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FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

Boys' State for the excellent cooperation you have given me this week. I hope you have had an enjoyable week and that your stay was wort I would like to thank each staff member and each citizen of Mountaineer hwhile. Have a good and safe trip home. May this week remain in your memory for the rest of your lives.

We would also like to thank Melinda and Kim of the Legion Headquarters in Charleston for having things ready for us again this year!

Robert Stine

Administrator

FROM THE EDITOR'S COMPUTER

If you found a "typo" in your noozepaper, pleeze overlooke the mistakes. We have tryed to brang you the nooze in the bestest way we kin. Thanks to all you'uns who helped with the nooze. A spechal thanks to those who helped to stapell the noozepaper every evenin'. Thanks to O. C. Jones, Mike McBride, Miguel Munoz, Pat McCulloch, Jim Davidson, Janette Koscis, and Betty Ann Williams for their stick-to-it with getting the packets ready for Saturday morning.

I would like to thank the counselors for not complaining when the schedule wasn't exactly write.

We thank you, the Citizens, for just being here this week. Without you, there would be no Boys' State. Feel free to come bak for a vizit enytyme ewe want.

Betsy Potterfield

Boys State, Inc. of America

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This is to Certify that

The Department of West Virginia of the American Legion
is hereby authorized to promote and operate in its Department a Boys
State under and in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of
The Boys State, Inc., of America.

In Witness Whereof, the said Boys State, Inc., of America has
caused this certificate to be signed by its duly authorized officers
this First day of June A. D. 1936

H. L. Hard

SECRETARY

L. J. Kennedy

PRESIDENT

PUZZLE ANSWERS

ESCALATORS

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SHOWER	H	SWORE	W	ROSE
FAILED	A	FIELD	I	FLED
TIMERS	M	RITES	T	SIRE
BREATH	B	EARTH	H	RATE
ROUTES	U	STORE	O	REST
LEARNS	R	LANES	N	ALES
WEIGHT	G	WHITE	I	WHET
SOILED	E	SOLID	O	LIDS
SENDER	R	NEEDS	N	SEED

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PERIOD	O	PRIDE	E	DRIP
ORCHID	D	CHOIR	O	RICH
FIESTA	I	FEATS	T	SAFE
APACHE	A	CHEAP	H	PACE
ASCEND	C	DEANS	E	SAND
TASSEL	S	STALE	L	SEAT
INSIDE	I	SNIDE	I	DENS
GLOATS	G	ALTOS	O	SLAT
NORMAN	N	MANOR	N	ROAM

FILL-IN 2

GETAWAY	ANDOR	SUMAC
STAMINE	MOORE	UTILE
ARMENIA	AZTEC	RATED
REST	RAZZ	LUTE
RAY	LOLA	HAPT
OTIOSE	INERT	TIRADE
TENPINE	SAID	HAVEL
INDIA	ODE	DEE
STOA	QUITO	LAD
UNDERLINE		
SWIG	ADE	BONES
HAVEN	ERG	PER
ADANO	ROOP	YUCATAN
GENEVA	TALON	BATINS
BETA	LANE	EBB
PLO	LARR	TETE
RADII	AMATI	OMALICE
OVENS	BOXED	CENTRAL
MARAT	AGENA	ERABERS

DEAR MOM AND DAD, THE
WAR IS DONE,
MY TASK IS THROUGH;
AND, MOM, THERE'S
SOMETHING
I MUST ASK OF YOU.

I HAVE A FRIEND, O SUCH A
FRIEND,
HE HAS NO HOME YOU SEE;
AND SO, MOM, I'D REALLY
LIKE
TO BRING HIM HOME WITH
ME.

DEAR SON, WE DON'T MIND
IF SOMEONE COMES HOME
WITH YOU;
I'M SURE HE COULD STAY
PERHAPS A WEEK OR TWO.

DEAR MOM AND DAD,
THERE'S
SOMETHING YOU MUST
KNOW,
NOW PLEASE DON'T BE
ALARMED;
MY FRIEND IN BATTLE WAS
RECENTLY
SHOT, AND NOW HE HAS NO
ARM.

DEAR SON, DON'T BE AFRAID
TO BRING HIM HOME WITH
YOU;
PERHAPS HE COULD STAY
A DAY OR TWO.

DEAR MOM AND DAD, BUT,
MOM, HE'S NOT
JUST A FRIEND, HE'S LIKE A
BROTHER, TOO;
THAT'S WHY I WANT HIM
HOME WITH US,
AND LIKE A SON TO YOU.

AND BEFORE YOU GIVE YOUR
ANSWER,
MOM, I REALLY DON'T WANT
TO BEG;
BUT MY FRIEND IN BATTLE
ALSO LOST HIS LEG.

DEAR SON, IT HURTS ME SO
MUCH TO SAY,
THE ANSWER MUST BE NO;
FOR DAD AND I HAVE NO
TIME
FOR A BOY WHO IS CRIPPLED
SO.

SO MONTHS WENT BY AND
THEN A LETTER CAME,
IT SAID THEIR SON HAD DIED;
THEN THEY READ THE CAUSE
OF DEATH,
IT WAS "SUICIDE."

DAYS LATER WHEN THE
CASKET
CAME, DRAPED IN THE ARMY'S
FLAG; THEY SAW THEIR
SON LYING THERE, -- WITHOUT AN
ARM -- WITHOUT A LEG.

COURT TRIAL RESULTS UPDATE

THE COURT TRIAL RESULTS FOR RANDOLPH AND
UPSHUR COUNTIES WERE INADVERTENTLY LEFT OUT OF
FRIDAY'S PAPER.
THOSE RESULTS ARE:

UPSHUR	100%
RANDOLPH	99%

THE AMERICAN LEGION MOUNTAINEER BOYS' STATE, INC.

SATURDAY JUNE 15, 1996

6:30 REVEILLE AND CLEAN QUARTERS
7:50 FLAG RAISING
8:00 BREAKFAST

9:30 FINAL ASSEMBLY
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS AND TROPHIES

DEPARTURE NOTES: LEAVE PACKED LUGGAGE ON THE PORCHES OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING COTTAGES - MARION, KANAWHA, UPSHUR, OR LEWIS HAVE YOUR RIDE HOME MEET YOU IN AT THE ASSEMBLY HALL DIRECTLY FOLLOWING THE ADJOURNMENT.

10:00 ADJOURNMENT

Monongalia Makes Renovations

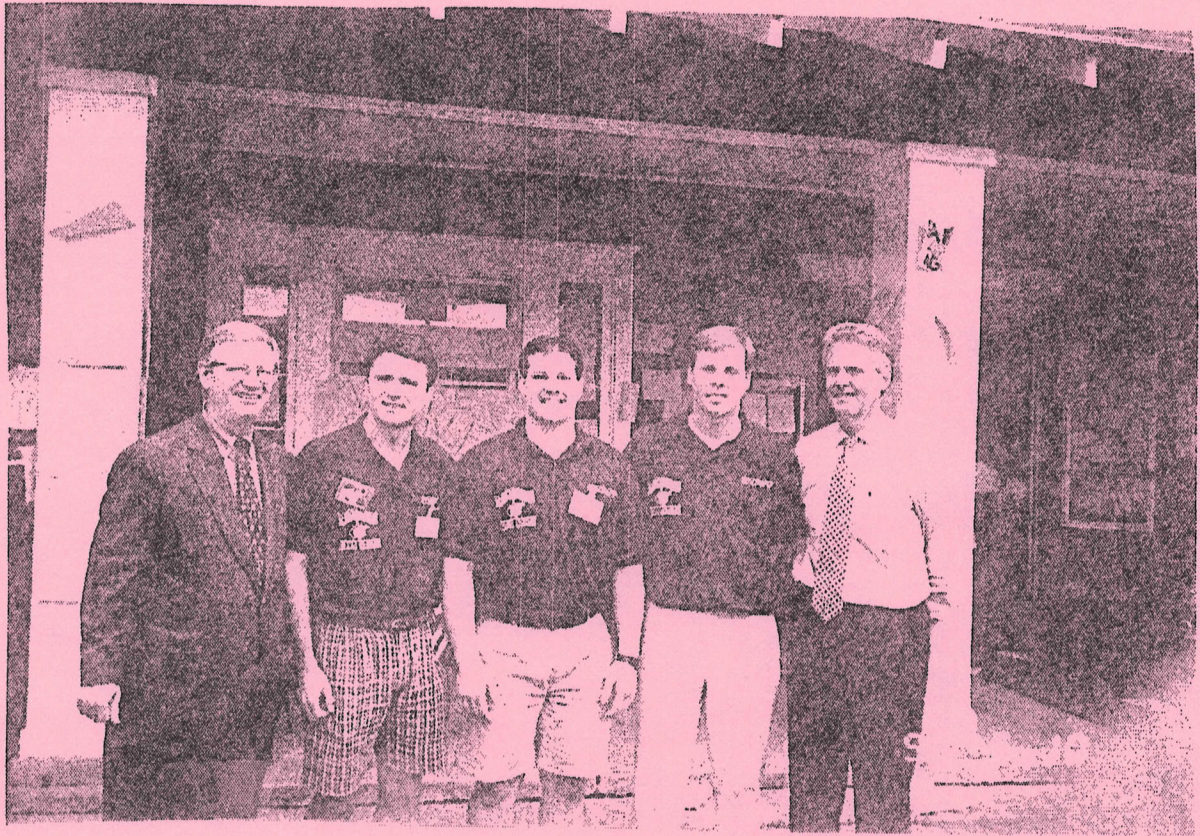
Upon their arrival, the Monongalia County citizens were confronted with a courthouse which had fallen into disrepair. Because of this, their County Commission voted unanimously to paint the porch of the courthouse. With paint and supplies donated by Jackson Mill, all of the Monongalia County citizens contributed part of their free time to accomplish this monumental task. All other counties are encouraged to participate in a public improvement project.

Congratulations Citizens of Monongalia County for a job well done.

Politics, the election of officers by and for the people to make, pass, and uphold laws. Chosen through speeches, campaigns, or even in some cases by their name. Sometimes the right person is chosen and sometimes the people fall for the wrong. But once chosen, the game begins. A game of moves and countermoves. You may wonder why I called it a game. Life is a game. William Shakespeare once said, "All the world's a stage." The whole world a single stage. That's a big stage. But back to politics. Politics is like poker. Sometimes you are destined to win and sometimes to lose. From the beginning to the end, you have a single hand. The hand could be a royal flush or just an ace high, but either way you have a chance, but you have to know how to play the game. You could bluff as long as you want, but you must know when to fold and move on. Cards are cards and people are people. Both have a lot in common. To achieve, you must understand your choices before you act. Politics can be extremely fun, or really boring. All in all, it's what you make out of it. So, enjoy everything you got and make the best of it.

Thank you for reading this and have a great summer. It's been fun!

Will Smith
Camp Reporter



FIVE GOVERNORS: DEAN THOMPSON (MBS '60), MARK ZACHWEIJA (MBS '80), BRANDON CRAFT (MBS '95), BRENT WALKER (MBS '81), and GASTON CAPERTON, GOVERNOR OF WEST VIRGINIA.

1996 WEST FORK RIVER REVIEW

PANHANDLE	INTRODUCTIONS	A LOT OF PEOPLE	UPSHUR	THEY MIGHT DO ANYTHING	CABIN
MONONGALIA	INSTRUMENTAL	JASON TRENARY	RANDOLPH	FREESTYLE	JEFF AND RICHARD THOMAS
CALHOUN	THE DOCTOR'S OFFICE	TOTAL CABIN	WEBSTER	A PIANO NUMBER	JOSHUA GREEN
BARBOUR	THE SINGING GROUP	CABIN	MONROE	THE MISSISSIPPI SQUIRREL ACT	JOE JENKINS
GILMER	THE MIDGET SKIT (morning at Boys' State)	CABIN	PANHANDLE	MUSIC DUET	DOMINIC ASHEY BRIAN CREMEANS
MARION	SOLO WITH GUITAR	JOHN CONLEY	EXTRA	WEST FORK RIVER JAZZ ARTISTS	KEITH HAYSLETT CLINT SUTTON
MONROE	JUGGLING ACT	CHRIS ROBINSON BRIAN STEVENS LEO DOUGHERTY	PANHANDLE	FUZZY BUNNY COMPETITION	ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS
KANAWHA	REDNECK JOKES (clean)	NEAL BAKER	MONROE	PIANO SOLO	CLINTON COVEY
LEWIS	GARTH BROOKS SONG	LEWIS CO. FEDS.	PANHANDLE	THE ULTIMATE TWISTER	WHOEVER WANTS TO
BRAXTON	SELECTIONS OF MUSIC (electric guitar)	RUSS SNYDER			

PACKET RESULTS ARE IN

	CITY	COUNTY
BARBOUR	83	81
BRAXTON	95	91
CALHOUN	84	81
GILMER	75	85
KANAWHA	82	78
LEWIS	81	89
MARION	80	100
MONONGALIA	85	77
MONROE	79	75
PANHANDLE	95	95
RANDOLPH	90	89
UPSHUR	78	84
WEBSTER	79	95

COTTAGE INSPECTION RESULTS

	Barbour	Braxton	Calhoun	Gilmer	Kanawha	Lewis	Marion	Monon.	Monroe	Panhd.l.	Randolph	Upshur	Webster
MONDAY	99	93	99	97	99	82	98	98	95	100	97	91	99
TUESDAY	96	96	100	98	96	85	98	98	98	98	94	91	100
WEDNESDAY	94	93	97	97	100	97	94	100	100	100	97	91	100
THURSDAY	100	96	100	100	92	88	100	96	88	100	96	96	100
FRIDAY	95	90	90	95	100	90	95	95	50	100	100	90	95
TOTAL	484	468	486	487	487	442	485	487	431	498	484	459	494

AVERAGE 96.8 93.6 97.2 97.4 97.4 97.4 88.4 97 97.4 86.2 99.6 96.8 91.8 98.8

KNOW YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS

GOVERNOR

Walter Lee Greenhowe, Jr. hails from Dunbar, Kanawha County. He was elected to the office of Governor of Mountaineer Boys' State. Walter's parents are Walter, Sr., and Marcia Greenhowe.

Walter attends South Charleston High School where he participated on the state championship football team, Optimist Club, Academic Honors Program, and basketball team. He received special honors: Scholar/Athlete of the Year, Perfect Attendance, Student of the Year, and President of Phi Delta Kappa.

His girlfriend, who attended the inauguration, is Nikki Smith.

Walter has been very active in his community. He has been a bell ringer for the Salvation Army for 5 years, a flood victims volunteer, and in total, possesses 80 hours of service.

While at Jackson's Mill, Walter lived in Barbour Cottage. His nickname during the campaign was "General."

Walter's comments about the week here at Boys' State are: "It was a very special week for me. I really enjoyed it, and I just want to say thank you to everybody.

His future plans are to attend college.

SECRETARY OF STATE

Jeff Johnson hails from Hurricane with his parents, Scott and Jane Johnson. He has two older brothers, Chad and Brett. Jeff attends Hurricane High School. He was the Vice President of the National Honor Society, ranked first in his class, and will be attending the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine. He was an honorable mention All-State selection in football, and played basketball.

Jeff was elected to the office of Secretary of State, and used the popular "Big Johnson" slogan.

While at Jackson's Mill, he lived in Panhandle Cottage. His future plans are to go to college, medical school, and finally, become a surgeon.

Jeff's comments concerning the week at Boys' State: "It has been a great week so far. I've learned so much about the government and gained so much experience with it. I'll always remember the fun I've had here."

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Rob Lowe lives in Martinsburg, with his parents Robert, II and Brenda. He attends Martinsburg High School where he participated in Air Force ROTC, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and Key Club.

He received the Daedalian Award, the Distinguished Cadet Award, and was chosen for student government. His girlfriend's name is Stephanie.

Rob lived in Gilmer Cottage, and was elected to the state office of Attorney General, using the slogan "Will Keep Crime" Lowe.

Rob's comments about this week are: "I have learned a lot about the government and how it works. I have begun to enjoy this week and this camp, for the activities, but mainly for the great people educating me about life. I hope the rest of camp is fun."

His future plans are to serve in the Air Force.

TREASURER

Danny Forinash of Monongalia Cottage was elected Treasurer of MBS.

Danny lives in Mt. Clare with his parents, Danny and Barbara. He attends Robert C. Byrd High School where he was a member of the marching and jazz bands.

He was a Who's Who Among America's High School Students winner, and won the National Achievement Academy Award.

He plans to go to college.

His comments for the week: "It was a fun week with a lot of educational and exciting things. It is very realistic. It gave me a good view of how government really is and how it works. Overall, it was a worthwhile experience." HALLELUJAH!

AUDITOR

Matt Keenan lives in Berkeley Springs with his parents, Allan and Lyne Keenan. He has one brother, Lloyd. Matt is a student at Berkeley Springs High School where he was Editor-in-Chief of *the Tomahawk*, and a member of FCA.

He won a US National Journalism Award and participates on the cross country, basketball, and baseball teams.

His girlfriend is Ruth Gilbert.

He lived in Panhandle Cottage and was elected Auditor of MBS. He used the nickname "The Barbarian."

He plans to attend Libert University and would like to major in communications.

COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

Brad Plantin lives in Charleston with his parents, Sylvester and Betty Lou Plantin. He has one brothers and sister, Gregory and Anita. He attends South Charleston High school.

He is a graduate of the Berea College Science Focus Summer Session, an Inroads WV Academic Achiever, and a recipient of Marshall University's Outstanding Black High School Student Scholarship. He also manages the volleyball team.

Elected MBS Commissioner of Agriculture, Brad used the slogan "is" Plantin. He lived in Calhoun Cottage.

Comments for the week: "We have all had a very trying yet exciting week thus far here at Boys' State. Hopefully when we all return to our respective counties, we will take back with is invaluable lessons of leadership and comradeship. *Montani Semper Liberi*."

He plans to attend Miami University to pursuit the psychology field.

CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

Matthew Harlan lives in Charleston with his parents, John and Trish Harlan. He has one sister, Courtney. He attends Capital High School where he was a First Team All-Conference football selection, an All-Kanawha County Jazz Band performer, and a member of FCA.

His girlfriend is Sarah Ayoubi.

Living in Lewis Cottage while at MBS, Matthew was elected to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. He used the nickname "the Harlander."

Comments about Boys' State: "It was a little boring at first, but once LCF got busy, it became a lot better."

He plans to play football in college, while majoring in civil engineering.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Seth Abraham lives in Triadelphia with his parents, Tom and Sue Abraham. He has one brother, Zach.

Seth attends Wheeling Park High School where he is a member of SADD, Ski Club, and Student Council. He also won the Academic Achievement Award, and is in the National Honor Society. He participates on the football, hockey, and track teams.

Elected to the Supreme Court, Seth lived in Panhandle Cottage and used the nickname "Honest Abe." He wants his cottage to win the Fuggitt.

He really liked A. James Manchin's speech.

After college, Seth plans to enter graduate school.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Andrew Miller lives in Spencer with his parents, Garlan and Judy Miller. He has one sister, Elliot. He attends Roane County High School.

While living in Upshur Cottage, he was elected to the Supreme Court. He used the nickname "Balls."

Comments for the week: "First day sucked! After that, it kicked butt. I really enjoyed the campaign and the elections. I also enjoyed serving as Supreme Court Justice. The sports were cool, too.

He plans to attend college and major in broadcasting.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Dom Ashby lives in Ripley with his parents, James and Johanna Ashby. He has one brother, Tom. He attends Ripley High School where he is a member of Model UN, Computer Club, and Mu Alpha Theta.

He was selected to attend WV Governor's Honors Academy, is an Eagle Scout, a member of the All-State Band, and a Golden Horseshoe winner.

He lived in Panhandle Cottage while at MBS, and was elected Supreme Court Justice. He used the nickname "the Dominator."

Comments on Boys' State: "When it started out, I wasn't too crazy about Boys' State. It has, however, gotten progressively better. It will be an experience that I will always remember."

Dom plans to go to college and major in international studies to become a diplomat.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE

Brian Hager lives in Winfield with his parents, Gerald and Sharon Hager. He attends Winfield High School where he is President of National Honor Society, Vice President of Student Council, and All-Conference in football.

Living in Lewis cottage, Brian used the nickname "Not so horrible" Hager, and was elected to the Supreme Court of MBS.

Comments on MBS: "Campaigning and getting involved is a must. Once I got into the political atmosphere the camp came alive. Thanks American Legion!"

Brian plans to attend college and later study law.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Israel Hall lives in Edgerton with his parents, Gary and Elizabeth. He has one brother and sister, Ari-Ben and Shanda King. He attends Matewan High School.

He is a member of Teen Institute, and the Eagle's Nest. He is Golden Horseshoe winner, a member of the WV Honor Roll, a WV Governor's Honors Academy attendee, and a Young Artist's winner.

His girlfriend is Katie Zinkous, whom he says is the most beautiful girl in the world.

He lived in Barbour Cottage, and was appointed State Superintendent of Schools. He used the nickname "Hall of Fame."

His comments on MBS: "Absolutely one of the most remarkable experiences I've ever had. The week progressively became more enjoyable as it drew on. An excessively impressive display of fun and education simultaneously. Certainly an unparalleled experience."

Israel plans to "seize the day" by attending college and graduate school. He wants especially to serve his community to the best of his ability.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

Brian Morris lives in Mannington with his parents Mark and Colleen Morris. He has one brother and sister, Jackie and Earl. He attends North Marion High School.

He is the Student Body President, All-State cross country for two years, a member of Mu Alpha Theta, All-NCAC academic team, Presidential Classroom, National Honor Society, and Letterman's Club.

His girlfriend is Amie Rogers.

Living in Braxton Cottage, Brian was elected as the Senate President while using the nickname "Dobber."

Comments for the week: "This week at Boys' State has been fascinating and exciting. The counselors are great but a little cranky in the morning. The speakers are awesome, well some of them: Rat's, A. James Manchin's, and Abe Lincoln's speeches were exceptional. Also, congratulations to "General Lee."

Brian would like to attend the US Naval Academy and pursue a career in medical engineering.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Chris Malimisura lives in Bluefield with his parents, Michael and Mary Malimisura. He has one sister, Andrea. He attends Bluefield High School where he is the Vice President of Junior Civitans, treasurer of the Interact Club, and member of Model UN.

He is headed for WV Governor's Honors Academy after Boys' State, and attended Know Your State Government Day.

He wishes he had a girlfriend.

Panhandle Cottage was home for Chris during MBS, and using the nickname "the Weener," he was elected Speaker of the House.

Comments for the week: "I had a hard time getting through the first two days. Once the campaigning started, things started picking up. When the legislature came in session, and I was heading it up, it got really exciting. I also extremely enjoyed Rat Thom's speech."

Chris plans to attend college as a biology major, and continue on to medical school.

FRIDAY'S ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Area I	Area II	Area III	Area IV	Area V
Braxton-N	Kanawha-N	Barbour	Monroe-F	Webster
Gilmer	Marion-N	Braxton-F	Marion-F	Randolph-N
Kanawha -F	Panhandle-N	Calhoun	Monroe-N	Upshur
Monongalia	Randolph-F	Lewis-N	Lewis-F	Panhandle-F
Marion-N	Monongalia	Lewis-F	Braxton-N	Kanawha-N
Upshur	Monroe-N	Panhandle-N	Lewis-N	Barbour
Monroe-F	Randolph-N	Panhandle-F	Kanawha-F	Braxton-F
Webster	Marion-F	Randolph-F	Gilmer	Calhoun

ANNUAL BELLY FLOP CONTEST HELD FRIDAY AT POOL

Michael Park was the emcee Friday as several brave souls entered the "belly flop" contest at the pool. Round one chose seven winners. Then the seven finalists had two flops each. The scores from these two flops were added together.

The criteria for the best "flop" is to land flat on the water, have the reddest belly and disperse the greatest amount of water. Originality holds the key.

Congratulations to the winners. First place, Mike Plyher of Webster, second place went to Jeremy Knapp of Randolph and the third place winner was Scott Wilson, J.C. in Panhandle. Congratulations to all!

ATTORNEY GENERAL SPEAKS TO CITIZENS AT EVENING MEAL

Darrell McGraw, Attorney General of the State of West Virginia, spoke to the citizens of Mountaineer Boys' State at the Friday evening meal at Jackson's Mill.

McGraw described some of the duties of Attorney General and spoke to the citizens about standing up for what is right. Quoting Winston Churchill, he told the group "Never give up, never give up, never give up".

McGraw's longtime contribution to the program is most appreciated.

