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## FRIDAY AT A GLANCE

- 7:15 am **Flag Ceremony**
- 9:00 am **Government Functioning**
- 12:00 pm **Blood Drive begins**
- 1:30 pm **Government Functioning**
- 2:30 pm **Government Tours**
- 5:00 pm **University Seminar/Choir & Band/Recreation**
- 7:30 pm **Government Functioning**
- 10:00 pm **City Meetings**

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"The thing always happens that you really believe in; and the belief in a thing makes it happen."*

*Frank Lloyd Wright*



## FRIDAY'S WEATHER



SUNNY  
HIGH 86°F · LOW 64°F

## ELECTION EXCITEMENT

The Federalists and Nationalists were out in full force promoting their endorsees for Tuesday's primary elections. Fist pumping and chants of "Feds, Feds, Feds" could be heard while on the other side of the Upper Convo Nationalist endorsees ran a gauntlet of outstretched arms before reaching the podium.

As the feds chanted, "Shoo nats, don't bother me", the Peoples County Party Chair wielded the County standard while chasing a cardboard winged "gnat." The Nats were listening intently to awkward facts about their candidates. "Until the age of 7, my dad and brother had me convinced I was a monkey they adopted from the zoo!" stated one endorsee.

With the rallies finished, the gym was buzzing with activity as BGS citizens lined up by county to vote for their respective party candidates. The County Board of Election girls were hard at work signing in voters, distributing ballots and helping with the scanning machines. Purniesha Lake, Federalist Board of Elections member from Miller County said, "Serving on the Board of Elections has kept me busy. It has also given me a better understanding of the election process." Delegates from Hayes City stood anxiously awaiting their turn to exercise their right to vote. Several citizens of Ray County said they were trying to remember the speeches they heard at this morning's rallies. "It's important for our party to win as many elections as possible." Hayes City also waited nervously for their chance to vote. Several of them were excited to take this experience home and use it in the real world after their eighteenth birthdays.



## CITY GOVERNMENT CELEBRATES WEDNESDAY NIGHT

As the BGS Band belted out *Hang On Sloopy*, delegates poured into the Upper Convo. Newly elected Mayors and their City Counselors nervously preened each other while lining up in the outside hallway. "I'm nervous, Mom" was whispered while replies of "you are so beautiful" reassured the new city leaders. Merritt City Mayor Shanice Robinson was wearing her auxiliary made poppy corsage with pride. As each mayor gave a brief history of her city's namesake, citizens realized the importance of these Ohio women. Municipal Court Judge Lisa Coates administered the oath of office to all new city officials.

The band, choir, and soloists provided the crowd with outstanding entertainment with Vivo City's Katie Fife receiving a standing ovation for her rendition of Taylor the Latte Boy. The Federalist party swept the top seven state positions as well as taking the majority in the House and Senate. The roar of the crowd seemed to hit a fever pitch. With the final announcement of Benson City as Ideal City the Convo rocked!

## STEPHANIE HAFT IS GOVERNOR OF BGS 2010

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Stephanie Haft was announced Governor of Buckeye Girls State 2010 last night. Miss Haft is from Canton, Ohio and attends Jackson High School. Governor Haft was asked why she ran for the position and responded, "I would be most involved and to get to know all the girls outside of my city and state." Her desire to learn more about the government aided in this quest.

One of Governor Haft's goals is to get a diverse group of girls involved in the cabinet. After high school Miss Haft would like to major in Bio-medical Engineering at Stanford University. Haft thanks everyone for the opportunity and the support they have given her in the last few days and especially thanks her sister, Samantha, for without her encouragement this dream would not have been possible.



## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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Melissa Prax of Withrow City in Reese County was elected as the new Lt. Governor of Buckeye Girls State. Melissa, from the Federalist Party, said she had hoped to be elected because she knew this would challenge her to be in a role of leadership. "I knew from the beginning that I wanted to hold a state position," she stated. Melissa is optimistic and said she "would keep an open ear to the citizens' needs and issues at hand."

Melissa attends Grand Valley High School in Hartsgrove. She said there are one-hundred and five students in her graduating class and only 400 in the whole high school.

After graduation the new Lt. Governor plans to attend a college, but is not sure of which one. She would like to double major in broadcasting and nutrition.



## MALLORY KENNEDY IS SECRETARY OF STATE

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Mallory Kennedy of Vivo City was elected the 2010 Secretary of State. Secretary Kennedy is from Theodore Roosevelt High School in Kent, Ohio. She plans to attend college in Ohio and will major in Business or Pre-Law.

"I ran for Secretary of State because I work with local businesses in fundraising and want to learn more about business and how things are done" said Secretary Kennedy. As Secretary of State, Secretary Kennedy wants to make voting more effective, register more voters, and make sure voters are better educated.

Ms. Kennedy ran for this office because a friend ran for Secretary of State at Buckeye Boys State last year and encouraged her to run. She was very excited about winning Secretary of State and thankful for all the votes.



## ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS HIGH ASPIRATIONS

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Reese County's Zeller City boasts the 2010 BGS Attorney General Miss Elizabeth Galko. Elizabeth hails from Lake Catholic High School in Mentor.

Environmental issues were the catalyst for her running for Attorney General. "Making the world safer for our future is important," stated Miss Galko. The new Attorney General hopes to work fairly with all attorneys. "I want to make this BGS experience the best possible for every delegate" stated Galko.

Miss Galko is looking at Princeton, OSU, and Case Western Reserve for her undergraduate work in biology. The new Attorney General wishes to thank everyone for all their love and support. "I could not have gotten here without them."



## STATE TREASURER

Meet Linda Yao, the new State Treasurer of Buckeye Girls State. Linda resides in Oakley City in Ray County and is a member of the Federalist Party. When asked why she wanted to run for treasurer she said, "I'm interested in math and economics and wanted to apply this to get the most out of my experience at Girls State." Linda said she wants "to invest tax dollars to areas that are important to Buckeye Girls State." She ran on a platform of increasing investment in agricultural infrastructure in an environmentally friendly institution.

Linda attends Mason High School near Cincinnati and her dream is to attend Yale University and become a financial attorney.



## RANOWIECKI IS NAMED AUDITOR OF STATE

Hannah Ranowiecki from the city of Vivo, Reese County is the newly elected Auditor of State for Buckeye Girls State 2010. Miss Ranowiecki is from Ashtabula, OH where she attends Lakeside High School.

When asked why she wanted to become Auditor of BGS, she stated, "This summer I got my first full time job and would you believe it's at the County Auditor's Office in Jefferson as a receptionist and I really enjoy it."

Auditor Ranowiecki is excited about her new position and is interested in learning more, working with the treasurer and listening to her fellow BGS citizens.

After high school, Ranowiecki plans to attend Ohio State University majoring in pre-law. She also hopes to continue her graduate work at OSU.

Congratulations Auditor of State, Ranowiecki.



## CHIEF JUSTICE PFISTER

Sarah Catherine Pfister attends Bishop Hartley High School in Columbus. Miss Pfister has always had an interest in law and leadership. She sees her position as Chief Justice as a means of guiding the government of BGS to uphold the Constitution. She also wants to work hard at keeping partisan politics out of the court system.

Miss Pfister is deciding between several colleges for her under graduate degree in aerospace engineering, but is hoping for Harvard for her post graduate law degree.

Justice Pfister wishes to thank her parents for their encouragement, as well as her AP US History teacher for lighting the social studies fire in her. "I also want to thank Oakley City, Ray County, and all my roller coaster riders for their support."



## WAS THAT THE FIRE ALARM?

During Day City's Monday night city meeting they heard a fire alarm. They quickly fled their city, leaving purses and packets behind. Once safely outside, they became concerned for their fellow Nickoson County citizens who had not responded to the alarm by evacuating. Their Government Advisor Amanda texted one of the other city's advisors asking, "Why aren't you evacuating? Didn't you hear the alarm?" The other cities had not heard anything, but thanks to GA Amanda, they were quickly fleeing the building. After a few moments, Resident Hall Counselor Sandra opened the door to let Day City back in. "It was just the elevator alarm!" she told them. They all had a good laugh, so good in fact, that it included snorting and crying! Most of the laughter, however, was caused by the fact that the other cities of Nickoson County were still outside waiting for the "all clear". Amanda received another text message sarcastically stating, "Thanks for the warning!" Amanda's reply was "certainly, safety first!" The whole county burst into roars of laughter once again! Submitted by: Amanda Waggamon, delegate Day City





## CABINET APPOINTMENTS

ADJUTANT GENERAL .....	Allison Londeree
AGING, DEPT. OF.....	Molly Swigart
AGRICULTURE, DEPT. OF .....	Brittani Baldner-Hill
BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT .....	Morgan Bakies
COMMERCE, DEPT. OF .....	Jenna Romine
DEVELOPMENT .....	Cara Korte
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES .....	Allie Wright
EDUCATION, DEPT. OF .....	Ashley Zheng
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY .....	Kaley Core
HEALTH, DEPT. OF.....	Marisa Carlone
INSURANCE, DEPT. OF .....	Jennie Pugliese
JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES, DEPT OF .....	Delaney Neal
MENTAL HEALTH, DEPT. OF .....	Brittany Morales
NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPT. OF .....	Katie Lasco
REHABILITATION AND CORRECTION, DEPT .....	Abigail Carney
TAXATION, DEPT. OF.....	Renee Chen
TRANSPORTATION, DEPT. OF .....	Hillary Grube
WORKERS' COMPENSATION, BUREAU OF.....	Dominique Brown
YOUTH SERVICES, DEPT. OF.....	Shelby Kaplan
LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION .....	Diane Zanner

## GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL

DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF .....	Andie Skinner
SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR .....	Heather Wilson
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS.....	Madison Rogers
PRESS SECRETARY.....	Misty Cushing
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS .....	Vivian Wang

## THURSDAY CONTEST

1. What was the first state motto of Ohio? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the current state motto of Ohio? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How long did Ohio go without a state motto? \_\_\_\_\_
4. When was this current motto adopted? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What is the state bird of Ohio? \_\_\_\_\_
6. When was the state bird adopted by Ohio? \_\_\_\_\_
7. When was Columbus decided as the capital of Ohio? \_\_\_\_\_
8. How many cities has Ohio had as its capital? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Name all of the former capitals of Ohio. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Who was Ohio's first governor? \_\_\_\_\_

### TUES. FLAG CEREMONY

**The Flag Was Raised By**  
Ohio State Highway Patrol

**Emcee**  
Tasha Allen, Junge City,  
Peeples County

**Pledge**  
Julie Schmersal, Jones City,  
Peeples County

**National Anthem**  
Mimi Klipstine-Dick, Kaptur,  
City, Peeples County

**Reading**  
Rebecca Kisiday, Kaptur City,  
Peeples County

**Auxiliary Moment**  
Jessica Williams, Merritt City,  
Peeples County

**Thought**  
Candace Caruthers,  
Montgomery City, Peeples  
County

## THURSDAY'S QUESTION OF THE DAY

***What is the most significant issue facing young women today?***

"College. Everyone wants to succeed, but with college prices being so high, unless you are a genius, or awesome at sports, without \$100,000, you end up with all that debt." -Janet Adegboye, Withrow City

"The way education funding is set up. We have so many mandates, but they never give the schools the money." -Dana Libert, Taft City

"Responsibility , encouraging responsibility with peers, and developing a sense of responsibility. Having it for the right reasons and being motivated intrinsically." -Abbey Judd, Benson City

**Congratulations  
to Benson City,  
Wednesday's  
Ideal City!**



## WEDNESDAY'S CONTEST ANSWERS

1. 19th 2. 1920 3. Lucy Webb Hayes 4. Helen Herron Taft

***Congratulations to Withrow City, Wednesday's Contest winner!***