

# THE STATESMAN

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## Alumni from Boys' State Speak About Their Experience

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Thursday was alumni day for the New York Legion Boys' State program. Fittingly, the three guest speakers on Thursday's morning assembly, were all Boys' State and Boys' Nation participants: Collin Schmitt, Brandon Cea and Mike Heibert. Each speaker talked about their experiences during Boys' State and tried to impart a piece of wisdom to the current citizens of Boys' State.

Schmitt arrived at Boys' State in 2007, and in his ten years since Boys' State he has accomplished much in his career. However, Schmitt didn't come to gloat about his successes, instead he focused on motivating the citizens of Boys' State to never give up and to run for office. Schmitt ran for nominations as both governor and Lt. Governor, neither of which he succeeded in, but his perseverance in the program led him to get the nomination for Boys' Nation. "If you make it through the week, I promise you, you can make it through anything," said Schmitt. "Never let anyone tell you that you are too young for your dreams."

Cea attended Boys' State just last year, and was elected governor of the state. Cea plans to attend the US Military



*Colin Schmitt speaks about his experience at Boys' State and Boy's Nation ten years ago.*

Academy at West Point with considerations of majors in the engineering field. Cea also talked about the difficulty of surviving Boys' State. Cea stated, "know that the light at the end of the tunnel is near, and that the light represents time to eat food, sleep and girls." At the mention of girls, the assembly erupted in excitement, and it sounded like every citizen was in the program until the end.

*Photo by Michael Dilluvio 0931*

Heibert, a 2016 Boys' State graduate right alongside Cea, also spoke inspirationally to the convention. Heibert talked about how Boys' State will change all those who participate, in both educationally ways and in personal character. Everyone will leave with a higher understanding of both public speaking and the political system, as well as leaving the program more mature. "Fortune favors the brave," Heibert said.

### BOYS' STATE MENU

Friday, June 30

#### Lunch

Philly Cheese Steak  
Seasoned Waffle Fries  
Peas  
Tossed Salad  
Brownies

#### Picnic

Hamburgers  
Hotdogs  
Mac Salad  
Watermelon  
Potato Chips  
Cookies Choc. Chip

Saturday, July 1

#### Breakfast

Scrambled Eggs  
Belgian Waffles  
Ass. Meats  
Assorted Potatoes  
Fresh Fruit  
Canned Pineapple  
Cold Cereal  
Combine Pastries

*(Eggplant Parmesan)*

### Boys' State Weather

Friday, June 30

Cloudy/Thunderstorms

High 79

Low 68

Precipitation 80%

Winds 8 mph

# Rise of the Uncivil



**Casey Huber 0866**

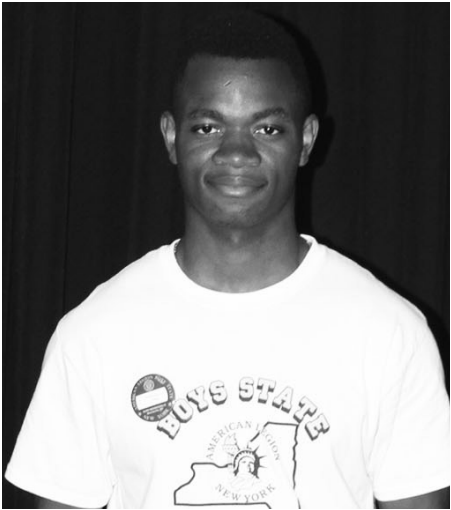
We can't agree to disagree anymore. Politics got ugly during this last election, driving a wedge between Democrats and Republicans across the country. One of the main features of Boys' State is the political parties, which are formed from random assignment of numbers. So, one would expect that the Federal-

ists and Nationalists wouldn't have the same animosity as our current political parties, right? Well, evidently not.

Part of our education at Boys' State is civility. That includes respect for other's point of view, and having meaningful conversations about differing views for better understanding. Clearly, based on our political rallies alone, there is some innate devotion to the party one belongs to and hatred of the opposing party. Boys' State is intended to be a microcosm of our government, which suggests the behavior we exhibit towards members of the opposite party is more akin to our government than intended.

Polarization in government is largely attributed to the stagnation in Congress, making the issue one that goes beyond harsh words. Bills and laws go unsigned as a result of the divided house. Abraham Lincoln once said, "A house divided cannot stand." As citizens, we should not tolerate this breakdown of democracy.

## Election Results



**Governor- Emmanuel Tay**

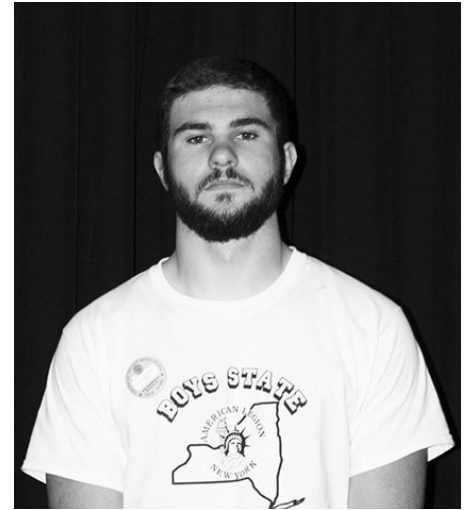
**Lt Governor- Michael DiFlorio**

**Attorney General- Sayhill Yaddah**

The Federalist Candidate for Governor, Emmanuel Tay (l), and the Nationalist Candidate for Lt Governor, Micheal Diflorio (r), pose for photos after their victory

**Comptroller- Tucker R. Garrett**

**Chief Justice- Cooper Willis.**



**Court of Appeals**

Branden McCoy

Michael Bozza

Shaivam Patel

Dimitri Christoforatos

Zachary Yorio

Robert Johnson.



# Statesman Daily News Briefing

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Iraqi forces are on the verge of pushing ISIS out of their capital, Mosul. Coalition Colonel Ryan Dillon said "Liberation [of Mosul] is imminent" but not without "a difficult fight". Earlier this month, the Iraqis earned a major moral victory over ISIS; they recaptured the Great Mosque of al-Nuri (location where ISIS launched in 2014). Still, approximately

three blocks of Western Mosul remain under ISIS control, including a hospital with civilians.

Beginning on Tuesday, a major cyberattack crippled computers worldwide, stemming from the Ukraine. This attack is known as the Petya Malware Variant. It was first believed that the attack was ransom, because a fee was attached. Now, however, it appears this Variant was a 'wiper', or one that destroys

data. Security expert Anton Ivanov summarized the magnitude: "This is the worst case for the victims. Even if they pay the ransom, they will not get their data back". The hacker is unknown, but the Ukraine has blamed Russia.



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## Boys' State Sports

In Boys' State sports Bowen defeated Miller and Carpenter defeated Sallese in the semi-finals. The Bowen and Carpenter championship game saw Bowen on the winning end 21-19. After

the championship game the Marines faced off against the Boys with the Marines winning on a buzzer-beater by Staff Sergeant Ross from Stember.

The tennis championships were won

by John Ocker 0865.

The softball championship was won by McLaughlin beating Malin 9-8.

Don't forget that the cross country 5k race is today after assembly.



## National Sports News

### Sean Lally 0081

Basketball-

The following are the results of the NBA awards from the 2016-17 season:

MVP - Russell Westbrook from Oklahoma City Thunder

Rookie of the Year - Malcolm Brogdon from the Minnesota Bucks

Coach of the Year - Mike D'Antoni Houston Rockets

Defensive Player of the Year - Dray-

mond Green from the Golden State Warriors

Soccer-

There have been some rumors circulating throughout Europe around Maxime Gonalons and a possible move to AS Roma from Lyon. The move would be worth around \$6.5 million and would be used to strengthen Romas mid-field. Gonalons averaged four defensive

tackles per game and a passing accuracy of 90 percent.

Good news for the blue side of Manchester as the signing of Dani Alves from Juventus is close to a done deal. Alves has agreed with Juventus to terminate the player's contract and his most likely destination is Manchester City.