

Sperling discusses life during the Holocaust

Tucker Regan 0075

Sunday's assembly included a very heart wrenching and warming story about the terror suffered during the holocaust. Helen Sperling, a known speaker and survivor of the holocaust gave a "bitter sweet" story of herself as a young Jewish girl struggling to survive the terrible time in our history. Helen's story started in the town of Warsaw, Poland where she was raised a very spoiled and well-loved child, In 1938 the Nazis invaded and she along with her family were kicked out of their house. She explained how at the beginning of the war they couldn't tell friends from enemies, with some of the Nazi soldiers being known friends, "People you knew your whole life were Nazis, my mother even shined a soldier's shoes" after the conquest by Germany, her known life began to completely fall apart. Her mother was taken somewhere after offending an officer and was never heard or seen from again, (presumed dead) she herself was rounded up along with a number of other Jewish people who she said "managed not to be killed."

At this point Helen paused her story to inform of us of all the ways Jews were identified and singled out. Here she also talked about what she called "A seed being planted within society" a seed that



Helen Sperling describes her life during and after the holocaust as well as showing the audience pictures of her mother and father. Photo by Adrian Garcia 0400.

said "The Jews were dirty people" and as this seed grew the town she knew as her home slowly disappeared. After being rounded up, she and some of the others were brought to a munitions factory and forced to work as slaves making shells for the German military. She described the SS officers that were in charge of all the Jews in the camp. She stated "There was an SS woman that would take a prisoner into the room next to the beds and beat

them to death, eventually you began to not hate the officer but hate the prisoner, wanting them to die and allow you to go to sleep. Helen's story ended after six years of torture with only luck and God for her to rely on for survival. The moral of her story she stated was that to be a bystander like many of her fellow friends in Warsaw is equally as terrible as those committing the crime. "Thou shall not be a bystander" 11th commandment.

BOY'S STATE MENU

Monday, June 29 LUNCH: Big and JUICY Burger, Steak Fries, Sliced Carrots, Tossed Salad, Choc. Chip Cookies, (Veg.) Black Bean Burger. DINNER: BBQ Chicken (hollah), Salt Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Cornbread, Pies, (Veg.) BBQ Soy Chicken.

Tuesday, June 30 BREAKFAST: Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage patties, Potato wedges, Fresh Fruit, Fruit Cocktail, Cold Cereal, Blueberry Muffins

Boys' State Weather

Monday, June 29

Chance of Showers

High 67 / Low 55

Precipitation 40%

Winds 8 mph

Bartering amongst the boys



Joe Giulian 0280

On page 11 of the Boys' State "Bible," it states that this course is designed "...to impress upon them the fact that their government is what THEY make it." Boys! The

government at Boys' State is in fact what WE make it, and it's already becoming an extraordinary farce.

As I sat surveying the surroundings of my State Party's Convention, I observed political acts that undermine the entire institution of democracy. At Boys' State, we are given the exclusive opportunity to develop our own government within the realm of a democracy. Right now, our County Party Chairpersons are making deals with other counties. These deals include the bartering of our votes.

Each one of us holds our own opinions. Each one of us holds our

own values. We cannot form a great democratic system through these bartering arrangements. Many of our votes are being handed off to candidates we know do not deserve the political position. We are all individuals, and we all want to be heard.

Let's stand up for our 2015 Boys' State government! We cannot let our County Party Chairman's ability to barter dictate what our vote is. We should use our time at Boys' State to create a system that triumphs over any previous Boys' State government.

The Statesman Daily Briefing

John Barna 0526

Clinton Prison Escapees: One Shot Dead by Police; Other in Police Custody

Latest ISIS Attack: Mosque in Kuwait Bombed - 27+ Dead. Shooting on Tunisian Beach - 38 dead.

Iran Nuclear Talks to "Go Beyond Deadline"

Greece Closes All Banks Amid Escalating Financial Crisis.

Swift justice: Supreme Court



John Barna 0526

Three years ago, Chief Justice Roberts affirmed the Obamacare's constitutionality. Four days ago, Roberts affirmed the Obamacare's legality yet again; this time, Justice Kennedy, Reagan's appointee, joined the major-

ity. In the Court's recent opinion the Justices were asked to give their interpretation of a portion of Obamacare which allowed 8.7 million Americans to purchase their own health insurance through subsidies. Despite Roberts' ideology, he chose to reaffirm the principle of legislative intent in judicial interpretation. Roberts and Kennedy should be applauded for rising above petty ideologies to interpret Obamacare's intent.

This decision reflects Obamacare's growing popularity. Obamacare is working for over 16 million people who have become insured. Republicans were wrong—it didn't destroy the economy. Instead it's becoming a program as important as Social Security. Just as Eisenhower referred to those who wanted to

destroy Social Security as "stupid," conservative Justices have realized Obamacare's efficacy and see efforts to repeal it as futile.

The Court handed down another important decision. Kennedy wrote the decision, giving gays the right to marry. Again, conservatives felt a knife in their back as Kennedy gave an opinion which will go down in history alongside Brown v. Board.

This decision proves the Court remains this nation's primary catalyst for progress. Holocaust survivor Helen Spierling applauded this as another victory for social justice. As we elect our own Court, we must ask ourselves hard truths about our candidate's values. We must seek a Court which will ensure equal protection under the law for all people.

Federalist Party Convention

Anthony Moore 0548

Saturday's Federalist Party Convention began with powerful, overwhelming noise caused by intense county competition over temporary secretary, with a citizen from Roosevelt County taking the cake.

The race for temporary county clerk followed with a victory from Spafford County. The rules committee then established typical voting procedures and prohibited the use of block voting,

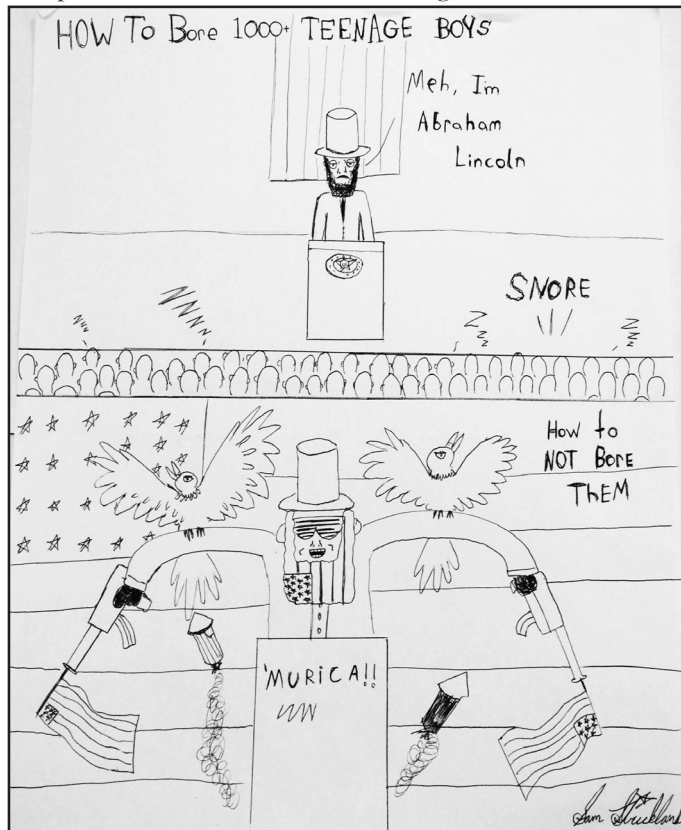
which had been utilized by a number of the counties in the convention prior to the establishment of voting procedures. Subsequently the convention began to move at a glacial pace with just two votes being completed in over an hour, permanent county secretary and clerk.

Speeches throughout the night were largely about "leadership qualities" and personal merit rather than issues.

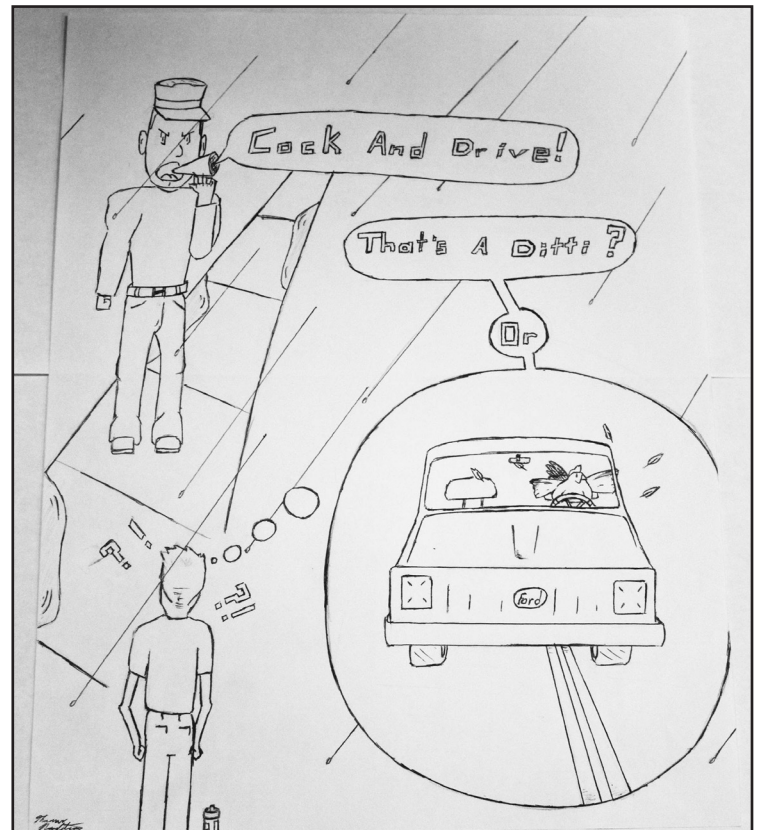
Yesterday's convention began with election for county chairman. Citizen #0794 from Pedro County, city of Neville, won the title of party chairman.

The election for Court of Appeals judge nominees then began, with Brendon Stone, #0552, acquiring the most votes of the seven that moved on.

The counties with the most voting power over the last two days have been Roosevelt, Scheilberg, and Dellinger, each with fifty plus votes.



Sam Strickland 0796



Thomas Nordstrom 0250

Nationalist Party Convention

Danny Gelles 0169

The votes are in and the Nationalist convention has ended. The Nationalist convention did not appear to be the most professional, however it was the most entertaining. A popular trend for the winners seemed to center around humor. After all, to get into Boys' State one must exhibit leadership skills, so, what better way to stand out than to be the funny guy? For example citizen 0601

from Scheiberling won committee chairman by quoting Shia Labeouf—"Don't let your dreams be dreams." Citizen 0223 of Kogutek was elected to comptroller by rewriting and singing the lyrics of "Party in the USA" as his platform speech.

The Nationalist caucus might have been exciting for most, but not for Nick Longo. Longo, Jr. Counselor of McKneally county was allegedly napping during the convention by citizen 0173;

the sheriff of the same county. He was detained and then later released when charges could not be procured. Longo is now seeking justice on the grounds that his constitutional rights were violated. Meanwhile Larry Montello; counselor of McKneally County is embarrassed of his former Boy's State citizen; Nick Longo. Coincidence also has it that Nick Longo once was citizen 0173, the same number as his arresting officer.

U.S. woman's soccer advances in world cup

Zachary Braster 0414

With a 1-0 win over China on Saturday, the United States Woman's Soccer team advances to the semifinals against Germany.

Although the U.S. only had a 27% shot on goal accuracy, they managed to come away with the win.

The team has been facing some adversity this season, and they didn't have it any easier during this game due to the fact that they were missing two big players (Rapinoe and Holiday) on the account of being carded in

the previous game.

The coach of the woman's team stated that they are making very good lineup changes, and having the speed in their main positions is very helpful.

The U.S. will play the semifinal game on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.



MLB Sunday Scoreboard:

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Yankees - 9 vs. Astros - 6
Rays - 4 vs. Red Sox - 1
Marlins - 3 vs. Dodgers - 2
Giants - 7 vs. Rockies - 5
Pirates - 8 vs. Braves - 4
Royals - 3 vs. Athletics - 2
Twins - 5 vs. Brewers - 2
Rangers - 4 vs. Blue Jays - 0

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Lovely day for sports.....Not! The rain never stopped...

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2015 City Mayors



Row 1 Kody Pinkowski 0946, Justin Deopaul 0327, Joseph Ferguson 0116, Nicholas Busuttil 0608, Nikko Genoese 0239, William Fleckenstein 0770, Noah Alles 0179, Adam Oliver 0195, Digby Baker-Porazinski 0002, Charles Obrier 0699 Row 2 Michael Campany 0474, Alexander Hogue 0492, Thomas Winthrop 0264, William Van-Beusukom 0416, David York 0394, Christopher Pedro 0361, John Klenk 0714, Nathaniel Goulart 0048, Jonathan Bessette 0101, Kyle Gorman 0634 Row 3 Michael Williamson 0890, Cooper Deck 1021, Jacob Scott 1095 Grant Milne 1064, Spencer Davis 0550, Adma Gier 0992, Daniel Dueli 0788, Schuyler Dineen 0867, John Jeffrey 0848, Nicholas Perpetua 0581 Program Director Dave O'Brien, Executive Director John Murphy