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## FEDERALIST PARTY PLATFORM

### Budget:

- Offer business rebates for companies who utilize local factories and resources.
- Establish work rehabilitation programs for lesser incomes.

### Green:

- Encourage public transportation and pedestrian safety.
- Reduce, reuse, recycle.

### School:

- Raise the standard of education for each level of learning through specialized programs for each kind of need.
- Raise funding as necessary to equalize standards in learning and facilities.



Megan Buckingham • Federalist Party Chair

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## NATIONAL PARTY PLATFORM

### Triple "E"ffect

### Education:

- Improve funding for local school systems
- Make college more affordable
- Strengthen teacher standards

### Environment:

- Make recycling accessible
- Increase environmental research
- Address mass transit

### Economy:

- Create jobs through infrastructure and environmental technology and research
- Encourage local business through tax



Diana Henzler • Nationalist Party Chair

## WEDNESDAY'S WEATHER



PM SHOWERS  
HIGH 67°F • LOW 50°F

## DELEGATES REACH FOR THE STARS

A room packed full of Buckeye Girls State delegates were on hand at their first workshop at BGS Monday morning. Pam Dimmerman, of the Campaign Processing/Executive Team, welcomed the delegates and gave them an insight into the duties of the Governor and Lt. Governor. She informed the girls of the importance of their networking team, the "posse" and explained that it is "the staff that makes the Governor shine." Dimmerman asked the delegates how many were campaigning for Governor. All hands were raised.

Dimmerman went over the importance of the appointments that the Governor makes, from her chief of staff to the Cabinet positions. When asked if anyone knew what a Senior Policy Advisor does, Fawn Walden of Flowers City stated, "She gives advice on how issues should be handled." Pam added to remember that the "Governor makes the final decision, but that the support staff is equally important."

The delegates left the workshop with an abundance of information and were ready to campaign for Governor or Lt. Governor of Buckeye Girls State 2008.

## UNIVERSITY SEMINAR WAS A SUCCESS

Professor Chris Burkett, Political Science instructor at Ashland University, gave an inspiring seminar to an overcrowded room of Buckeye Girls State delegates on statesmanship in America. With the aid of the principle American political thinkers' writings and the experience of the participants of BGS, this seminar examined the relationship of political principle to practical politics and how principle and politics have been successfully combined by various American statesmen. The girls will attend this five day seminar in its entirety, and on day five, will take a final exam. If they pass this exam, they will receive one (1) credit hour that is transferable to any university.

Professor Burkett gave the girls a few tips. "Speaking and thinking go hand in hand," said Burkett. He also encouraged the girls to read out loud when they are studying. Monday's seminar covered the Declaration of Independence. Seminars 2 and 3 will cover the Constitution. Seminar 4 will entail Abraham Lincoln's addresses. Finally, Seminar 5 will be the final exam.

If the opportunity to attend this seminar was passed by, a great educational experience was truly missed. To the staff of BGS: if you return next year as a volunteer, I would encourage you to find the time to attend this seminar. No one is ever too old to learn!

## LEGISLATIVE LADIES EDUCATE DELEGATES

Diann Morgan, Deputy Director of the Legislative Branch, welcomed the girls to the legislative workshop. Morgan then began to explain how the legislature is broken down into two separate chambers - the House of Representatives and the Senate - who are "responsible for writing, debating, and voting on the bills" of Buckeye Girls State.

Morgan reminded the girls that the Representatives and Senators are not the only positions available within the House and the Senate. She informed the delegates that appointments are available if a delegate does not have a job, with a total of 43 appointments. The delegates were also told that if they had ideas for a bill, the proposal can be suggested to a Representative or Senator as a sponsor.

Elaine Hoover, the Senate Advisor, explained to the delegates how to write a bill. She also clarified the difference between a bill (which are made into laws of the state) and a resolution (which are not laws, but "merely formalities.") Karen Miller, the House of Representatives Advisor, described the process of how a bill becomes a law.

Diann Morgan concluded by giving details about the leadership positions available in the House and Senate. The top positions are the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate. These ladies will be followed by the Speaker Pro Tempore and President Pro Tempore.

The girls left the workshop eager and willing to run for office in the House of Representatives and Senate.

## CITY GOVERNMENT KICKS OFF

Enthusiastic Buckeye Girls State citizens filed into the Upper Convocation Alumni Room Monday morning to listen to the Deputy Director of City Government, Amanda Rader, explain the many elected and appointed positions of City Government. The citizens were reminded that although campaigning is serious, have a little fun along the way and be respectable. BGS Citizens were instructed to elect their Central Committeewomen, who will hold a vital role in city and county election. Citizens were reminded that each city is required to create a city book which includes: the city history, motto, song, and a list of officials.



# THE RITUAL OF FOLDING THE AMERICAN FLAG



Here is the second installment of the Greene County Dailies' article from Flag Day.

"The flag folding ceremony represents the same religious principles on which our country was originally founded. The portion of the flag denoting honor is the canton of blue containing the stars representing the states our veterans served in uniform. The canton field of blue dresses from left to right and is inverted when draped as a pall on a casket of a veteran who has served our country in uniform.

In the Armed Forces of the United States, at the ceremony of retreat the flag is lowered, folded in a triangle fold and kept under watch throughout the night as a tribute to our nation's honored dead. The next morning it is brought out and, at the ceremony of reveille, run aloft as a symbol of our belief in the resurrection of the body.

- The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.
- The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.
- The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain a peace throughout the world.
- The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.
- The fifth fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."
- The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
- The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.
- The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered in to the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on mother's day.
- The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.
- The tenth fold is a tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.
- The eleventh fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
- The twelfth fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost.

When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God we Trust."

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today."

*The Flag Folding Ceremony above is from the US Air Force Academy Flag Folding. [www.usafa.af.mil](http://www.usafa.af.mil)*

## Believe

*"Let the sun be your freedom,  
The wind be your song,  
The promise of morning  
When the nights are long...  
And when you find a rainbow  
After a rain storm's end,  
Believe with all your heart  
Miracles do happen."*

*-Joy Frederick*



## WEDNESDAY AT A GLANCE

Flag Raising	7:15 am
State Rallies	9:15 am
County/State Primary Election	11:00 am
County Rallies	2:15 pm
Debate and Party Demonstrations	3:30 pm
University Seminar/ Band & Chorus	5:00 pm
County/State General Election	6:00 pm
City Government Celebration	8:00 pm
City Meeting	10:30 pm



*Fire Chief Civil Service Exam*



**Monday's Ideal City**  
was Taft City!  
Congratulations!!

## AU BOOKSTORE

*The AU bookstore is open for business. Check out the BGS keepsakes as well as Ashland University items.*

## TUESDAY CONTEST

**REMEMBER TO GET YOUR ENTRY IN TO THE NEWSROOM BEFORE 9 AM WEDNESDAY.**

1. Ohio's first settlement was founded in 1788 in \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The first capital of Ohio was \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Ohio officially became a state in \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The capital of Ohio, and once a Mingo Indian Village, is \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Ohio has \_\_\_\_\_ counties.
6. The largest county in Ohio is \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The smallest county in Ohio is \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The first University in Ohio was \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The home of the first county library was located in \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The nation's largest single university campus is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Congratulations to MERRITT CITY, Monday's Contest winner!**

### MONDAY CONTEST ANSWERS

1. Attorney General; 2. Secretary of State; 3. 3; 4. Governor; 5. Treasurer; 6. Mayor;
7. Lt. Governor; 8. Sheriff; 9. Auditor; 10. City Council

## QUESTION OF THE DAY

***What was your favorite workshop today?***

"The State Highway Patrol, because they did slideshows and showed pictures. It was very informative."

– Ashlee Dietz, Stowe City

"The political strategy workshop. The speaker was a cool guy. He had a lot of background facts and information. He was very inspirational."

– Jahmarra Warfield, Withrow City

"The city government. The speaker was very energetic and passionate about what she was talking about and portraying the information to us."

– Lydia Tillmaand, Cook City

"The Secretary of State one. It was really informative. They broke down every single job. The presentation was really good, and they handed out lots of information. So, it was really good."

– April Fishburn, Cook City

"The city government, because I learned about all the jobs we could have in our city."

– Courtney Kenney, Allen City

"The political parties and campaign strategies one. It was very informational. It had really good tips and ideas on how they could approach campaigning. The personal stories and anecdotes were especially helpful and interesting."

– Caitlin Vest and Casey Archer, Benson City