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## 1995

### PRIMARY RESULTS

#### FEDERALIST CANDIDATES

#### NATIONALIST CANDIDATES

#### GOVERNOR

MIKE "THE SHOW" SHOWALTER

BRANDON "CHEESE" CRAFT

#### SECRETARY

DAN "CHEWIN" DIBACCO

BRENT "PAPA MURPH" MURPHY

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL

KIRK OLIVER

MICHAEL "MAINSTREAM" BROOKS

#### TREASURER

BROOKS "RED BEARD" NEWHOUSE

MATT "NOT-GAY" GAITHER

#### AUDITOR

RAJIV "SWAMI" SWAMY

CHRIS "THE WACKER" WEIKART

#### COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

JUSTIN "I IS A" FARMER

CHRIS "THE HAPPY" GARDNER

#### SUPREME COURT

RONALD BATES

CHRIS BEXFIELD

BILLY "VANILLI" WHITT

MATT "THE MAD MAN" MORGAN

BRYAN "THE GIZMO" BRAGG

MICHAEL YU

IMAD "CHOCOLATE THUNDER" AHMED

JEFF "THE BIG WILLY" WILLIAMS

RYAN FRANKENBERRY

SCOTT NALE

# THE AMERICAN LEGION MOUNTAINEER BOYS' STATE, INC.

TUESDAY JUNE 13, 1995

6:30 REVEILLE AND CLEAN QUARTERS  
7:20 FLAG RAISING  
7:25 BREAKFAST

## GROUP ARRANGEMENT BY COUNTIES FOR INSTRUCTIONAL INFORMATION

GROUP 1 - BARBOUR, KANAWHA, PANHANDLE  
GROUP 2 - BRAXTON, RANDOLPH, WEBSTER  
GROUP 3 - MARION, MONROE, UPSHUR  
GROUP 4 - CALHOUN, GILMER, LEWIS, MONONGALIA

	8:30-9:10	9:20-10:00	10:10-10:50	11:00-11:40
GROUP 1	ASSESSOR	SHERIFF	CITY GOVT.	COUNTY COMM.
GROUP 2	SHERIFF	CITY GOVT.	COUNTY COMM.	ASSESSOR
GROUP 3	CITY GOVT	COUNTY COMM.	ASSESSOR	SHERIFF
GROUP 4	COUNTY COMM.	ASSESSOR	SHERIFF	CITY GOVT.

## GROUP MEETING LOCATIONS:

ASSESSOR- ASSEMBLY HALL, INSTRUCTOR- RANDY LIPFORD  
SHERIFF- JACKSON LODGE, INSTRUCTOR- RICK REESE  
CITY GOVT.-WEST VIRGINIA BUILDING, INST.- C.C. PHILLIPS  
COUNTY COMM.- SEWING CENTER, INSTRUCTOR- JACK WHITING

12:15 LUNCH

1:15 - 1:45 EACH CABIN WILL SEND 2 CITIZENS TO CHAPEL TO  
RECEIVE INSTRUCTION ON COURT TRIALS.

1:15 - 3:00 PARTY CAUCUSES  
(NATIONALIST IN ASSEMBLY HALL)  
(FEDERALIST IN WEST VIRGINIA BLDG)

3:15 - 4:30 ATHLETICS AND SWIMMING

4:30 - 5:00 BAND PRACTICE

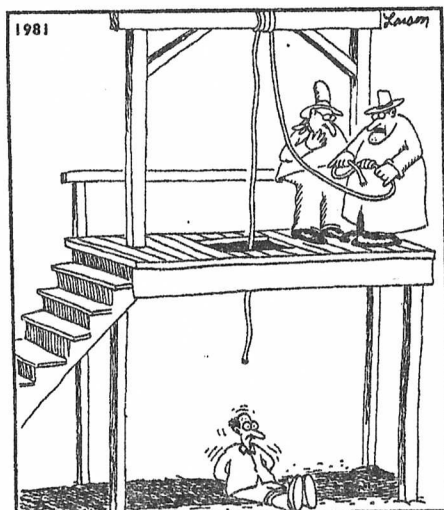
5:15 - 5:25 RETREAT

5:30 DINNER DR. ROBERT DILMAN, FAIRMONT STATE COLLEGE

6:15 - 7:15 ATHLETICS AND BAND PRACTICE

7:30 - 9:00 ASSEMBLY EARL RAY TOMBLIN, PRES. OF SENATE  
EACH PARTY WILL BE ALLOWED 30 MINUTES TO  
PRESENT CANDIDATES  
GENERAL ELECTION

11:00 CITIZENS TO COTTAGES. COUNSELORS MAKE  
DECISIONS ON LIGHTS OUT AND ON CITIZENS BEING  
OUT OF THE COTTAGE, PROVIDED CITIZENS RETURN TO COTTAGE  
BY 1:00 a.m.



"You meathead! Now watch! ... The rabbit  
goes through the hole, around the tree five  
or six times ..."

The FAR SIDE

June

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TUESDAY



# WHY DO WE MARCH?

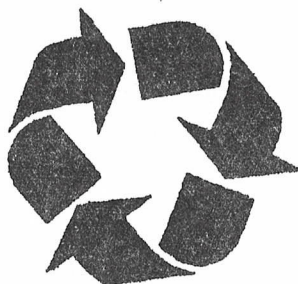
By now many citizens grumble about marching everywhere they go. Many want to know WHY we have to march. Marching is the most efficient and more importantly the SAFEST way to move large groups of people in the limited amount of time we have. Mountaineer Boy's State has a very good safety record in its Fifty-seven 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 their classes, to the dining hall, and to the assembly hall is quite impressive and adds to the prestige of Boy's State. Marching is as much a part of Boy's State as the American Legion itself, so make the most of it and HAVE FUN!!!!

DON'T PASS IT UP, PICK IT UP!!

THE CAMPUS OF JACKSON'S MILL IS A BEAUTIFUL PLACE. LET'S TAKE CARE OF IT THIS WEEK BY PICKING UP PAPER AND CANS AND DEPOSITING THEM IN THE PROPER RECYCLING BINS. THESE LARGE BLUE BINS ARE LOCATED ON THE PORCH OF SEVERAL COTTAGES. EVERYONE PITCH IN AND WE'LL LEAVE THE GROUNDS AS CLEAN AND NEAT AS THEY WERE WHEN WE ALL ARRIVED ON SUNDAY. SO, "DON'T PASS IT UP, PICK IT UP!!" AND RECYCLE!!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION



## MONDAY'S ATHLETIC RESULTS

DAY	AREA I	AREA II	AREA III	AREA IV	AREA V
MONDAY	<del>BARBOUR</del> <del>LEWIS-F</del> <del>MARION-N</del> <del>MONROE-F</del>	<del>BRAXTON-N</del> <del>CALHOUN</del> <del>MONROE-N</del> <del>MONONGALIA</del>	<del>GILMER</del> <del>PANHANDLE-F</del> <del>KANAWHA-F</del> <del>PANHANDLE-N</del>	<del>KANAWHA-N</del> <del>RANDOLPH-F</del> <del>BRAXTON-F</del> <del>RANDOLPH-N</del>	<del>LEWIS-N</del> <del>MARION-F</del> <del>UPSHUR</del> <del>WEBSTER</del>
MONDAY	LEWIS-N UPSHUR MARION-F WEBSTER	BARBOUR MARION-N BRAXTON-F MONROE-F	BRAXTON-N MONROE-N CALHOUN MONONGALIA	GILMER PANHANDLE-F KANAWHA-F PANHANDLE-N	KANAWHA-N RANDOLPH-F LEWIS-F RANDOLPH-N

## TUESDAY'S ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

TUESDAY	KANAWHA-N RANDOLPH-N LEWIS-F RANDOLPH-F	LEWIS-N WEBSTER MARION-F UPSHUR	BRAXTON-F MARION-N BARBOUR MONROE-F	BRAXTON-N MONONGALIA CALHOUN MONROE-N	GILMER PANHANDLE-N KANAWHA-F PANHANDLE-F
TUESDAY	PANHANDLE-F KANAWHA-F GILMER PANHANDLE-N	RANDOLPH-F LEWIS-F KANAWHA-N RANDOLPH-N	LEWIS-N MARION-F UPSHUR WEBSTER	MARION-N MONROE-F BARBOUR BRAXTON-F	BRAXTON-N CALHOUN MONROE-N MONONGALIA

## COTTAGE INSPECTIONS - JUNE 12, 1995

Barbour - 98  
Braxton - 96  
Calhoun - 99  
Gilmer - 99  
Kanawha - 92  
Lewis - 94

Marion - 98  
Monongalia - 100  
Monroe - 97  
Panhandle - 100  
Randolph - 99  
Upshur - 94

Webster - 94

## BAR EXAM RESULTS

On Sunday, June 11, 1995, Legal Advisors Randall K. Kocsis and Steve Sluss delivered the annual Mountaineer Boys' State "Law Lecture." Immediately after the lecture, the citizens took the Mountaineer Boys' State "Bar Examination." A make-up examination was given on Monday morning, June 12, 1995. A total of 346 citizens took the "Bar Examination." The examination was graded per the provisions of the 19th Amendment to the Mountaineer Boys' State Constitution.

One hundred and fifty-one citizens passed the examination. The average score was 68.398% and the lowest score that constituted a passing score was 70%.

The highest score was made by Matthew T. Echard (Barbour) who scored a 98%. The next highest scores were made by Chris Bexfield (Upshur) and Gordon Butler (Monroe) who made 92%. Seth Christopher Lyle (Marion) and Daniel Miller (Upshur) followed close behind with scores of 90%. Congratulations to the above top five scorers and all who passed the examination.

The following are the grade averages by cottage:

BARBOUR - 73.16%	RANDOLPH - 67.09%
MONONGALIA - 71.45%	UPSHUR - 66.85%
MONROE - 71.22%	BRAXTON - 66.64%
LEWIS - 70.58%	GILMER - 65.05%
MARION - 70.17%	KANAWHA - 64.44%
CALHOUN - 69.78%	WEBSTER - 64.30%
PANHANDLE - 68.84%	

### RANDY KOCSIS

Randy Kocsis is a fine young man who is a native of Fairmont, WV. Randy attended Boys' State as a citizen 16 years ago and has been a part of the Boys' State Staff for the past 15 years. He served in the positions of Jr. and Sr. Counselor in Barbour and Marion cottages.

Randy graduated from the WVU Law School and went through the FBI training course. He is presently an agent with the FBI in Washington, D.C. He spent the past 8 years as an agent in Houston, Texas where he worked on a variety of interesting matters. Randy's wife, Janette, is from Rockcave, WV and in their spare time they find stray dogs, take them home, take good care of them, and keep them. How about that for a couple of humanitarians? Would you like a dog?

Randy has contributed much to the Boys' State Program over his many years with us. He is dedicated and believes in the type of program here at Jackson's Mill. He is responsible for revising and rewriting the Boys' State Bar Exam. He also prepared the guideline packets for the trials held at Mountaineer Boys' State.

This writing tells us who Randy Kocsis is and what he means to the program. He is a strong asset to us and to his present position as an FBI agent.

Thank you, Randy, for all your unique and innovative ideas.

### STEVE SLUSS

Steve Sluss attended Boys' State as a citizen in 1976 and has been a part of the Boys' State staff all but 2 years since then. He served as a Junior and Senior Counselor in Panhandle and Randolph cottages as well as Legislative advisor. In 1994, he taught the course on Magistrate Courts. For the past 3 years he has assisted with the Bar Exam and served as advisor to the Nationalist and Federalist Parties.

In 1983 and 1984 he served as the youngest member of the West Virginia House of Delegates. He spent 6 years on the Mineral County Commission. Two of these years were served as President. He graduated in 1992 from the WVU College of Law. Sluss has been an assistant prosecuting attorney in Kanawha County until June 1 of this year when he became chief assistant and legal counsel to Kanawha County Assessor Phyllis Gatson.



## New WVU President Speaks Here...First!

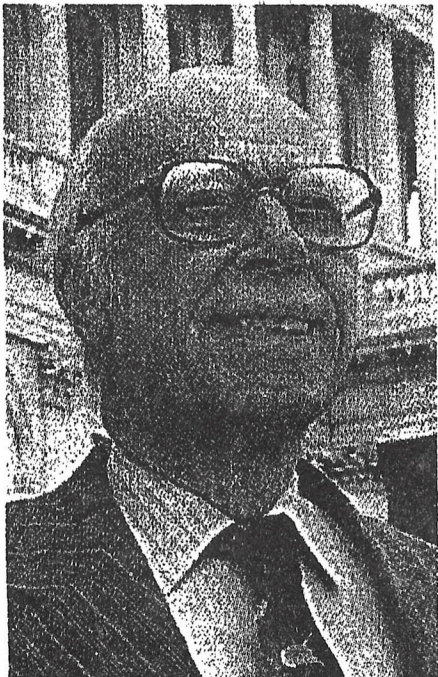
Ripley attorney David Hardesty, chose Mountaineer Boys' State as the first place to speak as WVU's new President. Hardesty, a former Boys' Stater and Rhodes Scholar, came back to Jackson's Mill for lunch and encouraged the citizens to set their goals high.

Hardesty listed some characteristics of good leadership, including vision, integrity, and commitment to your principles and goals. He stressed the importance of recruiting good people to serve with you and caring about their personal needs.

Hardesty believes that any effective leader is committed to serving others and emphasized the qualities necessary to be a servant-leader. Sincerity is key towards building trust among one's peers and friends.

Being true to yourself and your upbringing is of utmost importance, according to Hardesty. He attributed his personal success to a drug-free and stable life, along with a good education.

Boys' State salutes WVU's new leader!



## "RAT" is where it's AT

World War II veteran Russell A. "Rat" Thom made his annual appearance at Mountaineer Boys' State, and, as usual, he brought down the house.

Rat has come to every Boys' State--58 now--and will undoubtedly be back next year. Rat is well-known for his passionate speeches encouraging the Boys' Staters to be proud of where they come from--the United States of America.

Rat spoke of how America has been the stumbling block in the way of would-be world conquerors like Adolf Hitler. He compared Hitler's fascism and American democracy. "Hitler didn't care about educating the German youth--he just sent them to fight his wars."

He encouraged the citizens to keep democracy alive back in their home communities. "Democracy is in your hands," he told the citizens in a rousing speech. "Never forget that you live in the greatest nation on earth."

Mountaineer Boys' State salutes a veteran and great speaker, Rat Thom.

## The Singing Secretary

West Virginia's Secretary of State, Ken Hechler, sang for his supper Monday night, educating and entertaining the citizens and staff of Mountaineer Boys' State with his song concerning the tax system in West Virginia. Listen for Ken's next hit on Casey Kasem's American Top 40!

Secretary Hechler has one of the longest and most successful political track records in West Virginia history, having served several years as Congressman and is now in his second term as Secretary of State.

Secretary Hechler is a veteran of World War II and is the author of The Bridge at Remagen, the true story of the Allies' first crossing of the Rhine River into the interior of Germany, which signalled the beginning of the end for Hitler's Nazi regime. The book was later made into a film by the same name.

Secretary Hechler spoke Monday about the need for young people to get involved and remain involved in the political process back in their home counties. He encouraged Boys' Staters to not only learn the mechanics and strategy of electioneering, but also to commit themselves to an understanding of the principles of justice and freedom--two of the hallmarks of American democracy.

Mountaineer Boys' State salutes Ken Hechler as a veteran, as a leader in state government, and as a true and loyal friend of the youth of West Virginia. Montani Semper Liberi, Ken.

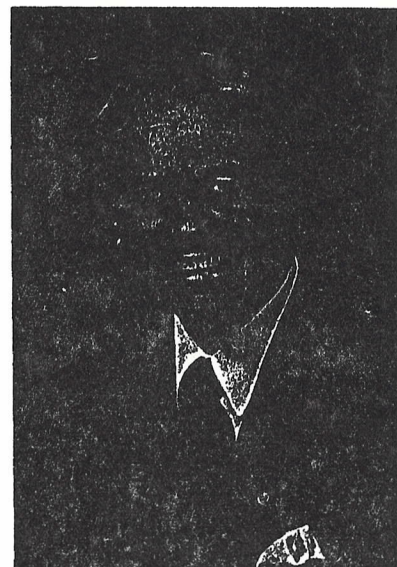
## State Treasurer Larrie Bailey Comes Home to Jackson's Mill

State Treasurer Larrie Bailey came home to Lewis County, which he once represented in the House of Delegates. Bailey brought his son, John, with him. The Baileys now live in Fairmont.

Bailey made lifelong friendships that began here at Boys' State. He encouraged the citizens to return to their hometowns and get involved with Little League and Boy Scouts, not to mention the State 4-H Program.

Bailey fondly recalled his service with Mountaineer Boys' State Special Assistant Curt Trent, who was then chief assistant to the Governor and was proud of his four elections to statewide office.

In parting, Bailey encouraged the citizens to stay in West Virginia, get a good education, and get active in the community. Thanks, Larrie!



## OH, THE DRUMS GO BANG AND THE CYMBALS CLANG - - -

This is the many sounds of the Mountaineer Boys' State band. The band, under the direction of Roger Walker and Michael Walker, plays an important part in the Boys' State program. I'm sure you all realize this at assembly every evening.

Roger Walker is the band director for Boys' State. He just completed his bachelor's degree in music education from WVU. Roger is the former drum major of the WVU marching band.

Joe Thornburg is the assistant band director. He is a junior majoring in music education at WVU and has played with the WVU marching band and symphony orchestra. He is a Pittsburgh native.

Michael Walker is also an assistant band director. He is a sophomore majoring in education at WVU and is a member of the WVU marching band. He is a native of Welch, WV.

We appreciate the dedication and talent of these ~~three~~ young men. Without the band, the program would not be as lively and festive. Thanks Roger, Joe, and Michael!!!

## ELECTION STAFF MEMBER

RON PUGH - Ron is a graduate of Buckhannon-Upshur High School, attended West Virginia Wesleyan College, West Virginia Business College and EBM Programming School in Dallas, Texas. He served four years with the USAF Security Service, with tours in Texas, Turkey and Japan. Nineteen year member of Frank B. Bartlett Post 7 American Legion in Buckhannon, having served as Adjutant and Commander. Employed in 1972 as bookkeeper in Upshur County Clerk's Office. He was appointed as County Clerk in 1976 and served in that capacity until June, 1989. He has been employed since then as West Virginia sales representative for Dayton Legal Blank Company, serving County and Municipal governments and Boards of Educations in all 55 counties. While serving as County Clerk, he was active in the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers and served as WV Director to this association for 4 years. He attended several Election Commission conferences. He was president of the WV Association of County & Circuit Clerks and also president of the WV County Officials Association. His current job still keeps him in touch with elected officials in WV. "I keep current with election laws. Dayton Legal Blank Company is the WV distributor for Business Records Corp., the manufacturer of the election equipment used at Boys' State." Ron also served as an instructor on Monday, June 12, 1995.

## BOYS' STATE INSTRUCTORS

Danny Staggers was an instructor on June 12, 1995. He is an attorney licensed in D.C., West Virginia, and Maryland. He is also a CPA. Danny has been on staff at Boys' State for many years. Thanks to Mr. Staggers for taking time out of his busy schedule to visit Mountaineer Boys' State.

Charles B. Howard was an instructor on June 12, 1995. He is practicing law in Charles Town, WV. He is an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Jefferson County. He is a former Magistrate in Kanawha County. He graduated from WVU with a B.S. in Business Administration and a Doctorate of Jurisprudence.

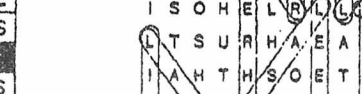
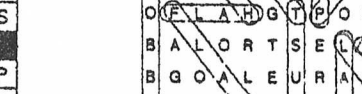
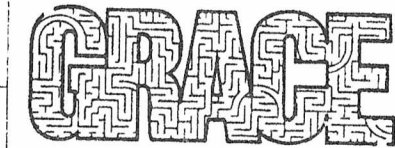
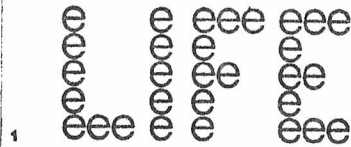
Roger Smith was an instructor on June 12, 1995. He is a long time staff member of Mountaineer Boys' State. He is presently serving as Director of the Budget Section of the State Department of Administration. Thanks, Roger, for speaking to the citizens of Boys' State.



# WACKY WORDIES\*\*

In 1979, GAMES readers started sending in Wacky Wordies, clever typographic word pictures that were circulating everywhere. So we made some up and ran a page of them. When readers sent more, we ran another page. And another. "No more!" we cried—to no avail. The Wacky Wordies still roll in, and despite our protests, we always print them—one more time. The object is to discern a familiar word, phrase, or proper name from each pictorial letter arrangement. Number 1, for instance, depicts the phrase "life of ease," and 2 is "rule of thumb." And please, if you think of any others, don't tell us!

Answers, page 175.



## A LITTLE MIXED UP

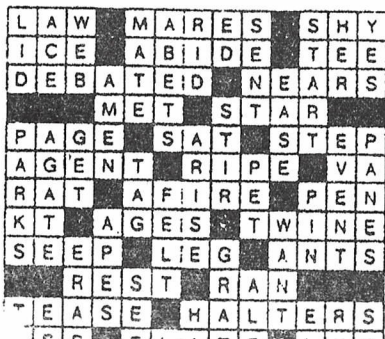
Just a line to say I'm living  
That I'm not among the dead  
Though I'm getting more forgetful  
And I'm mixed up in the head  
I've got used to my arthritis  
To my dentures I'm resigned,  
I can manage by bifocals  
But, Oh God, I miss my mind!  
For sometimes I can't remember  
When I stand at the foot of the stairs  
If I must go up for something  
Or I just came down from there.  
I open my fridge so often  
My poor mind is filled with doubt,  
Have I put some food away  
Or have I come to take some out?  
And there are times when it is dark  
With my night-cap on my head  
I don't know if I'm retiring  
Or just getting out of bed.  
So if it's my turn to write to you  
There's no need in getting sore  
I may think I might have written you  
But don't want to be a bore.  
Just remember I do love you  
And wish that you were near  
But now it's nearly mail time  
So must say good-bye, my dear.  
There I stand beside the mail box  
With a face so very red,  
Instead of mailing you my letter  
I have opened it instead!  
Sincerely Yours.



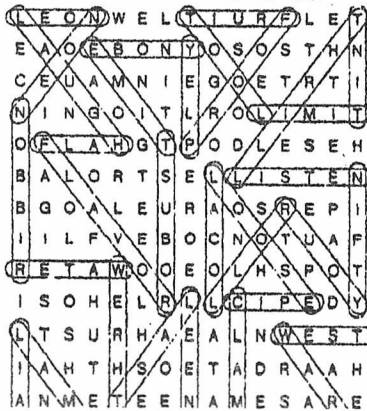
## THE OLD GREY MARE IS JUST WHAT SHE USED TO BE

The Old Grey Mare is now overjoyed,  
She is out of the line of the great unemployed  
The olly-tongued salesman, who sold me the tractor,  
Forgot to inform that expense was a factor.  
That long time credit that he gave me was bunk,  
By the time it was paid for that tractor was junk.  
When I stop to consider and figure my losses,  
"How much I'd have saved, had I farmed with my hosses."  
No oil and no gas, and not many repairs,  
Less worry, less debt, and fewer gray hairs.  
I'll buy no more tractors, that cause so much grief,  
You'll not hear me begging for more farm relief.  
I'll always be free from trouble and care,  
As long as I stick to the GOOD OLD GREY MARE!

## CROSSWORD 50



## CIRCLE-A-WORD 36



## The Party's (Over)

- |              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| 1. Dolly     | 15. hand   |
| 2. weather   | 16. cheek  |
| 3. Raindrops | 17. cheek  |
| 4. overcoat  | 18. skin   |
| 5. cold      | 19. Tom    |
| 6. wave      | 20. Dooley |
| 7. sunny     | 21. April  |
| 8. roses     | 22. autumn |
| 9. Tonight   | 23. time   |
| 10. tonight  | 24. Bill   |
| 11. Billy    | 25. feets  |
| 12. Joe      | 26. Irene  |
| 13. Joe      | 27. rain   |
| 14. head     | 28. skin   |



## 1995 NATIONALIST PARTY PLATFORM

Nationalists Alive in 95 !

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GRAND SLAM - The hard-hitting power of the Nationalists is going to knock the Federalists off of the ballot. We're gonna take ALL offices !!

OVERACHIEVING - This is what this year's Nationalists pledge to be. Parties and trends come & go, but our drive, determination, and dedication will withstand. We'll achieve more than ever before. Legacies of the past can never last after we're done.

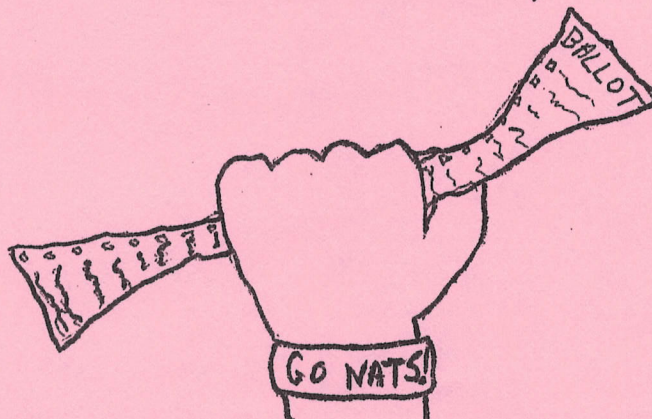
READY TO ACT - The Nationalist party of this year's Boys' State is ready to act -- ready to capture the state offices, ready to make amendments, ready to get the most of this state, ready to act on making this the best camp ever !!

EXCELLENCE ABOUNDS - Nothing but excellence abounds in the Nationalist party. We are strong and steadfast in our unity, morality, and integrity.

DEDICATION - This is very essential to the Nationalist platform. Our relentless pursuit of excellence keeps us striving to be the best party!

SWEEP - This is normally used as a verb, but the Nationalists will soon be claiming it as a noun. For the Nats will be having a Sweep of the State offices. Our sweep will mark the style of government that will be looked upon in the future.

"CARPE DIEM"



"SEIZE THE DAY AND THE VICTORY WITH THE NATS !!!"



# F E D S

## PAVING THE WAY TO THE FUTURE OF WEST VIRGINIA

THE FEDERALISTS PARTY HOPES TO GAIN YOUR SUPPORT BY SHOWING THAT OUR GOALS AND CONCERNS AS FEDERALISTS ARE ONES THAT REPRESENT TRUE MOUNTAINEER PRIDE THAT EACH OF US PROVIDE. OUR PARTY'S POST HISTORY IS ONE OF RESPONSIBILITY, INTEGRITY, AND DIGNITY. WE HAVE, IN THE PAST, DEMONSTRATED THAT WE REFUSE TO ACCEPT ANYTHING BUT THE BEST. WE HAVE AND WILL CONTINUE TO SHOW THAT WE HOLD THE HIGHEST QUALITY OF CITIZENS AS OUR REPRESENTATIVES.

WELFARE REFORM - RE-EDUCATE THE UNEMPLOYED AND GET JOBS FOR THEM.  
MORE WELFARE PERSONNEL NEEDED TO RUN WELFARE.  
WORKFARE - FOR SOMEONE TO RECEIVE A WELFARE CHECK  
HE/SHE MUST MAINTAIN SOME FORM OF EMPLOYMENT.

EDUCATION - MORE EMPHASIS ON HOW STUDENTS PERFORM IN SCHOOL  
RATHER THAN ON STANDARDIZED TESTS. (ACT/SAT)

FLAG - DESCARATION TO THE FLAG ILLEGAL. MAKE DESCARATION  
TO THE FLAG A FELONY.

ECONOMY - BOOST THE ECONOMY TO ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES BY  
DECREASING GOVERNMENT POWER AND INCREASING THE  
PRIVATE SECTOR.

PAVING THE WAY TO THE FUTURE OF WEST VIRGINIA IS ANOTHER WAY OF SAYING THAT WE WOULD SACRIFICE OURSELVES TO FURTHER THE GENERATIONS TO FOLLOW US.

THANK YOU,



TERRARD (T.J.) JAY LAW  
FEDERALIST STATE EXECUTIVE  
CHAIRMAN

\*Paid for by the Federalist Party