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Escapee From Prison Arrested

Yesterday late-morning a convict escaped from the Beulah Hayhurst Yurts Center of Corrections and ran away. Correction officers went searching for the suspect with a K-9, the pursuit led them behind the Hariison, Kanawha, Upshur, and Lewis cottages until one of the officers spotted the suspect hiding in an Artisan Building. In response to being told to "Come out with your hands up!" the suspect stated that his knee was broken and couldn't stand. The corrections officers surrounded the suspect and made a swift arrest.







A New Newspaper

By: Brock Tanner

Today, a government representative informed The Daily Mountaineer staff that the governor had signed a bill into law that would provide both a paper and electronic copy of the newspaper to citizens and staff at next year's 86th American Legion Mountaineer Boys State.

Elected Officials get Arrested

By Brock Tanner

This morning, Secretary of State MJ Niggemyer and Supreme Court Justice (Spacepants Simmerman) Benjamin Simmerman were arrested for multiple reckless driving violations. The incident happened on the road outside the law enforcement building and at the ALMBS Headquarters. When the incident occurred, Niggemyer and Simmerman were "dancing" on the street, and Simmerman was playing loud music through his speakers when officers arrived soon after. A huge crowd started to surround the arrest, shouting things at the officers. Both Niggemyer and Simmerman try to argue with the cops serving the arrest, trying to plead their case. However, officers continued with the arrest, explaining how they had broken multiple driving violation rules. During this camp many other of our elected officials have been arrested for many different violations as well.



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A Stroll Through Nature

By Brock Tanner

I decided to stroll through the West Virginia Boys State Wildlife Management Area this morning. It was wonderful. It was so lovely to have a place in the camp to enjoy nature and clear your head. I thank our local Department of Natural Resources officers for protecting the area. While I was there, I discovered a Goat's Beard flower. Goat's Beard is a large shrub-like perennial with feathery plumes of white flowers rising above the foliage in late spring and early summer. I encourage citizens to visit the Wildlife Management area before tomorrow's graduation ceremony.



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A Citizens View Of Boys State

By Jack Kyle

I'm Jack Kyle; I'm big into music, like to write, and attended the 85th annual American Legion Mountaineer Boys State. Sunday, the first day of Boys State, I didn't want to be here. The reason I attended Boys State is because my parents wanted me too for College and scholarships. As I made it to my cabin I thought it was going to be a week of work, no fun, and boring lectures.

Monday lived up to my expectations, I got very little free time. I worked in both journalism and band; I finally got to sleep at 12:30 A.M. I was *not* looking forward to the rest of the week. Tuesday was more of the same, but I was starting to get into a rhythm. Wednesday is when things started picking up.

Less lectures, more work, and most importantly: more free time! I was able to enjoy talking with peers and enjoy some relaxation. As more things started to happen, journalism also became a lot more interesting. Friendly competitions like sports and tug of war kept the week interesting. The days started flying by, and then before I knew it, it was over. So if anybody is on the fence about joining the ALMBS, join it. It's not that bad.



Platforms Comittee



Law Breakers in Journalism



Car Crash



Senate Meeting

The Clown Court Case

By Steven Smith

On the morning of June 14,2024 a trial was held at the West Virginia Building. The case was dealing with two citizens that were injured in a car accident that wanted compensation from the state. The citizens themselves were not present in the case, due to their injuries. The state did not provide any compensation to the victims that were injured, and so because of that they decided to sue the state.

The trial started with the plaintiff's attorneys stating their demands that they be given their compensation by the state, and more added to what the original compensation would have been. They argued that the emergency response team was negligent regarding the health and safety of the citizens in the crash. They said that it falls on the responsibility of the state to provide the proper compensation for the victims.

The defendant argued that due to a code in their handbooks, it is stated that in a case like this crash, the state does not have to provide compensation to the citizens, since the crash was something induced by them. They also had Fire Marshal Maxwell come up and speak about the scene. His point was that since having actually been there, he saw that his team had acted in their emergency response. He gave detailed descriptions of the actions taken to help the injured to the best of their ability.

At the end of the trial, Judge Johnny Michaels gave his verdict after having Attorney Avington and Attorney Miley give their final words for the trial. After some discussion, Michaels' verdict was that a decision to this case could not be made, and that it would be moved up to the unreme Court of Anneals

Interviewing the Pop Up Shop By Steven Smith

This evening, we decided to visit the pop-up shop to interview Aaron Gallo and ask him a few questions about the shop. The first question we asked him was what precisely the pop-up was. He told us that it was a little pop-up that they decided to make. It originated from the lemonade stand, but they thought bringing some stuff from the general store would make it more convenient for customers. It would make it so that they could buy items that can be found at the general store despite needing more time to make it to the actual store.

The next question we asked was who was in charge of the pop-up shop. He answered that everyone there was in charge. It may have started with the lemonade stand, which he mainly ran, but he told us that everyone had contributed various ideas to turn it into the pop-up shop that it is now, and they all ran it together as a team.

We also asked what they were selling at the shop. He told us that they were still selling the standard lemonade they started with, but now they also have items like Sweet Tart Ropes, candy canes, Slim Jims, chips, sodas, and water.

Next, we asked him what the times were and where they were located. He said that they would mostly be by the Assembly Hall.

"Whenever it comes to location, we might hop around to see where the activities and sports are going," Aaron said.

His answer for the timings was that they would be set up during any activities whenever possible.

The next question we asked him was how the job might help them in the future. He answered that it shows a lot of initiative and helps them build skills that help them deal with and learn about all sorts of people and what the people might want from the store.

The final question we asked was why he chose that job. He said he mainly chose because he didn't end up with his first pick, but he told us he's actually very happy with where he ended up. He enjoys getting to work and sharing the initiative with his peers; it has been a positive experience.

After we finished all the questions, Aaron told me they have a lot more planned for the rest of this coming week and will let us know as the week progresses.



Meet the Team









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