cottage
- The excitement of the Federalist Party at our caucuses. David Hardisty Federalist Panhandle Cottage
- Probably seeing the competition in the election and the thrill of young men growing in front of our own eyes. Grant Gutmann Nationalist Braxton Cottage

The DMV

By Jacob Evans

For the first time in the history of Mountaineer Boys State, there is a fully functioning DMV. All citizens are required to visit the DMV to take their driver's exam. All citizens must get their boat and vehicle registered, have vehicle insurance and pass a test to get their driver's license.



As soon as it opened, the DMV became a busy place. Many citizens waited in line to go through all the necessary procedures to get their license. The DMV staff was organized and working hard.



Many of the workers at the DMV were employed meeting with the Employment Opportunities Director after realized their lack of employment. Jack Doepker of Panhandle Cottage is one of them. "Apparently unemployment is not an option at Boys State, so this is a good second job" Jack said.

DMV Prices

Boat Registration – \$50

V ehicle R egistration – \$100

V ehicle Insurance – \$350

Drivers Exam – \$25 (Each Attempt)

License Fee - \$25

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

BY JACOB EVANS

THE AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS ARE A GROUP OF LEGIONNAIRES, SONS OF LEGIONNAIRES, AND AUXILIARY MEMBERS THAT ENJOY THE FREEDOM OF THE WIND WHILE DRIVING DOWN THE OPEN ROAD ON THEIR MOTORCYCLES. THEY ARE A BUNCH OF FUN, LOVING, BIKE RIDING INDIVIDUALS WHO ENJOY HELPING OUT OTHERS IN ANY WAY THAT THEY CAN. HERE AT MOUNTAINEER BOYS STATE, WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE 5 RIDERS ON STAFF.



THE AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS ARE VERY INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. THEY HAVE MANY PROJECTS THAT THEY DO. THEY PARTICIPATE IN MANY THINGS, LIKE TOYS FOR TOTS, BUILDING HOUSES FOR VETERANS, AND OTHER EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS. THEIR BIGGEST FUNDRAISER IS THE LEGACY RIDE, WHICH STARTS AT THE AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS HEADQUARTERS IN GARDEN CITY, MICHIGAN AND ENDS IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA.

DURING THE LEGACY RIDE, RIDERS FROM EVERY STATE AND EVEN SOME FOREIGN COUNTRIES SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO TAKE THE MULTI-DAY JOURNEY. EVERY YEAR, THEY RAISE AROUND A MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE FALLEN SOLDIER FUND. IF YOU ARE UNAWARE OF THE FALLEN SOLDIER FUND, IT RAISES MONEY TO ENSURE HIGHER EDUCATION IS A POSSIBILITY FOR CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS HAVE BEEN KILLED WHILE SERVING OUR COUNTRY.

THE AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS RAISED AROUND \$1200 FOR BOTH MOUNTAINEER BOYS STATE AND RHODODENDRON GIRLS STATE. THEY ARE SPLITTING THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY SO THAT BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS STATE GET AN EQUAL AMOUNT OF MONEY. IF YOU SEE AN AMERICAN LEGION RIDER, YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY THANK THEM FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO YOUR WEEK AT BOYS STATE.

Cottage Reports

Calhoun Cottage News

Braden Barr

Tuesday June 10th Calhoun cottage established one new state politician from their respected cabin. Gene Bailey of George Washington High School is representing the Calhoun cottage as one of the five Supreme Court justices that were elected by our 51st state's population. In addition to his winnings, he will be traveling to Charleston today with his other fellow state elected politicians. Furthermore, the Calhoun Federalists athletics team topped the Lewis Nationalists in a dominating fashion in an ultimate Frisbee dual.

The Polls

Dakota Roach

As I sat at the entrance of the voting area, I see people go by, I see them talking about various things including the elections, the daily sports, and of course, the cell phones. I asked multiple voters how they felt about the party elections and which party they felt had an upper hand. Quinten Squires (Nationalist), and James Lares (Federalist), both stated they thought the grounds were close and it would be a tight election. Nationalist Andrew Butcher says he feels the Nationalists have the advantage but the federalists came in strong. Jonathan McGuire, a Nationalist, said he felt the Federalists had the upper hand at the start of Tuesday night's election.

After I had finished voting I went and interviewed four voters to ask them how they felt after the election and what party they were, Federalists Colin Kelly and Douglas Ernest both said they felt the Federalists had the election won, while Nationalist Cameron Wilson said they clearly had the advantage, finally Federalist Luke Earls also stated he felt the Federalists had the upper hand at the end of the night. You all have seen the election results, it was a Boys State election that will never be forgotten!

Webster's Athletic Attack

Webster Cottage

Dakota Roach

Webster cottage has claimed the ultimate prize! Since day one, Webster Cottage has remained undefeated in all sports, Jacob Harbart says the nationalists played valiant Hard-court Volleyball and Softball, only to pull of yet another win! The Webster cottage has made a statement, a challenge! Webster Cottage says they are "unstoppable" and proposes an open challenge to any cottage at any sport, any time.

Words that were used to describe the games were close, energetic, and fast paced overall. Webster says although they pulled off wins, they were both close underdog comeback that pulled them through. Webster Cottage also predicts an undefeated season this week, Best of luck to all teams, Webster out!

-Dakota Roach, Webster/ Staff Reporter

A Family Tradition

Boys State is sometimes a family tradition. Pictured is the Martino family on registration day. Samuel Martino is a 2014 citizen who ran for Governor. David, Sr. attended Boys State in 1972. Samuel's brother David attended in 2003, and his brother, John, attended in 2006. Samuel's sister, Maria, attended Girls State in 2012, and his 84 year grandmother also attended Girls State. Way to go, Martino family.



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