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## 2002 PRIMARY ELECTION

### FEDERALIST CANDIDATES

### NATIONALIST CANDIDATES

#### GOVERNOR

KYLE REESE

JAKE LOCKETT

#### SECRETARY OF STATE

KEVIN THOMPSON

PETE WILMOTH

#### AUDITOR

STEPHEN FINKEL

DEREK MIDKIFF

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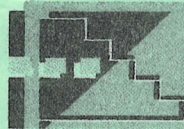
JONATHAN MATHIEU

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SAM WILMOTH

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MICHAEL SLUSS





# SCHEDULE

THE AMERICAN LEGION MOUNTAINEER BOYS' STATE, INC.

TUESDAY - JUNE 11, 2002

6:30 REVEILLE AND CLEAN QUARTERS  
7:15 INFORMATION at Dining Hall.  
7:20 FLAG RAISING  
7:25 BREAKFAST

## 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	Driver Safety	Legal Procedure	Circuit Clerk	Magistrate	Budget
GROUP 2	Legal Procedure	Circuit Clerk	Magistrate	Budget	Driver Safety
GROUP 3	Circuit Clerk	Magistrate	Budget	Driver Safety	Legal Procedure
GROUP 4	Magistrate	Budget	Driver Safety	Legal Procedure	Circuit Clerk
GROUP 5	Budget	Driver Safety	Legal Procedure	Circuit Clerk	Magistrate

## GROUP MEETING LOCATIONS:

Driver Safety—Assembly Hall  
Legal Procedure—Kanawha Center  
Circuit Clerk—Jackson Lodge Basement  
Magistrate— West Virginia Building  
Budget—Flameway

12:05 INFORMATION at Dining Hall  
12:15 LUNCH— State Treasurer John Perdue

1:15-2:00 COURT TRIAL PROCEDURE INSTRUCTION at Assembly Hall. Each cottage will send a minimum of two representatives to receive specialized instruction on upcoming court trials.  
Bank and Newspaper staffs organized and working  
State Police and Conservation Officers meet with Advisors at Hall of Fame Building

2:10 - 3:10 Party Caucuses (Federalists in Assembly Hall, Nationalists in West Virginia Building)

3:15 - 4:15 Formal Review practice (Senior Counselors, right guides, Color Guard, State Police, Conservation Officers meet with Advisors meet at Flag Pole  
Athletics and Swimming  
Bank and Newspaper Staffs organized and working  
State Police and Conservation Officers meet with Advisors at Jackson Lodge Basement

4:00 Band Practice

4:30 FORMAL REVIEW PRACTICE (ALL COUNTIES PROMPTLY ASSEMBLE IN FORMATION AT DINING HALL)

5:15 INFORMATION at Dining Hall  
5:30 DINNER - WVU Football Players

6:15-7:15 STATE POLICE administer DRIVER'S EXAMS and MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTIONS in cottages  
Athletics and Band Practice  
Bank and Newspaper staffs organized and working

7:30 - 9:30 ASSEMBLY— Each Party allotted 25 to present candidates, Candidate debate (Questions to be asked by STAFF)

**\*\*AFTER ASSEMBLY—** General Election. FEDERALISTS will proceed to the Assembly Hall for State Voting, NATIONALISTS will proceed to the West Virginia Building for State Voting. Then proceed to cottages for City/County voting. ALL citizens proceed directly to their cottages to vote.  
State Election results posted at GHQ.

**\*\*AFTER VOTING—** Bank and Newspaper Staffs organized and working.  
DRIVER'S EXAMS and MOTOR VEHICLES INSPECTIONS conducted in cottages by State Police

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.



## IN LOVING MEMORY OF ROBERT L. STINE



Robert L. "Bob" Stine was one of those special people, a personable man who quietly and steadily distinguished himself via a commitment to others, through an investment in young men's lives. Stine, who lived in Sylvestor from 1971 until his recent death and resided in Whitesville 20 years prior to that, had

been the Administrator of the Mountaineer Boys' State program since 1981 and had worked with the program since 1959.

One needed only to hear Bob Stine talk about Boys' State briefly, to grasp his feelings for and dedication to the program. Stine proudly stated "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 65 years now.

Stine's pride ran even deeper when he addressed 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 commented. "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.

After retiring, and following a quadruple heart bypass, Bob enjoyed spending time with his wife, Jewell, daughters, Betty Ann and Cindy, and his three granddaughters. He attended Whitesville First Baptist Church, and of course, there was the Boys' State program.

Stine concluded, "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." Stine viewed 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 had been the driving force behind Bob Stine's well-deserved recognition as a Distinguished West Virginian! He will truly be missed as a member of The Mountaineer Boys' State family.

### TOUCH SCREEN VOTING: A FIRST FOR BOYS' STATE

Touch screen voting is something that not very many people are at all familiar with, but those at Boys' State will get to experience it first hand. This new method of voting is poised to become the future of voting, as we know it. With its simple interface, it seems to be much more efficient than paper ballots.

Danny Cline (an employee of Casto and Harris), Connie Wielder (West Virginia sales manager for Election Systems and Software) are Beth Binger (technical customer support for Electronic Systems and Software) are bringing this new system to Boys' State. Already used in several counties in West Virginia, this is the first year that touch screen voting will be used at Mountaineer Boys' State. Governor Bob Wise and Secretary of State Joe Manchin III were instrumental in bringing this system here, according to Cline.

This new way of voting seems as if it will be a change for the better. If all goes well, it may be at Boys' State for years to come.



MISS MOUNTAINEER  
BOYS' STATE

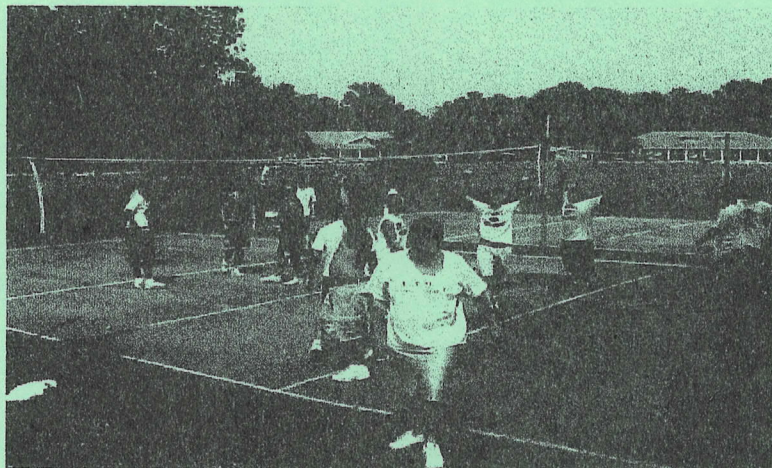
### MOUNTAINEER BOYS STATE SONG

*Oh, we're the  
Men of To..mor..row, we march along in  
happy ranks today.  
We never bor..row a bit of care or grief along  
the way.  
Glad..ly we're learning the things a good  
American should know.  
Glad..ly we're yearn..ing to chart the way a patriot should  
go.  
With lessons done, objectives won  
Good citizens we'll be;  
We'll proudly stand in our home land  
Where Mountaineers are free.  
Men...of To..mor..row, good fellowship each one of us en-  
joys,  
Men...of To..mor..row, a group of all American boys.*





# ATHLETIC NEWS



## MONDAY'S ATHLETIC RESULTS

MONDAY	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
1ST SESSION	Tie				
MONDAY	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
2nd SESSION					

## TUESDAY'S ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

### AREA 1 VOLLEYBALL BESIDE BRAX- TON

Gilmer  
Panhandle N  
Kanawaha N  
Panhandle F

Kanawaha F  
Randolph N  
Lewis N  
Randolph F

### AREA 2 VOLLEYBALL BESIDE SOFT- BALL

Barbour  
Monroe N  
Braxton N  
Monroe F

Braxton F  
Panhandle N  
Calhoun  
Panhandle F

### AREA 3 ULTIMATE FRISBEE BEHIND CHAPEL

Kanawaha F  
Marion F  
Lewis N  
Monongalia

Lewis F  
Monroe N  
Marion N  
Monroe F

### AREA 4 SOFTBALL GRASSFIELD

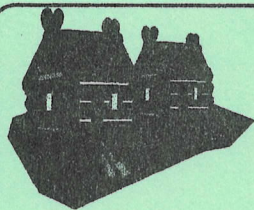
Braxton F  
Upshur  
Calhoun  
Webster

Gilmer  
Marion F  
Kanawaha N  
Monongalia

### AREA 5 BASKETBALL BEHIND GILMER

Lewis F  
Randolph N  
Marion N  
Randolph F

Barbour  
Upshur  
Braxton N  
Webster



## COTTAGE INSPECTION

JUNE 10, 2002

BARBOUR	98
BRAXTON	96
CALHOUN	100
GILMER	92
KANAWHA	99
LEWIS	100
MARION	93
MONONGALIA	98
MONROE	98
PANHANDLE	99
RANDOLPH	99
UPSHUR	95
WEBSTER	99

## BAR EXAM RESULTS

Citizens of the 2002 Mountaineer Boys State sat for the MBS Bar Examination on Sunday evening, June 9. A makeup examination was given on Monday morning for those citizens unable to take the Sunday evening examination. A total of 386 citizens sat for the Bar. 160 citizens passed the Bar, for a pass rate of 41.4%. Citizens had to score a 74% to pass.

This year's highest score was 96%, scored by Brian Britton of Lewis Cottage. Notable mentions also go to Andrew Beatty, Lewis, and Alex Weinstein, Kanawha, who both scored 94%.

The average score for all citizens was 68.69%. Listed below is the average score of each cabin.

Webster	71.67
Upshur	65.50
Randolph	68.95
Panhandle	70.04
Monroe	62.62
Monongalia	72.00
Marion	67.62
Lewis	72.50
Kanawha	69.65
Gilmer	67.48
Calhoun	68.00
Braxton	67.32
Barber	70.00

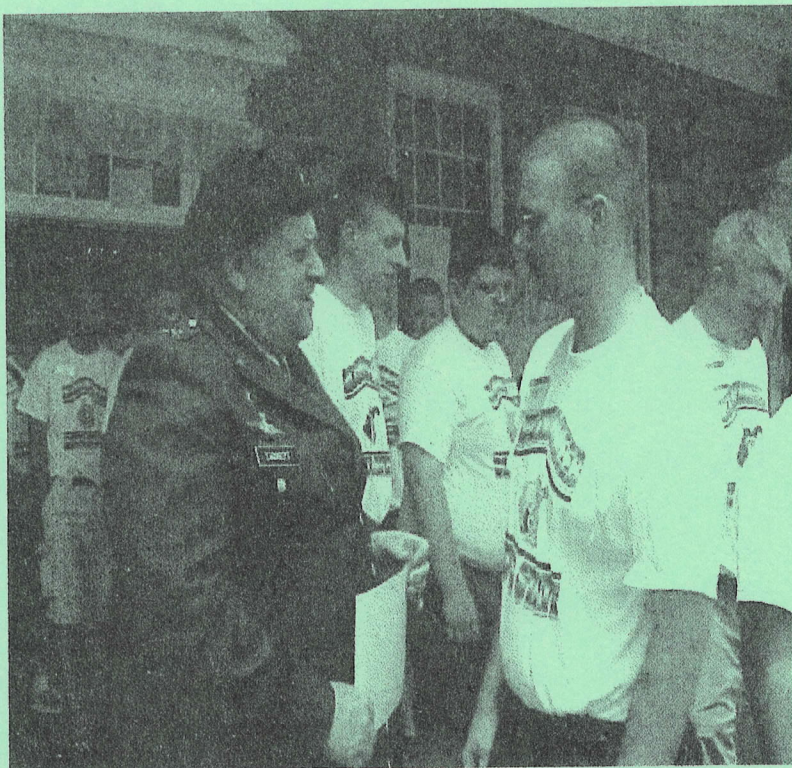


W.V. National Guard Adjutant General Visits  
MSB

John T. Taylor (F)-Randolph

Yesterday, MSB citizens and staff were honored to have as our guest speaker, Major General Allen Tackett. Gen. Tackett is the head of the West Virginia National Guard and the highest-ranking military officer in the State of West Virginia. The general spoke of many ideas with keen significance on values such as: Integrity, Selfless Service, and Excellence in all work. He also commented on the basis of leadership and education. "No one is born a leader," Tackett commented, "leadership is learned." He focused on how all of these values and traits were rooted to the idea that an education is always needed.

Following Gen. Tackett's speech, he posed in the MSB panoramic photo for all of us citizens to remember his motivating words along with all of the other great MSB memories we will take home with us.



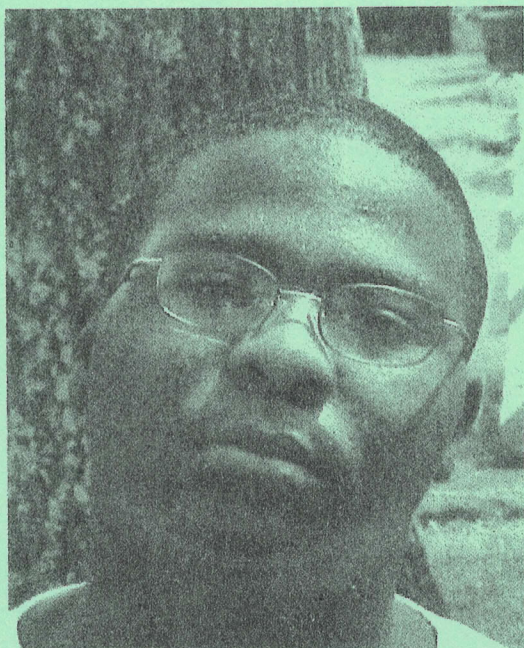
**Federalists have Cox, Nationalists lead by "Squirrel"**

By Danny 6

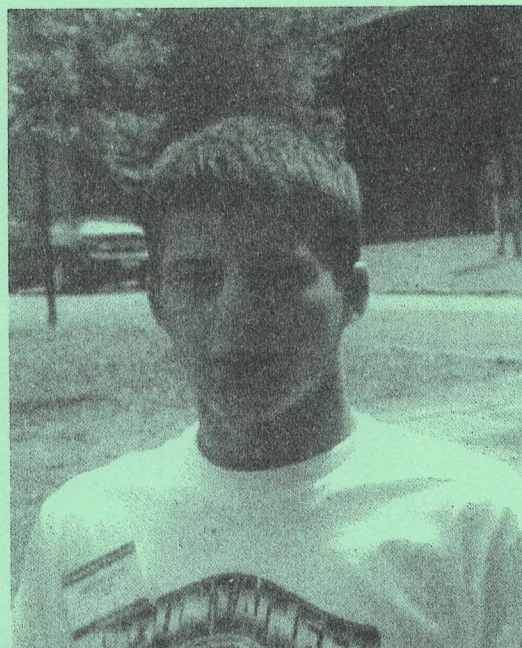
On Monday afternoon the Nationalists and Federalists met to discuss nominees for a number of offices and to pick two party chairmen. With a landslide victory that ended in the chant of "Cox", Kenny Cox won the position of Federalists Chairmen. He gladly accepted the position. I caught up with Kenny during a game of Volleyball and he had this to say when he was asked about winning the position. "It feels great even though I told them not to vote for me," said Cox. I also asked him how he thought the Federalists were going to do against the Nationalists. "The Feds are gonna win it. We have all we need to take and win the election. We got Reese and Mike, either one would be a good governor. I have the leadership I learned today, to lead the Federalists to have what they want. Upshur Rules!"

After the interview with Cox, I walked over to talk to his fellow cabin mate and friend, Andrew "Squirrel" Lewis. Andrew won the nomination of Chairman for the Nationalists. I asked Andrew the same questions and he responded with the following, "It's an honor to be elected as the Nationalist Chairman, I'll give it my best." I then asked him how he thought his Nationalists would fair against Cox's Federalists in the election and he had this to say, "We have a strong shot, our candidates are very knowledgeable and very motivated in winning all of the elections. I am glad to have the pleasure to lead them to victory."

With the leaders chosen, the battle lines have been drawn, and both men are looking to lead their parties to victory. Who will come out on top?



KENNY COX



ANDREW "SQUIRREL" LEWIS



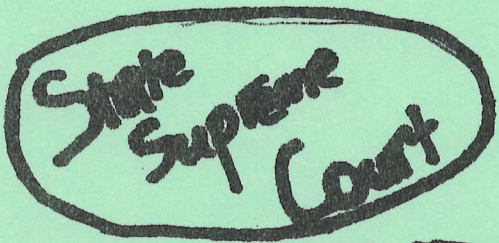
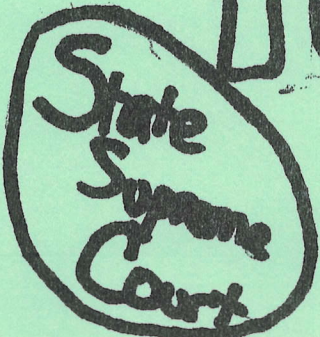
## The status of the Boys' State Bank and losing the perfect story

by David McCullough

As campaigning rises towards its most heated point with the completion of the caucuses, the primary elections, and today's general election, the need for campaign financing is almost rabid. With this need in mind, the bank system of the 2002 Boys' State has been altered from those of its predecessors to include the addition of thirteen branch managers to the banking staff, one for each cabin. The managers will act as liaisons between those in need of loans and the bank itself. The new system is geared towards convenience and will be less stressful upon the crammed schedule of campaigning for a major office, as banking transactions no longer require the sometimes sizeable trek to the bank.

Larger cottages also have addition vice-managers to act as liaisons between clients and branch managers themselves, further streamlining the process. Each manager will report to a vice president of the main branch of the bank. Citizens will be able to identify the managers in their respective cabins by the identifying signs over their bunks. The signs themselves were the key task of the first meeting of the bank, once the entirety of the staff arrived, which brings me to the more provocative end of the headline.

Due to a misunderstanding as to the location of this years bank department, a sizable portion of the staff met in the basement lounge of Jackson's lodge as they were directed in the manual. The staffers were unaware, as I, of the announcement that the bank would be located in the Agricultural Hall of Fame. The "lost tellers" were congregated around the television in the Jackson Lounge watching ESPN. They had assumed that there was some delay in the arrival of their supervisor, Nathan McBrayer, and were enjoying the free time awarded to them by their assumed predicament. When I initially questioned the status of this year's bank I received a rely of "We're not a lot of help to you." from bored bank staff member Mark Denome. I was genuinely excited about recording what was potentially the most comical story in the history of this publication. The mix-up was clarified within a few minutes of my arrival, however, and the tellers reported to the Hall of Fame. They were greeted by an understanding Mr. McBrayer who asked the late arrivals, "You were watching TV weren't you?"

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## A Letter from the Editor

Dear Readers,

It has been a long two days.

I do not write that sentence with any caustic undertones, I merely mean that we've all done and seen a lot.

From the first moments of our arrivals we were thrust into the unknown, to a certain extent. I feel safe in saying that there were a few hundred people that each of us had never met before.

Frankly, I am still getting used to the lack of women. I keep waiting in vain to see a female peer walk among us at Jackson's Mill.

I still find it hard to believe that everything I did on that first Sunday here happened in one day. In less than twenty-four hours, I studied the Bar exam, took the Bar exam, made friends, began my campaign for Attorney General and still had time for the interview which landed me the job I currently hold.

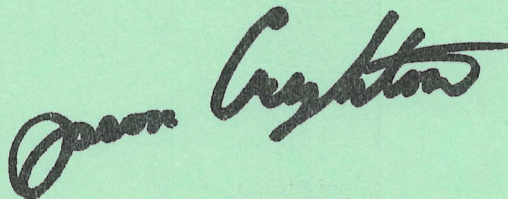
In my interview for newspaper editor, I stated that one of the facets of Boys State life that I wished to cover were the individual candidate's political opinions. I still hope to do that, so stay tuned.

As I finish this letter, the sun has set, night has befallen our state, and I am forced to bring this to a brief end. I only wonder what we shall do tomorrow.

It's going to be a long week.

Cordially,

Jason Crighton



## Secretary of State Visits Boys State

Mountaineer Boys State was honored to receive a special visit last night by West Virginia Secretary of State Joe Manchin III. In his speech following Monday's dinner, he emphasized the power of each young man to make a difference in the future of the state and country. He paraphrased John F. Kennedy's famous speech, stating that the torch was now being passed to a new generation.

Manchin stressed the need for each young adult to get involved in politics and protect our country. The United States contains less than five percent of the world's population, and sixteen percent of the industrialized world's population, but America engrosses eighty percent of the earth's resources, he said.

Unfortunately, Mr. Manchin was unable to stay long, as he had another engagement in Fairmont.





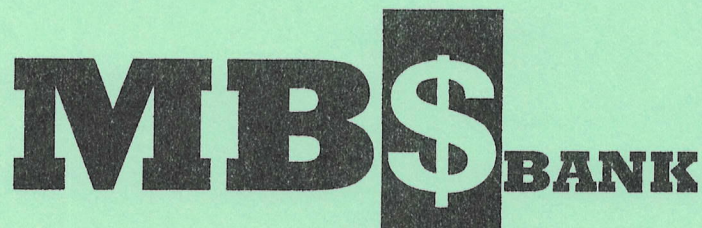
**ARE YOU BROKE?**

**DO YOU NEED MORE  
MONEY?**

**DID THE ELECTION CLEAN  
YOUR POCKETS?**

**NEED A LOAN...**

**We Make Them**



*The only bank you need...  
Because we're the only bank you got!*

**MBS BANK**  
**Branch Banking**

**2002  
Roster**

<u>Branch</u>	<u>Branch Manager</u>	<u>Assistant BM</u>
Barbour	James Posey	
Braxton	Brandon Thomas	
Calhoun	Roy Richmond	
Gilmer	Michael Mathias	Gus Briggs
Kanawha	William Muldoon	Matt Taylor
Lewis	Scott Caldwell	Andrew Beatty
Marion	Andrew Allison	
Monongalia	David Skidmore	
Monroe	Andrew Pinnick	
Panhandle	Rikin Shah	Andrew Garrison
		Joseph Humeas
Randolph	Andrew Facemire	Nick Williams
Upshur	Gerrard Wade	
Webster	Samuel Tephabock	

**MBS BANK**  
**2002  
Roster**

<b>President:</b>	<b>Ryan Hess</b>	<b>Monongalia</b>
<b>Executive VP:</b>	<b>David Hayes</b>	<b>Monroe</b>
<b>VPs:</b>	Tommy Napier Gregory Devito Jon Handschumacher Mark Denome Luke Jackson Matthew Schessler	Gilmer Lewis Marion Panhandle Randolph Webster
<b>Loan Officers:</b>	Nicolas Longo James "Cody" Clevenger Mike Guthrie Merrel Rancey Zachary Dickinson Jeff McCoy	Barbour Braxton Kanawha Kanawha Lewis Panhandle
<b>IT Coordinators:</b>	Manuel Morris Brian Rohrig	Kanawha Panhandle
<b>Tellers:</b>	Ryan Holtz Andrew Turnbull David Huffman Ben Shumate Robby Jones	Braxton Lewis Marion Marion Panhandle



# REESE

A proud supporter of:

Kevin Thompson

Jason Allen

Roy "Rsmooth" IV

William Knicely

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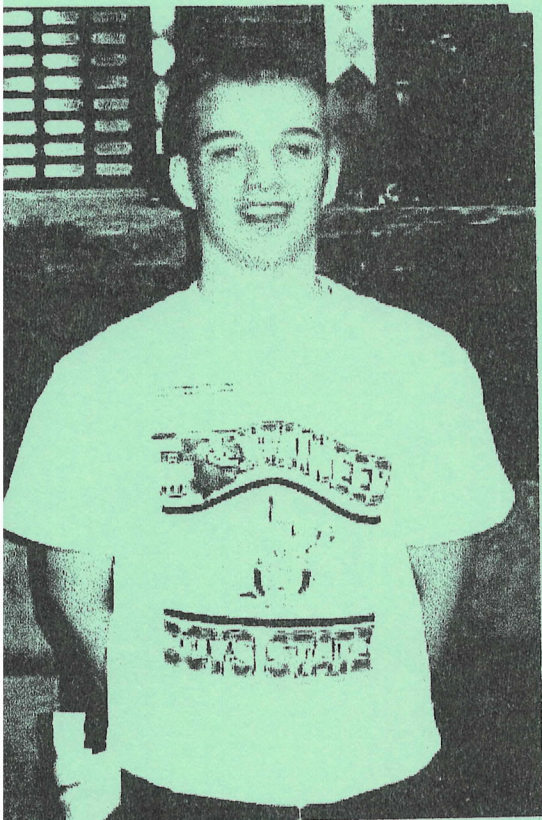
Jonathon Dillon

Jeff McCoy

Derek Midkiff

Monroe Cabin

Panhandle Cabin



# FOR

# GOVERNOR

**"There's no wrong way to vote for Reese"**

**JUST SAY NO TO THE "FRO!"**



# Musci.

Never before has so much been said with so few words. Vote John "The Italian Stallion" Musci for Supreme Court Justice because he really, really wants the job and he is also a very avid Pink Floyd fan.



**VOTE**

**4**

**"ME"**

**Paid for by the candidate**



Federalist Party Platform  
Typed by Jason Crighton

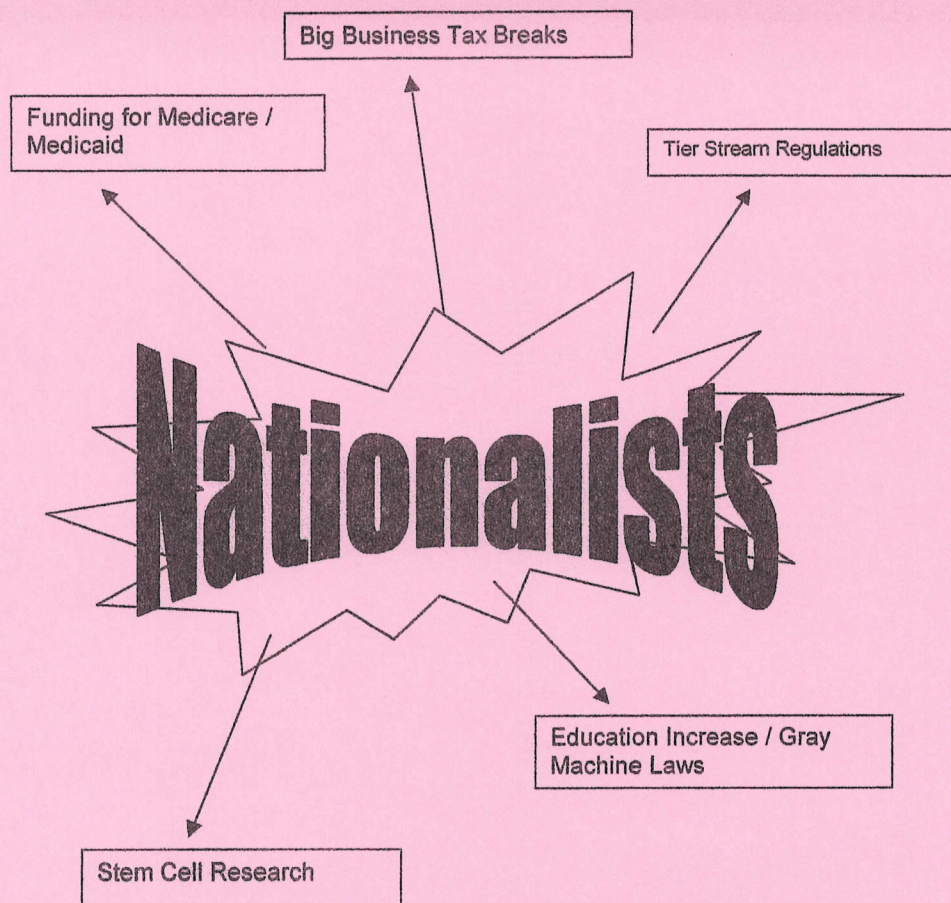
1. The Federalist Party wished to take a position on tighter smoking restrictions in public places. Smoking in public places will be illegal by law. Public places that wish to have smoking may obtain permits. Permits will be given upon inspection. The suggested requirements include separate rooms for smokers and increased ventilation. The cost of the permits will be determined by the cost of inspectors. This is the Federalists plan to increase nonsmoker's rights.
2. The Federalist Party wishes to encourage youth to stay in the state through industry development along the Ohio River. The industry targeted is plastics with the location of salts, water and fossil fuels.
3. The Federalists wish to limit unions but not limit people's right to strike. This is to encourage more industry in West Virginia. It is the feeling of the Federalist party that unions have helped the workers gain what they deserve, but unions have overstepped their bounds. It is the federalist's feeling that slight limitation of the unions will result in more industry and jobs for West Virginia's young people.
4. The Federalist Party Wishes to place a cap on the amount of compensation that can be received for a malpractice lawsuit. The Federalists feel that this will lower the insurance costs within the state. The Federalists feel this will encourage doctors to remain in the state and bring more doctors from other states.
5. The Federalist Party wishes to support a moment of peace at graduations. The American Civil Liberties Union wishes to stop invocations at graduations. The Federalist Party wishes to not support their cause in favor of the right to have a moment of peace at graduation but not necessarily prayer.

**VOTE  
FED  
2002**

**BETTER  
FED  
THAN RED!**

PM





## Leading the way into the future leaps at a time!

We all know that the Nationalists are the better party, but instead of just telling jokes and supplying information that doesn't necessarily further our proposition, we feel that it is time to give actual reason. Our real, and most feasible platform is as follows:

- Our first goal, and platform plank, is to increase the funding for such programs as Medicare and Medicaid. We feel that if we sacrifice a little more today while we can handle it, then tomorrow when we can't, we can rest assured that our future is in good hands. All because we paid a little extra a little earlier.
- Our second platform plank is lessened taxes on big business. We, as a party, feel that if we let businesses have lower taxes than at the current, then many new and large businesses will be motivated to choose West Virginia as their new home, or simply a new location to branch out. This will, in turn, provide more jobs that bring in new workers and swell our population with able workers. Not to mention the increased revenue that will follow.
- Our third plank deals with the Tier Stream Regulation Act. While not very well known, this plank is of great importance to our state. There is included a tier system which classifies the waterway as a 1, 2, or a 3. Any waterway with a class 1 ranking is one where the surrounding area can be used for any purpose. However, if the waterway is classified as a 3, then the surrounding land cannot be used nearly at all because of the potential waterway pollution. With the current system in place, anyone from around the entire world can nominate any stream or creek in this or any other state for an up or down grade, but only those persons who live on the banks of said waterway are able to combat the possible class change. The Nationalist Party believes that this should be abolished because of the outdated tyrannical dogma that it perpetuates. For the protection of our waterways and our individual government, this issue should be important to you.
- The fourth plank combines two interconnecting issues. To begin with, the Nationalist Party believes that the requirements for the Promise Scholarship should be toughened. If the regulations were a little more stringent, then there would be more funding for each person who received the Scholarship. Interconnected with this is the topic of the "gray machines." We, as a party, believe that the funding from these machines is too unreliable and based solely on the belief that owners will report the fact that they own one. Our current system of taxation on these machines goes toward the funding of the Promise Scholarship, however the funding has no clear and unwavering form of monitoring. We believe that one of two choices should be made. Either we find an alternative form of funding by revoking the gray machine law and instituting new policies or we spend the time and money to ensure that all the currently illegal machines are monitored correctly. All this, in order to have improved education as a by-product. This should be an important topic of every discussion.
- Our final plank deals with the touchy issue of stem cell research. While we, as an entire party, feel that stem cell research can cure the diseases of the world, we also feel that it should be strictly limited. It has been shown that stem cells can be taken from the spine of a donor adult human. These can then be used for research following the limits that exist today. Think of the possibilities that will abound for us if we simply change the place from whence we get these cells. Voluntary donors are the future of medicine.

For the furthering of our nation and the realm of feasibility that has been declared, we can and will lead this state into the future, gaining each new level by leaps and bounds, attainable only through the election and support of the Nationalist Party.