

FLAG CEREMONY

The Flag was Raised by
The Buckeye Girls State
Highway Patrol

Emcee
Lauren Baker, Day
City/Toalston County

Pledge
Caroline Dougherty, Flowers
City/Toalston County

National Anthem
Melinda Ramey, Deal
City/Toalston County

Reading
Abbey Robertson, Glenn
City/Toalston County

Auxiliary Moment
Elizabeth Homerick, Deal
City/Toalston County

Thought
Kari Wilson, Hayes
City/Toalston County



BGS Citizen takes the Highway State Patrol Exam.

“Only those who risk going too far will ever know how far they can go.”

-Anonymous

AU BOOKSTORE

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

TUESDAY CONTEST

REMEMBER TO GET YOUR ENTRY IN TO THE NEWSROOM BEFORE 9 AM WEDNESDAY.

1. Highland County was named for the _____.
2. What lake borders Ohio on the North? _____
3. The drummer boy of Shiloh's real name is _____.
4. What Ohio native was the first to drive an automobile a mile a minute? _____
5. Fulton County was named for the inventor of _____.
6. Ross County was named for James Ross, a native of _____.
7. In 1804 the new road constructed over Zane's Trace cost _____ per mile.
8. _____ is the State of Ohio's rock'n'roll song
9. If you turn the flag on end the triangles resemble _____ in the State Seal.
10. What county was named after the last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence? _____

CONGRATULATIONS TO RICE CITY, MONDAY CONTEST WINNERS!

MONDAY CONTEST ANSWERS

1. Francis Bellamy; 2. Old Glory and Stars & Stripes; 3. Place your right hand on your heart; 4. illuminated; 5. distress; 6. August, 1892; 7. burn; 8. face and salute; 9. first and last; 10. Presidential and gubernatorial.

IDEAL CITY

Congratulations to Zeller City for being chosen Ideal city on Monday!

QUESTION OF THE DAY

What do you think is the most important political issue facing young women today?

“The inability to get fair wages. Men tend to score higher in all aspects and because [of] that they get paid more, not based on their work.”

– Kristen Hunter, Deal City

“Abortion, because it should be a woman's choice because they carry the child. It is fair right now. If they change the law, it will have a negative impact on society.”

– Betsy Townsend, Zeller City

“Equality, catching up to men. It might be more of a social issue, but it still affects everyone politically.”

– Monica Mills, Vivo City

“The fight over pro-abortion. It's mainly about the fight for children and mothers.”

– Kasey Wolfgang, Hayes City

“Their role in society, jobs, and higher management.”

– Maggie Lidderdale, Flowers City

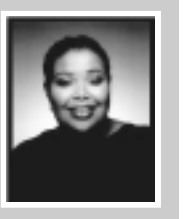


WED. AT A GLANCE

- 7:15 am Flag Ceremony
- 9:15 am State Rallies
- 11:00 am County/State Primary Election
- 2:15 pm County Rallies
- 3:30 pm Debate and Party Demonstrations
- 5:00 pm University Seminar/ Band & Chorus
- 6:00 pm County/State General Election
- 8:00 pm City Government Celebration
- 10:30 pm City Meetings

WALKING INSPIRATION ARRIVES TO BGS

Wednesday night will be magical. After that night we will all leave feeling as if we can accomplish any idea, dream, and obstacle. Our guest speaker is not only a speaker, but a world renowned soprano singer. Sabrina Coleman Clark will be speaking to the delegates about how to accomplish their dreams. She has won numerous vocal awards, including the Leontyne Price, the St. Cecilia Society of Baltimore, and the Dicapo Opera Theater of Manhattan. She has an amazing reputation as a soloist, resulting from her exceptional performances in opera, oratorio, and concert singing. Right now Clark is currently touring programs in both the United States and abroad.



*Picture and bio provided by: www.novoartists.com/clark.html and www.colemanclark.com

CAUCUS TO ASSEMBLE PARTY PLATFORM



State party caucuses were held by both parties who were ready to take on the challenge. The delegates rattled off speeches, goals, and purposes as if they were born to lead. Although only two girls could be state party chairs, Alexa Pohl from Cook City in Stowe County and Emily Hawley from Day City in Toalston County were victorious.

The girls have many things on their plate. They will be responsible, along with the city and county chairmen, to assemble their party platforms. As these young women take the lead, they do so with spirit and pride in their respective parties. They will be there along the journey to help promote their parties candidates with charisma, charm, and personality. These chairmen are sure to make this a close election.

VOTE

Living in a Democracy with the freedom to vote for the candidate of your choice carries with it certain responsibilities. The responsible, good citizen always takes the opportunity to cast her ballot considering the qualifications, ideals and principles of each candidate for the various offices. A political election is not a popularity contest, but one that you choose the candidate whom best reflects your views on the issues at hand. Many voters have agonized with the choice not to vote for the candidate of her party. It is the wise voter who casts her ballot for the issues rather than the label.

The right to vote is not only a right and privilege but your duty as a citizen. In the 1960 Presidential Election, John Fitzgerald Kennedy was elected by a mere one vote per precinct making him the 35th president of the United States.

Make sure that you are a responsible citizen, follow directions and cast your vote for the candidate of your choice tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY'S WEATHER



SUNNY
HIGH 78°F · LOW 53°F

FEDERALISTS

State Party Chair
Alexa Pohl

County Party Chairmen
Diana Pickett
Cassandra Ford
Jenna Titko
Lauren McComas
Krystin Van Horn

City Central Committeemen
Danielle Tebeau
Annessa Stahler
Emily Everett
Jenna Springer
Abbey Bartosiak
Nikki Kimball
Cylia Queen
Megan Oyster
Sara Eliser
Emily Huffman
Amanda Schumacher
Amanda Cramer
Sarah Beale
Jacquelyn Feret
Jessica Harmon
Taylor Ieropoli
Ashley Drees
Rachel Pioch
Erica Radatz
Mariah Dunsing
Sarah Thomson
Ashley Warnimont
Maranda Wells
Catherine Schuster
Brittany Harris

FEDERALIST PARTY PLATFORM

The Federalists HEAR the People.

Health:

- Increased Hospital Funding.
- Increase the number of healthcare professionals
- Promote the health of mind and body

Economy:

- Encourage businesses to stay within the state
- Invest state monies within the state
- Equalize women's pay in the workforce

Academics:

- Equalize school funding
- Accommodations for different learning styles

Resources:

- Implement and utilize recycle programs and facilities
- Improve air, water, and land quality



Alexa Pohl
Federalist Party Chair

NATIONALISTS

State Party Chair
Emily Hawley

County Party Chairmen
Kayleigh Green
Elizabeth Homrich
Katlin Humrickhouse
Lauren Ailes
Molly Gabriel

City Central Committeemen
Hannah Reid
Hallie Busta
Anna Pakizer
Brianna Henney
Emily Johnson
Lillian Hartzell
Kathlyn Pintz
Sara Kubera
Brittany Svirebely
Heidi Santelmann
Jill Robaszkiwicz
Lauren Halladay
Kristina Arko
Sara Crall
Victoria Predmore
Chelsey Bolles
Noreen Murphy
Danielle Bachtell
Mckenzie Pittman
Lucy First
Danielle Falk
Katie Krock
Elizabeth Lehman
Rita Skiba
Marleigh Chatfield

NATIONALIST PARTY PLATFORM

Economics

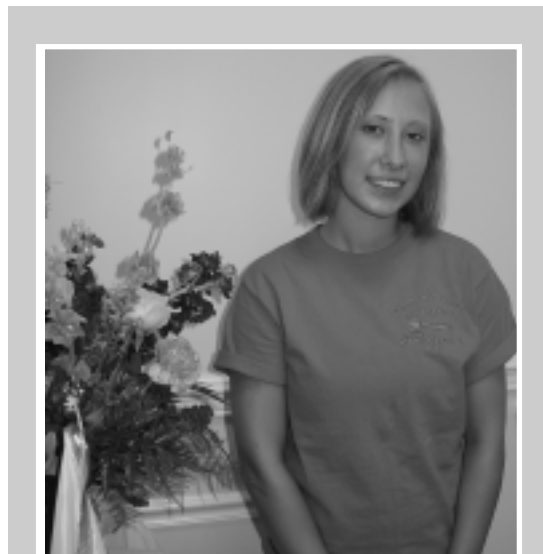
- Promotes Ohio businesses new or established
- Grant a 2% tax break to businesses for every five years they have been established in the state of Ohio
- Effective in the year 2008

Urban Renewal

- Provide funding to urban renewal programs
- Require community service to qualify to receive welfare
- Promote urban environments in lifestyles

Educational Funding

- Promotes the individual student
- Give each student an equal and set percent
- Divide funds based on population of



Emily Hawley
Nationalist Party Chair

COUNTY COMMISSIONER SPEAKS AT WORKSHOP

Ashland County Commissioner, Matt Miller, was truly an inspirational speaker for all the girls. He talked about the responsibilities of being a commissioner and the wide variety of responsibilities associated with his position. On a daily basis he deals with issues varying from an unlicensed dog, to a complex contract negotiation for an up and coming store or business. Commissioner Miller offered words of encouragement and told the girls that he, too, was once young and had a dream that he never thought possible. He explained that although at first he did not win an election, he did not give up trying. Due to his persistent attitude, the community learned that he was an excellent candidate for the position. Today, he stands before the delegates as an Ashland Commissioner, as living proof that hard work and determination can get you your dream job.



CAMPAIGNING FOR SUCCESS

The campaigning process team, chaired by Colleen Phillips, had a full house during every workshop. Erin Kibler started off the session by explaining the importance of getting out there and meeting people. Also, she explained how important it is to use your full name. Some candidates would prefer to use nicknames or abbreviations of their name, but those cannot appear on the ballots at BGS. Remember that word of mouth is the best way for others to get to know you and your platform.

After this briefing, the large group broke into their separate parties and participated in a mock debate. The ladies debated issues that were important to the state, such as economics and health care.



EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND ITS CABINET

Pat Reed, the Deputy Director of the Executive Branch, instructed eager potential governor candidates on the inner workings of the political system. The governor's main task is to ensure that the laws are fair and faithfully executed; she also develops and recommends new laws, appoints judges, and is required to present the state of the state address.

There are many positions that make up the cabinet and are appointed by the governor. Some of those appointed positions are the secretary of state, an assistant to the governor, director of communication, environmental protection officer, and director of insurance and commerce. All positions, once appointed, will be posted in the government office information center Thursday morning.

After the election and appointments afterwards, each office will have the opportunity to work with Ohio's official representative in the state office. Good luck to all the potential candidates!



SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP

School Board Advisor, Pat McLaughlin, informed a full crowd at all of her workshops. Many delegates showed an interest in participating in the formation of Buckeye Girls State School Board. McLaughlin explained the importance and available jobs connected with the city school board.

The Board will consist of 25 girls, one representative from each city. After the board is elected, committees will be appointed and goals will be established. Then bills will be taken to the House of Representatives and the Senate to be voted on. These bills will either pass and go into effect or be rewritten.



IT'S UP TO YOU

"This life is the only one you're given.

Look for opportunities to grow, and never be discouraged in your efforts to do so.

Replace your weaknesses with positives; take life's broken pieces and re-create your dreams.

Never measure the future by the past; let yesterday become a memory and tomorrow a promise...."

– Linda E. Knight

HEALTH TIP

Hand washing
Prevent the spread of germs

- Good Hand washing Technique Wash for 15 seconds with soap & water
- Turn water on
- Wash hands
- Put soap in hands & lather
- To make sure you are washing for 15 seconds
- Sing your ABC's or a chorus of Happy Birthday
- Then rinse
- Turn the faucet off with a paper towel

There are germs on the faucet!