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True Love Does Exist

by Sarah Andrews-Weiss; Broeg City, Barton County

Last night, he returned and the Missouri Girls State got to hear once again from the infamous House Representative, Jason Klumb.

A consistent speaker of MGS since 2005, Klumb was MIA last year because of family issues (and a broken bone), but this year

me met his wife, and how true love does exist. With a good-natured positivity, we can all only hope we possess, Klumb spoke of his three jobs; being a lawyer, army major, and politician, as well as being a father and a husband.

Klumb covered a broad variety of topics spanning from preaching the value of going abroad to illegal immigrants. Klumb also spent time talking about his family, how

me met his wife, and how true love does exist.

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Love. Jason Klumb talked about how no matter how involved you are, your family is what is most important. *photo by Patty Bolx*

Supporting Role

by Lydia Buck; Anthony City, Barton County

While delegates and other appointed or elect officials were at various meetings, other Girls State citizens crowd into Elliot Union Room 240 to hear Renee Hulshof speak. Some of you my know Mrs. Hulshof better as the wife of congressman Kenny Hulshof (a candidate for 2004 Missouri Governor elections.) She is also the talk show host for the local AM Radio channel KFRU.

Mrs. Hulshof spoke of how her life curved and changed over the years. She said she was here to give us “a different perspective on political life,” and she did. “Every role,” she spoke, “is important.”

After a series of horrible Republican scandals in her early life scared Mrs.

Hulshof’s political outlook, she swore she would never get into politics again. “Don’t ever say never,” Mrs. Hulshof said. “Because it will come and bite you in the rear.”

Then one night her husband came home and said he was going to run for office. Once again Mrs. Hulshof was pulled into politics. Although she wasn’t running she found herself under the spotlight, all the while raising two young girls.

Every week when Mrs. Hulshof husband would go to Washington D.C., she would stay behind and take care of the household. She was the women behind scenes and supporting and caring for her husband and kids. “It’s ok,” said Hulshof, “to have the supporting role.”

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MGS General Assembly Travels to Capital

by Katie Shannon; Duggan City, Johnson County

A memorable experience and a tremendous honor were two ways to describe the Missouri Girls State General Assembly trip to Jefferson City on Wednesday. One-hundred and five representatives and twenty-eight senators got to experience first hand the details of legislative procedure.

Before the legislative session began, the MGS representatives were sworn into the legislative by Supreme Court Justice Breckenridge on the House floor. Shortly after, they received a message from Missouri House of Representatives Sergeant at Arms Ralph Robinette, and Missouri House Chief Clerk Adam Crumbliss. Also in attendance were Missouri House Representatives Mary Still, Kenny Jones, and Bill Deeken to observe and give tips to the MGS representatives.

As the session was opened by MGS Speaker of the House Shelby Jasper; Coontz City, Dewitt County by the prayer and then the pledge. Bills were introduced by MGS Chief Clerk and then put up for immediate consideration. Some bills were moved to perfection and some were not due to time constraint.

The most significant experience for both houses was the debating of the bills about implementing more foreign languages into school curriculum, adding geography as a graduation requirement, and giving more emotional and monetary support for female veterans were debated back and forth by MGS representatives. Each bill or resolution that was introduced was written by a

MGS legislator who then got the opportunity to support and defend the bill or resolution. Any amendments to bills could be passed in this process of perfection.

MGS senators also had the opportunity to debate bills and resolutions on the Missouri Senate floor with guidance from Senator LuAnn Ridgeway and former Senator Larry Rohrbach. The MGS Senators were first sworn in followed by the prayer, pledge, and the journal of the previous day was read. Bills and resolutions order control for drug abuse, raising yearly salary of Missouri teachers, and a bill about Missouri Girls State that would provide three potential delegates for sponsorships voted on by previous members of girls state.

To conclude, the MGS General Assembly had an awesome experience at the State Capitol. From the fried chicken lunch provided by

the American Legion Auxiliary Post of Jefferson City, to the encouraging words from Missouri senators and representatives, the MGS girls have gained an experience that will definitely assist them in whatever path lies ahead.



It's Just A Bill. The General Assembly of Missouri Girls State visited the State Capital yesterday in Jefferson City. While there, the House of Representatives and Senators were able to debate bills such as foreign languages into school curriculum, geography as a graduation requirement, and more. *photos by Patty Bolz*

Representing Missouri Poll: Afternoon Activity for Girls State Delegates?

by Faith Eissler; Duggan City, Johnson County

by Jess Salmond; Stephens City, Scott County

Each summer, 100 young women represent their states at Girls Nation in Washington, D.C. Two lucky citizens from Missouri Girls State will be selected to attend this year. However, getting there is no easy task.

First, girls interested in attending Girls Nation must write an essay of 200 words or less explaining a bill they wish to propose. The essays are then evaluated by a panel of 6 judges. 20-25 essays

are selected each year. 19 MGS citizens saw their name on the Girls Nation interview list this morning.

Eight girls will be selected for a second interview based on their performance in the first interview. These eight girls will present their bill on stage before the entire Girls State to “display their extemporaneous speaking abilities,” explains Sarah Dubbert, MGS Dean of Counselors. The candidates will speak at the Ninth General Assembly of MGS and each

candidate will answer one question given to her.

Examples of questions asked during the interviews are, “Why are you interested in government?” and, “If you could spend one day with the President, what would you ask?” says Lauren Brune, Duggan City Assistant Counselor.

Two senators and two alternates will be chosen by a committee and announced Friday night at the

Inauguration Ceremony.

Mary Harper, MGS Assistant Director, describes Girls Nation as “a fantastic opportunity to interact with 97 other young ladies all over the United States.” Ms. Harper also explains that Girls Nation senators have scheduled one-on-one appointment times with their United States Representatives and Senators. The girls also have the privilege to view monuments, Capitol Hill, the Pentagon and State Department.

Missouri Girls State is a great opportunity for all us girls. It is a great honor to be here and listen to our wonderful speakers. However, the Girls State staff should consider planning a change of pace for the Missouri Girls State delegates next year. I decided to take a poll of 100 random girls to see if they would have enjoyed an activity period in this year’s schedule, such as going to the pool, playing volleyball, or making crafts. By the time I reached girl 67, and still had a unanimous & passionate yes, I quit asking.

I gave all 67 girls those 3 activities to choose from: pool, volleyball, or crafts. 18 of 67 preferred pool time. 15 voted for volleyball alone. 5 wanted just crafts. But majority rules- 29 of 67 wanted all 3 activities or more.

Girls State has some very serious and important purposes. But with such eager need for other activities, maybe the Girls State Staff should plan a period for the girls to work more than their minds during the 2010 MGS.

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First Marriage License News

by Emma Hawes; Bradley City, Bacon County

The first marriage license in Bacon County was issued by Joy Homer. Residents Kaitlyn Wills and Sara Houston. During our county meeting, Joy took names for numerous names for marriage license. She is an advocate for recycling. A promise was made by Joy that she would recycle any campaign materials when the week is over.

-Today, Actress Farrah Fawcett dies at the age of 62 after a three year battle with cancer.

-Today, South Carolina Gov. Mark Sanford came out and told the press he was not hiking but in Argentina visiting his mistress he has had for over a year.

-Today, The White House is turning the annual picnic for members of Congress into a Hawaiian luau.

Highway Patrol Promotions

Corporal: Dani Bowden, Shelbi Potter, Courtney Drown, Jillian Pollard & Kyle Ettinger

Sergeant: Taylor Spiers, Melissa Bueker, Sarah Jo David & Steph Hollis

Lieutenant: Carly Moriarty, Alyssa Bugbee & Kathryn Schanzmeyer

Captain: Brittany Tutt & Kelli Sullivan

Major: Brooke Smith & Megan Anderson

Lieutenant Colonel: Meredith Brick

Friday's Menu

Breakfast

-Scrambled Eggs, Egg-o-Muffin with Cheese, Egg-o-Muffin with Ham, Oven Brown Potatoes, Cinnamon Rolls & Mini Donuts

Lunch

-French Dip, Steak Fries, Carrots, Blonde Brownies, Hamburger Pizza, Cheese Pizza & Salad Bar

Dinner

-Grilled Chicken Breast, Lemon Butter Potato, Rice, Fresh Green Beans, Rolls, Apple Pie & Salad Bar

Primary Election Results

Federalists:

Governor: Sara Perkins

Lieutenant Governor: Jansten McBride

Secretary of State: Beth Steffens

State Treasurer: Emily Craig

Attorney General: Chelsea Bertram

State Auditor: Kaitlyn Aholt

Supreme Court Justices: Page Palmer, Leanne Mathew, Michael Applegate, Gloria Sipakati, Alissa Eagen, Kathryn Johnson, & Emily Voss

Nationalists:

Governor: Anitra Evans

Lieutenant Governor: Katie Martin

Secretary of State: Kathleen Barbosa

State Treasurer: Leandra Patochek

State Auditor: Lori Schlatter

Supreme Court Justices: Megan Warnser, Brittney Barrick, Nola Johnson, Marissa Steimel, Sierra Kensinger, Kara White & Olivia Watkins

*Weather in Warrensburg
Friday, June 26*



Mostly Sunny

High: 97 ° F

Low: 75 ° F

Remember to stay HYDRATED

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