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64th Mountaineer Boys' State Opens CITIZENS WELCOMED

The 64th Annual American Legion Mountaineer Boys' State was officially underway yesterday afternoon. At 1:00 P.M. Robert Stine, Boys' State Administrator, opened registration for the 2001 citizens of Boys' State.

Approximately 500 young men, from all regions of West Virginia, went through the registration process. At the registration table, citizens were given their cottage assignment and the name of the party to which he will belong. Each Boys' Stator received 1 Mountaineer Boys' State t-shirt, a WV Blue Book, and the American Legion's Boys' State Manual of Government.

Upon leaving Harrison Cottage, Mountaineer Boys' State Headquarters, each citizen reported to the medical center behind Gilmer Cottage, to turn in their physical forms. Then it was on to the cottage to meet the counselors, find a bed, receive an orientation, as well as prepare for the Law Lecture and Bar Exam.

Mr. Stine pledges to continue the same high quality program that has been so successful in the past. This year's Boys' State program has been enhanced by the addition of a banking system, a citizen run newspaper, and several new classes. The Boys' State counselors and staff are always available to help with any needs that may arise. If you need help with your campaign, are homesick, or are just missing that special girl back home, please let us know.

ROBERT L. STINE, ADMINISTRATOR OF BOYS' STATE

Robert L. "Bob" Stine is one of those special people, a personable man who has quietly and steadily distinguished himself via a commitment to others, through an investment in young men's lives. Stine, who has lived in Sylvester since 1971 and resided in Whitesville 20 years prior to that, has been the Administrator of the Mountaineer Boys' State program since 1979 and has worked with the program since 1959.

One needs only to hear Bob Stine talk about Boys' State briefly, to grasp his feelings for and dedication to the program. Stine proudly states, "We're the second oldest Boys' State program in the nation and our program is respected and recognized as a model for other Boys' State programs around the country." West Virginia's, Mountaineer Boys' State, has been going strong for 63 years now.

Stine's pride runs even deeper when he addresses the impact that Boys' State has had, and continues to have, in young men's lives. "It is such a positive experience for that select group, that it impacts lives from that point on," he comments. "These young men develop friendships and acquaintances that will last throughout their lives, and that circle adds new bonds each year. Our Boys' State group really resembles a family."

Bob Stine, who retired as a manager with the State Public Service Commission in 1992, graduated from Tyler County High School in 1950. He graduated from Morris Harvey College with a double major in Marketing and Management, sandwiching his education around a stint in Korea, and going to work for the state in 1958.

Since retiring, and following a quadruple heart by-

pass, Bob has enjoyed spending time with his wife, Jewell, daughters, Betty Ann and Cindy, and his three granddaughters. He attends Whitesville First Baptist Church, and of course, there's the Boys' State program.

Stine concludes, "I actually put about six months of preparation each year into that one week of Boys' State, but it has certainly always been worth the effort." This years Boys' State has been in the planning stage since Boys' State 2000 ended. After MBS 1999, a committee was formed to begin making some improvements to an already outstanding program. "The Movement for Improvement" committee met several times throughout that year to plan for Mountaineer Boys' State 2000. Several improvements were put into place last year and several of those have been enhanced for this year. In between meetings the internet has kept the lines of communication open via email.

Stine surely views his commitment and effort as an investment – in our country's future, in continuing and protecting our democratic way of government, and in the lives of young men who will be tomorrow's civic leaders.

In 1997, Bob Stine was presented the Distinguished West Virginian Award by Governor Cecil Underwood for his 37 years of service to Mountaineer Boys' State. The award was presented during the 60th Boys' State session at Jackson's Mill.

His dedication to that investment and his pride in its rewards have been the driving forces behind Bob Stine's well-deserved recognition as a Distinguished West Virginian!

FROM THE EDITOR'S COMPUTER

Throughout the course of the week, you will be scored on many phases of citizenship while participating in the activities of Mountaineer Boys' State. Each cottage will receive a daily cottage inspection score. This score will be published in the newspaper each day, with the final score reported at the end of the week. The winners of the athletic events will also be printed daily. You may also check <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/jhear

This year the newspaper will be staffed by citizens under the guidance of Betsy Potterfield and Betty Ann Williams. The citizens will be reporting on our guest speakers, the elections, classes, legislative news, cottage happenings, athletics, as well as what's happening at the state, county, and city levels of government. So, get involved in the activities offered this week, whether it is in the elections, athletics, the Boys' State band, or reporting the news. If you know of any newsworthy happenings, stop by the newspaper office located in Harrison Cottage and let us know.

Have a great time, learn a lot about state and local government, and make many new friends. EN-JOY!!!



SPECIAL AWARDS FOR THE WEEK

The recipients of these awards will be selected in the following manner:

- Recommendations 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.

I. 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 to the considered are:

- 1. Enthusiasm
- 2. Sincerity
- 3. Honesty
- 4. Organizational Ability
- 5. Creativity

H. 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.

III. 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 have successfully passed the Mountaineer Boys' State Bar Exam will be considered for this award.

IV. William R. Fugitt Memorial Trophy

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

- 1. City Government
- 2. County Government
- 3. Board of Education
- 4. Law Examination
- 5. Circuit Court
- 6. Inspection
- 7. General conduct of all citizens of that cottage during the entire week

V. 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.

VI. David Farris Award

The David "Dave" Farris Award is presented to the Boys' 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 in an automobile accident a few weeks following the 1991 Boys' State.

VII. 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 recipient.



BREAKFAST

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

LUNCH

SPAGHETTI/MEAT SAUCE CORN TOSSED SALAD TEXAS TOAST, BUTTER BROWNIES COFFEE, MILK, PUNCH DINNER

BAKED HAM
WHIPPED POTATOES
PEAS
COLE SLAW
ROLLS, BUTTER
JELLO W/ TOPPINGS
COFFEE, MILK, PUNCH



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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 Boys' State has a very good safety record in its sixty-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 their classes, 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 make the most of it and HAVE FUN!

THANKSTO OUR SPONSORS

These questions are often asked, "Who foots the bill for Boys' State?" "Who pays for the week of citizenship and fellowship enjoyed at Jackson's Mill?" and "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 attend Boys' State. The West Virginia Department of the American Legion pays for the administrative cost.

SAMSUNG SCHOLARSHIPS

The Samsung Scholarship Applications should be submitted to Betty Ann Williams at Harrison Cottage by dinner Wednesday, June 13, 2001. The following information should be turned with the application:

- 1. DD form 214 (Honorable discharge papers)
- SAT scores
- 3. Application completed
- 4. Transcript from High School

Any missing information may be faxed to Jackson's Mill by Wednesday. The fax # is 304—269 - 3409. The winner of the scholarship will be announced at the final assembly on Saturday, June 16, 2001.

All citizens of Boys' State are selected by the High School Principal or by American Legion Post officials. It is required that each boy must be a member of the current Junior Class, ranking in the upper quartile of his class. If selected each student is asked to remain at Boys' State for the entire week.

Please be sure to write and thank your sponsor for enabling you to attend Mountaineer Boys' State by supplementing the cost of the program.

DON'T PASS IT UP, PICK IT UP!

The campus of Jackson's Mill is a beautiful place. Let's take good of it this week by picking up trash and depositing it in trash cans. Also put those pop cans in special containers where available, so they may be recycled. Everyone pitch in we'll leave the grounds as clean and neat as they were when we arrived on Sunday.

Memories of the first day

Congratulations!
You've made it through the first part of the 2001
ALMBS.

Now, the fun begins.

Thus far, you have been through a rigid registration process, a quick physical checkup, and probably an embarrassing hug and kiss goodbye from your mother.

Really, you have made it through the hard part.

From here on in, you are going to be meeting new friends, gathering a vast amounts of know-ledge on government, and experiencing a taste of what the real world has to offer.

Like many of you, I had a difficult first day, and I considered calling home and begging my mother (or anyone for that matter) to rescue me from MBS. She wouldn't, and now, I am very thankful for it.

The first day, as you may now know, is a day of organization. While this process is still not complete, it soon will be.

Now, you will begin your roles here at Jackson's Mill, becoming part of 64-year tradition that has been successful for scores of other men.

This is truly a once-ina-lifetime experience. While some of you might return to next year to become counselors, you can never again become a citizen of ALMBS.

Enjoy this experience!
–Ernie Horn

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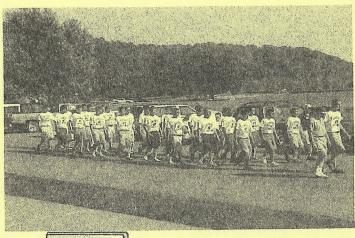
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"Hoylman is a loyal Man!"

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COMPUTER JUNKIES

We are in the process of compiling a list of e-mail addresses to give everyone at the end of

the week. If you have an e-mail address and would like to be included on the list, give your name and address to your counselor, or stop by Headquarters and let Betty Ann or Betsy know. We would like to have all addresses turned in by Wednesday evening. Thank you!



State Adjutant Bill Johnson POW/MIA CEREMONY

A SMILE

A smile costs nothing but gives much. It enriches those who receive without making poorer those who give. It takes but a second, but the memory of it sometimes lasts forever.

No one is so rich or mighty that he can get along without it, and no one is so poor but that he can be made rich by it or share it with someone else.

A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business, and is the sign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and is and antidote for trouble.

Yet, it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen for it is of no value to anyone until it is given away.

Some people are too tired to give you a smile. Give them one of yours, as no one needs a smile as much as he who has none to give.

ELECT

"BIG" ADAM
BROWN

GOVERNOR