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2001 General Election **RESULTS** Federalists Dominate

Governor - Matthew Stonestreet (Federalist)

Secretary of State - Peter "Wang" Ran (Federalist)

Attorney General - Richard "Dick" Geary (Federalist)

Treasurer - Bryan Andrew Belesky (Nationalist)

Auditor - R.J. Coleman (Federalist)

Commisioner of Agriculture - John Wells (Federalist)

Supreme Court Justice - "True" Drew Eddy (Federalist)

Supreme Court Justice - Philip Reale (Federalist)

Supreme Court Justice - Alex "AC" Carter (Federalist)

Supreme Court Justice - Daniel Wiely "Coyote" (Nationalist)

Supreme Court Justice - Cody "Put 'Em In Jail" Shell (Federalist)

MOUNTAINEER *Forum*

From the Editor's Desk:

The extracurricular activities available at Boys' State deserve recognition. The sports, the band, the running club: All demand hard work and dedication from participants but even more so from organizers and staff.

The wide variety of sports and the high level of involvement are two noteworthy achievements of the camp and while they do not deal in government, they provide a good break to make sure the citizens stay productive and do not burn out on work.

The Boys' State band is phenomenal. Sure, there have been better bands, but put together in one day? Doubtful. The band director and musicians are to be praised for their hard work and the quality of their music and marching.

On a more original note, a citizen, Ryan Reed, has taken the initiative to start a running club for everyone interested in track and cross country running. Combined with the amount of work already required by Boys' State, this is a real accomplishment. It is a true task to balance the instructional periods of the day with managing a club of runners. Reed's accomplishments should be noted.

It is an honor to attend a camp at which such emphasis is put on developing so many different talents and attributes. Boys' State not only promotes government but brotherhood and wellness. These two things will be just as essential to the citizens as any of the other skills learned here.

Once again, you are encouraged to write a letter to the editor or a guest column and submit it for consideration. These items may be submitted at GHQ.

Need Sleep?

By Scott Leighton

How many of you are having problems waking up around 6 in the morning? This is a problem that most citizens are facing at the moment. Every boy here is searching for a way to get a few extra minutes of sleep. There are many problems that contribute to this.

One thing that doesn't help is that citizens don't sleep. Most will stay up past their regular time to talk and meet everyone in the cabin. The time that the lights go out is midnight. It is said that in order for a person to be fully regenerated for a hard day's work, they need to have at least eight hours of sleep. Not many citizens try to accomplish this simple task. Sacrifice an hour's time to get some needed rest.

Another reason is that the citizens can't sleep. They are usually too used to their own bed or they just miss home so much that they can't stop thinking about it. Citizens have their parents, their girlfriends, and their friends that they miss very much and they don't realize that they'll still be there when they get back.

The counselors and staff can also help with this epidemic. If they are speaking during a class, talk loud and get the citizens involved. Walk around, ask them questions, and say something that interests them so that you won't have so many people with their eyes closed and head down.

Something else that they can do is to help the boys with homesickness. We may be young adults, but we do need to know that you care from time to time. You don't have to be our mothers, just make sure you're there to listen to us.

For every Boys' Stater out there, try to stay awake and remember that we all miss home. Just be patient and everything will go by much quicker.

Patrick Gruber's guide to finding GIRLS at Boys' State

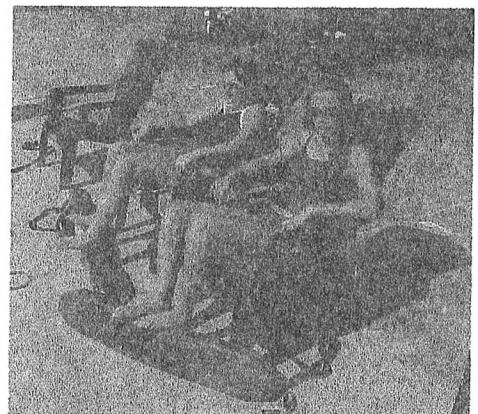
What time is it when our Congresswoman and even the thirteen year-old daughter of the State treasurer start to look good? It is BOYS STATE!

Well we are half way through the week, and the amount of male bonding is already at a highly uncomfortable level. So to counteract this unfortunate turn of events, my fellow reporters and I took to the streets to find the most illusive person...the GIRL at Boys State.

Through stealthy research and investigative reporting, I have uncovered the truth. As many citizens have discovered, through the Nationalists support guards...the Jackson's Mill Pool is host to a rather attractive pair of lifeguards. So anyone who hasn't made a trek to the pool, grab your fishing license and take off.

Next, our ingenious staff has discovered another attractive female in camp. We'll refer to her as the "Gift shop girl." While not as forceful as the "lifeguard lady," "gift shop girl" does bring us that delectable after dinner candy, drinks, and pepperoni rolls.

So in conclusion, I hope this article has relayed an outlet to that horrible disease "testosterone overdose," but for those of you who are toughing it out... and going cold turkey (and showers)...GOOD LUCK!



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Mountaineer *Panorama*

Meet Governor Patrick Knighton

By Jim Margolis

For all that former WV Boys' State Governor Patrick Knighton has put into his life, he sure has gotten a lot out of it.

Knighton, who is headed to Yale University next fall, ranks WV Boys' State as one of the best and most influential experiences in his life.

"I have directed plays and I was the student body President at my high school [George Washington in Charleston], but nothing parallels being Governor of Boys' State as far as leadership experience is concerned. It is one of the few experiences that closely resembles anything that you will actually do in life. Being Governor has been extremely educational for me," said Knighton.

One may wonder what methods and tactics Knighton employed to become Governor. Despite his obvious charismatic, eloquent, and personable manner, it took something special for Knighton to gain popularity. His impression of Leon Phelps (played by Tim Meadows), the main character in the movie *The Ladies Man*, earned Knighton the nomination of the Federalist Party.

"Once I got nominated, I changed my strategy from using humor to utilizing my knowledge of politics and my debate skills," said Knighton.

Knighton was then elected the 63rd Governor of WV Boys' State. His election made him eligible to be selected as a participant at Boys' Nation in Washington, D.C. Knighton continued his run of success and was chosen to go to Boys' Nation, where he had the privilege of meeting WV senators Robert Byrd and Jay Rockefeller and former President Bill Clinton.

According to was very similar to WV exception that the of-level as opposed to the Knighton enjoyed Boys' Nation.

"The setup at You live in dorm rooms of in cottages with sev-don't have the camara-experience of sharing have at Boys' State,"

"I talked to at Boys' Nation about were like. When I told Boys' State, they were very surprised. I think WV Boys' State is probably the most well run Boys' State."

"The only thing better about Boys' Nation is the quality and professional background of the guest speakers. This of course is unmatched because Boys' Nation is the highest level," said Knighton.

Knighton hopes to use the political skills he learned at WV Boys' State and Boys' Nation while attending Yale University.

"I'm considering joining the Model Senate or Student Government at Yale but here are so many clubs and organizations at Yale, so I don't know where I will end up. I'm really into jazz and I play the alto sax so I might try to get into Yale's jazz band," said Knighton.

Knighton is currently undecided as to what he will major in, but he is considering political science, law, film, psychology, or American studies.

While Knighton is excited about his future, he is also enjoying finishing his enure at Boys' State.

"Being Governor was a lot of hard work, but the best part was being in an air-conditioned building. I am excited to be able to pass the torch—to see who the next governor is."



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Tradition Marches on at Boys' State

By Chris Hall

Today at 4:00 P.M., all Boys' State citizens, along with members from the staff, will be participating in the Formal Review. To understand the significance of this traditional event, one must first ask the opinion of an expert on the subject. Luckily, we have such an expert within the confines of the camp. That well-versed and experienced individual is Mr. Neil Bolyard, counselor of the prestigious Webster cottage. All residents of the Webster cottage agree that Mr. Bolyard is the spokesperson for discipline and hard-working values.

According to Mr. Bolyard, the Formal Review is simply a continuation of the longstanding tradition of improving the skills of young men involved in the Boy's State program. Mr. Bolyard also believes the Formal Review is an important event because it conveys to both parents and legionnaires alike the skills Boys' State citizens possess. He is a firm believer and supporter behind the importance of such patriotic activities as the Formal Review. His former military experience is one of the key contributors to his overwhelming pride and devotion to these formal occasions.

The Formal Review truly exemplifies the Boys' State program in every conceivable aspect. Every marching Boys' State citizen in the parade contributes to the overall image and assessed values within the program. In essence, the Formal Review is a microcosm of the big picture the Boys' State program has been painting for over sixty years.

Athletics

Not on the Schedule

By Patrick Gruber

Mountaineer Boys State has provided us with many sports for our enjoyment. But many fellow citizens are not satisfied. Groups of boys have demonstrated their initiative, and started up sports of their own. From tennis to swimming, running to football; Boys State-ers have an assortment of sports to suit their needs.

The tennis players have been known to congregate...at, you guessed it, the tennis courts. The courts, located by the basketball courts (behind Gilmer), are often filled, but players are often willing for a new challenge.

Running will begin their organized activities tonight, after dinner. Interested citizens should look for Ryan Reed at that time.

The pool has also become a popular hideaway for citizens...and if you don't know where that is, follow the people with towels!

Almost any activity session a game of football can be had. Merely look, and join up.

While Mountaineer Boys State practices a huge amount, they also preach the importance of life-long friends. So join a game of tennis, play a pick-up game. It is a great opportunity to get exercise, as well as to met new people.

And the winners are...

First Session:

Volleyball (Hardcourt)

Gilmer v. Panhandle N

Kanawaha N v. Panhandle F

Volleyball (Sand)

Barbour v. Monroe N

Braxton N v. Monroe F

Ultimate Frisbee

Kanawaha F v. Marion F

Lewis N v. Monongalia

Softball

Braxton F v. Upshur

Calhoun v. Webster

Basketball

Lewis F v. Randolph N

Marion N v. Randolph F

****Winners in BOLD****

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Volleyball (Hardcourt)

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Softball

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Lewis N v. Monrore F

Basketball

Braxton F v. Marion F

Calhoun v. Monongalia

Second Session:

Volleyball (Hardcourt)

Barbour v. Monongalia

Braxton N v Monroe N

Volleyball (Sand)

Kanawaha F v. Webster

Lewis N v. Marion F

Ultimate Frisbee

Braxton F v. Randolph F

Calhoun v. Upshur

Softball

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Basketball

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AMERICAN LEGION MOUNTAINEER BOYS' STATE CRIMES AND PUNISHMENT

James Dague, Legislative Advisor, enacted the following statutes that will be effective at 6 A. M. on Wednesday.

General: All provisions of the Official Code of the State of West Virginia and the Official Code of the American Legion Mountaineer Boys' State shall be in effect and enforceable. In addition, the following provisions shall also be in effect and enforceable.

Chapter XVII

Article VII. TRAFFIC LAWS

Section 1. Definitions

Vehicle – The person who you are. Every citizen is considered to be in physical control of himself and therefore his vehicle.

Driver – Any citizen who walks upon any public highway and who is, therefore, in actual control of his vehicle.

Operating – Moving or being in actual physical control of a personal vehicle.

Highway – All designated walkways within the state including but not limited to sidewalks and other paved areas.

Berm – The grass next to a highway, roadway, or sidewalk.

Signal – A gesture of the hand and arm, which indicates vehicle movements. Signals will be given from the left side of the vehicle in the following manner:

Left turn – hand and arm extended horizontally

Right turn – upper arm extended horizontally and lower arm extended vertically (bent at elbow).

Stop – hand and arm extended downward.

Speeding – A pace that requires both feet of a vehicle to be off the ground at any given instant in order to complete a single stride (also known as “running”). Movement of a vehicle is not considered excessive speed or speeding when one foot remains in contact with the ground at all times. Speeding is permitted during approved athletic and recreational activities.

Under the Influence – consuming liquids or matter (food) of any kind or form while operating a vehicle. A common example would be drinking from a soda can or eating snacks while operating a vehicle.

Section 2. DRIVER'S LICENSE REQUIRED – Every citizen is required to obtain and maintain a valid American Legion Mountaineer Boy's State Driver's License.

Section 3. OPERATING WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE – No citizen shall operate a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or any drug of abuse or the combined influence of alcohol and any drug of abuse (liquid or food). Consuming from an open container, while operating a vehicle shall be considered under the influence.

Section 4. SPEED LIMIT – No citizen shall operate a vehicle at a speed, which requires both feet to lose contact with the ground at any given time during the stride of that vehicle (also known as “running”).

Section 5. PASSING – All vehicles must give a visible and audible signal to traffic being overtaken and subsequently pass on the left thereof. Traffic being overtaken shall give the way to the right.

Section 6. DRIVE ON RIGHT HALF OF ROADWAY – All vehicles will be driven on the right half of the highway except when passing and overtaking another vehicle.

Section 7. FOLLOWING TOO CLOSE – A sufficient space (at least one vehicle length) must be maintained between vehicles.

Section 8. TURN AND STOP SIGNALS – All vehicles must signal an intention to turn or move right or left. No person or vehicle shall stop or suddenly decrease the speed of his vehicle without first giving the appropriate signal.

(CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS CONT.)

Section 9. **STOP SIGNS** – The operator of any vehicle shall stop at all clearly marked stop signs. After a stop, a vehicle may not be moved without due regard for safety of crossing traffic and not before yielding the right of way to traffic not required to stop.

Section 10. **PARKING** – A vehicle shall not be stopped on the traveled portion of any highway. Parking is permitted on the berm only. No vehicle travel is permitted on the berm unless said travel is during an approved athletic or recreational activity.

Section 11. **VEHICLE INSPECTION** - All vehicles in operation must have a valid Vehicle Inspection Sticker which will be issued by an officer of the Department of Public Safety after said vehicle has successfully completed the standard vehicle inspection and the owner of same has paid the required fee (\$25.00).

Section 12. **PROOF OF INSURANCE** – A driver must maintain valid liability insurance whenever he is in operation of a vehicle. The driver must maintain proof of insurance.

Section 13. **VIOLATION (S) AND PUNISHMENT** - Failure to adhere to the above Traffic Laws shall constitute a violation. Each violation shall be punishable by fine of not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$200.00 plus reasonable costs to be assessed by the court.

Article VIII. LITTERING

Section 1. – The intentional discarding of paper, soda cans, refuse and trash in a location other than an approved trash container shall be littering.

Section 2. – The public display of campaign materials after noon on Wednesday shall be littering.

Section 3. - **VIOLATION (S) AND PUNISHMENT** – Littering shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$500.00 and/or approved community service plus reasonable costs to be assessed by the court. Approved community service is community service that has been reviewed and approved by Staff Legal Advisors and generally consists of mess hall cleanup duty and/or service projects at Jackson's Mill.

Article IX. HUNTING AND FISHING

Section 1. - Hunting is defined as passing through a grouping of seven trees or more (also known as woods) or placing oneself within 50' of a grouping of seven trees or more for a period of greater than (30) seconds.

Section 2. - Fishing is defined as placing oneself within 100' of a body of water.

Section 3. - Body of water is defined as the West Fork River, any natural or manmade pond or lake to include ornamental ponds, and the swimming pool.

Section 4. - A Boys' State Citizen must possess a valid Mountaineer Boys' State Hunting, Fishing, or combination Hunting and Fishing license in order to hunt and/or fish within the boundaries of The American Legion Mountaineer Boys' State. A Boys' State Citizen must successfully pass a Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division approved Hunter's Safety Course in order to be eligible to purchase a Hunting or combination Hunting and Fishing license.

Section 5. - The County Clerk of each county is authorized to issue Mountaineer Boys' State Hunting, Fishing, or combination Hunting and Fishing licenses. The cost for a Hunting license shall be \$10.00. The cost for a Hunting license shall be \$10.00. The cost for a combination Hunting and Fishing license shall be \$18.00.

Section 6. - **VIOLATION (S) AND PUNISHMENT** - A violation of section 4 of this article is a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$200.00.

SUPREME COURT SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY

8:30 a.m. Discuss Supreme Court Procedure (pg. 127).
Select Crier. Select Clerk. Select Chief
Justice. Set up courtroom.
9:15 a.m. Recess.
9:45 a.m. Reconvene. Practice Case #1
10:15 a.m. Recess
11:00 a.m. Reconvene. Hear motions for admissions to bar. All attorneys and judges
involved in Wednesday court cases are to be present; Practice case #2
11:45 a.m. Recess
1:00 p.m. Observe court cases.

THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Hear petition for appeal from Circuit #1
and Circuit #4 and other business.
9:00 a.m. Recess
9:30 a.m. Reconvene. Announce decisions. Hear petition for appeal from Circuit #2 and
Circuit #5 and other business.
10:15 a.m. Recess
10:45 a.m. Reconvene. Announce decisions. Hear petitions for appeal from Circuit #3 and
Circuit #6 and other business. Hear motions for admissions to bar. All attorneys
and judges involved in Thursday's court cases are to be present.
11:30 a.m. Recess. Write opinions and conduct court business.
11:45 a.m. Recess
1:00 p.m. Observe Court Cases
3:00 p.m. Reconvene. Announce decisions. Hear appeal cases.

FRIDAY

THE MORNING SCHEDULE IS THE SAME AS THURSDAY

The Court will convene Friday afternoon for emergencies or to complete necessary
business.

JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

FIRST CIRCUIT

RANDOLPH - WED.
MONROE - THURS.

FOURTH CIRCUIT

GILMER - WED.
PANHANDLE - THURS.

SECOND CIRCUIT

UPSHUR - WED.
LEWIS - THURS.

FIFTH CIRCUIT

MONONGALIA - WED.
KANAWHA - THURS.

THIRD CIRCUIT

MARION - WED.
CALHOUN - THURS.

SIXTH CIRCUIT

BRAXTON - WED.
WEBSTER/BARBOUR - THURS.

COTTAGE INSPECTIONS - TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2001

BARBOUR - 100
BRAXTON - 98
CALHOUN - 94
GILMER - 98
KANAWHA - 98
LEWIS - 94

MARION - 90
MONONGALIA - 98
MONROE - 96
PANHANDLE - 98
RANDOLPH - 100
UPSHUR - 94
WEBSTER - 96