



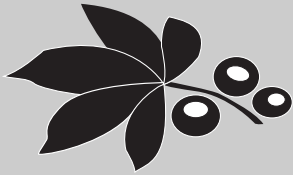
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COUNTY & STATE CELEBRATION

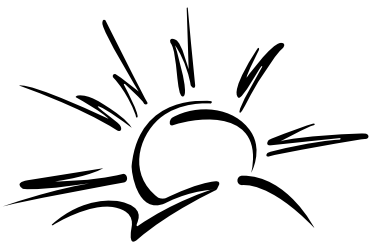


BGS

SATURDAY AT A GLANCE

- 7:15 am Flag Ceremony
- 9:00 am Government Functioning
- 10:30 am Government Shuts Down
- 1:15 pm Band/Chorus Rehearsal
- 1:30 pm Joint Session
- 1:30 pm Governor's Address
- 3:00 pm Certificate/Pins/Roster

SATURDAY'S WEATHER



PARTLY CLOUDY

HIGH 69°F · LOW 51°F



During the celebration Thursday night, Buckeye Girls State honored those who were chosen as the delegates' county and state officials. Henry Long, the State Commander of the Ohio American Legion, advised BGS citizens to take advantage of and enjoy the program. He also brought greetings from Buckeye Boys State. A tribute was given to the past Ohio American Legion Auxiliary Presidents who were present, René Reese, Sharon Miller, and Phyllis Nickoson. The Honorable Patricia Ann Blackmon was then introduced, and she then administered the Oath of Office to county and state elected officials.

Pat Read, Deputy Director of the Executive Branch, presented Governor Jordan Davis, who took the podium. In her inaugural address, Miss Davis thanked her fellow delegates as well as the Ohio American Legion Auxiliary. She also made note of how difficult Cabinet selection was, and she announced the members of her executive committee; Megan Rupp, Deputy Chief of Staff; Alyssa Hartman, Director of Communications; Breanne Eady, Press Secretary; Allison Rochford, Director of Legislative Affairs; Bailey Roese, Senior Policy Advisor; and Mariah Carrington, Brittany Adams, Angie Lauver, and Myca Watkins, Administrative Assistants. The Governor then discussed the key points that she would address during her term in office. Davis intends to better allocate funding for

education and to keep employed teachers in Ohio districts. Governor Davis would also like to see school buildings renovated and curriculum improved. She also mentioned replacing the proficiency tests with proficiency projects. Economy and promoting businesses in Ohio came next. Governor



Davis aims to lower the unemployment rate and promote tourists attractions. In terms of health care, Ms. Davis wants to lower malpractice insurance and improve health care for low income families. Finally, she wants to build a strong system of communication through all levels of government.

The special features for Thursday's celebration were Lauren Linville of Hayes City, who sang "Can't Take that Away," and Jessica Esch of Resnick City, who sang "Amazing Grace."



HOBART CITY GROWS CLOSER

In Clayton Hall, there is a small city named Hobart. Hobart may be a small city, but all the girls know how to have FUN! All the girls worked on respective assignments during the government functioning period. The city engineer, Carrie Weis, designed the city foot bridge. Marcella Cua has been an excellent mayor; she is running the city with enthusiasm. During the government functioning session on Thursday afternoon, the BGS State Highway Patrol

provided entertainment because they were in front of the hall. A few of the girls in the city were arrested. Two of the girls were arrested for drag racing. The city of Hobart wishes everyone good luck with the State Highway Patrol and reminds everyone to continue to have fun. Hobart also wishes all BGS citizens luck in the future.

Bridget Schaub,
Hobart City Reporter



County Government Officials



State Senate



State House of Representatives



State School Board



Judicial Government Officials



BGS STATE TROOPERS GRADUATE



On Thursday morning, Buckeye Girl State Troopers were recognized in a graduation ceremony. After the young women were presented by Sgt. Ralston and Trooper Howell, they were congratulated by BGS director, Desiree Stoy, Lt. Governor, Hannah Crossen,

and Major Brooks. Major Brooks spoke to the girls about what leadership means to him. He said that leadership is not instinctual; one must learn it through hard work. After Major Brooks' speech, the BGS State Troopers were introduced, as well as those that were selected to attend Junior Cadet Week in Columbus, OH. In addition, those young women who earned ranking officer positions announced. Sergeants are Joilynn Payton-Doss, Elizabeth Sigley, and Sergeant in Charge of Executive Protection is Tiffany McCoy. Sgt. McCoy will be expected to escort Governor Jordan Davis for the remainder of the week. Lieutenants include Heather Houdeshell and Kara Brenner, and Captains are Aimee Tyree and Kristen Schilling. The State Troopers and their audience were also blessed with a performance by the BGS band and by Christy Fowler of Glenn City and Teresa Young of Davidson City, who performed "Here I Am, Lord" on the trombone and piano.

TAFT GIRLS UNITE!

Kilhefner Hall bustles with activity and it is closing in on 11:30 at night. Within the five floors, Taft City is peacefully quiet. It is not silent because the girls disagree and do not get along, but because the girls share ultimate respect among each other. The girls are talking together in groups on the floor and there is a lot of giggling going on.

The Taft girls have bonded together in many ways. Although many cities have forged together this week, none have like Taft has. The respect shared among the girls is constant and genuine.

"Snaps" (acknowledgment) are given for any accomplishment, no matter how big or small. All throughout the campaigning process, the Taft girls decided that helping one another was more important than completely building their city. The results of this were

that half of our girls ran for either a county or state position. Once campaigning was completed, Candyland was finally finished. Highlights of this city include a Gingerbread Housing Company, Winterfresh Air Conditioning, and Payday Bank. And finally, the girls, who act more like sisters, share special words and quotes in the morning at flag ceremony.

Taft is unlike any city at BGS. The girls are loud and proud which can be seen at any and all gatherings. All of these characteristics earned them the Ideal City Award on the first day of BGS 2005. TAFT, which they declared as standing for: Talented American Females of Today truly describes these girls!

Katie Wickham,
Taft City

THANK YOU



Thank you President June Stas and the Ohio American Legion Auxiliary for the opportunity to participate in Buckeye Girls State.

– The Delegates

REMINDERS

• **Pick-up Car Keys**

• **Check Lost & Found**

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Don't Forget to Say Goodbye.

FIRDAY QUOTE

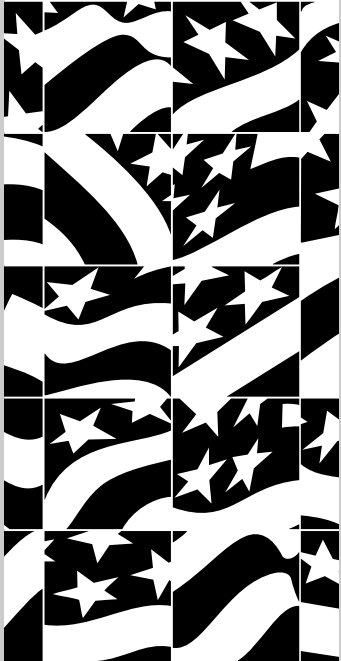
1880 – All free governments are managed by the combined wisdom and folly of the people.

– James Garfield

MUSIC & RECREATION

Reveille	Anna Kyaio , O'Connor City/Ray County
Taps	Kari Miller , Cook City/Miller County
	Katlyn McFadden , Taft City/Reese County
	Susan Manchester , Stowe City/Reese County
	Lindsay Rohrs , Jones City/Peoples County
Flag Raising	Buckeye Girls State Highway Patrol
Emcee	Sarah Lancaster , Montgomery City/ Ray County
Pledge	Amanda Brown , Oakley City/Ray County
National Anthem	Jessica Esch , Resnick City/Ray County
Reading	Sandy Vojta , O'Connor City/Ray County
Thought	Heather Reimond , Rice City/Ray County

**CONGRATULATIONS
TO RICE CITY
THURSDAY'S
IDEAL CITY**



QUESTION OF THE DAY

Today's question is:

What moment stands out in your mind from your experiences here at Buckeye Girls State?

"Making new friends"

– Allison Galbari, Hobart City

"Leading the Federalist State Party Rally"

– Haley Evans, Withrow City

"Meeting new people that have so much in common with me"

– Anna Kyaio, O'Conner City

"When we won Ideal City"

– Andrea Schimmoeiller and Jessica Esch, Resnick City

AU BOOKSTORE

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

FRIDAY CONTEST

1. How many Ohio counties have names derived from French words? _____
2. The fictional character _____ is a native of Cleveland.
3. A native of Ohio, _____ is the voice of Bart Simpson.
4. _____ named Fairfield County.
5. _____ is one of 4 founders of the Cleveland Clinic.
6. A native of Ohio, _____ is the oldest person to fly in space.
7. A native of Ohio, _____ was the first woman to run for United States President.
8. Before being adopted the official state flower, the scarlet carnation was President McKinley's _____.
9. _____ county is named for a town in Arabia.
10. _____ county is the only one that has a name referring to a woman.

WEDNESDAY CONTEST ANSWERS

1. Sandusky; 2. 18; 3. 9 years old; 4. 8; 5. 1891; 6. William Howard Taft;
7. Great grandson/William Howard Taft; 8. Bob Hope; George Washington; 10. Lake Erie



GOODBYE



We close with a quote from the first BGS Director, Leta Zeller, and her feelings about Buckeye Girls State in 1946. She said. "...Girls State is more than a fulfillment of a dream; its every accomplishment will inspire a new and higher vision. A nation progresses only as its goals remain high and lofty- a vision, like the stars, always unattainable, yet always a glowing symbol of guidance. Fortunate are we to whom is given this opportunity to inspire anew that vision- a vision plus valor and faith, love and service that insures an ever finer America tomorrow." We hope you enjoyed your week here at Buckeye Girls State, and we wish you a safe journey home.