



THE STATE OF BOYS



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City of Duluth Elects New leaders

By: Ethan Weiss

The City of Duluth elected its leaders for the 2026 Minnesota Boys State on Monday, June 15th. With the program just beginning yesterday, there were few issues important to the elections, although there was some controversy surrounding shower time.

Boys State participants arrived at St. John's University yesterday and were quickly divided into six cities based on their last name. Citizens of the new cities met each other and filed for office yesterday, and elections occurred this morning.

There were three individual offices up for election, as well as five city councillors. Four individuals ran for mayor, four for treasurer, three for clerk, and nine for councillor.

The results are listed below:

Mayor: Daniel Trifonov

Treasurer: Saktheeswar Sivachandiran

Clerk: Gavin Schultz

Councillors: Markus Rustad, Maximo Williamson, Lowell Schultz, Lincoln Scherping, Matthew Stalboerger

Top issues for the new government to address include shower time and calisthenics.



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SIG KAI SHOOTERS

By: Hawkins Nyholm

The Sig Kai Shooters, located in Rochester, are extremely excited to start this boys' state basketball season. They have spent the entire offseason following a strict training routine. This routine has involved early morning practices, well before the sun comes up, and late nights running shooting drills. Not only have they spent thousands of hours in the off-season, but they have also spent dozens of hours drawing up plays, memorizing defensive formations, and devoted themselves to watching film on every team. The Sig Kai Shooter is currently seeded 1st overall. They are projected to go undefeated during the regular season and sweep the championship tournament. Some people even think that they will win most, if not all, games via mercy rule. Regardless, all of Rochester is pumped to see how the season will play out.

Night Life In Rochester

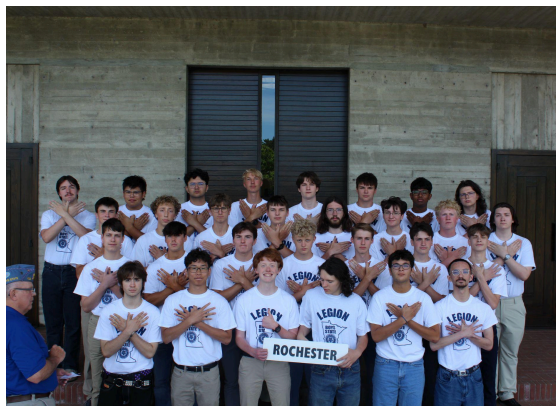
By: Hendrick Schlude

Music. Culture. Brotherhood. These are three words that encapsulated the city of Rochester as night set in.

Upon returning to the Tommy building after a day of legislation, the dulcet tones of an acoustic were heard through the halls, demonstrating a patriotic pride for the city and its residents.

Later in the evening, the city of Duluth was serenaded with a speaker and several Rochester dancers. Once again the spirit of family was demonstrated on a larger scale.

Finally, after a long evening of cultural connection, the boys of Rochester broke it down in whispers. As we fell asleep there could still be heard that rousing chorus: “rah rah Rochester”



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St Paul Installs New Government

By: Leland Tima

On June 15th, 2026 Boys State St Paul hosted their city election and elected their mayor, clerk, counsel members, and treasurer. Yesterday the citizens of St Paul started their mayoral campaigns in which Max Vetter and John Lorenz both took the most notable different approaches. Max ultimately focuses more on asking questions and bringing up topics that he wants to change/hear more about. Some of these topics included “Sydney Sweeny?, calisthenics, and sleep time”. John Lorenz focused more on talking to everybody and doing outreach to the people of St Paul.

The other positions available including city clerk, city treasurer and 5 city council members were also quite notable. The city treasurer position was fought over between Derek and Rodney while the temporary city clerk (August) faced no opposition. The city council seats were contested by 11 people.

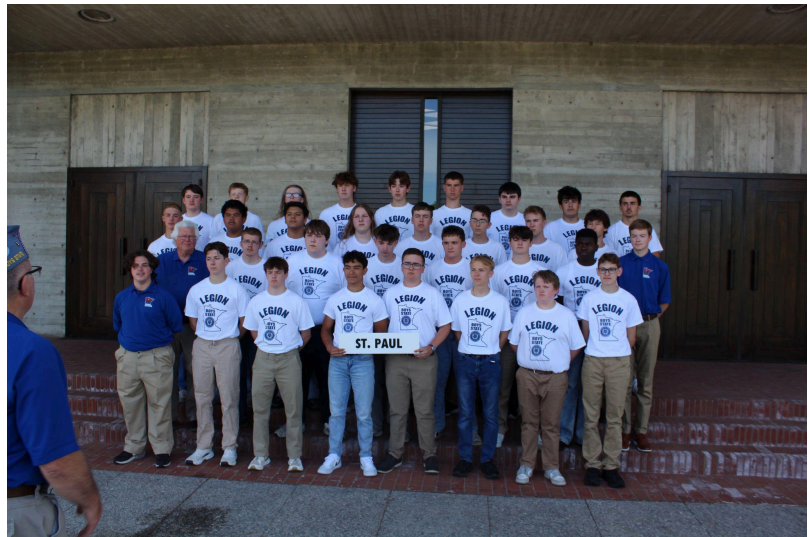
Overall the winners for these elections
Were as follows

Mayor: Max Vetter

Clerk: August

Treasurer: Derek

Counsel Members: Ayden, Leo, Jace,
Colton, and Levi



Fast Facts

American Legion Boys State began in 1935 in Illinois . American Legion Minnesota Boys’ State had its first session in 1949.

The first Minnesota Boys’ State had ____ attendees and ____ staff members.

Minnesota’s Boys’ State has been hosted at the University of Minnesota’s Ag Campus, St. Olaf College, Gustavus Adolphus College, St. John’s University, and Southwest Minnesota State University.

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