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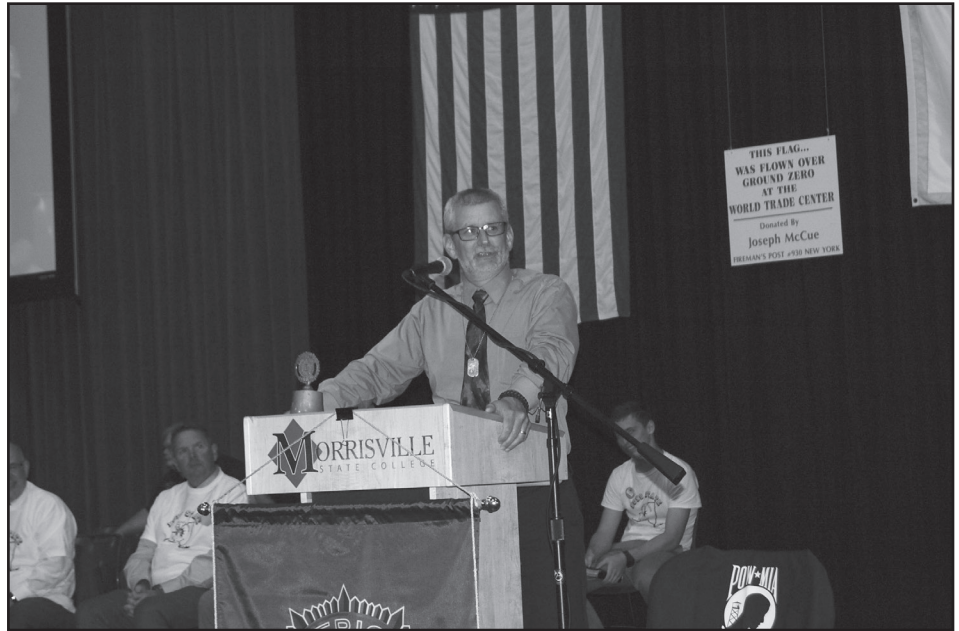
Hesse, Ashforth, and Wyman speak at Assembly

David Skinner 0571

Wednesday's morning assembly was graced by the presence of three unique speakers: retired US Army retired Col. Eric Hesse, professional speaker Fred Ashforth and Brian Wyman, the father of a US Marine and an Oneida County Deputy Sheriff

Col. Hesse currently serves as director of the New York State Division of Veterans' Affairs, as appointed by Governor Cuomo. Hesse served 26 years in the Army and had inspiring words for all citizens of Boys' State. He encouraged the citizens of Boys' State to find their role, to grow and serve their communities. "It's not just about you, it's what you are doing for the collective community." Hesse also talked about his son and his son's experience at Boys' State. He talked about how his son returned from Boys' State considerably more mature, and how many parents would no doubt appreciate that Boys' State has changed in their sons.

The second speaker, Fred Ashforth, gave five basic tips to help those running for any level of office or party nominations. Ashforth's first tip was to listen. "As a speaker you are not the most important, the audience is." Ashforth



Brian Wyman speaks about the life of his late son Kurt Wyman.

Photo by Michael Dilluvio 0931

continued to say that in order to impress the audience with a speech, an individual must speak to the audience's interests, and therefore must first listen to the audience's wants and needs.

Ashforth's second tip was to respect the audience. It is not necessary to talk the audience's ear off, keep the speeches short and concise.

The third tip was to speak from the

heart and use stories often, to keep a speech spicy and interesting.

The fourth tip consulted the looks of those giving speeches. "Look and sound like a pro," Ashforth said. "Stand tall, look confident, essentially embody a Marine."

And finally, in closing, Ashforth stated "stretch yourself, do what you fear, and the fear will go away."

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BOYS' STATE MENU

Thursday, June 29

Lunch

BBQ Pulled Pork
Mac & Cheese
Corn
Tossed Salad
Smoes Bars

(Mac & Cheese)

Dinner

Roast Turkey
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Tossed Salad
Dinner Rolls

Cheescake Cups
(Open Faced Sy Chk SD)

Friday, June 30

Breakfast

Scrambled Eggs
French Toast
Sausage Links
Home Fries
Fresh Fruit
Canned Pinnapples
Cold Cereal
Donut Holes

Boys' State Weather

Thursday, June 29

Cloudy
High 72
Low 58
Precipitation 30%
Winds 7 mph

Future of the Knicks in Question



Anthony Palazzola 1063

Phil Jackson's tenure as Executive of the New York Knicks ended on Wednesday. At first glance, this is a shocker, witnessing the exit of an eleven-time NBA

champion. However, when one considers the Knick's future, this decision was expected. In his three years of service, the Knicks had merely 80 wins and 166 losses. Jackson's team was crumbling and in a financial hole.

Around the holidays, this vision began to crash. Not only was the team accumulating losses, the locker-room was imploding. At the center was Phil Jackson. Jackson did not appreciate the performance of head coach Jeff Hornacek, and reportedly sent Hornacek home during a practice. Jackson took over Hornacek's role as instructor,

and demeaned Hornacek's Triangular Offense. This hurt the morale of the Knicks, as their management was far from unified. Players began to take sides, and this destabilization drew the attention of owner James Dolan. Dolan was forced to act and Jackson took the fall.

Phil Jackson's future in basketball is now ambiguous. On every previous team, Jackson was successful (most recently the LA Lakers). This molded his reputation as a basketball genius. But this intelligence has failed recently, and has injured Jackson's investment value.

Statesman Daily News Briefing

Casey Huber 0866

Tensions in North Korea have reached a new level of danger. China, North Korea's main trade partner, has placed an export ban on all oil, gasoline, diesel, and petroleum to the rogue state.

Currently 39,000 US troops are stationed in Japan, roughly a third of which are Marines. Similarly, 23,500 troops are stationed in South Korea.

Reasoning behind this ban is largely attributed to North Korea's recent missile and nuclear technology tests. The United States has

been working with China, Japan, and South Korea to diffuse the situation in North Korea.

"Make no mistake, any attack on America or our allies will not only be defeated, but any use of nuclear weapons will be met with an overwhelming and effective response," former US Secretary of Defense Ash Carter said at a conference with South Korean officials after a North Korean nuclear test, reported by Fox News.

Before now, China has been hesitant to anger their nuclear neighbor. Much to President

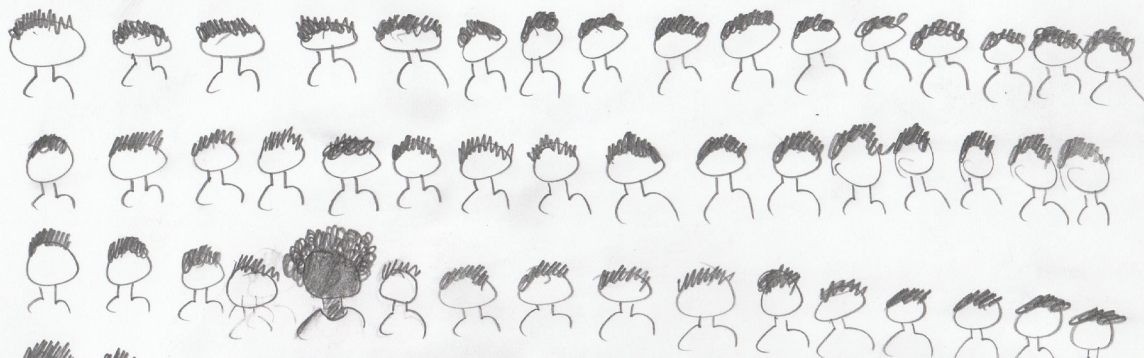
Donald Trump's dismay, Chinese president Xi Jinping has continued to allow shipments of supplies despite almost unilateral UN sanctions against North Korea.

"North Korea just stated that it is in the final stages of developing a nuclear weapon capable of reaching parts of the US. It won't happen," Trump tweeted.

"I just want everybody to understand, and fully know, that the United States of America is behind Japan, our great ally, 100 percent," Trump said during a meeting with Jinping.

A Melting Pot For Color, Creed, and Nationality

Jack Callahan 0066



Federalist Party Caucus

Carson Butler 0058

The Federalist Party Caucus started strong by nominating Charles Howard 0314 for Attorney General. In deciding the nominee for the Lieutenant Governor, the party ran into a snag when the third round of voting ended in a tie between candidates 0584 and 0830 with 132 votes each. A representative from Stember came to the rescue with a correction to their voting which pushed the already leading choice, Leo Henry 0732, to victory. The council called for a revote to solidify this change, resulting in the

243 votes to win.

Several eccentric nominees, ranging from someone just wanting their car back to our friendly neighborhood 'fruit guy,' gave vibrant speeches. The campaigns dwindled down to a sure competition between Fruit Guy 1068 and Emmanuel Tay 0566. The candidates drew out every last bit of energy from the crowd with both chants and food. The winner became clear when nominee 1068, after rapping, received varied responses from crowd. In the final round, Tay won with 304 votes to 171.

Also during the caucus, the Federalist Party announced their platform. The Party will advocate for fiscally conservative programs, such as a flat tax, while also promoting policies that will lead to the legalization of substances like recreational Marijuana. Finally, the Federalist platform includes a universal age of adulthood with the slogan, "If you are old enough to die for your country, you are old enough to crack a cold one open with the boys."

Nationalist Party Caucus

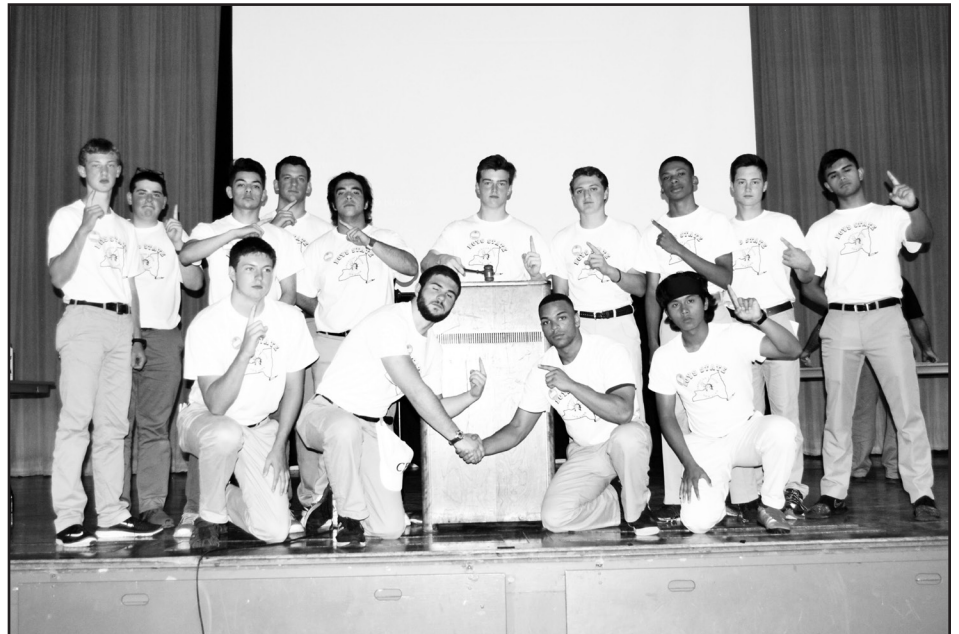
William Gaylord 0083

The second day of the Nationalist caucus kicked off with the District Attorney election. After several rounds of voting citizen #0633 emerged victorious. In the race for Lieutenant Governor, citizen #0335 from Fish County received the nomination after proposing several amendments for future Boys' State. The governor race saw 10 dedicated candidates all promising that they were the best fit. However, it was soon clear that the candidate from McKneally was the clear favorite. In the first round candidate #0195 performed a Boys' State inspired rap. In round two he one-upped himself by reciting from memory the Duties of Elective State Offices from page 34 of the Boys' State Bible. Unable to recite all six du-

ties in his allotted time limit, he came back strong, literally, and finished the final two duties in round three while completing pushups. These impressive

feats resulted in a landslide victory of 297-48-52-67 for the McKneally candidate.

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Assembly

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Bryan Wyman, the final guest speaker of Wednesday morning, gave a heart-wrenching speech about the death of his son, Kurt Wyman, which demonstrated to true value of three words: choice, consequence and character.

Wyman talked about how his son made choices, and with these choices suffered many consequences. Although this may sound insensitive upon first

view, these consequences, in turn, build character. Wyman talked about how his son's character was truly exceptional, and that while he served as Deputy Sheriff of Oneida County, his son fully exhibited his character and helped the community greatly.

Wyman stressed that "parents that are protecting you from the consequences of your choices are hindering you." He continued on to say that facing

the consequences of one's actions builds character, and solid character at that.

A quote by Bryan to keep in mind as tensions rise in the state elections, "Don't blame someone else for the consequences of the choices you make."



Boys' State Sports

Sean Lally 0081

Winners- Tennis winners include Ocker #0865, Pusloskie #0010, Shi #0298, Kaffenbarger #0903, Krohl #0532, Smith #0770, Redman #0121, Ludwig #0535, Skahan #0457, Young #0486, Albright #0980, Garrett #0727,

Swetz #1101 and Krivickas #1011.

Basketball winners include Bowen, Ward, Van Patten, Miller, Burnett, Sallese, McLaughlin, Bowen and Miller. Today's basketball schedule includes Bowen vs Miller and Sallese vs McLaughlin in the semi-finals at 2:00. The winners will

then face each other in the finals at 3:00 for the championship.

The dodgeball tournament will be at the basketball courts by the stadium at 3:00.

Basketball

Scores

Bowen - 20 vs. Keiser - 18

VanPatten - 20 vs. Ward - 8

Miller - 20 vs. Malin - 14

Burnett - 20 vs. Marino - 17

Sallese - 1 vs. Malin - 0

McLaughlin - 20 vs. Bertrand -18

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National Sports News

Sean Lally 0081

Basketball -

It is reported that 32 year-old Clipper, Chris Paul, may join the Rockets next season. This exchange would also include players such as Patrick Beverly, Lou Williams, Sam Dekker, and a protected first round draft pick for next year. Paul is a nine-time All-Star and has averaged 19 points, ten assists, four rebounds and two steals per game in his 12 year career

Soccer -

The European under 21 championship semi-finals on Tuesday will have Germany and Spain meeting in the finals on Friday. Germany dramatically beat England 4-3 on penalties with Spain beating Italy 3-1 after a second half hat trick from Atletico Madrid player Saul Niguez. Wednesday also saw a dramatic end to the CONCACAF World Cup Qualifier game between Portugal and Chile with Chile winning 3-0 on penalties.