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65th Mountaineer Boys' State Opens CITIZENS WELCOMED

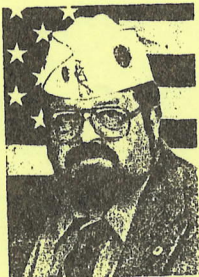
the 65th Annual American Legion Mountaineer Boys' State was officially underway yesterday afternoon. At 1:00 P.M. William Johnson, acting Boys' State Administrator, opened registration for the 2002 citizens of Boys' State.

Approximately 400 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' State 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, be oriented, as well as to get ready for the Law Lecture and Bar Exam.

Mr. Johnson pledges to continue the same high quality program that was so successful in the past under the leadership of former Boys' State administrator, Bob Stine, who recently passed away. This year's Boys' State program, as in the past two years, will be enhanced by the banking system, a citizen run newspaper, and the opportunity for more hands on learning. Citizens will also have the opportunity to join the Boys' State police or to serve in the capacity of a conservation officer. 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.

WILLIAM JOHNSON, STATE ADJUTANT



WILLIAM F. JOHNSON
Acting Administrator

William F. "Bill Johnson was born in Charleston, West Virginia, December 30, 1944 so of the late Emma Laing Sullivan of Lewisburg, West Virginia. He received his education in Lewisburg public schools and Greenbrier Military school.

Bill is a Vietnam veteran having served with the Combat Engineers from 1963 to 1977 and was discharged with the rank of Staff Sergeant. While in the service he attended many schools including the Senior Combat Engineer School and the non commissioned officers school. He received many military awards including three Army Commendation Medals, four Good Conduct Medals, the President Unit Citation, the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze Stars and the Vietnam Campaign Medal along with numerous other honors. His various military assignments included two tours in Vietnam.

Bill served as Post Adjutant and Club Manager at Barboursville Post No. 177 for 9 years and has been largely responsible for the membership

growth of 60 to 611 members. He also served on the National Security Council and National Americanism Commission. He was appointed State Adjutant January 1, 1993 where he is now currently serving.

Mr. Johnson is a Life member of the 25th Infantry Division Association, a Life member of the American Legion and the VFW, 4th Infantry Division Association, Elks Lodge 313, member of the Loyal Order of the Moose, the 40/8 Voiture 1036 and is a Kentucky Colonel.

Bill is married to Pamela Kay Johnson. His family consists of one daughter, one son, one step daughter, three grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

Bill has been very supportive of the Boys' State program. He started a fund raiser in 1995-96 by encouraging the sale of Boys' State Decals. All occasion cards are now sold for donations. Bill gets soft drink donations and supplies soft drinks for Boys' State staff members all week. He helps secure Boys' State funding from the Legislature and was partly responsible for extending Boys' State to Saturday instead of closing the camp of Friday.

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 THE MOUNTAINEER for the results of many other activities, as well. Those activities include: Bar Exam Results, Court Trial results, Board of Education scores, and City/County government packets.

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. ENJOY!!!

SCHEDULE

THE AMERICAN LEGION MOUNTAINEER BOYS' STATE, INC.

MONDAY - JUNE 10, 2002

- 6:30 REVEILLE AND CLEAN QUARTERS
- 7:15 INFORMATION at Dining Hall. Inspection points to be deducted at this and subsequent meals for late arrivals.
- 7:20 FLAG RAISING
- 7:25 BREAKFAST
- 8:25 -12:00 (NOON) FILE FOR ELECTIVE OFFICES
- 8:25 Make up Bar Examination at GHQ. All citizens who did not take the Bar Examination on Sunday will take the make up Bar Examination.

GROUP ARRANGEMENT BY COUNTIES FOR INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

- GROUP 1 - BARBOUR, PANHANDLE
- GROUP 2 - MARION, KANAWHA
- GROUP 3 - UPSHUR, LEWIS, GILMER
- GROUP 4 - RANDOLPH, CALHOUN, MONONGALIA
- GROUP 5- BRAXTON, WEBSTER, MONROE

	8:25-9:00	9:10- 9:45	9:55-10:30	10:40-11:15	11:25-12:00
GROUP 1	Ballistics & Firearms	Parliamentary Procedures	Voting Procedure	Press Relations	Leadership
GROUP 2	Parliamentary Procedure	Voting Procedure	Press Relations	Leadership	Ballistics & Firearms
GROUP 3	Voting Procedure	Press Relations	Leadership	Ballistics & Firearms	Parliamentary Procedures
GROUP 4	Press Relations	Leadership	Ballistics & Firearms	Parliamentary Procedure	Voting Procedure
GROUP 5	Leadership	Ballistics & Firearms	Parliamentary Procedure	Voting Procedure	Press Relations

GROUP MEETING LOCATIONS:

- Ballistics & Firearms—Flameway
- Parliamentary Procedure—Kanawha Center
- Voting Procedure— Jackson Lodge Basement
- Press Relations— West Virginia Building
- Leadership—Assembly Hall

- 12:05 INFORMATION at Dining Hall
- 12:15 LUNCH— Adjutant General Allen E. Tackett
- 1:15-3:00 PARTY CAUCUSES (FEDERALISTS IN ASSEMBLY HALL)
(NATIONALISTS IN WV BUILDING)
PARTIES ORGANIZED WITH ADVISORS. Meet the State Office Candidates
- 3:15-4:45 ATHLETICS and BAND PRACTICE
State Police & Conservation Officers meet with Advisors in Jackson Lodge Basment
Newspaper Staff organized and working (GHQ rear)
Bank Staff organized and working
- 5:15 INFORMATION at Dining Hall
- 5:30 DINNER— Secretary of State Joe Manchin
- 6:15-7:15 ATHLETICS AND BAND PRACTICE
Newspaper staff organized and working
Bank Staff organized and working
- 7:45 ASSEMBLY— WVU President David Hardesty

- **AFTER ASSEMBLY— Primary Elections. ALL citizens proceed directly to their cottages to vote.
State Election results posted at GHQ.
Campaign material for general election available for purchase (Boys' State currency) at GHQ front.
- **AFTER VOTING— Bank and Newspaper Staffs organized and working.

- 11:00 DEVOTIONS (As time permits) at Kanawha and Panhandle cottages
- 11:30 All evening activities end.
- 11:40 All citizens will be in respective cottages. Individual cottage activities (meetings, devotions, etc.) left to discretion of individual cottage counselors.
- 12:00 (MIDNIGHT) ALL citizens in bed and LIGHTS OUT. Violators subject to disciplinary action and reduction in cottage inspection score.

ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

DAY	AREA 1 VOLLEYBALL BESIDE BRAX- TON	AREA 2 VOLLEYBALL BESIDE SOFT- BALL	AREA 3 ULTIMATE FRISBEE BEHIND CHAPEL	AREA 4 SOFTBALL GRASSFIELD	AREA 5 BASKETBALL BEHIND GILMER
MONDAY 1st SESSION	Barbour Marion F Braxton N Monongalia	Kanawaha F Upshur Lewis N Webster	Braxton F Randolph N Calhoun Randolph F	Lewis F Panhandle N Marion N Panhandle F	Gilmer Monroe N Kanawaha N Monroe F
MONDAY 2nd SESSION	Braxton F Monroe N Calhoun Monroe F	Lewis F Marion F Marion N Monongalia	Gilmer Upshur Kanawaha N Webster	Barbour Randolph N Braxton N Randolph F	Kanawaha F Panhandle N Lewis N Panhandle F
TUESDAY 1st SESSION	Gilmer Panhandle N Kanawaha N Panhandle F	Barbour Monroe N Braxton N Monroe F	Kanawaha F Marion F Lewis N Monongalia	Braxton F Upshur Calhoun Webster	Lewis F Randolph N Marion N Randolph F
TUESDAY 2nd SESSION	Kanawaha F Randolph N Lewis N Randolph F	Braxton F Panhandle N Calhoun Panhandle F	Lewis F Monroe N Marion N Monroe F	Gilmer Marion F Kanawaha N Monongalia	Barbour Upshur Braxton N Webster
WEDNESDAY 1st SESSION	Lewis F Upshur Marion N Webster	Gilmer Randolph N Kanawaha N Randolph F	Barbour Panhandle N Braxton N Panhandle F	Kanawaha F Monroe N Lewis N Monroe F	Braxton F Marion F Calhoun Monongalia
WEDNESDAY 2nd SESSION	Barbour Monongalia Braxton N Monroe N	Kanawaha F Webster Lewis N Marion F	Braxton F Randolph F Calhoun Upshur	Lewis F Panhandle F Marion N Randolph N	Gilmer Monroe F Kanawaha N Panhandle N
THURSDAY 1st SESSION	Braxton F Monroe F Calhoun Panhandle N	Lewis F Monongalia Marion N Monroe N	Gilmer Webster Kanawaha N Marion F	Barbour Randolph F Braxton N Upshur	Kanawaha F Panhandle F Lewis N Randolph N
THURSDAY 2nd SESSION	Gilmer Panhandle F Kanawaha N Randolph N	Barbour Monroe F Braxton N Panhandle N	Kanawaha F Monongalia Lewis N Monroe N	Braxton F Webster Calhoun Marion F	Lewis F Randolph F Marion N Upshur
FRIDAY 1st SESSION	Kanawaha F Randolph F Lewis N Upshur	Braxton F Panhandle F Calhoun Randolph N	Lewis F Monroe F Marion N Panhandle N	Gilmer Monongalia Kanawaha N Monroe N	Barbour Webster Braxton N Marion F
FRIDAY 2nd SESSION	Lewis F Marion F Marion N Webster	Gilmer Randolph F Kanawaha N Upshur	Barbour Panhandle F Braxton N Randolph N	Kanawaha F Monroe F Lewis N Panhandle N	Braxton F Monongalia Calhoun Monroe N





AWARDS FOR THE WEEK



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

Recommendations are made 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 for this award are:

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

II. 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 successfully passed the Mountaineer Boys' State Bar Exam may be considered for this award.

IV. William R. Fugitt Memorial Award

The Bill Fugitt Award will go to the cottage that 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
8. Athletics/Band

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.

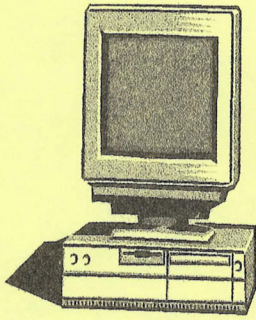
VII. Boys' Nation Selection

Citizens who have been elected to a state office, Speaker of the House or President of the Senate or who have served in the capacity of Party Chairman are eligible to be considered as a candidate for Boys' Nation. Each candidate will be required to complete an application, as well as go through an interview. The interview panel will seek input from the eligible candidate's counselors regarding the individual's character, etc.

VIII. 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 award.

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 Betsy or Betty Ann know. We would like to have all addresses turned in by Wednesday evening. Thank You!

THANKS TO 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.

All citizens of Boys' State are selected by the High School Principal or by local 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.



PANORAMIC PICTURE NOTICE!!!

A panoramic picture will be taken of all citizens, counselors, and other staff members today in front of the dining hall. Anyone who is interested in purchasing one of these may still do so. Please turn your name and \$35.00 to Headquarters, as soon as possible. The pictures will be available at Harrison Cottage on Thursday afternoon.

SAMSUNG SCHOLARSHIPS

The Samsung Scholarship Applications should be submitted to Betty Ann Williams at Harrison Cottage by dinner on Wednesday, June 12, 2002. The following information should be turned in with the application:

1. DD form 214 (Honorable discharge papers)
2. 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 15, 2002.

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-two 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!

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

The campus of Jackson's Mill is a beautiful place. Let's take good care 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 and we'll leave the grounds as clean and neat as they were when we arrived on Sunday.

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

