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74th Mountaineer Boys State Begins

Welcome 2011 Citizens of Boys State

The 74th Annual American Legion Boys State was officially underway yesterday afternoon. Registration for the 2011 Boys State citizens began at 9:00am. Approximately 300 young men from all regions of West Virginia went through the registration process. They received their cottage and party assignment, as well as their Boys State t-shirts.

After registration, the citizens were off to their cottage to meet the counselors, find a bed, have orientation, and get ready for the Law Lecture and Bar Exam. Each citizen was given an American Legion Boys State Manual of Government which will be their guide throughout the week.

This year's Boys State includes banking, journalism, law enforcement, legal, and political career paths. Each citizen is given the opportunity for hands on learning.

The Boys State counselors and staff are always available to help with any need that may arise whether it be campaign questions or simply homesickness.

Throughout the week, scores will be given on many phases of citizenship while participating in the activities of Mountaineer Boys State. Individual and cottage awards will be presented on Saturday for outstanding achievements during the week.

The Mountaineer

The Mountaineer is a daily newspaper which is published a staff of Boys State citizens. A daily broadcast will also be shown each night at the assembly. Staff members Betty Ann Williams and Ernie Horn will oversee this process. Citizens report on guest speakers, elections, classes, legislative news, cottage happenings, athletics, and what is taking place at the city, county, and state levels of government. We encourage citizens to get involved in everything offered this week. It's a once in a lifetime opportunity!

"Got News?" Stop by the newspaper office located in the Southeastern Learning Center and let us know.

Have a great time, learn a lot about government, and make new friends. Enjoy your week at Jackson's Mill!!!



College Credit Offered

College credit is available for attending Mountaineer Boys State for the 4th year in a row. The ACE Network, a non-profit organization created to support Boys and Girls State has arranged for 3 hours of general education elective credit through Clemson University. Citizens who applied for the college credit will need to complete a daily journal of their Boys State activities, pass the final exam given on Friday and design a community service project online. The credit will transfer to any public college and university as well as most private colleges. The cost is only \$270.00 and citizens will have until the Thursday night assembly. Citizens may visit www.ed190.com for more information. Administrator Steve Sluss will be available for questions until Monday evening. Acting Director, Jim Davis will be available throughout

Boys State is Hi-Tech

Once again Boys State citizens will use touch-screen voting for the state wide races in the Primary and General Elections. Mountaineer Boys State was the first program in the country to use this voting procedure.

West Virginia Secretary of State, Natalie Tennant, has provided the voting machines and Casto & Harris is providing the programming. Thank you from



Samsung Scholarships

The Samsung Scholarship applications should be submitted to Jim Davis at the Dorsey Center by the assembly on Wednesday, June 15, 2011. ***If you completed the Samsung Scholarship online, please let Mr. Davis know by Wednesday.*** The following information should be turned in with the application:



1. SAT scores
2. Application completed
3. Transcript from high school
4. DD-214 (Honorable Discharge papers)

The winner of the scholarship will be announced at the final assembly on Saturday, June 18, 2011.

A Brief History of Boys State

American Legion Boys State is among the most respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for high school students. It is a participatory program where each participant becomes a part of the operation of his local, county, and state government.

Boys State has been a program of The American Legion since 1935 when it organized to counter the Fascist inspired Young Pioneer Camps. The program was the idea of two Illinois Legionnaires, Hayes Kennedy and Harold Card, who organized the first Boys State at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield. The American Legion Auxiliary sponsors Girls State, a similar program for young ladies.

At American Legion Boys State, participants are exposed to the rights and privileges, the duties and responsibilities of a franchised citizen. The training is objective and practical with city, county, and state governments operated by the students elected to the various offices. Activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law enforcement presentations, assemblies, bands, chorus and recreational programs. High school juniors are selected by their school and/or local American Legion Posts to attend the program. In most cases, expenses associated with attending this program are paid by a sponsoring American Legion Post, a local business or another community-based organization.

American Legion Boys State is currently conducted in 49 Departments of The American Legion. Hawaii does not conduct a program. As separate corporations, Boys States vary in content and method of procedure, but each and every Boys State adheres to the basic concept of the program; that of teaching government from the township to the state level.

From the AL website www.legion.org

Don't Pass It Up, Pick It Up!!!

The campus of Jackson's Mill is a beautiful place. Let's take good care of it this week by picking up trash and recycling pop cans. Let's leave the grounds as clean and neat as they were when we arrived.



Thank you!!!

Mountaineer Boys State Online ***www.mountaineerboysstate.org***

Parents and friends back home can keep up with all the happenings here at Mountaineer Boys State by accessing the official website. During the week of Boys State, the website will transform itself into Mountaineer Boys State Live Streaming Video!!! Provided by USTREAM LIVE!

The website, maintained by the IT team, Jacob McCarty, Michael Sluss, and Paul Turner, will include election results, the daily schedule, athletic results, pictures and much, much more.

Be sure to have everyone at home check out the website!!!

Thanks to our Sponsors

"Who foots the bill for Boys State? Who pays for the week of citizenship and fellowship enjoyed at Jackson's Mill? Who pays for the transportation, insurance, and administrative costs?" Civic clubs, lodges, school booster clubs, the American Legion and service organizations, as well as business firms, sponsor students to Boys State. The WV Department of the American Legion pays for the administrative cost.

All citizens of Boys State are selected by their high school staff and/or by local American Legion Post officials.

Please be sure to write and thank your sponsor for enabling you to attend Mountaineer Boys State by supplementing the cost of the program. If you don't know who that is, see Marie in headquarters. Boys State stationery and envelopes are available in the Dorsey Center. There is also a box for outgoing mail in the Dorsey Center.



Men of Tomorrow

Oh, we're the Men of Tomorrow,
We march along in happy ranks today.
We never borrow
A bit of care or grief along the way.
Gladly we're learning
The things a good American should
know.
Gladly we're yearning
To chart the way a patriot should go.
With lessons done
Objectives won
Good citizens we'll be;
We'll proudly stand
In our homeland
Where Mountaineers are free.
Men of Tomorrow
Good fellowship each one of us enjoys,
Men of Tomorrow

Monday's Menu

Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
Breakfast Bagels	Pepperoni rolls	Roast Beef
Hot & Cold	Chips	Mashed Potatoes
Cereal	Corn	Gravy
Bananas	Applesauce	Green Beans
Orange Juice	Cookies	Rolls
Milk	Lemonade	Salad
		Rice Krispie Treats
		Iced tea



WHY DO WE MARCH?

By now many citizens have grumbled about marching everywhere they go. The answer to that question is simple. Marching is the most efficient, and more importantly, the SAFEST way to move large groups of people in the limited amount of time we have. Mountaineer Boys State has a very good safety record in its seventy-three year history. Requiring the citizens to march is a major factor in achieving and maintaining that record.

Secondly, we are visited by many dignitaries and other guests throughout the week. Seeing the citizens marching to class, to the dining hall, and to the Assembly Hall is quite impressive and adds to the prestige of Boys State. Marching is as much a part of Boys State as the American Legion itself.

So Hup...two... three... four.... and have fun!!!!



Journalism Ad Fees

Print		Broadcast	
1/8 page	\$125.00	10 seconds	\$500.00
1/4 page	\$250.00	20 seconds	\$1,000.00
1/2 page	\$500.00	30 seconds	\$1500.00
Full page	\$1000.00		

To place an ad, come to Southeastern Learning Center.



Sunday's Speakers

Attorney General Darrell McGraw—Bio



Born November 8, 1936 and raised in McGraws, Wyoming County, West Virginia
Married to Jorea Marple, and has four children
Attended West Virginia University, Graduated with B.A., M.A., and J.D.
Awarded post-graduate Fellow/Scholar funded by the Ford Foundation
Served as counsel to West Virginia Governor Hulett C. Smith
Served as general attorney to the federal government in State Department
Served as counsel to West Virginia Legislature
Was in private practice from 1969-1976
Justice of West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, 1976-1988
Chief Justice of West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, 1984 and 1988
Elected as 35th West Virginia State Attorney General 1992-Current (Elected 1992, 1996, 2000, 2004)
Appointed to Council of State Governments by National Association of Attorneys General

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Fax: (304) 558-0140

Rosie and the Riveters—Bios

Mazie Mullins, from Clendenin, was a Rosie the Riveter. During World War II, she riveted bombers at Goodyear Aircraft in Akron. She actively works with Thanks! Plain and Simple and other Rosies to make the West Virginia Rosie the Riveter Project a model for America. As a child she helped her family clear the land for a farm and house. As a pre-teen, she worked for .75 cents a day doing laundry for lumberjacks. As a young woman, at Goodyear, her motivation was to “bring our boys home.” Her fiancé was killed in action just before he was to come home on leave to marry her. She says of these experiences, “I am glad learned the value of hard work, early. I am blessed to have worked hard for my country to help bring our boys home safely. Unfortunately, many did not make it home. Rosies just wanted to do our best to help end that war.” Mazie is one Rosie featured in the film, “We Pull Together: Rosie the Riveters, Then and Now” which Thanks! Plain and Simple’s has planned and managed.



Ilene Humphreys is Mazie’s daughter. She is on the Honorary Board to help work with leaders to teach about Rosie the Riveters. (Daughters of Rosie the Riveters are called, “rosebuds.”)

Anne Montague is the Executive Director of Thanks! Plain and Simple, the nonprofit organization that has created the West Virginia Rosie the Riveter Project, so that the rest of America will model our state in finding and learning from our Rosies. She is Executive Director of the film, “We Pull Together: Rosie the Riveters, Then and Now” to premiere in Charleston the evening of June 28th at the Capital Theatre.

Tijah Bumgarner is the videographer for the West Virginia Rosie the Riveter Project. Originally from Fayette County, she graduated from Cal Arts in Los Angeles, and she is now getting a graduate degree in film making at West Virginia State University.

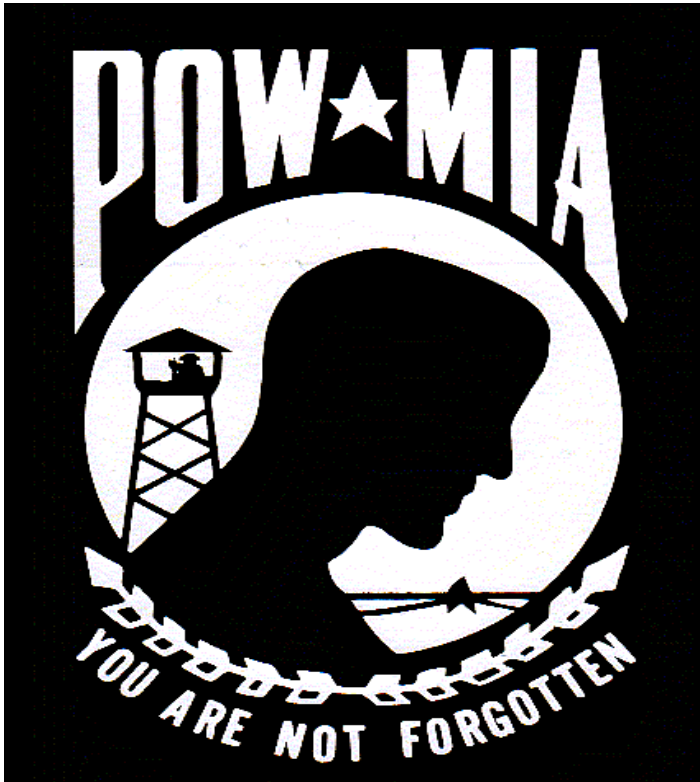
<http://www.thankspainandsimple.com/>
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Monday's Speakers

Americanism Class - Instructor: American Legion Post 14 Member Robbie Robinson
Secretary of State Natalie Tennant
President Lincoln Address

POW/MIA Recognition Day

By Brent Bailey



POW/MIA recognition day is the third Friday in September. It was chosen to salute all prisoners of war and soldiers who have gone missing in action, and a flag was created with it to bring recognition to unreturned soldiers- that flag is now officially a national flag. On this day there are ceremonies throughout the nation for remembrance of the fallen or unreturned, so as not to let the public forget. Our own West Virginia American Legion has created its own day, the American Legion Family Salute to All Veterans Past and Present, which is held September 19th at Holly Gray Park in Flatwoods. It is a remembrance and tribute to all veterans, past and present. The event was started by the West Virginia detachment of the Sons of the American Legion as something to promote the American Legion family and, according to our very own Bill Diedrich, an SAL member, it's "something to promote the American

Legion family and educate the public that we're more than just a legion post in their town. It has ceremonies similar to the empty table Boys State witnessed earlier this week, a field of white crosses, and behind that, 25 POW/MIA flags for the 25 West Virginia men who went missing during Vietnam and were never recovered. There is American Legion literature available, a pavilion with memorabilia from all wars, and a replica a prisoner of war cage from Vietnam. All funds received at this event go towards the West Virginia Children's Hospital and the Legacy Fund (scholarships for children of soldiers killed in service of their country), both of which are American Legion programs. Ceremonies are from 10 to 2, and all Boys State citizens are welcome and encouraged to attend and honor the men who gave everything for their country.

Thanks to Bill Diedrich for providing the information necessary for this article.

Welcome the 2011 Mountaineer Boys' State Journalism staff:

Position	Name	Cottage
General Manager:	Swayde Carpenter	Calhoun
Newspaper Editor:	Devin McIlvain	Braxton
Broadcast Manager:	Alec Salakovich	Panhandle
Staff Reporters:	Andrew Carroll	Gilmer
	Alex Jones	Braxton
	Jesse Kidd	Lewis
	Tyler Moyers	Barbour
	Clark Palmer	Gilmer
	Alex Petry	Kanawha
	Sam Ransbottom	Monongalia
	Nick Robertson	Barbour
Cameraman/Photographer:	Alden Roth	Lewis
Graphic Design:	Xavier Nolan	Panhandle
	Austin Shahan	Kanawha
Website Coordinator:	Michael Bragg	Webster/Barbour
	Nick Brownstead	Randolph
	Robert Fulton	Monroe
	Seth Hamrick	Kanawha
	Austin Hickman	Marion
	Troy King	Lewis
	Patrick Means	Braxton
	Michael Roy	Gilmer/Calhoun
	Drew Wade	Monongalia/Upshur

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY JACKSON'S MILL
FARMSTEAD
GENERAL STORE HOURS



Monday	3:00pm-7:30pm	9:00pm-11:00pm
Tuesday	10:00am-7:30pm	9:00pm-11:00pm
Wednesday	10:00am-5:00pm	9:00pm-11:00pm
Thursday	10:00am-7:30pm	9:00pm-11:00pm
Friday	10:00am-8:00pm	
Saturday	10:00am-5:00pm	

American Legion Mountaineer Boys State
General Store Prices
See Jim Davis at Dorsey

License Plates	\$8.00
Book Bags	\$5.00
Frisbees	\$2.50
Water Bottles	\$2.00
License Plate Frame	\$2.00
Lanyard	\$2.00
Ink Pens	\$2.00
Pencils	\$1.00
Post Card	\$.50
All of the Above	\$20.00

<div> <div>Photo Schedule</div> <div>All times are in military time.</div> </div>					
	Cottage		Individual		
Cottage	Date	Start Time	Date	Start Time	End Time
Barbour	Monday	0700	Thursday	2230	2245
Braxton	Monday	0710	Thursday	2300	2315
Calhoun	Monday	0740	Thursday	2245	2300
Gilmer	Monday	0730	Thursday	2245	2300
Kanawha	Wednesday	0720	Thursday	2200	2215
Lewis	Wednesday	0700	Thursday	2130	2145
Marion	Wednesday	0730	Thursday	2215	2230
Monongalia/Harrison	Tuesday	0730	Thursday	2145	2200
Monroe	Tuesday	0710	Wednesday	2315	2330
Panhandle	Monday	0720	Thursday	2315	2330
Randolph	Tuesday	0700	Wednesday	2300	2315
Upshur	Wednesday	0710	Thursday	2145	2200
Webster	Tuesday	0720	Thursday	2230	2245

Instructions: Individual Photos - Have your Citizens in the following order: The Citizens should be in alphabetic order by last name. They should be grouped by party; the Federalists first and the Nationalists second. This will make the photos move smoothly. **Cottage Photos** – Ensure all Citizens are in front of the cabin and prepared for the photo.
Dress Code: All Citizens should be in their white Boys State shirts tucked in with name tags in the proper location. They will not be wearing lanyards during the photos. Counselors should be in their Gray Staff Shirt, tucked in with name tags, and with the uniform hat.
Location: Individual Photos - All Citizens should march to South Eastern Learning Center and then single file in the appropriate order. **It is important that all Citizens arrive and in the correct order. Last year the longest it took for any cottage was Panhandle and it was completed within 10-12 minutes.** **Cottage Photos** – All Citizens should be located in front of their cottage.

Monday’s Athletic Schedule

See page 18 of your Boys State Manual

Todd Morgan is the Athletic Director.



Monday’s Schedule is on page 13 of your Boys State Manual. Any changes in daily schedules will be announced by the Officer of the Day and also printed in the newspaper.



AWARDS FOR THE WEEK



The recipients of these awards will be selected in the following manner:
Recommendations are made by the counselors of each cottage.
Candidates are interviewed by members of the staff.
Candidates will not necessarily be limited to the recommendations of the counselors.

Tommy E. Jones Trophy Award

The Tommy E. Jones Trophy will be awarded to the citizen of Mountaineer Boys' State who contributes the most to the political process. Among the criteria for this award are:

- Enthusiasm
- Sincerity
- Honesty
- Organizational Ability
- Creativity

P.E. Kercheval Award

The P.E. Kercheval Award will go to a citizen who is a participant in the activities of Boys' State, is courteous, congenial, has high moral standards, and demonstrates leadership.

Frank Taylor Jr. Award

This trophy is awarded to the citizen of Mountaineer Boys' State who exhibits an enthusiastic interest in law and displays a high moral character with honor, respect, and integrity for the rights of others. In addition, this young man must be an active participant in the programs of Mountaineer Boys' State. All citizens who successfully passed the Mountaineer Boys' State Bar Exam may be considered for this award.

William R. Fugitt Memorial Award

The Bill Fugitt Award will go to the cottage that attains the best total score in the following seven categories:

- City Government
- County Government
- Board of Education
- Law Examination
- Circuit Court
- Inspection
- General conduct of all citizens of that cottage during the entire week
- Athletics/Band

Dr. John T. Dombrosky Memorial Award

The Dr. John T. Dombrosky Award will be given to the staff member or citizen who has displayed the attributes of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness with the Legion principles as exemplified by Dr. Dombrosky.

David Farris Award

The David —Davel Farris Award is presented to the Boy's State citizen who contributes significantly to the city and/or county government aspects of the Mountaineer Boys' State program and exhibits the qualities of a good sense of humor, kindness, competence, and fairness for all. All citizens who hold an elected city or county office shall be eligible for this award. Dave Farris was a citizen of Boys' State in the late 1970s. He was a long time Staff member who served in many positions. He was a Junior Counselor and served on the headquarters' staff. Dave played a vital role in the City and County governmental process at Boys' State in 1991. Dave was killed by an automobile accident a few weeks following the 1991 Boys' State.

Boys' Nation Award

Citizens who have been elected to a state office, Speaker of the House or President of the Senate, have served in the capacity of State Party Chairman, or have demonstrated extraordinary leadership are eligible to be considered as a candidate for Boys' Nation. Each candidate will be required to complete an application as well as go through an interview. The interview panel will seek input from the eligible candidate's counselors regarding the individual's character, leadership, participation, etc...

Legislator of the Year

The Legislator of the Year shall be a member or officer of the Senate or House of Delegates who best exemplifies extraordinary character, enthusiasm for education, and a genuine devotion to the legislative process. The legislative advisors, chaired by the legislative coordinator, shall select the award.