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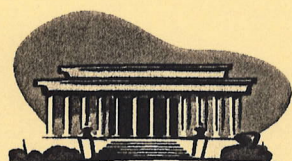


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Abraham Lincoln

A Portrayal by James Dague



A portrayal of the sixteenth President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln was presented to the citizens and staff of Mountaineer Boys' State by Mr. James Edward Dague on June 14, 2000. Mr. Lincoln was administered the Presidential oath of office by Robert L. Hawkinberry, Sr. counselor of Kanawha Cottage and a close friend, Holly Burdette. James, as Mr. Lincoln recited the Gettysburg Address and Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln. Mr. Lincoln also discussed West Virginia's statehood and the importance of devotion to God, country, this state, as well as friendship.

James is the son of Edward and Patty Dague of Triadelphia. He graduated from Wheeling Park High School in 1988. He is a 1993 graduate of West Virginia Northern Community College, and received a BS in American Studies from West Liberty State College in 1995.

James serves as a volunteer staff member for the Honorable Jerry Mezzatesta, Chairman Committee on education in the WV House of Delegates. He serves as Vice President of Civitan International of Wheeling, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Roney's Point United Presbyterian Church in Triadelphia.

James is most impressed with the Legislation being debated and considered in the Boys' State Legislature, where he serves as Legislative Coordinator.

"The reason I am impressed by this program is that Boys' State permits citizens to meet the elected officials of WV, and participate in a simulation of state government."

Upon the conclusion of his interview, James made the following statement: "I was born with cerebral palsy, but I have learned with hard work and determination you can overcome some of the obstacles."



NEWS REPORTER INTERVIEWS SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND PRESIDENT OF THE SEN-

After sessions in the House of Delegates and the Senate on Tuesday morning both the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate responded to a few questions. The Speaker of the House is 17 year old Sean Michael Swiger who resides in Lewis Cottage. He is a student at Notre Dame High and the son of Kevin and Colleen Swiger. The President of the Senate is Moore Capito from Kanawha Cottage. He is 17 years old and attends George Washington High School in Charleston. His parents are Charles and Shelley Moore Capito. His mother is in the House of Delegates for Kanawha County. His grandfather, Arch A. Moore Jr., was an amazing governor who served in the state for 12 years.

House of Delegates

Q. What do you think of the House of Delegates so far?

A. Speaker of the House - "I think we have a strong house. I may not have won a main office position, but I feel I am well qualified for the position I have been nominated for."

Q. What do you plan to accomplish in the House this year?

A. Speaker - "We plan to pass bills that do not just further the camp, but bring Boys' State to a higher level than ever before."

Q. What is the biggest challenge you face in the House?

A. Speaker - "Trying to push on issues"

Q. If you could have one wish for Boys' State, what would it be?

A. Speaker - "To have this the most memorable Boys' State ever. Also, to have Boys' State act as a springboard for many citizens into career opportunities."

Senate

Q. What do you think of the Senate so far?

A. President - "We are just trying to work the kinks out so that we can hit the ground running."

Q. What do you plan to accomplish in the Senate this year?

A. President - "Our main goal is to introduce legislation to the WV legislature. Also, we hope to pass as many laws as possible for experience."

Q. What is the biggest challenge you face in the Senate?

A. President - "Actually, we haven't run into any major snags as yet."

Q. If you could have one wish for Boys' State, what would it be?

A. President - "To try to get citizens involved."

MISSING!!!!

**Four Year Old Girl
Blonde Hair, Braids
Blue Eyes**



**Wandered Away From Harrison
Cottage on Thursday Morning**

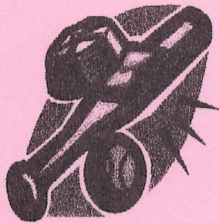
REWARD!!!!

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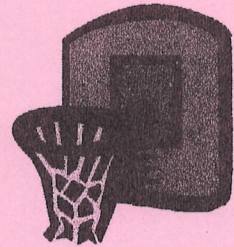
**BE SURE TO HAVE NECESSARY
LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS!**

ATTENTION

All Staff Members
are reminded to turn in
their Staff Information
Sheets to Headquarters
ASAP!



ATHLETIC NEWS



THURSDAY'S ATHLETIC RESULTS

AREA 1 VOLLEYBALL

AREA 2 VOLLEYBALL

AREA 3 SOFTBALL FIELD

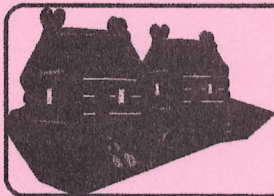
AREA 4 SOFTBALL

AREA 5 BASKETBAL

Braxton - F Monroe - F Calhoun Panhandle - N	Lewis - F Monongalia Marion - N Monroe - N	Gilmer Webster Kanawha - N Marion - F	Barbour Randolph - F Braxton - N Upshur	Kanawha - F Panhandle - F Lewis - N Randolph - N
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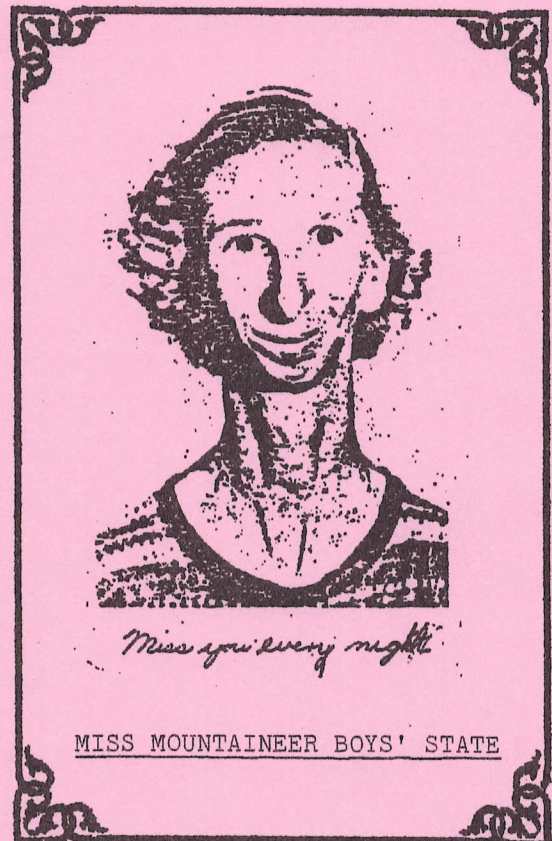
FRIDAY'S ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Kanawha - F Randolph - F Lewis - N Upshur	Braxton - F Panhandle - F Calhoun Randolph - N	Lewis - F Monroe - F Marion - N Panhandle - N	Gilmer Monongalia Kanawha - N Monroe - N	Barbour Webster Braxton - N Marion - F
Lewis - F Marion - F Marion - N Webster	Gilmer Randolph - F Kanawha - N Upshur	Barbour Panhandle - F Braxton - N Randolph - N	Kanawha - F Monroe - F Lewis - N Panhandle - N	Braxton - F Monongalia Calhoun Monroe - N



JUNE 15, 2000 COTTAGE INSPECTION

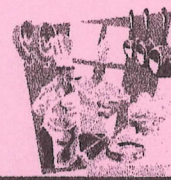
BARBOUR	92
BRAXTON	88
CALHOUN	92
GILMER	72
KANAWHA	84
LEWIS	80
MARION	96
MONONGALIA	92
MONROE	84
PANHANDLE	80
RANDOLPH	76
UPSHUR	96
WEBSTER	100



This year, a boy named Jacob Jabbour is attending Boys' State. This citizen in particular is unique compared to the other citizens of Boys' State. Jacob's two brothers have also attended Boys' State in previous years. In 1995, Josh Jabbour attended ALMBS. In 1997, Jonah Jabbour attended ALMBS. Now Jacob is following in his brothers' footsteps by attending Boys' State on his own.

Jacob says that his brothers' experiences with Boys' State were very beneficial. They're participation in this program aided them in getting scholarships, and hopefully, Jacob's experience here will be just as rewarding.

By John McCormick



BREAKFAST

ORANGE JUICE
BANANAS
HOT & COLD CEREAL
SCRAMBLED EGGS/
SAUSAGE/
BISCUITS, TOAST, BUTTER,
JELLY
COFFEE, MILK

LUNCH

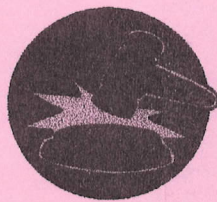
BEEFARONI
GREEN BEANS
TOSSED SALAD
TEXAS TOAST/BUTTER
COFFEE, MILK, PUNCH
BROWNIES

DINNER

ROAST BEEF/GRAVY
WHIPPED POTATOES
ITALIAN VEGETABLES
COLE SLAW
HOT ROLLS, BUTTER
COFFEE, MILK, PUNCH
PUDDING/TOPPING

Judge Robert Maxwell

Judge Robert Earl Maxwell of Elkins is the Senior Judge of the Northern District of West Virginia. Judge Maxwell was educated by the Randolph County School System and attended Davis and Elkins College, LLB Law School as well as WVU. He was elected Randolph County Prosecuting Attorney. He was the featured speaker of yesterday's evening assembly. In his speech he spoke about how important it is to enjoy this week. Also he said that it is important to take part in our Mock Government and get involved in the Political Process. He emphasized how important it is for us to be involved in citizenship and to be helpful to others. He referenced Jennings Randolph as being the key player in the bill creating the 26th amendment, lowering the voting age to 18. He encouraged each and every one of us to register to vote.



Judge Maxwell brought three very special guests with him to speak. One of his guests was his son Earl Maxwell, who presently resides in Randolph County as the Prosecuting Attorney. Earl Maxwell talked about the importance of the American Flag and the importance of voting. He was a very good speaker and had a lot of important things to say.

Judge Maxwell's second guest speaker was Charles "Chuck" Myers, he is the supervisor of the Monongahela National Forest. Mr. Myers spoke about the being a public servant. He talked about his job, which he stated was "the best" job in the state of West Virginia. With his job he is also in charge of wildlife management. To conclude his speech he reemphasized how important it is to be a public servant to your city, state as well as people around you.

The third special guest that Judge Maxwell brought with him was the Senate Representative from Randolph County, Senator Mike Ross. Senator Ross spoke about his experiences as a State Senator and how attitude is everything. He Stated, if we had a good attitude we can accomplish anything. Judge Maxwell delivered a great speech. He also brought three very influential speakers. All of the speakers had to give us great messages



Talent Show Tonight

The West Fork River talent show will be held in the assembly hall tonight at 8:00 PM. Each cottage is responsible for at least one act. All performers and stage hands are requested to meet after the evening meal in the assembly hall. At this time final instructions will be given relating to the order of appearance, equipment, and seating arrangements for those participating. Get your tickets early! Seats are going fast!

Glen B. Gainer III

Two very important philosophies to live by were stated by Glen Gainer III last night, "Let your money work for you," and, "Whatever you do in life, enjoy what you do." The State Auditor gave a short speech about securing our futures financially. With an addition philosophy to keep public speeches short and simple, the crowd was attentive and was able to pick up a few tips on making money.



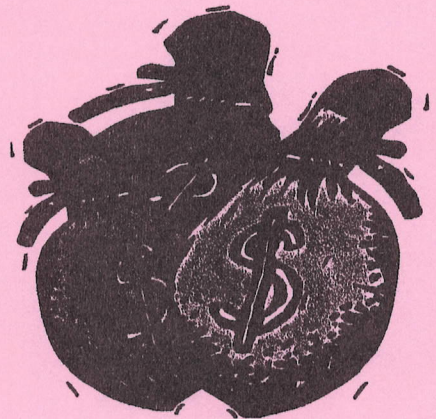
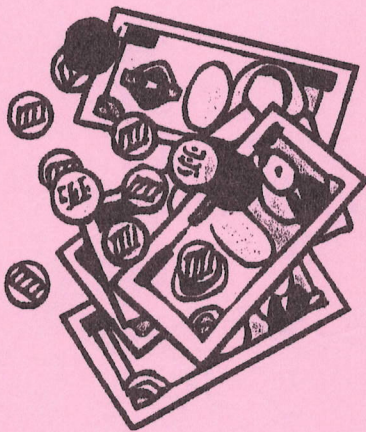
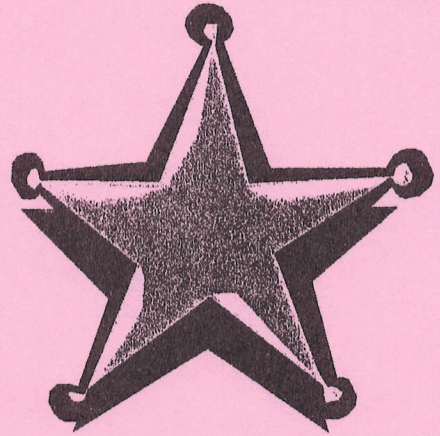
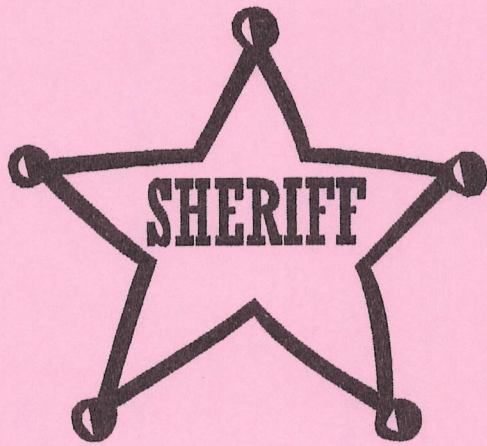
For example, if you invested \$1000 today in the stock market, then in 20 years you would make \$16,317. Also, there ways to make half a million dollars from just \$25 a month for 25 years. He is a very firm believer in God and referred to a quote from Abe Lincoln when discussing obstacles in life.

He was the nineteenth State Auditor of West Virginia and has served since 1992. Gainer was educated in Wood County public school system. He graduated from Parkersburg High and received his Bachelors Degree in Political Science from the University of Charleston. Other highlights of his career include chairman of the Board of Directors, National White Collar Crime Center and a trustee on the National Coalition for the Prevention of Eco-

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Don't forget to turn in those e-mail addresses, so that we can put a list together. Addresses should be submitted to Betsy at Harrison Cottage. Thanks!

We're Marion



So Just Sue Us!

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