

# 2010 New Mexico Boys' State

## Message from the Executive Director *Ralph Kemp*

GENTLEMEN:

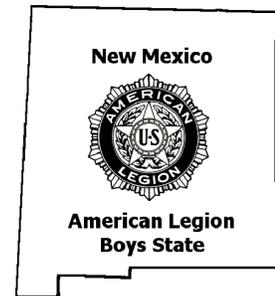
I regret that I am not able to be with you this year, but I would still like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 2010 session of New Mexico Boys' State.

Remember that the staff will assist you in any way we can, but Boys' State is ultimately your program. Just as in everyday life, the level of success this week will be determined by the level of commitment and enthusiasm that each of you puts for-

ward.

It is great to see the pride that you are developing in each of your cities! Keep up the good work and this may very well prove to be the best Boys' State session in recent memory.

Congratulations to all of the recently elected and appointed governmental officers. I would also like to thank every young man that campaigned for an office and encourage each of you to do so again.



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# ARMIJO

City of Loyalty

County of DeLeon

Joel Dacus

With the introduction of primitive shouting from a group called Armijo came the unexpected introduction of lasting bonds. Strangers who viewed each other with disdain minutes before the program started now viewed each other in a close fraternity. This is a brotherhood that seems to take pleasure in the interactions with other groups simply because of the appropriate chance to ostentatiously shout a roar to embarrass the other groups into hiding. Clever chants and pompous dancing learned only in a few hours beforehand eventually won the coveted prize of eating in the cafeteria first.

One could almost sense the destiny that awaits the rag tag team called Armijo. As a reporter towards this peculiar event I only worry about one question; can this group of diverse young men achieve the impossible of a perfect week, or are these kids destined to be one-hit wonders that were crushed by trying too hard on the first day? Only time can tell, but until then I continue to cross my fingers for a miracle in endurance and spirit to last the whole week.

For now the young men have seemed to be distracted with ongoing elections, as candidates focus on posters and media to capture the essence of political campaigns. But one thing that has indubitably been captured is the nature of campaign speeches!

## City Election Results:

Mayor– Mackenzie Follingstad (F)  
 Councilman– Ramiro Medina (F)  
 Councilman– Joshua Puckett (F)  
 Councilman– Joseph Victorino (N)  
 Councilman– Ian Taylor (N)  
 City Clerk– Tyler Gilliland (F)  
 City Treasurer– Robert Mazza (F)  
 Municipal Judge– Patrick Ward (F)



Top: Ian Taylor, Joseph Victorino, Patrick Ward, Ramiro Medina, Tyler Gilliland  
 Front: Robert Mazza, Mackenzie Follingstad, Joshua Puckett

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# Castillo

City of Perseverance

County of DeCastro

James Walker

The City of Castillo experienced many challenges its first day of Boys' State.

The boys of Castillo joined in the "T.V." room on the second floor of Bernalillo hall to discuss rules, code of conduct and city jobs within Castillo.

"At first, I thought (Boys' State) would be boring but after a while, I started to meet new people and it got interesting and I started having a great time," said Arthur Armijo, Party Planner and Police Judge Elect for the Nationalist party of Castillo.

After jobs were decided among the new Castellans, they headed to Becky Sharp Hall and were welcomed by James Baca, director of Boys' State.

"This (Boys' State) event has changed a lot of lives in a lot of different generations," said Baca.

The young men of the City of Castillo listened intently to Kent Peterson as he explained the function of the court system, common elements of crimes, the three branches of government, and the makeup of state and local governments and court systems.

Boys from Castillo also got opportunity to take part in a mock trial and experienced the legal process first hand.

We then reported to our designated party rooms and participated in ice-breaker activities and also selected each party's chairperson.

"The ice-breaker activity was very unique and got us all comfortable and got us all to know each other some,"

said Johnny Garza, Nationalist Chairperson.

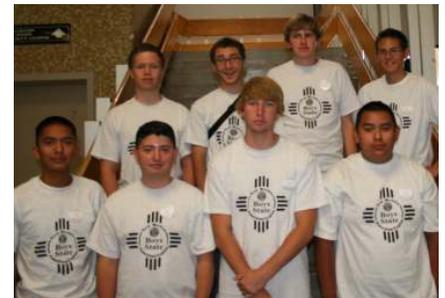
The Federalists elected Josh Puckett as their chairperson and Josh selected Christian Olivas as his assistant while the Nationalists elected Johnny Garza as their chairperson with no assistant appointed.

Delegations among citizens of Castillo within each party resulted in each opposition's elect for Monday's city elections.

The competition between parties became fierce while in city meetings as each side of the political parties gave speeches and told other citizens of Castillo why they should be elected for their positions.

## City Election Results:

Mayor– Austin Wulf (N)  
 Councilman– Jordan Pruett (F)  
 Councilman– Eugeniu Prodan (N)  
 Councilman– Trevor Harris (N)  
 Councilman– Jack Brown (F)  
 City Clerk– Chance Tsabetsaye (F)  
 City Treasurer– Steven Mora (F)  
 Municipal Judge– Arthur Armijo (N)



Top: Jordan Pruett, Eugeniu Prodan, Trevor Harris, Jack Brown  
 Front: Steven Mora, Arthur Armijo, Austin Wulf, Chance Tsabetsaye

# Trujillo

City of Integrity

## County of DeLeon

*Paul-Michael Wolf*

We arrived at the beautiful ENMU campus at approximately 12 noon. We were greeted by a gracious and courteous staff that helped us in every way in trying to make us feel welcome here. They explained the roles that several of our members would be taking responsibility for us for the foreseeable future. Among them was Zeek as one of our cheerleaders, and Jason as one of the National Guardsmen that would be responsible for the raising and lowering of our flag in the morning and evening.

After learning how to muster and the appropriate cheers for questions such as "Who are we?" (BOYS STATE 2010!!!). We traversed to Becky Sharp hall for a lecture from the Honorable Mr. Peterson. He spoke, on good authority with over twenty years in the judicial system, on the workings of the judicial branch of government, how it works and its relation with the other branches. We then enjoyed a somewhat theatrical version of a mock trial to understand the actual happenings in a court setting.

Again mustering we then split along party lines of Nationalist and Federalist. We did ice breakers, learning about our fellow party members and what we as a party stand for, such as a lightening on gun control, freedom of expression, and wider access to higher education.

After joining up as a cohesive whole again, we battled it out with our voices and enthusiasm with the other cities, but in the end, we were denied and were forced to go last into the mess hall. After supper, we again went to the Becky Sharp Hall and were taught about the basics of city government and what was needed. Then, in a smaller room, our city elected Zeek as our Chaplin to preside over the nominations of constituents to go onto the city ballot. After a mail storm of nominations we narrowed down our candidates by party in primary's that were then put on the ballot for tomorrow.



Top: Adam Laumbach, Jeffery Richeson, Tyler Ramkousky  
Middle: John Baca, Michael Romero  
Front: Andres Garcia, Robert Armstrong, Tyler Zuni

**City Election Results:**

- Mayor- Robert Armstrong (N)
- Councilman- John Baca (F)
- Councilman- Tyler Zuni (F)
- Councilman- Michael Romero (N)
- Councilman- Andres Garcia (F)
- City Clerk- Jeffery Richeson (F)
- City Treasurer- Adam Laumbach (F)
- Municipal Judge- Tyler Ramkousky (F)

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# Cortez

City of Hope

## County of DeCastro

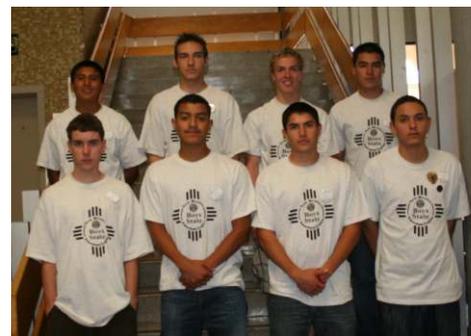
*Raphael Pacheco*

Cortez is the City of Hope. We see the hope in everyone's faces. Most of us didn't know each other, however in less than an hour, we all came together and became a united city. Our first real duty was to get in formation and come up with some chants for our city. That was the most difficult task of the day. Our cheer leader came down on the city powerfully and had us in order for the lowering of the colors.

We listened to a political science professor for the first orientation of the program. He was an excellent speaker and enlightened the state on matters regarding the judicial system. The state then participated in a mock trial in which participants from the respective cities took part.

Afterwards we divided the state even further into parties. This separation was the epitome of the bipartisan government running our country today. It was a fun and effective way of meeting and interacting with new people. We then elected a party chairman to create our party platform.

We went to a long awaited dinner after the lowering of the colors and a competition to go to dinner. After dinner we went to our city nomination meeting. There we nominated two candidates for mayor: Ramon and "Lebron," eight candidates for councilmen, and one candidate from each respective party for City clerk, treasurer and Police judge.



Top: James Calabaza, Brandon Cook, Jarett Bigej, Corey Archibeque  
Front: Chip Dugger, Gibran Chavez, Joseph Montoya, Christopher Solis

**City Election Results:**

- Mayor- Gibran Chavez (N)
- Councilman- Jarett Bigej (F)
- Councilman- Corey Archibeque (F)
- Councilman- James Calabaza (N)
- Councilman- Brandon Cook (N)
- City Clerk- Chip Dugger (F)
- City Treasurer- Christopher Solis (F)
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## Law Enforcement

Citations

*Officer Ed Garcia-Law Enforcement Counselor*

### ***EIGHT NEW STATE POLICE OFFICERS HIT THE STREETS WITH CITATIONS IN HAND!***

The first eight State Police Officers were sworn into service tonight. After receiving training they were given their citations and are now out on the streets. The eight officers are able to issue citations on all of the Boys' State property. The officers will be issuing citations for violation of the New Mexico Boys' State General Rules and Code of Conduct as well as all new laws passed by the cities.

When issued a citation all residents are reminded that they are responsible for signing the citation. By signing the citation it is not an admission of guilt it is just a promise to appear in court. The time to dispute the citation is in court not on the streets. Once you sign a citation you will receive a Summons to appear in court with a date and time. If you fail to appear in court a warrant will be issued.

The issuance of citations is a vital part of the Boys' State program. This process allows everyone to participate in the legal system and see how it works. If it was not for this system we would have to use a "Mock Trail" system that does not allow everyone to experience the Legal System in a *true life* situation. Let's all please remember that this is intended to be a fun learning experience. Please have *FUN* with it but remember not to let things get out of control (remember the General Rules and Code of Conduct). If you are issued a citation just sign it and not cause a scene.

We as a staff look forward to everyone having a great 2010 session. If anyone has any questions regarding the issuance of Boys State Citations please feel free to contact any of the Law Enforcement Counselors at anytime. We look forward to watching the legal system in works. Enjoy and stay safe!

## D-Day

June 6, 1944

*Kevin Fredekind-Information Technologies*

This coming Sunday will mark an infamous day in our history. Let us not forget:

On June 6, 1944, a date known ever since as D-Day, "Operation Overlord" commenced when a mighty armada crossed a narrow strip of sea from England to Normandy, France, and cracked the Nazi grip on western Europe.

An invading army had not crossed the dangerous and unpredictable English Channel since 1688. Within hours an armada of 3,000 landing craft, 2,500 other ships and 500 naval vessels began to leave English ports. That night 822 aircraft, carrying 13,000 parachutists or towing gliders, roared overhead to the Normandy landing zones. They were a fraction of

the air armada of 13,000 aircraft that would support D-Day.

*"...you see the ships lying in all directions, like black shadows on the grey sky..... Now planes are going overhead..... Heavy fire now just behind us, bombs bursting along the shore"*  
-George Hicks radio broadcast from the USS Ancon

By nightfall more than 9,000 allied soldiers were dead or wounded, but more than 175,000 had made it ashore securing the French coastal villages. Within weeks, supplies were being unloaded at UTAH and OMAHA beaches at a rate of 20,000 tons per day!



U.S. infantrymen wade from their landing craft toward Omaha Beach on D-Day, June 6, 1944.

*U.S. Coast Guard/National Archives, Washington, D.C.*