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Farewell Mountaineer Boys State!

By: Alex Joshua Mullins

Today marks the last day for the citizens of Mountaineer Boys State. A somber and sad time for some and with that feeling all of the citizens will leave Jackson's Mill with the knowledge of government and friendships that will last a life time and beyond.

My experience here at Mountaineer Boys State has been one I will take back to Boone County with me and tell my peers and family about. Especially, the opportunities and responsibilities they bestowed upon me. When I first came to this camp on Sunday evening I didn't know what to expect. I was apart of a strong population with four hundred boys from all counties of this state. I was also very nervous. I have never been to a place where I didn't know a lot of people and that I needed to adapt to those changes.

Although, throughout the week I met people around the grounds with many and I'm sure I will want to keep in contact with them. I befriended a few in my cabin that shares the same views and interests as me. Which was good for me because I could finally tell some of my political jokes and they would laugh! The best part of my time here would have to be my job as a reporter for the Mountaineer Boys State paper.

I have goals of going to Concord University, in Athens, and obtaining a bachelor's degree in Political Science and Journalism, then proceed to have a career in journalism. I have always had a passion for writing and reading so I figured I should pursue a job as a journalist. Plus, working as a journalist at Boys State helps me out a lot. In all, I have truly enjoyed my time here and to have the opportunity to be apart of this camp, thank you!



It's All Done

By: Chuckie Schellhase

A few hours went by with everyone typing. The staff's fingers are cramping, minds are swirling, and patience is running thin. Adam slams his hands on his desk at the sound of argument in the group.

"Listen up!" The entire room goes silent at the sound of his voice. "This is a hard job! None of us want to be working this hard for this long, trust me! Stop arguing and get to work! We are almost done! I don't want to hear any more fighting! If I do you are out! I didn't expect everyone to be in a perfect mood during this, but I did expect you all to be able to control yourselves." Everyone remains quiet. "Get back to work. If you think you are about to get in an argument with someone then get up and move. Sit with someone you know you won't fight with." The entire room stands at once. They all rearrange themselves next to someone they like and won't fight with. After the room is completely seated, Adam speaks again. "Now, we are almost finished. The last step is to just edit the end of the recording. We need to make sure everything is perfect." At this, Devin stands to speak.

"Listen, this is almost it. I have already finished most of the recording. All we need is the end. You all know what to do. We can finish this in just ten short minutes. Come on, guys. Let's do this."

"Hey, Devin?" Adam and Devin face each other.
"Yes, sir?"

"How long is the recording so far? It can't be too long. That will seem suspicious. We don't want anyone questioning us any more than they already are."

"I understand, sir. The recording is only seven minutes long so far. The beginning bit is four minutes. The interruption is three. Approximately, of course."

"That's perfect, thank you. Now, everyone, finish your coding and ideas. It's not too late to add something important. Anything anyone? Speak now or forever hold your peace." No worker says anything for a few seconds. "Okay then. Easy enough. Everyone get back to work!" Adam and Devin sit back down in their desks.

About ten minutes later, everyone is relaxed and leaning back in their chairs. Devin is finishing the last of the editing, and Adam is leaning against the back of Devin's chair watching intently over his shoulder. The first thing Adam says after a few minutes is, "That's it. It's done." Everyone in the room starts screaming and high-fiving. After the screaming subsides, Adam turns to face the group. "Alright, everyone. This is really it. We are about to broadcast it. First, let's go over what is happen-

ing. Devin, how about you explain it. This was your idea." Adam steps back so Devin can stand. He stands and walks to the center of the front of the room. He turns to the wall and clicks on the projector. The projection showing on the screen is a recording. Devin turns around to address the crowd.

"Okay, everyone. This is the recording we have put together to help us to persuade the public in our favor. Within this particular recording there is two different speakers. The first speaker, Adam, speaks for around four minutes. He is speaking about recent discoveries and current research. It is our typical update recording, except for when we get to the interruption. For approximately three minutes there will be another voice that cuts in and blocks out Adam's. This will be a supposed extraterrestrial. It will speak to us, almost completely unclearly, for three minutes. It will have blurred words, half sentences, and complete statements. It will seem as though it is a direct broadcast that is breaking up. With this, the people should believe us." The men all remain silent, waiting for what comes next.

"Thank you, Devin. It is now time for the broadcast. We all know how this works. This time is just a little different because instead of the typical update speech, we are going to have this. It will be posted in," Adam checks his watch, "thirty seconds." everyone sits up to the edge of their seats. "Ten, nine," everyone is anticipating the post. "Five, four," Devin is sitting patiently with his hand on the mouse. "Two," everyone is holding their breath. "One." As soon as the word finishes Devin clicks the mouse. The recording is posted. It goes up immediately.

After only a few minutes, hundreds of people have heard the recording and comments are flowing in. Everyone so far believes them.

"Well, gentlemen, we did it." Adam walks to his desk to take his seat. He intertwines his fingers and scans the room. "Everyone gets a few days off. On me. Thank you all for the hard work. We-" The door flies open and cops rush into the room. "Wha-" They cut Adam off.

"You are all under arrest. Jack told us everything. This company is done."

BREAKING NEWS:**Kanawha County Mayor Searched**

On Thursday June 13th, Kanawha County sheriff was informed of a peculiar scent coming from the living area of Kanawha County Mayor, Tyler Stamper. The complaint was filed that night. After hearing of the complaint, the sheriff took direct action. A Complaint was filed against Stamper, and when the sheriff informed his deputies, they all went to work. They devised a plan to confront Mr. Stamper and question him about his living area. They then planned to search his belongings. After everything was ready, Sheriff Johnathan readied his deputies and confronted Mr. Stamper. When questioned, Mr. Stamper was very irritable and seemed to think he was being framed. When further questioned, Mr. Stamper was aggressive and not answering questions in a civil manner. When asked to search his items, Mr. Stamper obliged. Upon the search of a bag lying on Mr. Stamper's bed, the Sheriff and his deputies found what appeared to be potential drugs. Mr. Stamper claimed the bag did not belong to him, and that, in fact, his bag was underneath of his bed. When checked, the bag on the bed was the only bag found. The sheriff requested to search further. Mr. Stamper complied and the men went back to work. After a few short seconds more potential drugs were found within Mr. Stamper's pillowcase. After the evidence was found, Mr. Stamper was visibly angry. He was stating that the evidence was placed there and he was being framed. Mr. Stamper repeatedly touched and moved around the evidence stating what they had found did not belong to him. He also stated the belongings on his bed did not belong to him. At the end of the search, the police placed the evidence within a plastic cup. While the men were attempting to ask Mr. Stamper one final time to be truthful, Mr. Stamper became outraged and began to tamper with the evidence. At the conclusion of the event, the police left and everyone continued with their activities. Mr. Stamper eventually apologized for his angry behavior, stating it had to do with outside circumstances. Everything within the Cabin has calmed down majorly since the event, and the citizens of Kanawha have continued with their daily activities.

~Chuckie Schellhase

Lewis Cabin News

On Thursday, Lewis Cabin did a fantastic job maintaining their perfect sports record while at Boys State. They played hard court volleyball against Monroe County at 4pm, and they played sand court volleyball against Monroe county at 6:30pm. On Friday, they play hard court volleyball against Randolph County at 2:30pm, and they play softball against Kanawha at 6:30.

Published by Dylan Barker



A Final Farewell

Well that went by faster than expected. I remember when I first got here on Sunday, I thought this week was going to be torture. We had so much stuff thrown at us so quickly that I was ready to go home as soon as possible. However, I found myself liking each day more until now, just like Spider-Man in Avengers: Infinity War, I don't want to go. The time I've had here and the friends I've made are things I don't think I'll ever forget. I think that most of you feel the same way. Who knows, maybe you'll meet the friends you made here again someday, maybe you'll stay in touch with the friends you made here for the rest of your life, and it may be that you'll meet someone in the future that you didn't even realize was here for the simple fact that we don't have time to meet everyone, and once you realize that you were both in the same place at the same time, you'll immediately bond and start talking about your experiences. Whatever the circumstances, there is no doubt in my mind that you will come across someone that attended The American Legion Mountaineer Boys State at some point in your future. Until then, this is Noah Jeffries saying goodbye for the last time. Good luck, and May The Force Be With You!

Noah Jefferies

Counselor Interview

I had the opportunity to interview counselor Matt Anderson. He was originally from Cabell County when he was in high school and was first accepted into Boys State. When he was a Boys State citizen himself, he was a member of Kanawha County and was a delegate for that county. He enjoyed his time at Boys State so much that he decided that he wanted to come back and teach future West Virginians how government is run and get them on their way to becoming successful, effective members of society.

2018 is his twentieth year as camp counselor. Currently he is a counselor for Lewis County. When asked about what his favorite part about Boys State is he said that it is jiffies at breakfast (sausage/pancake on a stick).

Published by Dylan Barker

Gilmer Cottage News

During your time at Boys State, you may have started thinking about maybe coming back next year as staff. Lucky for you, Gilmer Cottage has a councilor who has just gone through such a choice. Hayden Moran was a citizen of the 80th Boys State last year where he was a member of the House of Delegates and got the highest score on the BAR Exam. Hayden said that he wanted to stay with the program after graduating and thought that joining staff would be the best option. I asked him what he thought of his first year on staff so far and he said: "It's fun. Even though I can't participate in the activities with you guys, I can give you advice so you can have the best time here that you possibly can". Hayden would recommend joining staff next year and plans to be back in the near future. He hopes to see YOU there too!

Article by, Noah Jeffries

Officer of the Day

Primary : Robbie Robinson

Alternate: Doug Robinson

Saturday Menu

Breakfast - Egg

Sausage Gravy

Biscuits

Hot and Cold Cereal

Fresh Fruit Juice & Milk



Interview with a Fireman

Yesterday, I had the opportunity to visit our Boys State Firemen at the nearby department where they train. The scenarios were very interesting to say the least. The boys were able to put on firemen uniforms and gear and experience what it's like to fight a real fire.

First, I got to witness our boys go through a simulation that showed them what it would be like to have to go into a burning and smoking building. Next, they got to work the hose of a firetruck and experience the work required to put out a car fire. After the simulations, I had a chance to speak with the boys' instructor; Matt Reed. According to Matt, the boys did a very good job for this to be their first time practicing situations like this. I asked him if he believes the fire stations across West Virginia and the country would be in good hands with young men like them and he responded with, "Yes! These boys do a very good job and I believe that the firefighting organization will have a very bright future if we can get more young people involved in the program." If there is a fireman in your cabin, ask them about what the job is like. You never know, it might interest you.



Ethan Mallow

Your Supreme Court Justices Working Hard

Josh "The Poe Boy" Poe, Jarrett "JMoney" Schleicher, Aaron "Doctor Strange" Page, Normin "Stormin Normin" Lee, David "Bonefish" Snider,...all working to uphold U.S. Constitution.



Reported by Ethan Mallow

Boy Scouts and Boys State

During my time at Mountaineer Boys State, I've noticed that many of the citizens this year are Boy Scouts and Eagle Scouts. This made me think about the similarities between the two organizations in my experience. I have been a part of the Boy Scouts of America in some form or another for the past eleven years of my life and I recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout in March.

I have already noticed similarities at Mountaineer Boys State that remind me of my years in the Boy Scout program. In Boy Scouts, we do flag raising and lowering every day at our weekend camping trips. Just like Boys State, we stand at attention and salute the flag with the Boy Scout salute. The Boy Scouts of America also offers many merit badges and programs that teach leadership, government, and citizenship to young boys in ways very similar to the Boys State Program. Both programs are involved with the American Legion. I had the honor of cooking and serving food at a dinner for my local American Legion Post a few months ago with my Boy Scout Troop. Now, I also find myself with the American Legion again at Mountaineer Boys State.

There are some differences as well. For example, the Boys State program focuses mostly on the workings of our American Government while the Boy Scouts have a variety of different fields to learn from such as first aid, personal fitness, and even collections. Both programs are very healthy for young boys and both do their part to shape, as we say here, the "Men of tomorrow." If there is a Boy Scout in your cottage, take the time to ask him about the program. You might find it interesting.

Article by Noah Jeffries



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Critter Corner

Saturday: Skunk

Ever experience the rank musty smell of a skunk, moments later realizing the apparent danger of getting sprayed. Skunks are an ancient creature, commonly found all over North and South America. They are often black and white, but there are many different species and a multitude of color variants that can occur naturally, including brown, cream, and ginger. In history, skunks have had a very negative connotation.

People used to consider them bad luck, evil, even sinful. To call someone a skunk was considered an insult. In actuality, skunks play a positive role in a healthy environment. They mostly eat worms, rodents, salamanders, frogs, snakes, berries, roots, and are not afraid to get into your garbage. It is very, very rare for a skunk to bite a human. They will almost always spray or run before bite. Skunks seem to be fairly common here in Jackson's Mill, as they are sometimes seen early in the morning.



Bus Crash on Calhoun Mountain!

Reported by: Alex Joshua Mullins

Yesterday morning, 6-14-18, there was a horrific bus crash on Calhoun Mountain. According to the president of Gilmer and Calhoun Board of Education, Isaac Wilfong, between 28 and 30 grade schoolers were on the bus at the time of the crash. Mr. Wilfong said that the bus driver lost control of the brakes and when that happened the bus flipped and was dangling over the side of Calhoun Mountain.

Mr. Wilfong also stated that three children and the bus driver were fatally wounded during the crash. State Police Officer, Ezekiel Bennet, was first on the scene. At this time, there is no evidence to establish whether the crash was caused by mechanical malfunction or if it was deliberately tampered with.

When Mr. Wilfong was asked what he was going to do at this point into the tragic event, he said, "I am going to make everyone aware of the situation and open up counseling sessions with the parents whose children were killed." He also said, "I will personally take care of the problem to make sure an event like this never happens again."

A Court Trial

Reported by: Ian Beller, Lewis Cabin

On Wednesday night, a murder occurred right outside of the Lewis Cabin. The Accused and presumed assailant was Charles (but the real monster here is Jerry). As the investigation goes, Charles went to a bar for some drinks and sometime after arriving at the bar he and another man were involved an altercation with one another. During the said altercation gunshots were heard at the scene of the crime, and a man lay dead on the ground. Charles was apprehended, placed under arrest and arraigned in court earlier today where his trial was determined.

The court process was long an drawn out with many witnesses coming and going from the court room for the prosecution and defense teams. There were many rebuttals to the posed arguments from the defense attorney and the prosecutors, but eventually all fell silent when the jury was sequestered in the jury room where the verdict was decided. Minutes passed and finally the jury returned with the verdict in hand. After some words from judge Vincent, the jury presented their verdict. The jury's verdict came back as "Not Guilty". They proceeded to tell the audience that there wasn't enough evidence to convict Charles of murder. The case was over for Charles and he walked free back to his normal everyday life. Now that the case is over people are looking for a distraction to take their minds off of the death of a person, and that distraction is the sport events coming this evening at 4:00—5:00 A.M..



Fire at Gilmer Cottage!

On the night of 6/14/2018, Mountaineer Boys State Gilmer cottage was broken into and a fire was set. The fire started on the top floor of the cabin. A witness described the perpetrator as someone who was between 5'6 and 5'9 in height an having a heavy build ran into the cabin with what appeared to be a Boys State manual on fire, and threw it under a bunk. Witnesses said the perpetrator had a name tag which said "Charles". A suspect was arrested and arraigned with a court trial set for the next day. At the court trial Charles from

Calhoun cabin was tried for arson. The events of the case unfolded during the trial to revealed that the manual that was used to start the fire was not the same color as the manuals provided to the Citizens of Boys State this year. The particular manual was to start the fire was green. Charles admitted that he had given a green notebook to someone else that morning and that he himself had seen someone enter the cabin and start the fire. This given evidence resulted with the jury finding Charles not guilty.

Article by, Noah Jeffries

Riddle Me This!

What is it that no one wants to have, but no one wants to lose?

Legal News

Carter vs. Chaney

Reported by: Nate Madden, Staff Writer

Thursday at approximately 1:30 P.M. , the honorable Judge Joseph Wilkins of Panhandle County called his courtroom to order. This was a robbery case, where Panhandle resident Kiyam “Peppers” Bartlett was accused of robbing another Panhandle man of his truck. His defense attorney was Jackson Chaney, whose main plan was to create doubt within the jury and get his client acquitted on the basis of reasonable doubt.

Kiyam Bartlett was squeegeeing Anthony Abrahamian’s truck window at a red light. Anthony recognized him as an old classmate from high school, so he rolled down his window and struck up a conversation with him. Anthony was in full clown get-up, so Kiyam asked why. Anthony said he was on his way to a birthday and invited Kiyam along. Kiyam accepted and got in the car.

Here is where the disagreements start. Anthony claims that Kiyam began to “freak out” once he mentioned that his wig was “priceless” and hit him several times with the squeegee that he was carrying, subsequently causing Anthony to wreck. The “priceless” wig had fallen off of Abrahamian’s head and somehow found itself lodged in Kiyam’s pants. They both exited the vehicle, and Kiyam ran off to the woods. Anthony stayed and called emergency services.

Each facet of this case had to be examined to reach a verdict. The first is whether or not Anthony lost control of the car due to him being struck or because he was under the influence. Kiyam claims he smelled booze on his breath, and while that cannot be disproven, it is unlikely that he could’ve smelled booze when just thirty minutes after the wreck, Abrahamian was tested for his blood-alcohol level, which returned a “zero”. He was not drunk, nor was he anywhere near it.

The second point is where the wig ended up. Bartlett claimed that the wig became stuck in his pants due to the car crash, where the vehicle went from at least 25 MPH to 0 MPH almost instantly. It is impossible to prove or disprove this due to the circumstances. Once again, Chaney plays off the unknown.

Closing arguments were made. The prosecutors made a hard push, which was met with a relaxed tone and continued attempt at downplaying all of the evidence presented. The jury was set out to deliberate, and came back approximately five minutes later with a verdict. Kiyam Bartlett was declared guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. The attempts at confusing the jury had fallen short and justice had prevailed.

Bank Robbery

Today at approximately 9:40p.m., Azim Turakhonov of Randolph was arrested for the attempted robbery of the bank. Alexis Francis, who is employed at the bank says "While in questioning with the State Auditor, State Treasurer and Attorney General, Azim Turakhonov, and one other unidentified person came in and said, 'Put your hands up, this is a robbery.'" Azim was unaware that the state officials were being escorted by at least 3 police officers and was taken into almost impediment custody.



Update

After being arrested, Azim Turakhonov later came back to successfully rob the bank while there was nobody present.

Reported by: Ethan Mallow

81st Mountaineer Boys State pictures



Senator Joe Manchin

June 16, 2018

U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-W.Va.) was sworn into the United States Senate on November 15, 2010, to fill the seat left vacant by the late Senator Robert C. Byrd. For Senator Manchin, serving as West Virginia's Senator is truly an honor and a privilege.

Born and raised in the small coal mining town of Farmington, W.V., Sen. Manchin grew up learning the values that all West Virginians share: family, common sense, fairness, and hard work. As a small businessman, he learned firsthand from his grandfather, Papa Joe, an Italian immigrant and the town grocer, the importance of serving the public.

As a young man, his beloved grandmother, Mama Kay, inspired Senator Manchin's belief in public service through her unflagging compassion and desire to help those less fortunate. More than anything, it is his family and the values learned growing up among the hardworking men and women of West Virginia that define who Senator Manchin is and the public servant he strives to be.

From his days as a state legislator to his six years as Governor, to his current role, Senator Manchin has always been committed to his philosophy of "retail government"—in other words, connecting with all of his constituents and making service to them his top priority.

Throughout his public life, he has never let politics or ideology stand in the way of commonsense solutions. Instead, he believes that only by putting politics aside and working hard to bring people together can we do what is right for West Virginia and the nation.

He began his tenure as West Virginia's 34th governor in January 2005. Then, Governor Manchin approved millions of dollars in tax relief for West Virginia's citizens and businesses, fixed the state's workers' compensation system, established the first comprehensive teacher pay package in more than 15 years and dramatically decreased the state's debt. In six years, more than \$13 billion in business investments were made, and West Virginia was often cited nationally for its strong fiscal management.

As a Senator, Joe Manchin is committed to bringing this spirit of bipartisanship to Washington. As he done throughout his entire life, he remains committed to working with Republicans and Democrats to

find commonsense solutions to the problems our country faces.

Legislatively, job creation is Senator Manchin's top priority, and he believes that government should act as a partner, not an adversary, in helping to create the environment that produces good American jobs. Senator Manchin also firmly believes that our nation can and must do what he did in West Virginia—put our fiscal house in order. He believes we must find commonsense ways to cut spending while keeping our promises to our seniors and veterans by protecting Social Security and Medicare.

Senator Manchin is strongly committed to developing a balanced national energy plan that utilize all of our resources and recognizes that fossil fuels will be a vital part of our energy mix for decades to come. He believes that a balanced, commonsense approach that considers the needs of our environment and the demands of our economy, can and must be developed if we are to achieve energy independence within this generation.

Senator Manchin currently serves on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, the Senate Select Committee on intelligence, the Senate Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs—four critical committees that tackle the important work of addressing our nation's energy needs, stand up for our veterans, and oversee discretionary spending and intelligence activities.



LtCol Mark McMillion

June 16, 2018

Mark McMillion is a seasoned leader, with over 25 years of leadership experience, training, and practice. As a West Point graduate, he was privileged to learn at the finest school of leadership in the world. With two engineering degrees, he understands how hard data drives decisions. As a veteran leader, he's learned and practiced the soft skills of leadership. With tours of duty in Germany, Norway (with NATO), and two combat tours in Iraq, he served in a variety of positions on three continents and across the United States.

Contrary to what many believe, leadership in the Army is not simple as giving orders or court-martialing someone. Building mutual trust, loyalty, and respect for others are critical requirements to be an effective leader in any environment.

His career highlights include his times as platoon leader, West Point assistant professor, battalion executive officer, and exercise planner for NATO. Each of these positions decisively shaped his development and learning.

As a platoon leader with great sergeants, he learned that leadership with great teams is sometimes as simple as securing them the resources to succeed and turning them loose. That's why he likes to say "50% of great leadership is knowing when to get out of the way." It's that other 50% which can be difficult. He had plenty of practice in those situations as well.

Teaching at West Point, he honed his presentation skills and delighted in shaping the Army for decades to come. He's now patiently waiting for one of his former cadets to mention how their West Point "P" profoundly shaped their rise to the presidency.

As the second-in-command of an artillery battalion, he actively managed every aspect of the unit, whether it was maintenance of over 225 combat vehicles or developing the young officers of the unit. Mark was an integral part of preparing the unit for its next combat deployment.

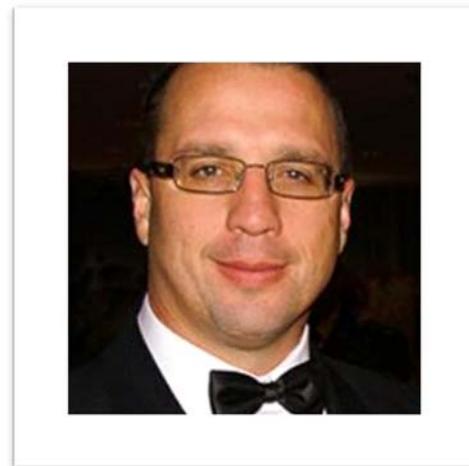
His experience in NATO enabled him to grow a greater appreciation for the value of diversity. Work-

ing side-by-side with people from over 20 different countries helped hone his communication and presentation skills as approximately 80 % of the staff were non-native English speakers. During those three years, he was involved in multiple planning teams and worked his way up to become the leader of exercise content. He learned he didn't have to be the smartest person in the room (except when he was by himself) to lead. Mark managed teams of subject-matter experts by learning to ask the right questions. The results were ground-breaking exercises for NATO.

Mark retired as a lieutenant colonel in 2013 and then founded McMillion Leadership Associates, a company committed to delivering useful, pragmatic leadership, training to all levels of a company.

Mark has a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the United States Military Academy at West Point and a M.S. in Cognitive System Engineering from The Ohio State University.

More info: <http://www.mcmillionleadership.com>



Citizen Spotlight

Today I had the pleasure to interview Noah Bolton, a fellow member of Lewis Cabin. He is 17 years old and originally from Cabell County. He goes to St. Joseph Central where he is involved in many activities. He is involved in the Latin club, a member of the honor roll, and plays basketball and baseball. He also enjoys fishing in his free time.

When he first got to Boys State he was nervous but ready to do his job. Once he got here he applied to be a state police officer and he got accepted. He now has the duty of patrolling Jackson’s Mill and making sure that everyone is following the law so they will remain safe.

Published by Dylan Barker

6-14-18



**Sport Scores
Thursday**

Basketball

Webster- Barbour/Gilmer -Calhoun	Panhandle/ Upshur- Harrison
38/36	52/48

Ultimate Frisbee

Marion/ Randolph	Panhandle/ Braxton
9/5	7/3

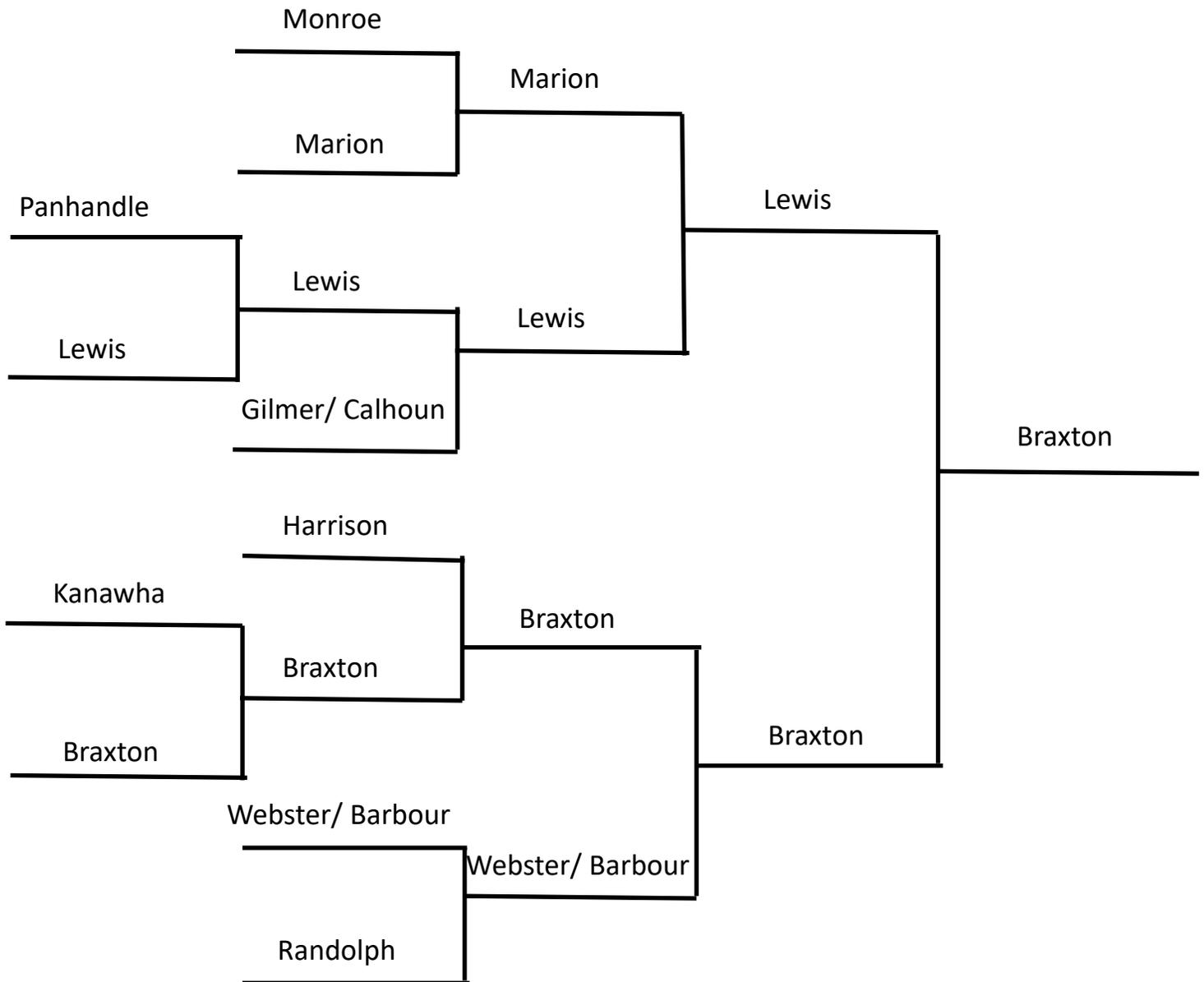
Volleyball

Lewis/Monroe	Braxton/Gilmer- Calhoun	Kanawha/ Randolph
21/18	21/14	18/21

Softball

Kanawha/Webster- Barbour	Marion/Upshur- Harrison
10/25	17/14

2018 Tug of War Results



Staff is still **UNDEFEATED!**



Alex Hines

Reported by: Ian Beller, Lewis Cabin

Instead of politics, we have a special article today about the broadcasting coordinating official, Alex Hines. Alex has been a news anchor for 8 years. But he didn't start out this way, at first Alex started as a cameraman but built his way up to be a news anchor on T.V.. He joined the staff here at American Legion Boys State 3 years ago. But before this he was able to officially come on to the staff after doing 3 years of news speech. It took some work to get to where he is at, but everyone here at the Journalism department is proud of him all the same. Apart from being a news anchor, he likes to do a wide variety of things in his free time, such as play tabletop games with his friends, going to the weight room to get swole, and the most important thing he does is medieval war reenactments. These war reenactments can take up to 2 weeks in time. They also go to specific locations and camp in a medieval fashion before the wars start. But when he is on the job of anchoring, he says that he enjoys informing people of everything that is going on around them and the fact that he enjoys people in general, not only is he a nerd but he is also a good human being. Thank you to all the staff members who make the ALMBS camp great!



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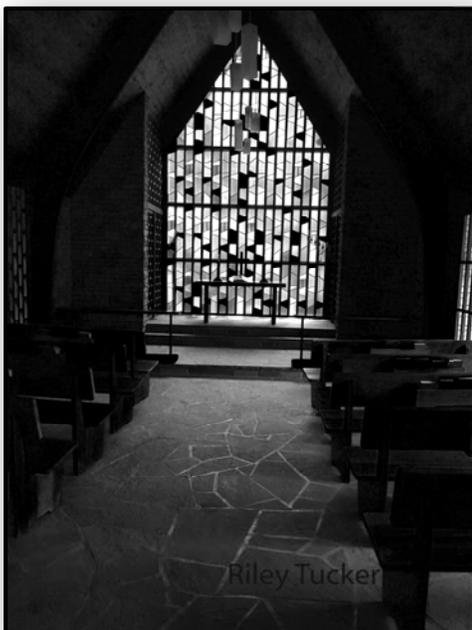
Alex joined WBOY in September 2010.

Alex is a native of Western Pennsylvania and a graduate of Westminster College, where he earned a degree in broadcast communications. While there, he interned with WKBN in Youngstown, Ohio and WOOD in Grand Rapids, Mich.. While in college he served as an anchor, reporter and producer for "The County Line", Westminster's weekly news program.

Before joining 12 News, Alex worked with the PBS NewsHour on their coverage of the 2008 Republican National Convention in St. Paul, Minn.

Alex is a huge fan of the Steelers. He lives in Clarksburg. If you have any story ideas, he'd love to hear from you.

Nature Shots from Jackson's Mill



By Deshon Simon and Riley Tucker

Upshur Cottage is the **Best**, and will always be the **Best!**



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And last, but most certainly not least, to Betty Ann, Elizabeth, and Barbara for having dedicated so much time during this, and past years to the upkeep of this paper! We appreciate all that you do!
