



State of the Boys



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Boys Staters anticipate, enjoy Anderson talk

By Christian Myers, St. Cloud

One of the most anticipated speakers to come to Minnesota Boys State 2009 was the Honorable Paul H. Anderson, an associate justice on the Minnesota Supreme Court. A Boys State alumnus, Anderson returned this year to speak at Minnesota Boys State for the 15th time. When the honorable justice arrived, the room was buzzing with excitement.

Right away, we found out that he enjoys an informal atmosphere, as he asked our permission to remove his coat. He did so, and thus set the stage for an informal and interactive presentation. Whereas other speakers accepted questions, Anderson demanded them by saying very early in his presentation, "You *need* to ask me questions."

With his unique and interactive style, Anderson proceeded to illustrate how judicial decisions affect our everyday lives. He gave us examples, like a case about nuclear energy that hinged upon the proper usage of the word "or," and a case about an individual's right to privacy in the context of an ice fishing house on a public lake. He then moved on to demonstrate the history of the ideals and processes of our judicial system.

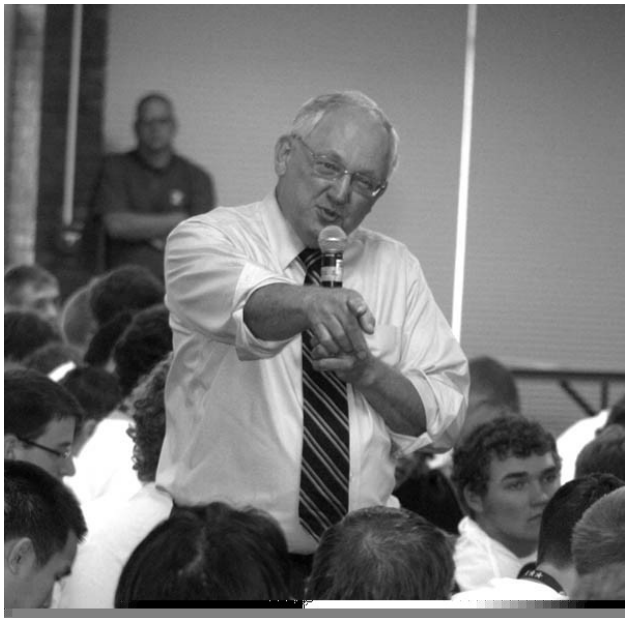
He talked insightfully about "What is the rule of law?" After our discussion of the question, he defined the rule of law as rules being determined by laws instead of men. He also provided an example from his tour in China that pointed out how there can be rule by law without rule of law. This occurs when the laws are controlled by a small group that has no obligations to the people.

He then explained that the constitution is a contract and that as a limited contract it maintains the balance between order and liberty. The justice's next order of business was to assert his infallibility as the 76th justice seated on the Minnesota Supreme Court. He was opposed by a bold Boys Stater, who was unfortunately ignorant of the "Rule of Holes."

Justice Anderson next spoke about the ability of American society to adapt and remake itself. He showed, as an example of this concept, how the separation of powers has evolved within the U.S. Hew used two volunteers to illustrate how the three branches



Minnesota Supreme Court Associate Justice Paul Anderson gave an informative, entertaining talk Wednesday in the Conference Center at Southwest Minnesota State University. Anderson's entertaining, interactive style has become a Boys State favorite, and spoke for the 15th time.



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Molnau discusses role of executive branch

By Ryan Hill, Clara City

Yesterday, Boys Staters were fortunate to hear the 46th Lieutenant Governor of the state of Minnesota, Carol Molnau, speak. The speech kept the audience listening. Every few minutes the crowd erupted with laughter, which I'm guessing not everyone was quite expecting, but it seemed like the audience definitely enjoyed every minute of her speech.

Her presentation started out with basically a recap of what she had accomplished prior to being elected lieutenant governor. Her life in Chaska and the events that helped her get to where she is now were briefly discussed, along with her previous experience, such as head of the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Her first state-level experience was when she was elected as a mem-

ber of the Minnesota House of Representatives in 1992. Also included in her previous experience was leading the state funding of the mass transit system in the Twin Cities area.

Another element in the beginning of her speech was an assurance that lieutenant governors are more than just "spare tires" and that they do more than merely fill in during the governor's absence. She also stated how frequently lieutenant governors have been asked to step up and take on the responsibility of governor. She said that there have already been four instances of that this year.

Molnau, who was born in Waco-



Lieutenant Governor Carol Molnau addressed Boys State Wednesday.

nia, Minn., was inspirational in her presentation, stating that in the crowd she sees a lot of potential and future leaders.

"Don't let anything cap your potential," Molnau said, along with **Molnau continued on page 5**

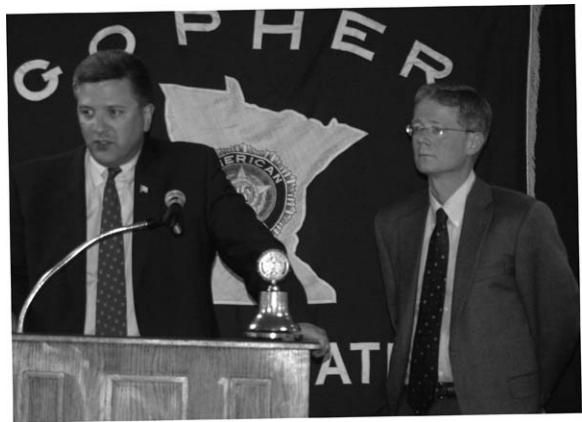
Shea demonstrates that crime does not pay

Paul Lueders, St. Peter

Is America's leadership ethical? That was a key question St. Thomas political science professor Hank Shea asked the Boy Staters at his address Wednesday evening. He asked three things: have you ever heard of anyone who cheated, stole, or lied in your school?

From a raise of hands, the example was made clear. According to Shea, a school survey this year on those very questions told that over 67 percent of individuals who took that test admitted 'yes' to all three of those questions, up from a similar 2006 survey. We are the future of America's leadership. But even smart people can be led astray. Shea left us a clear example as a warning of what could happen. This is where he brought up his guest speaker, Rich Guliano. Born in the suburbs of

Cleveland, he wanted to get into politics and law. He moved to Chicago, and attended law school at the University of Chicago. During college Guliano got involved in many campaigns. He developed a mentor out of a politician named Scott Faywell. During this time Faywell was involved with the Bush, Sr. campaign in Illinois. Guliano got involved and was asked in 1998 to help in the campaign for George Ryan for governor of Illinois. During this time he was working in a government office, and when he helped with the campaign, he controlled a campaign budget of \$12



Hank Shea, right, and Rich Guliano.

million. When he tried to get approval to pay for basic things such as office supplies and personnel, Faywell told him to just take it from his government office, to save money. Although a clearly

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2009 Boys State Election Primer

Federalists candidates

Governor: Tanner VanAuken, Moorhead,

Lieutenant Governor: Bryan Jensen, Rochester

Secretary of State: Tim Halvorson, Stillwater

Attorney General: Dakota Huseth, St. Peter

Auditor: Jason Cirksena, Moorhead

Chief Justice (no party designation): Jon Ver-Steegh, St. Paul

Associate Justice (no party): Chase Pritchett, Stillwater

Associate Justice (no party): Tyler Schmidt, Minneapolis



Tanner VanAuken

Nationalist candidates

Governor: David O'Brien Liedl, St. Peter

Lieutenant Governor: Niko Lemieux, Minneapolis

Secretary of State: Ruben Hidalgo, Minneapolis

Attorney General: Robert Lillquist, Clara City

Auditor: Matthew Wilcox, Duluth

Chief Justice (no party designation): Gabe Hanson, Stillwater

Associate Justice (no party): Omar Jamal, Minneapolis

Associate Justice (no party): Todd Hennen, Mankato



David O'Brien Liedl

Party Platforms

Boys State reform

- Supports the co-location of Boys and Girls State
- Supports oiling the squeaky chairs

Education

- Promotes budget reform in the educational system
- Supports an increase in college availability by reforming funding for financial aid

Energy

- Supports the conservation of energy at Boys State
- Supports research and implementation of renewable energy sources

Reform of our nation's education system

Child care/foster system reform

- Free children's health care paid for by 0.5 percent increase in fast food taxes
- Simplify adoption process
- ensure enough rooms are in orphanages
- More extensive background checks, and frequent checks of foster homes

Veterans benefits

- Best medical and psychological care and financial compensation for veterans acquired through increased payments of fines

Health care reform

Zwiener a familiar face

By Alex Sass, St. Paul

Many of the participants at Boys State enjoy the athletic period in which they participate in the sports volleyball, softball, and basketball. In order for this to be successful, there are hours of planning and preparation that need to be completed. These preparations are completed in large part by the Boys State Athletic Director Bill Zwiener.

Zwiener has been on the staff of Boys State for a total of 59 years, all of which he has served as the athletic director. Zwiener, originally from Ortonville, Minn., currently resides in St. Cloud.

During high school, Zwiener became interested in teaching and coaching. Eventually, he decided to attend college to become a veterinarian. While Zwiener was attending

college, Minnesota Boys State was formed with the help of his father.

Initially, Zwiener was going to help for a few years as the athletic director as well as a counselor. This two-year commitment soon became a passion of Zwiener's, and he currently has served more years at Boys State than any other staff member. Considering Boys State is in its 61st year, his devotion is admirable.

His passion and humorous personality soon earned him the trust of many of his fellow staff members, who regard him as both a hard working and great co-worker.

As far as continuing to serve as athletic director, Zwiener said he wishes to continue until he is no longer able to effectively fulfill the position.



Athletic Director Bill Zwiener

This is great news to hear, and lets the Boys State program know that its athletic program will continue to flourish in years to come. The participants at Boys State would like to thank Mr. Zwiener for his many years of service.

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A victory brought a congratulatory handshake between teammates.

Athletic results

Softball: Hibbing def. Clara City; Mankato def. Duluth; Rochester def. Minneapolis; Moorhead def. St. Cloud; St. Paul def. Stillwater; Anoka def. St. Peter; Austin def. Winona.

Basketball: Hibbing def. Clara City; Duluth def. Mankato; Rochester def. Minneapolis; Moorhead def. St. Cloud; St. Paul def. Stillwater; St. Peter def. Anoka; Austin def. Winona.

Volleyball: Clara City def. Hibbing; Mankato def. Duluth; Rochester def. Minneapolis; St. Cloud def. Moorhead; Stillwater def. St. Paul; St. Peter def. Anoka; Austin def. Winona.

Menus

Thursday

Dinner: Baked chicken, corn dogs, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables.

Friday

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs w/ ham, French toast.

Lunch: Tacos, cavatappi, meat sauce, alfredo sauce.

Diner: Chicken patty, hot dogs, mac and cheese, baked beans, French fries.

Saturday

Breakfast. Last day of Boys State 2009.

Molnau continued from page 2 some other motivational sayings offered by the lieutenant governor.

Molnau also didn't let down her home state after being asked why Minnesota is so successful in the world of politics.

She proudly answered by saying "our work ethic, resources, and our people." Another reason was how

we have the most Fortune 500 companies per capita in the nation, a fact that came as a surprise to many in the audience.

Molnau complimented Boys Staters before exiting the podium following her first-class speech by saying our future "looks pretty bright from where I'm standing."

Know Your Stuff

Answer's from Wednesday's edition:

1. A, 2nd Tuesday of March
2. C, Governor
3. D, Conduct elections of local officials
4. D, 23



Supreme Court Associate Justice Paul Anderson swore in city mayors.



A wet morning

A hard rain that dumped over an inch of much-needed precipitation on Marshall forced 'picture day' to be moved indoors to Charter Hall on the campus of SMSU. Left: Boys State Dean David Way directs traffic as one of the cities files in for its picture. The sun came out later in the day, making the weather conditions muggy.

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illegal act, Guliano decided to just get it over with to help preserve his career. The election went by and Ryan was elected governor, just as it was hoped. Guliano then went on to Washington, D.C., and got a position as a liaison for the Secretary of Transportation. He loved the job, but his demons would come back to haunt him.

In the early months of 2000 an investigation was started into the possible wrongdoing in the 1998 campaign for Ryan. Guliano started getting calls, warning him that he was possibly going to be questioned. In 2001, the FBI came to his home, handing him a subpoena. He wasn't in much trouble, just a possible witness for the FBI. Then, 9/11 happened. In a quick moment the FBI

forgot its bargain with Guliano, as it was dealing with more pressing matters. Also, a new attorney was brought into play. The new attorney did not see Guliano as a witness, and instead put him on trial. Guliano made a bargain, pleading guilty in exchange for becoming a witness on the stand and having his trial be last. In January 2003, Faywell, was put on trial and Guliano was the first witness. He was grilled by the opposing lawyers, but remained intact through the gauntlet of verbal attacks. From this Faywell received six years of jail time. Next was former governor Ryan. Guliano was also a high-profile witness in this case. From this Ryan received six years in federal prison, which he is currently serving. Finally, after five years of waiting, Guliano had to face his demons.

After the trial, Guliano received four years probation, which included a fine and community service. The hardest thing to live with, he said, is the felony charge. With a felony he can't vote in his state, own a weapon, or travel to certain areas of the world. His career has not been destroyed, but hampered. He currently works for an association of businesses in Washington, D.C.

He learned lessons: Don't do the things that make you feel uneasy without asking questions. At that point of his speech, there was a series of questions. Many asked of how this could have been prevented. His answered echoed his speech — keep you ethics. When asked why he did this, Shea answered for him — "Because he feels that if he prevents at least a few of you from ever doing the same thing he did, it's worth it."

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of government are in constant conflict over how governmental power should be divided, and had Boys Stater David "DJ" Jacobson throwing elbows as the executive branch.

He then focused on the judiciary, talking about U.S. Supreme Court Justice John Marshall's creation of judicial review. He also talked about judicial activism.

After all of this, Anderson began

the main event: he brought up a series of volunteers to act out a real-life court case. He also, in his own unique way, addressed the idea of women and people of color in the judiciary. He talked about the "good ol' days," but in a way that showed he supports the changes that have been made. About the idea of women justices he said, "Our system has benefitted from a little less testosterone." We all enjoyed watching as

"baby face" Kenny and his faithful lawyer Caleb appealed their case revolving around how Kenny had been seized and the police officer had no reason to single him out of the crowd.

The justice then finished up by accepting and answering questions. He explained his stance as an unlabeled "free thinker" and responded well to other questions.