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COUNTY COMMISSIONER INSPIRES

The Buckeye Girls State delegates were blessed with the presence of Ashland County Commissioner, Marilyn Byers. Commissioner Byers was the first female Ashland County Commissioner, elected 28 years ago. Before that, she was a Buckeye Girls State delegate herself. Her experiences at BGS affected her decision to run for office later in life. During her address, she urged the delegates to make the best of their BGS experience for she is proof of how the experience can affect one's later life. Commissioner Byers also asked the delegates to put ethics and morals first in their lives. She also included the importance of patriotism. In her opinion, you do not need to hold office to participate in the political system; anyone is capable of assisting in the political process.

FEDERALIST FRENZY

The Feds cities pumped up the volume with cheers to kick off Wednesday's State Rally for the blue. Withrow sang a wonderful medley of Aqua's "Barbie Girl," including their city name and motto. After each city citizen lost their voice, the counties began their cheering. In between each county's yelling, parts of the platform were announced. Next, the candidates for the Federalists for various offices came up and pronounced their names. The citizens then yelled the name back in

unison. The last candidate teams to come up were the Governor and her running mate, the Lieutenant Governor. These ladies then gave a short speech on why they deserve delegate votes. Bailey Roese gave an analogy of how Buckeye Girls State was like a chess game. Charmaine Webster came next to call her team the "Real Deal." The rally ended with more practicing of their cheers. Go Big Blue!

THE NATIONALISTS "THRILL"

The Nationalist Party State Rally was filled with passion and excitement on Wednesday morning in preparation for the day's elections. The rally began with each city and county performing their respective cheers. To bring the party together, Lucinda Allen led the party members in the Nationalist cheer, and Kimberly Roberts performed the "Happy Hands Club" dance from the movie Napoleon Dynamite for

an already ecstatic crowd. The delegates were slightly subdued while party leaders explained their party platform. Afterwards, Yvonne Goll, Nationalist Party Chair, played music, with delegates leading the crowd in the "Cleveland Shuffle" to Michael Jackson's "Thriller". Endorsed candidates then introduced themselves to the crowd one last time before the primary elections.

CITY ELECTED OFFICIALS HONORED

BGS citizens gathered in the Upper Convo Wednesday evening to recognize the citizens elected for a city position. As the mayor of each city, escorted by their Resident Advisor, processed in, Katherine Hicks of Glenn City provided the music. After selections from the BGS Band and Chorus, Mr. Gerald White, Director of Buckeye Boys State, provided remarks. He advised the citizens to take advantage of the expertise provided at BGS so that they can become better young women. He also stated that the young ladies are "not tomorrow's leaders, but are leaders now." Jerri Holder, Deputy Director of City Government, and Gloria Verbeke, Director of Counselors, introduced the city mayors and reminded the officials that they should make responsible decisions and take positive actions so that their city can be named Ideal City. The oath of office was then administered to all city officials including mayors, council members, auditors, treasurers, law directors, municipal judges, and school board members. The assembly was then treated to a performance by Laura Garvin of Kaptur City.



FRIDAY AT A GLANCE

- 7:15 am **Flag Raising**
- 9:00 am **Government Functioning**
- 1:30 pm **Meet the Press**
- 2:30 pm **Government Tours**
- 5:00 pm **University Seminar/
Choir & Band/
Recreation**
- 7:30 pm **Entertainment**
- 10:30 pm **City Meetings**

ONE LONE CLERK

A poem by Emily Dickinson:

Success is counted sweetest
by those who ne'er succeed
To comprehend a nectar
Requires sorest need

Not one of all the purple host
Who took the flag to-day
Can tell the definition,
So clear, of victory

As he, defeated, dying,
On whose forbidden ear
The distant strains of triumph
Break, agonized and clear.

To all those who have won and lost elections, remember that the person carrying files for the city is just as important as the Governor. If the Governor does not show up, she has a whole staff to help run the government, who then has their staff and so on. One lone clerk will be all the more important and dedicated because if she does not complete her job, no matter how small, how will it get done?

—Ashley Taylor, Glenn City, Nickoson County

QUOTE OF THE DAY

...Remember that the fear of failure is the most paralyzing of all human emotions. The fear of failure stops us from trying, from daring, from succeeding. It must be confronted. Don't grow old saying, "I wish I had. I should have. Why didn't I?" Failure is not to be dreaded, but to confront, reject, and overcome.

—Mark Shields

JORDAN DAVIS WINS GOVERNOR ELECTION!

Jordan Davis of Glenn City, Nickoson County, was named Governor of Buckeye Girls State 2005. When asked why she ran for this position, an interesting answer escaped. Ms. Davis said that when she received the application for BGS, she knew that she wanted to run for governor. After she came home and spoke of her plans, her mother said she had run for governor and lost. When she was told of this, Ms. Davis was even more motivated to be the governor. The skills that will be brought to the table include this: "Like all the girls, I feel like I have leadership skills. I am motivated and dedicated to completing the duties of governor successfully." Ms. Davis' plans after graduation consist of a possible dream of a dancing career on Broadway, but "more realistically" as she says, she wants to attend college and double major in business and political science. Ms. Davis claims she will "always remember the positive attitudes and kindness expressed by all of the girls here at BGS." Governor Davis hopes to work with her other elected officials to promote philanthropy and patriotism. Also, Ms. Davis wants to work to achieve the goals of those BGS delegates that elected her to governor. Good luck Governor Jordan!



HANNAH CROSSEN IS YOUR LT. GOVERNOR

Hannah Crossen from Taft City of Reese County was elected your Lt. Governor. Ms. Crossen plans to bring determination and fair representation to her office. She feels that the delegates here deserve to be represented by a dedicated Lt. Governor. After graduation, Ms. Crossen plans to attend Ohio State University and major in either Agricultural Education or Agricultural Business/Marketing.



SECRETARY OF STATE IS PREPARED

Jordan Angel of Allen City in Miller County was selected as the 2005 BGS Secretary of State. Her decision to run for this office was greatly influenced by Condoleezza Rice. Ms. Angel stated that Rice is an extraordinary woman and "has a good head on her shoulders." Secretary Angel intends to bring great people skills to her elected position and intends to serve the BGS citizens the best that she can during her term. Some of her most memorable moments at BGS include meeting ladies who have changed her perspectives on life with their insight. Ms. Angel's future plans include attending college and majoring in political science or physical therapy as well as participating on the softball team.



A PASSIONATE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Following the City Celebration on Wednesday night, Allison "AJ" Balloon was elected Buckeye Girl State's Attorney General. Ms. Balloon made the decision to run for Attorney General because she felt it would be the easiest way to confer and interact with all state departments. She plans to work diligently towards a consensus regarding funding for education. She plans to work with the BGS government officials to create bills and policies to address this funding. At the end of the week, she plans to send these bills and policies, along with quotes from delegates to Governor Taft and congressmen. When Ms. Balloon spoke to the delegates about education at the national debate on Wednesday afternoon, she felt the passion that the other delegates had for this issue as well. After graduating high school, Ms. Balloon plans to attend the College of Wooster, majoring in Chemistry as it pertains to forensic history.





KATHERINE LEE IS YOUR TREASURER

Katherine Lee was elected Buckeye Girls State Treasurer. Her campaign was led by the slogan "I've got my mind on my money and my money on my mind" and she is convinced that this took her all the way to victory. She is hoping that her good math skills and common sense will help her represent her party well and do what her constituents ask of her. After high school, she is planning to attend Ohio University, majoring in Pre-Med in hopes of becoming a Dermatologist.



AUDITOR OF STATE IS SELECTED

Chosen for the 2005 BGS Auditor of State is Andréa Davis of Day City in Nickoson County. Her desire to be a strong leader and manager and her interest in math encouraged her to run for this office. Auditor Davis will bring energy, enthusiasm, and a desire to lead to her position. She intends to "root out fraud and corruption from the BGS system" during her term as Auditor of State. Ms. Davis enjoyed meeting many girls here at BGS and intends to attend college in California after graduation.



LISA WANG IS CHIEF JUSTICE

The Honorable Lisa Wang was chosen as Chief Justice for the term of 2005 at Buckeye Girls State. The reason she ran for her winning position was that her friend Mallory Morse from her school came to BGS last year and won Chief Justice. Also, she wants to be a "corporate attorney when she grows up." Wang states that she has been in a Mock Trial Program at her school for the past two years. She has been named Outstanding Attorney General twice and understands how the judicial system works. After graduation, Lisa plans to "get accepted into Yale under grad, and eventually into grad school, for a MBA Law Degree." Before the end of her BGS term, Lisa plans to listen to all the trials that come across the court and write opinions on them. Congratulations Lisa!



MUSIC & RECREATION

- Reveille** **Anna Kyaio**, O'Connor City/ Ray County
Lindsay Rohrs, Jones City/Peeples County
Haley Evans, Withrow City/Reese County
Jennifer Wright, Taft City/Reese County
- Taps** **Kari Miller**, Cook City/Miller County
Susan Manchester, Stowe City/Reese County
- Flag Raising** Buckeye Girls State
Highway Patrol
- Emcee** **Kinsey Schumann**, Hobart City/Peeples County
- Pledge** **Patti Stiger**, Jones City/Peeples County
- National Anthem** **Georgia Cassano**, Junge City/Peeples County
- Reading** **Sarah Fullen**, Kaptur City/ Peeples County
- Thought** **Jennifer Baldwin**, Merritt City/Peeples County
- County & State Celebration**
- Invocation** **Christine Clark**, Senate Chaplain, Oakley City, Ray County
- Pledge** Miller County
Commissioner Sarah Bruce, Bombeck City

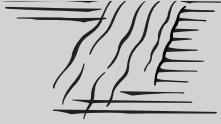


THE BGS BAND rehearses in the Upper Convo.



The BGS chorus performs at the city government celebration.

FRIDAY'S WEATHER



FEW SHOWERS
HIGH 67°F · LOW 50°F



THOUGHTS

A Smile

*Let others cheer the winning man,
There's one I hold worth while;
'Tis he who does the best he can,
Then loses with a smile.
Beaten he is, but not to stay
Down with the rank and file,
That man will win some other day,
Who loses with a smile.*

-Author Unknown

Success

*If you have tried to do something
and failed, You are vastly better off
than if you had tried to do nothing
and succeeded.*

AU BOOKSTORE

*The AU bookstore is open for
business. Check out the BGS
keepsakes as well as
Ashland University items.*

THURSDAY CONTEST

THE WINNER OF WEDNESDAY'S CONTEST WAS BENSON CITY!

REMEMBER TO GET YOUR ENTRY IN TO THE NEWSROOM BEFORE 10 AM FRIDAY.

1. What county's name means "water within water pools" in the Shawnee Language?

2. How many counties have Native American names? _____
3. How old was the young man who persuaded state legislators to accept "With God All Things Are Possible" as the state motto? _____
4. How many United State Presidents were from Ohio? _____
5. America's first fender-bender took place in Ohio in _____.
6. Which United State President from Ohio was buried in Arlington National Cemetery?

7. The current Ohio Governor is the _____ of the former United States President _____.
8. What famous comedian was born in England but adopted Ohio as his home?

9. The first Ohio County was named for _____, President of the first Constitutional Convention?
10. _____ is the warmest and the shallowest of the Great Lakes.

WEDNESDAY CONTEST ANSWERS

1. Zanes Trace; 2. John Chapman, Nurseryman; 3. Algonquian, Iroquois; 4. Beautiful river;
5. John Eisenmann; 6. Rutherford B. Hayes; 7. Cleveland; 8. John Leon Bennett;
9. Phoebe Ann Mozee; 10. Roy Rogers

CONGRATULATIONS TO RESNICK CITY – WEDNESDAY'S IDEAL CITY!

QUESTION OF THE DAY

Today's question is:

What is the most important issue facing young American women today?

"We're stereotyped as not being able to do as well as men, when really we can probably do better."
-Danielle Cheatwood, Stowe City

"Keeping up their morals even when peers encourage them to do otherwise" -Chelsea Bigler, Vivo City

"There's not enough women's voices in politics, especially higher positions." -Marian Armstrong, Vivo City

"The pressure to be in a relationship with guys" -Beth Gasaway, Zeller City

"Teenage pregnancy is a big problem. There are not enough educational programs." -Sarah Stein, Zeller City