

**FLAG CEREMONY**

**The Flag was Raised by**  
The Buckeye Girls State Highway Patrol

**Emcee**  
Ashley Hoblit, Oakley City/  
Wainwright County

**Pledge**  
Megan Anderson, O'Connor City,  
Wainwright County

**National Anthem**  
Heather Henry, Montgomery  
City/Wainwright County

**Reading**  
Hailie Page, Resnick  
City/Wainwright County

**Auxiliary Moment**  
Madeline Shanko, Rice  
City/Wainwright County

**Thought**  
Amanda Oneil, O'Connor  
City/Wainwright County



BGS Fire Chiefs participate in a fire extinguisher demonstration.

**AU BOOKSTORE**

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

**THURSDAY CONTEST**

REMEMBER TO GET YOUR ENTRY IN TO THE NEWSROOM BEFORE 9 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

THE WINNER OF WEDNESDAY'S CONTEST WAS HAYES CITY! CONGRATS!

**IDEAL CITY**

Congratulations to Merritt City for being Wednesday's Ideal City!

**QUESTION OF THE DAY**

*In your opinion, who was the greatest American of all time, and why?*

"George Washington, because he gave our country a good start and set a good example for our other presidents."  
- Pamela Ban, Oakley City/Wainwright County

"Lance Armstrong—he knew what he wanted and even though he struggled, he went for it and is living the American dream."  
- Emily Wojtaszek, Glenn City/Toalston County

"Eleanor Roosevelt—she was very courageous and honorable. She was considered a social outcast, and she is somebody that everyone will remember."  
- Kyra May, Junge City/Verbeke County

"Rosa Parks, because she fought for equality."  
- Heather Deitering, Rice City/Wainwright County

"Audrey Hepburn, because she was a leading lady in film. She set the stage for other women."  
- Alicia Phillips, Vivo City/Walker County

"Aaron Burr, because he took advantage of furthering his beliefs for the country."  
- Sarah Eisen, Merritt City/Verbeke County



**FRIDAY AT A GLANCE**

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

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

*"Love your life. Believe in your own power, your potential, and your innate goodness. Every morning, wake with the awe of just being alive. Each day, discover the magnificent, awesome beauty in the world. Explore and embrace life in yourself and in everyone you see each day. Reach within to find your own special-ness. Amaze yourself, and rouse those around you to the potential of each new day..."*  
- Vickie M. Worsham

**FRIDAY'S WEATHER**



PARTLY SUNNY  
HIGH 79°F · LOW 53°F

**A CITY CELEBRATION**

Each county, city, and individual delegate cheered O-H-I-O along with the Buckeye Girls State Band and Chorus. "Congratulations to all city elected officials. It is now up to you to make positive, responsible decisions and to work toward the Ideal City award," as stated by Gloria Verbeke. As each mayor was introduced, we learned a little bit about the courageous women that Buckeye Girls State cities are named after. After the girls introduced their cities, we were blessed to have the Honorable Judi Mitten, the Mayor of Wooster, OH, address the group. She did the job of swearing in the Buckeye Girls State Mayors.



After each citizen was sworn in, their official duties began. The girls also had the special privilege of hearing renowned soloist Sabrina Coleman-Clark, who offered words of encouragement and support. She made sure the girls remembered the difference between choices and limitations; "Choices are not limitations. It's about attitude, and changing limitations into choices. When one door closes, chose another one." The delegates ended the night with the announcement of their top government officials, which were swept by the Federalist party.

**A FEDERALIST FRENZY**

The cheering could be heard from across the Upper Convocation Center, as the Federalists cheered, "Feds, Feds- swat away those Nats!" Not only were the delegates excited about the debate, they were ready to hear the voices and opinions of their future officials. There was a broad range of topics discussed. One was how to motivate and educate young voters, and another included how one would distribute funds for certain state projects (i.e. improving agriculture.)

One of the most important questions pertaining to this year's election was addressed to the Attorney General candidates: "Due to the recent tragedy at Virginia Tech and other schools, how would you improve safety in schools?" This is a question that relates to every young woman, and citizen. As the endorsed candidates were announced, the girls cheered, applauded, and screamed, "Feds! Feds! Feds!" Good luck to all candidates!

**THE NATIONALIST UNITE**

The Nationalist party started off the primary election with a coin toss in their favor. The candidates for governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, and chief justice were all asked very vital questions. Each question was pertaining to each office's area. For example, can-

didates for governor each had to answer a question referring to what they would do in a situation where their view and others' views were different. The Nationalist candidates fired off answers without hesitation. They were strong behind their ideas and policies that they have developed here at Buckeye Girl State.

**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,*

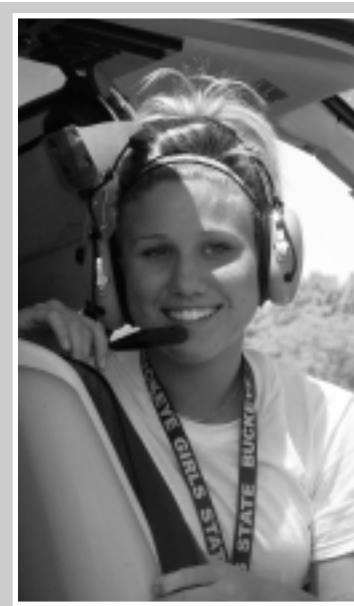
*That man will win some other day,*

*Who loses with a smile.*

**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.*

*— Authors Unknown*



*BGS State Trooper enjoys "flying."*

**JADE NOBLE WINS GOVERNOR!**

The governor of Buckeye Girls State 2007 has been announced as Jade Noble of Stowe City. Noble chose to run for governor because of the connection she would share with all the delegates. She wanted the opportunity to talk with more people one on one and make the connection that would last for years that Governor Gunasekera spoke of at the opening of Buckeye Girls State. Noble has three main goals that she plans to implement while Girls State governor; to campaign for people in poverty; to provide better health and a better healthcare process; and finally, to better the environment—especially when it comes to oil. These are notable goals and something that is certainly within reach for our Buckeye Girls State 2007. While working with her cabinet, which she describes as strong and thriving, she sees these goals as attainable.

The governor's most inspired moment was when "Flowers and Stow cities began chanting 'Jade and Katie' as they walked to the general election together. It showed unity of our cities and counties," said Noble. After graduation Noble plans on studying international law at the Air Force Academy or Yale University. Noble also wants to continue to help people, all people, where it is needed. Congratulations Governor Noble!



**DAHLINGHAUS IS LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF 2007**

This year's Lieutenant Governor of BGS was Katie Dahlinghaus of Flowers City. She chose this office because of her list of ideas and goals for Buckeye Girls State. She is planning on pushing her platform, which consists of education and small businesses. She plans on achieving these goals by talking directly to people about what is needed. She will support the governor and listen to what the Senate advises. Dahlinghaus' most memorable moment was when "the primary results were announced. It was my first big confidence boost." After graduation, she would like to attend the University of Chicago, majoring in economics, and eventually to be working for the United Nations. Good luck on your term here at BGS!



**SECRETARY OF STATE NAMED**

On Wednesday night, Kendolyn Shankle of Davidson City was announced Secretary of State for BGS 2007. When asked why she wished to seek the position of secretary of state, she replied, "This was the office I knew the most about, and I felt to do the best I can while I am here, it was most important to go for this office." One of her goals once sworn in is to make sure that the catastrophe with the voting machines today does not happen again in the future. (Thank you for that Secretary Shankle.)

Shankle's most memorable moment of BGS was campaigning. Along with that, she enjoyed getting to know the people of Girls State. After graduation from high school, Secretary Shankle plans to attend college, hopefully at Duke University, majoring in optometry. Congrats Secretary Shankle!



**ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS BIG GOALS IN SITE**

Attorney General Janell Heggins of Vivo City was asked by her mother what office she would run for while at BGS. She told her mother with conviction, "Attorney General." This is because Mark Dann, Ohio's Attorney General, lives in her hometown and inspired her to do so. Once office is functioning, she plans to meet many more young women and be more informed as how the government actually functions. To achieve her goals, she is using the simple skill of listening to the girls' opinions, and following her own instincts.

Heggins is thrilled to work along with the cabinet to make a better Buckeye Girls State for all citizens. When asked about her most memorable experience at Buckeye Girls State she stated, "Having my name announced that I won the election, and the bond that I have already made with many girls. And I enjoyed the awesome performance by Sabrina [Coleman] Clark." After high school, Heggins plans to attend college at The Ohio State University to major in journalism. After this, if possible, she will go on to Harvard to pursue a law career. Good luck Attorney General Heggins!



**TREASURER CAPTURES HER "GOOD CHANCE"**

Jenna Dancer of Junge City is Buckeye Girls State's elected state treasurer. She states her desire to run for this position was due to a lot of people not running. So- she thought she had a good chance. She was quoted as saying "You never know if you don't try." Once the office starts functioning, she plans "to make the best of my experience at BGS, to have fun, and work hard to budget the businesses and investments within the state." She will accomplish these goals by fulfilling the duties expected of her and keep promoting the party platform. Her most memorable experience has been "meeting all her new friends" and being able to talk to new people since she is normally shy. Her goals after high school include attending a four year college, getting a master's degree, and becoming a nurse practitioner. Congratulations!



**STATE AUDITOR ADMIRES DONALD TRUMP**

After Wednesday night, our BGS auditor was Emily Chappie of Kaptur City. Emily chose this position because she likes economics, investing, and funds. Her top goals are financial funding in every school in the United States, using funds to promote entrepreneurs, and in-state job training. She plans on achieving these goals by controlling the funds and talking to the Supreme Court, putting social security funds into entrepreneurs, and turning out-of-state jobs into in-state jobs. By doing this, money will be saved.

After graduation, Emily will attend Ohio State University and double major in economics and business administration. One goal of her life was to own ten rental properties by age 30. She states that Donald Trump is her inspiration. Her quote that she lives by is "Ask not what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country." Don't stop living your dream, Emily!

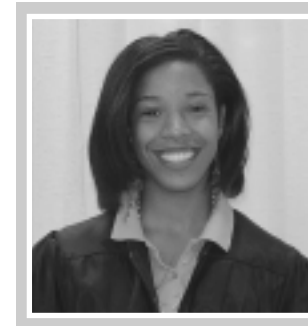


**CHIEF JUSTICE BEGINS TERM WITH ENTHUSIASM**

The voters of BGS 2007 elected Rachel Chandler of O'Connor City as Chief Justice. Chandler actually wanted to run for municipal judge; however, her city urged her to go above and beyond. They supported her all the way to the office of chief justice.

Chandler has three main goals while in office; to make careful and correct decisions; to follow the constitution when deciding rulings; and, to keep an open mind at the beginning of hearing court cases. To accomplish these goals she wants to use her enthusiasm, excitement, and passion for justice. "My job will inspire me to achieve my goals," Chandler stated.

Her most memorable experience at Girls State was "winning, of course!" Chandler stated, "I am an athlete in track and basketball, and winning is the best feeling in the world." After high school, Chandler plans to attend college seeking opportunities to play basketball and study journalism or political science with a minor in business. Have fun in your term here at BGS!



**THE FEELING OF FREEDOM**

Freedom! It is a word thrown about carelessly by people who have forgotten, or chosen to ignore how hard we as a nation fought for this one small phrase. Politicians have felt hope, soldiers have felt courage, and citizens have felt pride for this one small word. Time and security have bred complacency until Americans as a people cannot or will not remember that freedom was not a handout. Leaders have felt despair, and yet persevered, soldiers have felt fear, but held the line, widows have felt sorrow, and yet they were proud. So much has been lost and gained in the shaping of a word we are now privileged to say.

Freedom is a word built so strongly by those who have come before us, and yet we are so graced that WE can continue to build upon it for our future. Freedom will continue to change, grow, and spread, allowing us to impact our world. So as you go on with your life, worrying about elections, boyfriends, or jobs, just remember and never forget the feeling of freedom.

*— Megan Anderson, O'Conner City/Wainwright County*



*BGS Band members rehearse to perfection in the Upper Convo.*



*BGS Chorus practices late at night for a wonderful performance.*