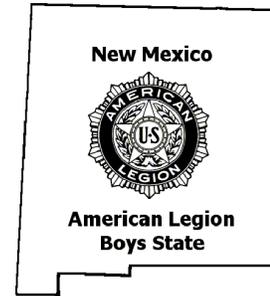


2012 New Mexico Boys' State



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State Election Results

Governor: Bradley Sedillo (F)
 Lt. Governor: Kyle Partin (F)
 Secretary of State: Luis Ruiz (F)
 State Auditor: Evan Van Pelt (F)
 State Treasurer: Mario Urioste (F)
 Judge, Court of Appeals:
 Santiago Aragon (F)
 Dominic Hernandez (F)
 Michael Laiteyse (F)
 Attorney General: Jesse Martinez (N)
 Commissioner of Public Lands:
 Jeremy Diaz (N)

Public Regulatory Commission:
 Ismael Torres (N)
 John Frieze (F)
 Timothy Pearce (F)
 Adrian Anaya (F)
 William Martinez (F)
 Justice of the Supreme Court:
 Cody Striker (N)
 Ramon Avitia (F)
 Brock Omandam (F)
 Sean Nebus (F)
 Edgar Vasquez (F)

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Message from the Governor -Brad Sedillo

Hello I am your Boys State Governor Brad Sedillo.

It is my pleasure to inform you that the entirety of your state government in the position of proper functioning, we are making tirelessly to ensure that the needs of your Boys State are met at large.

I commend the great work and efforts of all of them that have worked to better themselves and more importantly their community. This hard work will go down in the halls of history as an indubitably impressive representation of the resolution of our generation. Keep up the good work.

Again I would like to thank all of the advisors and staff members that have made this conference possible, and

my sincerest thanks to each citizen of 2012 Boys State.

Brad Sedillo
Governor



Any cities or counties that would want to register a trademark to help bring in money towards their economies are encouraged to develop and send a proposal to the office of the Secretary of State. Please remember that any proposals must contain ideas for trademarks that have not been copyrighted by any outside and existing registered trademarks.

ARMIJO

City of Loyalty

County of DeLeon

-Brandy Clark

Just Keep Swimming, Just Keep Swimming

How I comprehend this Boys' Nation is, the American citizen who is given the opportunity to embody New Mexico isn't just representing New Mexico; but for their families, their local community, and their idea of what an American Citizen means to themselves. They will bring with them to Washington D.C. what New Mexico made them into, how remarkable the state stands and how the "next" generation is. He, the representative, will display his responsibilities and his morals are as a citizen not only for 2012, but for the fu-

ture outlook of New Mexico Boys' State program. Good Luck to all running.

The 2012 Inauguration Ceremony event was something that showed a little of what truly the American Legion was created for. I don't believe I or anybody will understand to the full extent of what it does represent because we only know what we're told and seen, not the person's thoughts who did create this wonderful program—Boys' State.

This being the last article, I would like to take this time to say I, and probably speak for every delegate, that we all had a great

time out here in Portales, New Mexico. A thank you to the staff that ran this program, but a huge thank you to the Veterans. This program made each citizen a better person than they were last summer, last month, and last five minutes ago! Remember this is only a small step to what you are striving for in the near future, remember that you helped your family out in taking a step forward to better help them and yourself, and remember, "We are the Future!"

Go Navy! Beat Amry!



Castillo

City of Perseverance

County of DeCastro

Devan Jensen

Wednesday has been a very busy day for Castillo and the other cities from the state. With the great debate occurring in the ball room, citizens campaigning for state positions, and the election for state officials. Multiple officials elected for the state government were from Castillo. Even the governor was a Castillo citizen and that citizen was

Bradley Sedillo. On account of so many spots being filled in the state, Castillo is a ghost town. Thursday is going to be one hectic day for the state government. They have a limited time to get everything in order. I am confident that our governor and the other state officials can get it done. We are

called city of perseverance for a very good reason and our citizens continue to show that.

Trujillo

City of Integrity

County of DeLeon

William Martinez

Busy, busy, busy are the words that seem to flow out of everyone's mouth in the city of Trujillo. We are getting stronger by the minute, with our new powers in every aspect of government, Trujillo has never been better. People like Joseph Paz in Senate and Cody Striker in the Supreme Court are separating us from the pack at every moment.

In day 4 at Portales, we went through many

articles of business, yet the most impactful may be that of the Boys' State banquet. Here we heard amazing speeches and continued in our path toward growing long lasting relationships with the many friendships that have begun to grow. Hearing the Legionnaires speak about their lives and accomplishments is definitely going to leave an impact on every member of Trujillo, as well as every member of Boys' state.

As a city, we would also like to congratulate all of the men that were elected to an office at the level of State. Most of all we would like to wish the new Governor of New Mexico Boys' State, Brad Sedillo, good luck in his new office. The city would also like to wish luck to every representative that is going up for Boys' Nation tomorrow as well. – TRUJILLO DOES IT BEST!

2012 BOYS' NATION SENATOR CANDIDATES



Alternate
William Martinez



Senator
Jesse Martinez



Senator
Fermin Prieto



Alternate
Wei-Te Ting

Veteran Tax Breaks and VA Loans

Veteran Affairs

Devon Scofield-Secretary of Veteran Affairs

As Secretary of Veteran Affairs I feel that it is my responsibility to educate the public about opportunities provided to Veterans. I also believe it is important that all Veterans know the opportunities they have to make life easier on them. First, after receiving a Certificate of Eligibility from either the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) or the American Legion, Veterans can

apply for tax breaks that would cut the amount of taxes they would be required to pay the government each year. Second, I would like to inform Veterans of their opportunities to receive loans for things such as houses. The requirements to receive these loans are a veterans discharge papers and the veterans DD214. The discharge papers are to prove that the

veteran was honorably discharged. The DD214 is a service record to show the actions of the individual during service. These little known opportunities are just a few ways that we, as Americans, can show our appreciation to our Military Veterans for protecting the rights and privileges we all take for granted.

Cortez

City of Hope

County of DeCastro

Johnathan Howell

By now, everybody is tired and most all of the campaigning is done. After breakfast the whole state gathered for the Great Debate. Joe Johnson represented Cortez for the Nationalist Party's candidate for Governor and Kyle Parkin represented for the Federalist Party's candidate for Lieutenant Governor. Kyle, and his running mate Brad Sedillo from Castillo, won the vote and became the 2012 Boys' State Lt. Governor and Governor. Timmy Pierce became the one of five State Public Regulatory Commissioners and Evan Van Pelt became the State Auditor.

Cortez also had a representative for the nomination to Boys' Nation. Wei-Te (Mark) Ting got

through the primary screening made by the directors and became one of six boys in the running to representative for New Mexico. Good luck to Mark!

At the Boys' State Banquet and Inaugural Ceremony for the State Officials, scholarship awards were also received by citizens of Cortez. Timmy Pierce, Cade Haynes, Dustin Hadfield, William Peck, and Seth Dow were the recipients of these awards.

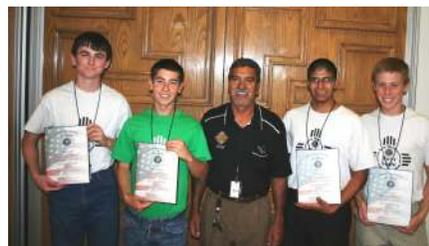
In the Cortez City Council Hall, the once full room has become occupied by seven citizens. Since every position was empty besides that of

Treasurer, Attorney, and Clerk, the city elected me to be Mayor. However, that soon changed. The remaining citizens elected me to be the first (probably) Boys' State Dictator for the City of Cortez.

IN SPORT NEWS: The Team from the 2nd Floor got defeated in the semi-finals and now All Nations is Cortez's hope for championship. The players on the team are Joe Johnson, Tyler Yatsayte, Joseph Luna, Patrick Keyope, and Micheal Laiteyse. Go support our city in FINALE!!!



Gordon/Hidalgo Scholarship



Santiago Hidalgo Scholarship



Samsung Scholarship



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