

**Don't forget
to vote in
the Election
at Noon
in the Rec
Center**



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**The Blood
Drive is
Thursday, June
21st
in the Rec
Center.
Remember to
sign up!**

Activities of Boy's State

It is very apparent that Boys' State is one of a multitude of high-quality programs that is full of great activities and opportunities. Even if you're not running for a specific office, there are still many extracurricular activities to fill up the time. Some of the most fun activities consists of sports in the gym and those on the field. The cost to use the gym is a modest four dollars, but all that is required for sports is you and your legs. The sports included here at Boys' State are tennis, soccer, football, basketball, volleyball, and softball. There is also a swimming pool for those of you wishing to stay cool on these hot days. To get involved with any of these activities, talk to the athletic director of your city. Ultimately, we are all encouraged to get involved with these activities, as well as to vote for the leaders of our cities and of our counties.

Another great activity that you could do is to get your Boys' State pin in the lobby of the cafeteria. There will be a Boys' State representative present at all meal times. Finally, for those of you who don't know, recreation time is your time. You can go out and play sports, go visit the Boy's State store, or campaign for a higher position. You can also catch up on some sleep that may have been lost over the previous night. Whatever you choose to do, be productive, be proactive and stay as involved as possible. We are only here for six days, and three have passed. What are you waiting for? Take advantage of the fruits that Boys' State gifts you!

How Good of a Samaritan are you?

This afternoon, I walked out of the CPR seminar with knowledge that I did not have before. I am now qualified to save an unconscious person's life if necessary. I, along with about 100 other high-school Juniors, learned how to properly apply an Automated External Defibrillator to an unconscious victim, the proper steps to approaching and handling a situation where CPR is needed, and the effects and benefits of the Good Samaritan Law.

I recommend that any delegate reading this article attend the seminar to learn what I learned. CPR is an under-rated technique that should be learned by every citizen in the United States. Upon completion of the hour-long seminar, you will become a certified CPR Samaritan, which allows you to properly save an unconscious or choking victim. Proper knowledge of CPR could come in handy at any given moment-you never know where or when-which is perfect reason to attend the seminar. Located in the SRC, I am sure the instructor, the Mr. Dennis Boos, would be happy to teach more delegates the procedure in properly applying CPR.

Wednesday Schedule Highlights

- 1) Gubernatorial Primary Election; 12:30 - 2:00; Student Rec Center Court #3.
- 2) Announcement of the Gubernatorial Primary winner; 2:45 - 3:00; the Quad.
- 3) General Assembly; 7:30 - 8:30; Bart Luedeke Center-Cavalla Room.
- 4) Municipal Courts; 8:45 - 10:30; Designated City Location.
- 5) Lights Out; 11:30

Forecast

Today: High-94° F

Low-80° F

Feels like-105° F

Tonight: 71° F

Feels like-73° F

Tomorrow: High-100° F

Low-86° F

Feels like-111° F



Do you know what your Alumni Card and Pin tell people?

#1 That you are the best of the best.

#2 You belong to something that only a few people in your high school belong to.

Also, it looks good for college and or job applications. You never know who was a Boys' Stater. besides it helps your city and party look good!

So visit the sales table during lunch and buy an Alumni Card and Pin!

Boys' State News

"No Vacancy"

Hello delegates, how are your favorite seminars? Unfortunately, a myriad of you would not be able to answer this question, as many seminars had “no vacancy” or “limited room”. Seminars occur daily and many delegates look forward to them. As I asked delegates why they were interested in the seminars, they all presented me with different answers. Whether it was that delegates wanted to try something new or that the seminar was about their intended futures, it was evident that these sessions sparked interest.

From the very first seminars on Monday, rooms were packed with delegates sitting on the floor and delegates listening by the door, especially during the hour-long seminar which discussed “Entrepreneurship and Running a Small Business”. However, I became even more shocked to find that the line to get into the Careers in Engineering seminar snaked right out of the door. An immense amount of delegates arrived and were upset by the fact that they were not able to attend the seminar that they looked forward to the most. Yet vacancy was at full capacity at 10:20, ten minutes before the seminar started, so it is not as if it was the students' fault, because they came early to ensure seats that quickly became unavailable. However, we can with the help of your questions, comments, and concerns; get involved and let's help better our Boys' State.

Bradley County: A Hub of Talent

After having spent roughly two and a half days as delegates of the Jersey Boys' State, many of the elected positions at the local, county and, state levels have been filled. Bradley County, consisting of the cities of Lincoln (City #15) and Johnson (City #16), is no different in having elected an equal amount of both Federalists and Nationalists to its Board of Chosen Freeholders. One of these Freeholders, Felix Kung, a Nationalist from Johnson City, is a virtuoso of a variety of truly strange, though interesting talents. Two talents that should be taken note of are his abilities to solve a Rubik's Cube rapidly and to play the Chinese Yo-Yo. At the county meetings in which candidates spoke in hopes of winning the elections held later in the day, Kung startled the crowd by solving a small Rubik's Cube (3x3) in a matter of 16 seconds. He later solved a larger Rubik's Cube (5x5) in under 45 seconds. When asked about how long it took him to learn both the Chinese Yo-Yo and Rubik's cube, Zung stated that he started the Chinese Yo-Yo at “Around the age of six with very little to no practice,” whereas with the Rubik's Cube, he had been practicing “For the past four years with much more practice involved.”

Buchanan's Mayor Seeks Governorship of Jersey Boy's State

As a pragmatic reformer, Mayor Parth Shingala has brought progress and sustainability to the metropolitan city of Buchanan. Immensely popular in his respective city, Mayor Shingala was urged by several members of Eisenhower County to pursue the Nationalist nomination for Governor. Both relaxed and affable Mayor Shingala has been looking to unify the Nationalist party in its earliest stages and to make peace with the Federalist party of Jersey Boys' State.

Already a skilled speaker and politician, mayor Shingala hopes to distill his experiences as a Model United Nations “Best Delegate” into a form suitable for the gubernatorial position at ALJBS. As a leader, Mayor Shingala is ready to tackle the major issues in Boys' State. He has vowed to take the concerns of all statesmen to heart.

Mayor Shingala is clearly a political force to be reckoned with. The Nationalist of Eisenhower County have rallied behind him and his continued campaigning draws more followers everyday. Only time will tell whether Mayor Shingala will obtain the position of Governor. It however, is evident that he will provide an incredible presence both in the gubernatorial and the political arena at large.



Boys' State News

“A Gathering of Brothers”

At approximately 9:23 PM Tuesday night, about 470 nationalist gentlemen filled into the BLC Cavalla Room to meet as an entire state of Nationalists. With tired faces but some amount of fire remaining in their hearts, these men listened to a small number of courageous candidates and selected a Nationalist State Party Chairman to run the campaign of the upcoming Nationalist Gubernatorial Candidate.

One by one, the candidates lined up to state their qualifications to win. Between Mr. Bobby Grecko's “rain” of Boys' State Bucks that he accumulated during early fundraising, to Richard “Dick” Schiavone's popular slogans, all the way to Justin Quigley's beautiful poem on his qualifications for his candidacy; the candidates all entertained and informed the nationalists to no end.

After about an hour of perverted jokes, hard questions, and emotional speeches, a tense vote was held. After an informative, military-style Action Review and more announcements, the fierce and honorable Richard “Dick” Schiavone emerged as victor in the primary for the Nationalist State Party Chairman.

Leadership?

Twitter users may have noticed a recent series of tweets like this one from the President:

@BarackObama: Congress has 46 days before its summer recess. Tell them to put creating jobs ahead of politics.

President Obama understands that the monthly economic reports have become increasingly disappointing, and he recognizes that there is virtually no single move he can make to substantially re-route the path of the economy before the elections this fall. Rather than working towards long-term, bipartisan solutions, he hides behind the fact that there are many in Washington who disagree with him, and he seeks to point to blame of the bad economy on their “inability” to act. In fact, he doesn't want his American Jobs Act to pass because he knows that if it were to pass as early as tomorrow, for example, its provisions would not influence in the general trends of the economy until well after the election, and the economy would continue to decline. If Congress were to pass the Jobs Act, however, which Obama has portrayed as the great bipartisan solution to our dreadful economy, it would become clear that Obama's inaction over his first years in office was the real problem for the economy.

Federalist State Convention Report

The time has finally arrived for each of the two political parties to meet as state parties as a whole and decide the top four positions at Boys State. The Federalist Party State Convention began with Springfield Mayor Ziad Shehady, the political adviser for the Federalist Party, rallying the party in the hopes of beating whichever candidates the Nationalists decide for their positions. Most importantly, it was noted during the introductions that we as American citizens should continue to honor all those who have served to defend our freedoms as American citizens. A true example of party pride was expressed when it was announced that the Federalist Party had won a majority in the State Senate and this statement was taken with resounding cheers from the entire party.

The focus of the meeting now moved to deciding upon a State Party Chairman. After hearing from all of the eight candidates for the positions from the various counties, the Federalist Party voted for Nimit Jindal as their Party Chairman. Jindal being a statesman who was successful in winning 6 of the 7 positions in his city government filled by Federalists.

A Seminar Directed towards the Statesmen

Due to divergent parties and differing ideas, statesmen of Boys' State have separated in perspective. However, the one common thread that unifies us as members of Boys' State is our liberty to form our own political aspirations. This freedom was recognized in Tuesday's seminar: Careers in Politics.

In this seminar, Mayor Ziad Shehady of Springfield explained that one must “start off somewhere,” as that is the route to developing experience and obtaining higher offices. Shehady began his political strides as a volunteer. With each successive step, Shehady went from becoming a paid intern, to obtaining a part-time job, and finally becoming the mayor of Springfield. Not only was Shehady revered for rising to such a high office, he was also recorded as the youngest mayor in New Jersey's history at age twenty-three. Much like the statesmen's efforts to obtain upper office positions ranging from the realms of the city to the state, Shehady similarly obtained his successful career. The seminar in the Cavalla Room truly epitomized the efforts of the statesmen in Boys' State.



Opinion

Nationalists of the Fierce City of Pierce Construct Their Government

Nationalists from the agricultural city of Pierce have been working relentlessly in order to establish a government that works not only in the favor of their party but in the favors of the city and of the county Eisenhower. By the end of the first day of the establishment of Boys' State, the nationalists of city #13 had decided on a fair platform, one that allows for the input of all nationalist statesmen. The problems that plague Pierce are quite controversial; because of the delicate nature of these issues, they required an immense amount of consideration to a multitude of variables. For example, when it came to the modernization of the predominantly agricultural town of Pierce, many people were afraid to trample on the traditions of the farmers, saying that this destruction of rural culture would consequently disrupt the fairly stable economy in a negative fashion. Oppositely, other nationalists of Pierce argued that gradual modernization would be the most economically beneficial solution. Another issue that had been met with quite some controversy was the problem of the illegal migrant worker population of Pierce. Many nationalists agreed that illegal immigrants were vital in sustaining the economy of city #13. However, some of the nationalists brought up the possibility of increased crime rates due to illegal immigrants. Finally, the only solution that seemed to have encountered no opposition dealt with the problem of the child molester who planned to move into the city. The problem arose when the city questioned whether it should enforce Meghan's Law or not. This law may seem straightforward, however, this man had already served his time in prison and the law had not been amended when he was convicted. Nevertheless, a large majority of the nationalists in Pierce city decided that a law is a rule by which to abide. Thus, it should not be upheld in this case.

In a swirl of confusion and of great ideas, the nationalists of Pierce were able to decide on a platform that seemed to have suited most of those at the meeting. The nationalists decided that they were in support of the farmers and of the agricultural economy of Pierce, in support of exercising Meghan's Law, and in support of the tax plan that will increase the American worker population.



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