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## THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN.....

Cornhusker Boys' State Governor Elect Carrick Perlinger



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# WHACHA GONNA DO WHEN THEY COME FOR YOU?

*By: Alexander VanAckeren*

Nebraska State Troopers help protect our great state each and every single day. They put their lives on the line to take drugs, narcotics and bombs off our roads. To aid them in their duties, the Nebraska State Patrol has ten police dogs and handlers. This morning, four State Patrolmen joined us at Kimball Hall, two of which were dog-handlers who brought along their trusty companions.

The Nebraska State Patrol was started in 1988 with a federal grant, in hopes of tracking down drugs and other narcotics in large semi trucks. They began their presentation with a police dog demonstration. First, a person came out wrapped in protective clothing. Then one of the police dogs came charging out onto the stage, latched onto the victim and dragged him off the stage. This showed the strength of a police dog's jaw and how once they've got you, you're not going anywhere. Their next demonstration began with a man walked onto the stage. The dog was released and darted out, attacked him and bringing him to the ground. It wasn't until his handler that the dog released his vicious grip. The NSP has nine narcotics dogs and one dedicated to locating explosives.

On average, each dog costs between \$8,500 and \$10,000. Their dog breeds of choice are German Shepherd, Dutch Shepherd and Malamute (their dog of choice). When a new dog is obtained, it is paired with a handler. They then go through an intense training together, so they can learn how their partner operates. They essentially become one crime-fighting unit. When a dog is on a hunt, and finds something, it is trained to sit and bark until another command is given. Those commands are given in the dog's native language, such as German or Dutch. Without these amazing creatures, it would be much more difficult for Troopers to keep our roads safe.

# FUN RUNNING

*By: Jacob Greenough*

When Boys Staters woke yesterday morning they knew what they would be doing that afternoon: a run to the State Capitol Building. Which it is exactly 0.9 miles from Harper Hall. The counselors told them that they would have to run from Harper Hall to the State Capital. In fact, however, they did not have to run *all* the way; just between every intersection. There were about 10 intersections so there was quite a bit of running. And the worst part was probably the heat. The temperature was at least 85, which is pretty hot to run in. But when we got to the Capitol, it was super fun. Then we had to do it all over again. When we got back to the dorms, several Staters crashed on the chairs and relaxed. Overall, it was a great trip to the Capitol.

# GONE FISHIN'

*By: Jake Weskamp*

As soon as the Staters walked into to Nebraska Game and Parks Commission meeting at the state capital they were informed that the Game and Parks Commission is the fun group at the capital. They informed the Staters that they are in charge of much more than just enforcing game and parks regulations. They are also in charge of managing state facilities, managing fishing areas, caring for wildlife, educating the public, and many other things.

The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission is organized into 9 sections. Each section has a representative that reports to the deputy director of the agency. That person then reports to the director who reports to the Governor of Nebraska.

This department is one of the only departments that raise most of the money for its self. All of the money that comes from hunting and fishing licenses go to helping fund the department. Some of the services that are offered from the department like public education classes are funded by tax dollars.

No matter how the department is paid for the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission works hard to make sure Nebraskan's have fun things to do outside.

# STATE PATROL AT KIMBALL

*By: Nicholas Flamme*

At 8:30 yesterday morning the state patrol decided to pay us a visit. They opened with no words, a man just walked out on stage with a full protection suit on; a police dog then was released on him and he was drug out of our sight by the dog's power alone! At this time Officer Thompson of the State Patrol came out and started

speaking. He proceeded to speak for approximately an hour about the State Patrol and more specifically the K-9 unit. After this two more demonstrations were given. They first showed us what it looks like when the explosives dog finds an explosive in a container. It was quite amazing how calm the dog was, until he saw his toy anyway! The dogs' toys are scented like an explosive material. The dogs don't get to play with any toys not associated with the smell of their training. This ensures that the dog will be trained adequately. After that demonstration he demonstrated how the dog was able to scare and guard a criminal

until an officer would be able to apprehend him. With just a couple of words the dog cornered the man, sat down and started barking. When the man made the slightest movement the dog dove at him with full force stopping him immediately. The dog was called off with a couple simple commands and then the man playing the criminal was able to walk right up to and pet the dog. This shows how much time and dedication goes into training the dogs. He talked about obtaining dogs, different units, and finished it up with a question and answer session.

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## CONVERSATIONS WITH THE SECRETARY

*By: Chris Navrkal*

Upon arriving at the State Capitol Building, many are in awe of the architecture and murals located throughout the building. Murals throughout the building indicated the state's history and culture. As the boys sat in the rotunda, many continued stare as the speaker began. After, students were separated into groups that toured the building. One of these groups was sent to see the Secretary of State John Gale.

Once leaving the rotunda, the group was sent to the Secretary's secretary who brought them to the his office. When entering Gale's room, one would get a sense of historical nostalgia. With a large fireplace,

leather seats, candelabras along the wall, and large curtains covering the windows, it is no surprise that visitors often times compare it to a castle.

As John Gale walked into the room, he greeted the four students that were part of the groups. John Gale became very personal, first telling a little about himself, then asking questions to each of the students.

The conversation between the students and John Gale continued for two hours covering topics such as China communism, the happenings between North and South Korea, and the possible upcoming debate Deb Fischer and Bob Kerry at the State Fair.

Overall the conversation with John Gale never lagged and each person continued to state their points with John Gale putting his input in at times. The conversation with John Gale was equally educational and personal in which connects to each other.

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## A FRESH LOOK

*By: Coleman Baker*

The seats of the Nebraska Supreme Court had several new justices in them today. Alex Varon and Alex Brechbill of Valley Forge, Jared Knust of Bunker Hill, Jacob Tierra of Gettysburg, Benjamin Burnmester of Belleau Wood and

Spencer Creal and Austing Wendt of Manilla Bay all took seat in their respective spots today as they resided over their first cases as justices.

They seemed poised and with every case and every accusation from the defendants came the judges questions. questions that pried open both sides of the case to reveal the truth not twist-

ed by opposing opinions.

Before the judges took their seats though, the solicitor general spoke to the group about the backbone and the workings of the Judicial branch. All in all, it was a wonderful experience and holy pancake this is the very last article I will ever write for boys state...hm. farewell.

# TOWN REPORTS

## MANILA BAY

*By: Alexander VanAckeren and Cody McBride*

Last night, we watched two of our candidates for Associate Justice, Spencer Creal and Austin Wendt, be sworn into office by the Chief Justice of Boys State Alex Varon. The Boys' State town of Manila Bay yesterday had the opportunity to play in the basketball championship. A lot has changed for the town of Manila Bay since the beginning of the week. At first, we obviously didn't know each other and were a little shy. Now, however, we are like one big, happy family. We have created tons of new friendships that will last a lifetime. We have had tons of fantastic experiences this week and looked forward to using the great information we learned this week, in the future.

## VALLEY FORGE

*By: Zach Miller*

Valley Forge has grown to consider every member of the town as a brother. We have all made relationships that will last a lifetime. Each and every one of us has grown on a personal level and the Forge has been behind them the whole time. Multiple members of our family have stated that it won't be the same waking up without the horn that our counselors use. The Forge has a bond. The bond we have created will still be there after we all leave. The bond will follow us to our home towns. We have lived together, ate together, played together, learned

## BELLEAU WOOD

*By: Joshua Johnson*

Belleau Wood is very tired after yesterday's jog to the capital. Secretary of State and Mayor Charles Bogatz went and visited his office on the first floor. The Senators attended their final session of the legislature and voted on the final bills.

## BATAAN

*By: Steven Towne*

Bataan has had an amazing week here at Boys' State. Over the course of the week Bataan grew closer and closer. Bataan shared many laughs and experiences together. They did have lots of fun, but when need be they took things very seriously. Due to this seriousness, almost all offices were run for. This made Bataan successful in holding nine offices. Although their governor candidate, Brent Comstock, did not win the election, his town is still very proud of him. Only time will tell if Bataan will win Boys' State.

together, and grown together. We will be together no matter how far apart we end up. Boy's State has been a great experience for the Forge. We have had a success in our election campaigns our biggest being the Honorable Governor Perlinger. We will be miles apart but we will have one thing in common, The Forge. Even if we never see each other for the rest of our lives we will have each others backs. We are all going to miss one another. Forge Forever! Throw the

## YORKTOWN

*By: Carl Meyer*

Yorktown continued their dominance and proved once again why they are the best town on campus. In the 7th and 8th place game, the Yorktown softball team competed very well. For a moment they looked like they were going to get the win, but then they felt sorry for Bataan and let them win. The volleyball team was com-

peting in the 5th and 6th place game, and just came up a bit short against Belleau Wood, so they settled for 6th place. The Yorktown basketball team, after losing their first game, was trying to win their third game in a row. Yorktown won and claimed 3rd place. Also competing against Belleau Wood, was the football team in the championship. Although the results are not in yet, Yorktown seems like a team of destiny, and should eas-

ily win. This town, after the first night, looked like they would not amount to much, yet here they are looking very strong and may even take the overall trophy. Even if we don't, Boys' State isn't about the trophy. It is about making friends and having a good time. Yorktown is the best at having a good time. The end is almost near, and I am almost certain that Yorktown will hold up the trophy.

# TOWN REPORTS

## ALAMO

*By: Trevor Sorensen*

The town of Alamo recently finished a sign that is placed on their windows to broadcast "Alamo! 2012." They hope to inspire other towns to do the same with their windows, and create a competitive rivalry between the towns. They have also continued to play a competitive role with the softball team playing in the championship last night. The citizens of Alamo would like to thank everyone for such a great week! Although competitive rivalries at points made the week interesting and enjoyable for everyone!

## BUNKER HILL

*By: Flint Mitchell*

It's Saturday! It is sad to say, but the time at Boys' State 2012 is coming to an end. It has still been rather uneventful in the town of Bunker Hill. All elections have come to a close and, sadly, Bunker Hill has had no luck with the exception of Jared Knust being appointed Associate Judge. Congratulations Judge Knust!

## THE RUN/JOG/POWER WALK TO THE CAPITOL

Boys' Staters all have different opinions about their 2nd favorite boys state experience, some think its the sports, others think its the legislative sessions, but I know with 100% certainty that the all time favorite experience of boy state is in fact the sprint to the capitol!

If you have not caught wind of my sarcasm quite yet I'd just like to let it be known now. The walk to the capitol is probably the most physically grueling testament of strength that each Boys' Stater must face, this has become somewhat of a coming of age in the Nebraska branch of Boys' State. On the walk to the capitol the brave Boys' Stater must face crazy drivers, Drill Sergeant-like counselors and the occasional and soon to be zombified roadkill. Then once our brave Boys' Staters had conquered the many oppressions that have befallen him, he is then made to stand baking on the hot griddle that we all call the staircase to the capitol. Finally, our Boys' Staters who has survived through thick and thin claims his prize of being herded like cattle threw the front doors of the capitol and is instantly overcome by a rush of emotions that are unexplainable by words! But I'm going to try anyway! The feeling is equivalent to the first time a roman gladiator is marched on to the killings field from which he has no idea if he will ever return.

I would like to take this time to thank the readers who do read my articles, many or few I greatly appreciate the you take the time to read my articles during your busy Boys' State week. So once again thanks and hope that you had a very good Boys' State experience because I sure did.

*For the final time,  
Conrad Martinez,  
Representative of  
"Oh Sweet Belleau Wood"*

## GETTYSBURG

*By: Jack Thompson*

Boy's State is about over, and at Gettysburg we are ready. Although we have had a ton of fun we are a little tired of having to walk up six stories to get to our floor, which is the most anybody has to walk, now that Belleau Wood a.k.a. "Bellau Walk" has had their ability to use the elevators returned.

Now that the stress of elections are over, it is interesting to see what people are really like. When I first started Boys' State, everybody was tense and at the same time trying to be super friendly. Now that things have cooled down a little bit, it's interesting to see who are good people and who are just really tense but friendly people.

I am looking forward towards to wearing a shirt that isn't blue. Although Gettysburg is undeniable the best town, my favorite color is orange.

# GUBERNATORIAL DEBATES

*By: Cody McBride*

The Gubernatorial Candidates, Brent Comstock and Carrick Perlinger, partook in a debate that started about 10:30 pm Thursday night and ended at about 11:30 pm. The debate was complete with a camera crew and moderator, Governor Doug Larsen. Both candidates opened up by talking about how they based their decisions on their religion. Both being of the Christian Faith, they had many of the same views but also differed upon the hot topic of homosexual marriage. Brent took up the position of being for homosexuals being married, believing it wasn't his place to decide whether or not that a man could marry another man or a woman another woman. Carrick, however, was opposed to gay marriage but believed that they could be joined together in a civil union. As the debate progressed it became very apparent that both candidates were for the same things and that the election would come down to whether you wanted the business man Comstock or if you wanted the seemingly common man Perlinger.

This debate was not the last debate, but the first of two. The second debate started around 9:30 a.m. at Kimball Hall and was mediated again by honorable Governor Doug Larsen. The two candidates sat down with Carrick Perlinger on the right side of the table (facing the crowd) and Brent Comstock sitting on the left side (facing the crowd). The debate started with opening statements on both sides talking about how they grew up and how it now affects their decision making. Quickly came the questions starting with each town asking one question which started with Belleau Wood at the front row and worked its way back to Manila Bay and then started over again each time. Candidates were asked to keep their answers to a minimum and the audience was asked to keep all questions pointed at both candidates.

Questions ranged from abortion and homosexual rights to the legalizing marijuana. Both candidates were pro-life and again differed on the issue of homosexual rights. The drug issue was an

interesting one with the audience actually continuing to question both candidates about the issue and pointing out that caffeine has a 12% addicting rate while marijuana has an 8%. Despite the questioning of their views on this topic, both remained firm on not legalizing marijuana. The questioning about illegal drugs was finally put to a stop by Moderator Larsen. When asked about the Keystone XL pipeline, Perlinger decided to take the side of being against the pipeline while Comstock took a neutral stance on the pipeline although having said in the past if the pipeline had met the proper safety requirements he would be for the it.

One of the last questions mentioned that Comstock had ran his entire campaign around being nice and asked them both how they thought they were being nice. Carrick answered by saying that he believed himself a nice guy and also agreed with running a non-attack campaign against the opposing candidate and they both agreed that Washington should learn and do the same.

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## LEGISLATURE UPDATE

*By: Jack Thompson*

The activities of the legislature have come to a close, wrapping up with passing 9 of the 18 bills presented to the floor. Among the bills passed was a bill lowering the Nebraska drinking age, as well as a bill requiring students in Nebraska schools to provide a world religion class. This class would teach students about different religions around the world, hopefully in an unbiased method. This bill was called

the "Teach Don't Preach Bill."

If you are wondering how the legislature operates, you are about to find out. The legislature has 48 members, six from each of the eight towns. These members were divided into five different comity responsible for different departments of the state. The legislature meets across the hall from were the Boy's Stater boys cast there bill.

In special recognition are the four leaders of the house. The speaker of the house was Bob L., the clerk was Johnny T., the chaplain was Levi G., and the Sergeant at Arms was Joshua P. Three of these members were from Gettysburg, Levi G. was from Valley Forge, arguable giving our town an advantage. Cuz we're cool like that.

# POLITICAL TWINS FACE OFF

*By: Nick Oviatt*

The crowd was tired, but the candidates fired up. Carrick Perlinger from the Nationalists and Brent Comstock from the Federalists faced off in a debate. The questions were chosen from towns and a number of questions were asked. Since we are near the end of our week, many questions seem repetitive to the audience. Despite this, most of everyone seemed anxious to see the differences in the candidates. However, no such differences appeared. For the most part, the two candidates seemed unwilling to budge and create any sort of conflict. It wasn't until a question on how both caffeine and marijuana are addictive arose that the crowd began to really take interest. Both Perlinger and Comstock struggled with the question. Just previously, they had both opposed the legalization of marijuana. The host agreed to move

on after much dissatisfaction arose in the audience. It was, as some stated, somewhat disappointing as it really challenged their stance on marijuana.

As the debate progressed, Perlinger seemed to gain the upper hand. At first, both candidates received a similar applause. However, as things progressed Perlinger gained both a larger standing ovation and a larger applause. The question that caused this spark was one related to how the candidates were qualified to deal with agricultural issues. Perlinger stated he lived and worked on a farm, while Comstock gave a less satisfying statement on how he didn't actually work on a farm. Comstock only could relate to farmers based on his business and hometown. It was a tipping point for the two candidates who were almost identical on issues, excluding the Defensive Marriage Act, which did show differences. Overall, it was probably a close election. Both were excellent candidates, Comstock appearing to be the better speaker. Despite this, Perlinger emerged victorious, or as we should now say, Governor Perlinger.

## SO LONG

What a week it has been! I would like to thank everyone who helped to make "The Bulletin" a success. It has been an honor to work with you, and I wish you the best of luck as you go on your separate paths. First, I would like to thank the countless writers who worked hard to make sure "The Bulletin" well stocked with stories and articles that were relevant to all Boys' Staters. Second, I would like to thank the Copy Editors and Page Designers: Jake Weskamp, Jon Jahnke, Alex VanAckeren, Levi Gutz and Michael Petska. The countless extra hours they have put in to our paper has made it the best it possibly can be. Third, I would like to thank Kyle, Dustin, and Schuyler: their work in leading us as our counselors has helped make us better writers in the process. Fourth, I would

like to thank Frank. Without him starting the paper fourteen years ago I would not currently be considering journalism as a possible major. Finally, thank you to everyone here at Boys' State! Whether you read the paper daily or not, you were what we reported upon. Without you being successful here at Boys' State we would have had nothing to published. No matter which career path I go down, being Editor of "The Bulletin" has been a pleasure and an honor. I have become a better writer, seen the inside life of a paper, and I have seen how people from different backgrounds can come together for a common goal. I hope all of you have had a great seven days, and that you all remember this past week as you go on throughout your lives. I know I will, and I know that I will be a better person because of it.

-Trevor Sorensen, Editor

## GETTING EDUCATED

*By: Alexander VanAckeren*

A group of about fifteen or twenty Boys' Staters were able to take a trip to the State Board of Education to learn a bit more about how the education system works in our awesome state. They met with Scott Swisher, who spoke for a few minutes then answered a great many questions to sooth the Staters' curious minds. One of his key points was how great of an education our state provides. In fact, the average ACT score is 23, which is one of the highest in the nation! There are over 300,000 students in Nebraska, 24,000 teachers and 240 districts. Without the organized leadership in our Education Dept., there wouldn't have so many future leaders from Nebraska. 7

# ANTHEM; BOYS

*By: Micheal Petska*

Journalists are expected to maintain a certain amount of detachment from their writing material, and from their audience, it comes with the field, unfortunately, such is not always always possible. In that spirit, you're going to see first person referential nouns and adjectives in this piece, I'll apologize for that now. But, this is a new scenario, it's my last day writing for this paper, and I feel it necessary to express the way this makes me feel, and specifically, describe my Boys' State experience.

We started the week off slow, we were a rag-tag collection from all over the great state of Nebraska, young men, just bordering on being men, removed from their environments and put into a strange, new place. It's at this time I'd like to give a shout-out to all of our counselors, Blue and Red alike, they were integral to getting us into this experience, and without them, it's not unlikely that we'd of all spent the week avoiding on another and keeping our heads down. The counselors were (still are, I guess), fun, encouraging, they were us, plus or minus a couple of years and they had our respect because they'd been through this; but they didn't want our respect so much as for us to get the absolute most out of Boys' State, so thanks guys. With the help of the counselors we all managed to crawl out of the recesses of our individual shells, and bond with our townies. The

beginning of the week was one giant mess of elections, long walks to Kimball hall, and town meetings, the only \*real\* recesses were breakfast, lunch, and dinner, and it was their that we started to bond with members of other towns, and if other Boys' Staters were anything like me, they often found much more in common with boys wearing different shirts. In this journalist's opinion, as the week wore on, the speakers only got better (with the exception of Dr. Joanne Owens-Nausler, who served a vital role in invigorating the beginning of the week), and the elections got bigger, and the issues actually started to matter a little, and the energy level only got higher. But I'm not shooting for a chronological account of our, yours and mine, Boys' State experience, actually, I'd just like to say how great this week was, I'd like to thank the legionnaires who me here, and the ones who organize and support it, and the plethora of support staff who make it possible, and all the wonderful volunteers who sacrificed their time to come here and give a little bit of their experience and knowledge to us throughout the week. Boys' State is nothing short of life-altering, it's not only educational, it's inspirational, and if you walk away from this week feeling like you've garnered nothing, I'm sorry to say, but you've got no one to blame but yourself because there is \*so\* much here to be had if you'll only reach out and grasp it, which is, more than anything else I think, what Boys' State is really about.

Boys' State is life-altering because I, personally, will never be able to forget what happened here, I personally climbed more

than 6000 steps this week, across all floors, the numbers of more than a hundred Girls' Staters were collected, I walked more than six miles every day, and about mid-way through the week I realized, "Holy Crap, tomorrow's Thursday, and the day after is Friday and that means the week is almost over..." I don't think I've ever been more disappointed to realize that something was coming to an end, and I hope (and sincerely believe it's probably true) that you're all as disappointed as me, and further, I don't think I could have asked for a better group of people to spend a week marching, chanting, cheering, clapping, eating, and working hard with.

As for being a journalist? I did a lot of things this week that didn't matter a lot in the grand scheme of things, and I did some bigger things too, I ran for mayor; I lost, I applied to be Chief Justice; I lost their also. But I also spent about 2 hours every day stuffed in a room with a bunch of other guys writing, reading, and in general, reporting about everything that happened here this week, undoubtedly this was the best part of my Boys' State experience, and I'd like to give a special thank you to counselors Dustin Anderson, Kyle Chesterman, and Frank Dolezal for making that possible for me. Again, I'd like to say that I loved \*every\* part of my experience here at Boys' State, and I don't think there's a better way in all of America to spend one whole week. Thanks to EVERYONE involved in any way, and I hope to see you again next year (not you boys, sorry, but I'll always remember you).

# CONRAD'S CUISINE CORNER

By: *Conrad Martinez*

Representative of "Oh Sweet Belleau Wood"

Hello fellow Boys' Staters! Conrad here with yet another food critique! But before I begin I first like to say how disappointed I am that I did in fact miss Dr. Tom speaking and somewhere down the line I hope I can meet him somewhere else. Now continuing with my article, I first would like to remind you all to please thank the food staff at Harper Hall Dining Center for a job very well done. Along with the fact that if they didn't cook for you for the last week you would have been living on diet of water and stale potato chips.

To begin the day as I have been the entire week I, half asleep, trudged to Harper Hall dining center as I approached the meal tag monitor my nostrils were greeted by the scents of both boiling fryer oil and cinnamon, as I saw the board my greatest suspicions were confirmed today was in fact, Mini French Toast sticks

day!

Breakfast as I soon indulged myself in, provided stern competition to the reigning champion of best breakfast of the week by being both well satisfying and incredibly scrumptious. The French toast sticks, in my opinion ruled the plate without contest as most other would agree. The sticks were in fact both warm and provided a well balanced level in both the criteria of crunchiness and chewiness. The syrup that was provided along side of these sticks complimented them perfectly no matter if the Stater was a "Dipper" or a "Drizzler". I being a drizzler myself, through sheer fate came across a matrimony made in heaven: eggs with syrup which apparently everyone knew about except well... me. I enjoyed this combination very much and added an element which contributed to the total of overall completeness of the meal.

After my town of "Oh Sweet Belleau Wood" finished up voting I headed over to the dining hall to partake in the ritual of eating which has become a very well known ritual if I do say so myself because if you haven't noticed we now have a lot more of a female influence dining with alongside us. Now getting back to business

Thursday on the special items of the day were once again a lemon-crust pollock along with a rather strange combination of mac & cheese and hot wings. At first I was skeptical of how much I would enjoy this combination was soon set straight when I did finally conquer my food and dive on it, the mac & cheese did a bare somewhat of a resemblance to frozen dinner mac & cheese which was somewhat of a turn off to me but was easily overlooked. The wings had to be my favorite in this meal as they gave the meal a much needed meat property which is needed in every meal unless you're a vegetarian, in which your probably either from Kansas or Iowa. I also liked how the wings were hot since the sauce was already on the wing which opened up the option to dip in some ranch without having to the mix them and muddle the flavors.

I hope your enjoying my articles so far and I would love your input so if you would like catch me in the dinning center or en-route to one of the many halls in campus, feel free to. I would just like to remind you to take a few moments and thank the hardworking lunch staff here at UNL who try very hard to make sure we never go hungry.

## BOYS STATE LEGISLATURE ASSEMBLES FOR FINAL SESSIONS

By: *Joshua Johnson*

Yesterday the Boys Sate Legislature met for their final assemblies. The first meeting occurred immediately after the flag raising and consisted of the proposal and voting on of the final bills to come

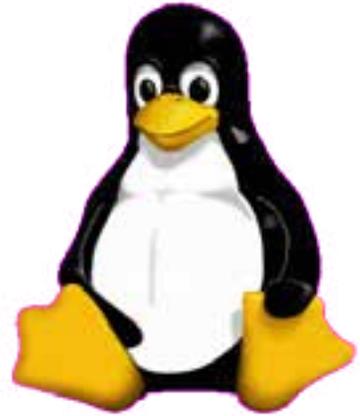
before the legislature. Later on during the day the legislature convened at the Werner Chamber in the State Capital Building. The agenda for this meeting consisted of discussion and final amendments to the bills passed in the previous sessions throughout the week. Every bill that was passed during the previous sessions was given the legislature's final stamp of approval. Before they began to conduct the day's business the legislature listened to some information about the Werner Chamber from a woman who worked for the current legislature.

# AND THE WINNER IS...

*By: Jonathon Janke*

Your votes are in, Boys' State has spoken. A new governor has been selected. Carrick Perlinger has been elected as the Boys State governor. Carrick has been in two debates with Federalist Gubernatorial Candidate Brent Comstock. Governor Perlinger has definitely had a successful Boys' State. He started off the week by being elected mayor of his Boys State Town: Valley Forge. They supported Carrick throughout the week in his quest for Governor of Boys State. Carrick is from the small town of Paxton in Western Nebraska. He lives on a farm of moderate size and does a variety of tasks including making sure the cattle can access their water tank. In his spare time, Carrick enjoys playing Call of Duty: Black Ops,

penguins, and having fun. His beliefs include that he is true to his religious values that he has held his whole life. Carrick is against gay marriage because he feels that marriage is a religious term, and gay marriage is a practice that some religions disagree with. Governor Perlinger; however, is not opposed to Civil Unions between homosexual couples. Carrick was endorsed by the Nebraska Rifle Association (NRA) and agreed that especially where he comes from, most everyone owns a gun or firearm of some kind, and he doesn't worry about people misusing their weapons.



# INTERVIEW OF CARL MEYER

*By: Jacob Greenough*

Q: What was your favorite article you have wrote?

A: All of the town reports, because they were fun.

Q: Did you have a favorite computer to use?

A: Yes, 3rd to the left on the north side of the building, and people kept stealing it.

Q: What was the longest article you wrote?

A: The Adrian Smith video chat. It was 430 words.

Q: How many words can you type per-min?

A: I can type about 32 wpm.

Q: Why did you choose to do the newsletter over the other events?

A: It seemed like a good experience and was worth my time to do it.

Q: How many articles did you write?

A: I wrote about 8 articles.

Q: What was your favorite apart about newsletter?

A: The environment you could just really chill out and enjoy your self.

Q: What was your favorite part of boy's state?

A: Listen to all of the speakers and getting key information about now and the future.

Q: Why do you think you were chosen for boy's state?

A: I am a hard worker, involved in the community; teachers also respect my motive to learn.



# THANKS FOR READING

*By: Zach Miller*

Thanks for reading my articles! I really appreciate the notice that I have received in the town of Valley Forge. Some of my articles are brought up at town meetings. There was some confusion on an article that I had no affiliation to the legislature, but I had nothing to do with it the article was simply mislabeled. I hope that this paper has been satisfactory and enjoyable for all, THANKS!

# THANK YOU! FROM THE CORN- HUSKER BOY'S STATE BULLETIN STAFF

## LEVI GUTZ

What up Boys' Staters!?! I would just like to thank all the readers of the newspaper this week. I hope you all enjoyed it, as much as I enjoyed proofing all the articles. Even more so, I would like to thank the staff of the newspaper. Over the last week, I have read hundreds of articles, and I was impressed with almost all of them. I just want to say great job, and "Go Forth and Prosper".

## CONRAD MARTINEZ

As I hope you read in the article my name is Conrad Martinez. I come from the small town of Friend, Nebraska which is located in the south-west corner of the state between the towns of our rivals Exeter and Dorchester. I tend to write funny articles that are meant to entertain more than inform the reader, and I hope that if you do/did read my articles that you did in fact enjoy them.

## ALEX VANACKEREN

This past week has been an absolutely fantastic one for me. I learned much more than I ever could have imagined from this experience, and I will never forget it. I loved creating new friendships with tons of people, most of which I hope will continue for years to come. Next off, I would like to thank my hometown of Manila Bay for electing me to the Newspaper Staff, where I was fortunate enough to be one of the Graphic Designers. I truly enjoyed writing for the paper this week and it was definitely one of the events I looked forward to each day. Thank you so much to our incredible writers, our superb editors as well as my fellow graphic designers. Without all of your hard work and determination, our paper couldn't have been as successful as it was. Once again, I thank you all. Keep being great.

## NICK FLAMME

I would just like to start out by saying thank you anyone who supported, read, and enjoyed not just my articles but the newspaper as a whole. Our fan base has really been supported and we wouldn't have been able to do this paper if the fans didn't want it. I just want to say a final farewell to all of my fellow writers and the newspaper counselors. It has been a great experience with you guys and I don't think it would have been near the experience it was without you.

## CARL MEYER

This week has honestly changed my whole outlook of life, on both friendship and citizenship, and most of that is due to my stay at Yorktown. Although we have only just met in perspective, there are some people who truly changed my perspectives on life. Thank you Yorktown!!!!

## JAKE WESKAMP

I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve as a page editor for the paper. This week I was a member of the town of Alamo. I had a great time working the paper and doing all of the other stater activities. Thanks for reading the paper and making our work worthwhile.

## JOSHUA JOHNSON

I would like to say that this past week has been a great week and that our town Belleau Wood was AWESOME! Anyways you were all great to hang with and I feel like I have made lots of new friends this past week. I'd like to thank you all for electing me your Senator for the past week and for supporting me in my bid for Lieutenant Governor. I'd also like to say goodbye to the Editor of our paper here at Boys State and that I'm glad to have met you so that is all I really have to say for now so everyone have a great summer and I hope to stay in touch!

# Your Nebraska Weather

**My 10 Day Forecast** Updated: Jun 8, 2012: 3:06pm EDT

<b>Tonight</b> Jun 8		<b>83°</b> 59° Observed High 3:45 pm	CHANCE OF RAIN: 0%	WIND: SW at 5 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Mostly Clear					
<b>Sat</b> Jun 9		<b>88°</b> 63°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 0%	WIND: SSW at 8 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Mostly Sunny					
<b>Sun</b> Jun 10		<b>86°</b> 67°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 20%	WIND: SSE at 12 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Partly Cloudy					
<b>Mon</b> Jun 11		<b>79°</b> 67°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 30%	WIND: S at 7 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Isolated T-Storms					
<b>Tue</b> Jun 12		<b>83°</b> 63°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 40%	WIND: SW at 8 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Scattered T-Storms					
<b>Wed</b> Jun 13		<b>81°</b> 60°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 10%	WIND: N at 6 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Mostly Sunny					
<b>Thu</b> Jun 14		<b>82°</b> 65°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 10%	WIND: NE at 5 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Partly Cloudy					
<b>Fri</b> Jun 15		<b>86°</b> 64°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 0%	WIND: ENE at 5 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Sunny					
<b>Sat</b> Jun 16		<b>88°</b> 67°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 10%	WIND: SSE at 6 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Mostly Sunny					
<b>Sun</b> Jun 17		<b>87°</b> 67°	CHANCE OF RAIN: 20%	WIND: SSW at 6 mph	<a href="#">Details</a>
Mostly Cloudy					

7 am		61
Mostly Sunny		
8 am		64
Mostly Sunny		
9 am		69
Mostly Sunny		
10 am		74
Mostly Sunny		
11 am		79
Mostly Sunny		
12 pm		82
Mostly Sunny		
<i>Drive Safe!</i>		
1 pm		83
Mostly Sunny		
2 pm		84
Mostly Sunny		
3 pm		85
Mostly Sunny		
4 pm		86
Sunny		
5 pm		86
Sunny		

# Today's Hour-by-Hour

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SAFETY COMMISSION IN  
SUPPORT FOR THE CDABB

Threat Countdown  
#1: BEARS



SUPPORT THE  
CITIZEN'S DEFENSE AGAINST  
BLACK BEARS

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO  
SUPPORTED THE  
PUBLIC SAFETY  
COMMISSION YOUR  
CONTRIBUTIONS ARE  
MAKING LIVES BETTER  
EVERYWHERE



HAVE YOU SEEN THIS  
CHILD?



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