

BOYS' STATE

of Kansas

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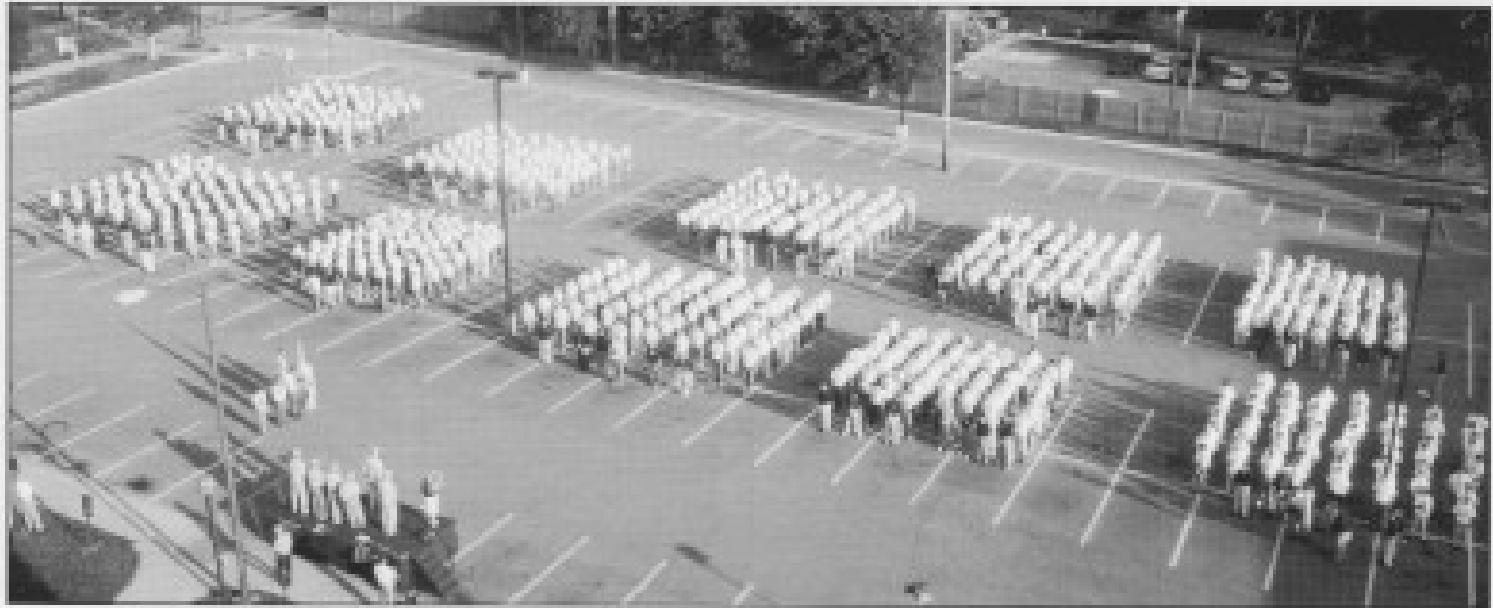


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June 6 through June 12, 1999
Kansas State University

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- Help send someone to the upcoming session of the American Legion Boys' State of Kansas. Give them the enclosed application, visit us on the web at www.ksbstate.org, or call us toll free at 877-434-8765 and request more information.

NEXT SESSION:
June 4 through June 10, 2000
Kansas State University

WELCOME



The 1999 session of the American Legion Boys' State of Kansas was June 6 through June 12 on the campus of Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas. More than 720 delegates from all over Kansas participated in this American Legion program.

This yearbook is the culmination of the hundreds of hours that went into the planning and execution of the 1999 session. It is our hope that as you browse through this book it will bring back happy memories of great experiences.

You will also find more pictures on the web site (www.ksbstate.org).

If you get the chance, share this book with someone who is eligible to attend a future session.

Greetings.

I extend a warm welcome to the readers of this yearbook. It is the reflection through words and images of an intense week that helped to shape the lives of over 700 staffers and 100 staff at the 1999 session of the American Legion Boys' State of Kansas. We hope that this yearbook will fulfill a number of tasks.

First, we hope it will bring back great memories of an awesome week at Kansas State University.

Second, we hope this book will serve as an historical record of events during this unique session of Kansas Boys' State.

Finally, but most importantly, I hope this book either helps to rekindle or ignite a fire within you to make your community a better place to live. For many people who graduate from Boys' State, they are inspired to live a life of public service. For others, they are inspired to give back to a community which has supported them so sincerely. To those groups, I say thanks.

But if you graduated from the program still wondering what you were supposed to do back home, I hope this book helps you recognize the significant energy invested on your behalf to open

your eyes to the intense responsibility and the incredible possibility of citizenship. Do what you can, where you live, to make your community the best it can be.

Thane Chastain
Executive Director



A BRIEF HISTORY

"To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation" is the purpose of the American Legion Boys' State program. It was organized by the Department of Illinois in 1935. The Department of Kansas, holding Charter No. 5, was among the first to institute this week-long government-in-action program. Now, virtually every state department of the American Legion has its own Boys' State because of the program's ability to educate youth in practical politics and government operation.

Kansas Boys' State was headquartered in Wichita for 26 years before moving to the campus of the University of Kansas in 1963. It stayed there until 1992, when the program moved to Kansas State University.

The Boys' State program is available to any high school senior-to-be who meets the academic standards and demonstrates leadership potential. Civic and church groups as well as American Legion Posts sponsor delegates to this fine learning-by-doing, youth-in-government program.

Almost 50,000 young men from across Kansas have participated in Boys' State and performed nearly every function of city, county, and state government. Former delegates, members of the American Legion and Sons of the American Legion return each year to serve as counselors and advisors for the program. Many of them work year-round on ways to improve the curriculum and structure of the program.

During each session, two staffers are chosen by their peers to represent Kansas at the American Legion Boys Nation, in Washington, D.C. In doing so, they participate in a learning-by-doing program that focuses on our national government.

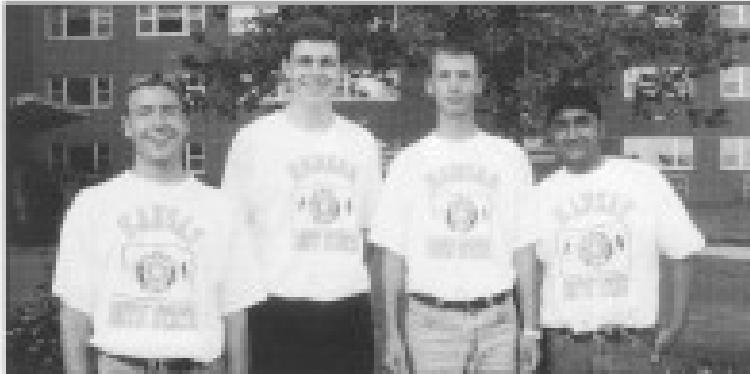
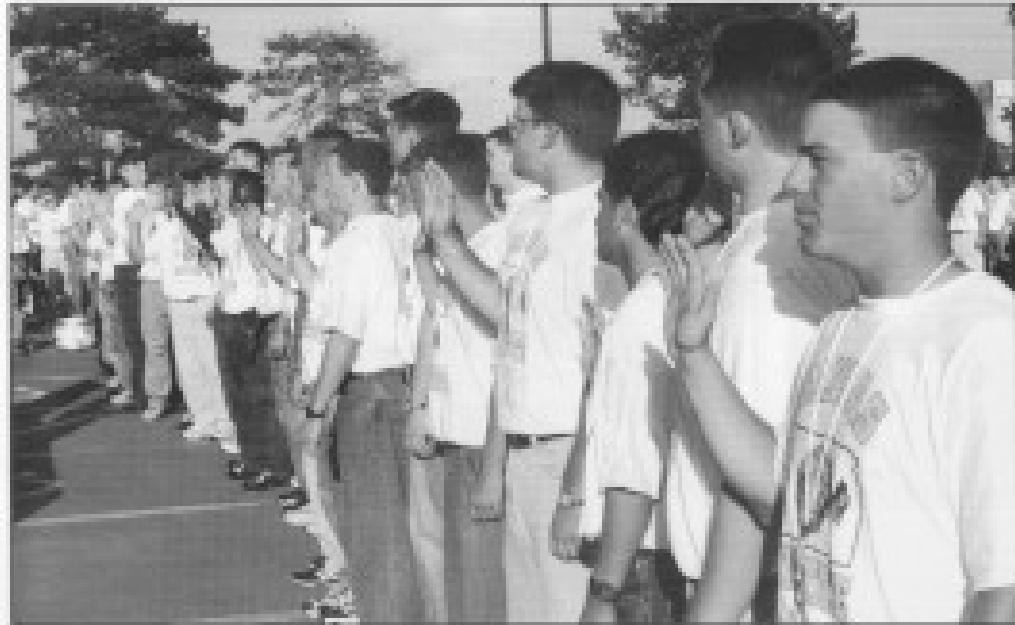
SUNDAY



A day to travel,
A day to meet new people,
A day to remember.

On a very Kansas, June day, the staters arrived in Manhattan to high humidity, warm sun, and the smiles of their counselors. Many were accompanied by parents and also by brothers and sisters; some even brought themselves. Soon after moving in, meetings and orientation began. The first difficult question was which position they intend to seek during Boys' State. Overall, the first day ran smoothly for staters and staff,

MONDAY



Nationalist party candidates after primary election are Attorney General Eric North; Governor John O'Han; Treasurer Ben Thornley; Secretary of State Mike Zimmers; Commissioner of Insurance James Marquard III.

Federalist party candidates are Governor Stephen Lyle; Secretary of State Brian Yeast; Attorney General Matt Lawing; Treasurer Samir Shukr.

Monday proved to be another day of heavy involvement for all of Boys' State. All Associations were represented at the Political Fair, which took place on the basketball courts between Goodnow and Marlatt Halls. At the fair, hopeful candidates weighed in on topics such as capital punishment, state spending, and items specific to association interests. The state primary candidates also travelled to each county on a Whistle Stop Tour allowing time for questions from the general Boys' State public. By the end of the day, the informed voters had whittled the list to nine.

TUESDAY



State Office Winners with Representative Kent Glasscock; Governor John O'Hara; Lt. Governor John Kraemer; Attorney General Evan North; Treasurer Ben Thorsley; Secretary of State Brian Yarcho; Commissioner of Insurance James Merachek III



Both Nationalists and Federalists held party caucuses throughout Boys' State early Tuesday morning to develop party platforms. With the city governments working as a strong foundation, all of State was eagerly waiting for the afternoon's state candidate debate in McCain auditorium. Kansas Governor Bill Graves gave a rousing speech to the staters as did Secretary of State Ron Thomburgh. Shortly after recreation and dinner, the winners were announced at retreat and assembly by Kansas Representative Kent Glasscock. By 9:00 p.m., all government branches were operating.



WEDNESDAY



Grant Denney



Lt. Governor Gary Sherrill



KSU Date of Student Life
Pat Besco

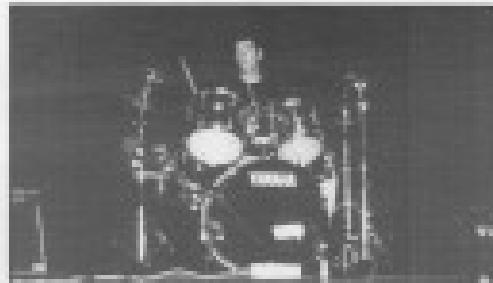


State Representative
Kent Glasscock

Boys' State Supreme Court



With elections behind them, all government branches were up and running early Wednesday morning. Ten district courts and the state supreme court began their terms, as well as all county commissions. The budget was the focus of concern for many of the joint committees that morning. After dinner, all staters gathered in McCain to watch the Talent Show, where their fellow citizens displayed skills in music, comedy and more.



LEFT:
Michael Moulder,
Andy Fischer,
Justin Atherton,
Jonathan Sward
CENTER:
Indy Mirasole
RIGHT:
Daniel Hennig



LEFT:
Spencer Rosebrugh
UPPER:
J.J. Jones
LOWER:
Adam Pracht



LEFT:
Brian Gooch
CENTER:
Will Page
RIGHT:
Brandon Hall &
John Waller



LEFT:
Michael Mitchell
CENTER:
Mike Zimmerman
RIGHT:
Nick Engels



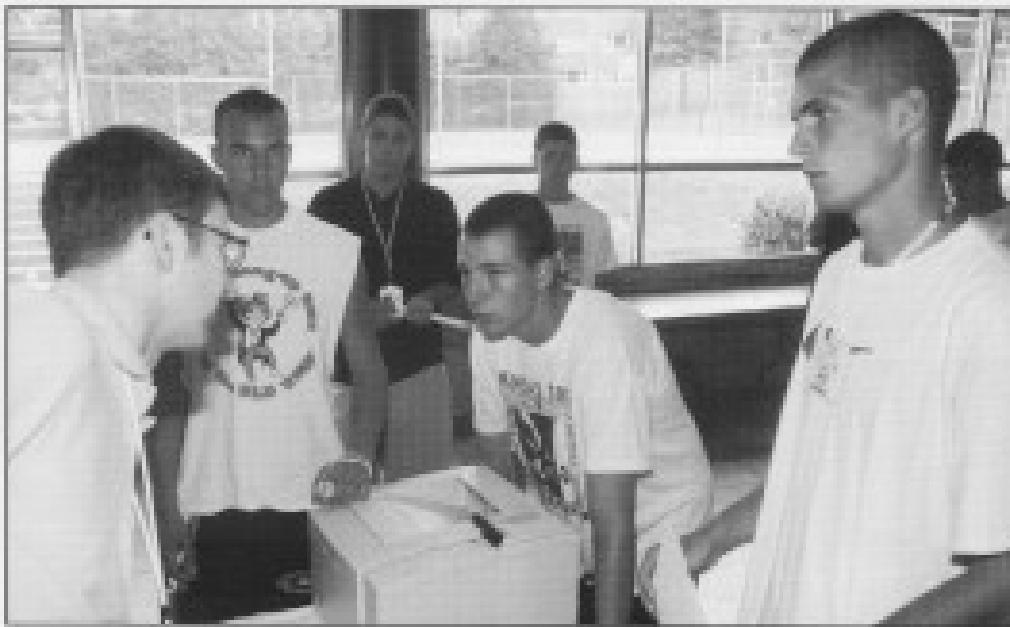
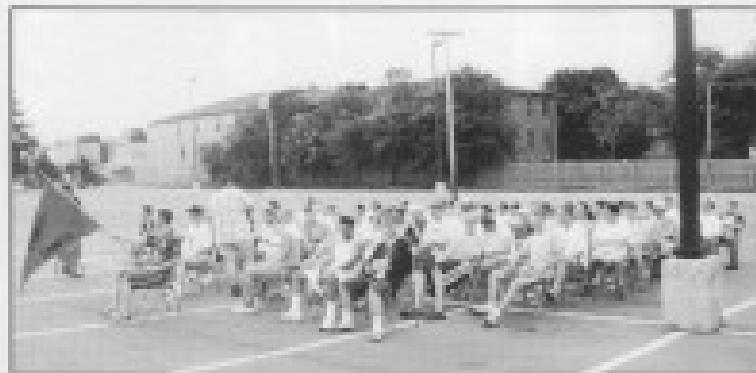
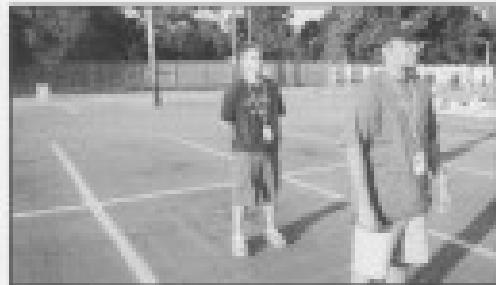
LEFT:
John Peterson,
Justin Veney,
Khalif Cribbs,
Matt Berthof
RIGHT:
Adam &
Caleb Krueckberg

THURSDAY



All state agencies were busy hearing from cities, counties, and associations on Thursday. In what was most certainly the busiest day of the 1999 session, every branch of government contributed to further economic and social policy development. After the band and chorus concert in McCain Auditorium the candidates for Boys' Nation were given an opportunity to speak to all of State. Just before lights out, each county cast their ballots for their choices for Kansas' representatives in Washington later that summer.

FRIDAY



On the final day of government operations, legislation continued to be passed until the last possible minute. Friday also provided for all recreation championship games in the afternoon. After the final whistles had blown, all of State gathered in the Kansas State Student Union for the Governor's Ball. After the dancing, bowling, and movies had ended, the final lights in the dorms of Boys' State went out at midnight. On Saturday morning, parents joined the men for the final closing ceremonies of State.

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Sign Language Presenters Natalie Smith and Michaela Wielert

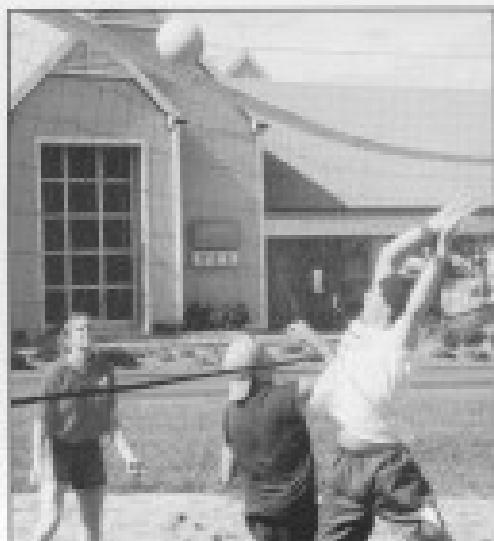


Coordinators (clockwise) 1-7 "Willie" T. Moore, Troy Foushee, Jeff Krafels, Rob Maddux, Jeff Walker, Isaac West



Events, Office, and Medical Counselors

Row 1: Adam Moore, Brian Nelson, Mike Kelly, Matthew McCay, Michael Young, Mitch Davenport, Adam Peters, Dan Burrows. Row 2: Isaac West, Brian DeGreece, Bryan Bundick, James Stine, Kendall Schoenrock, George Rothwell, TJ Rothwell. Row 3: James Fasse, Jason Morin, Earl Mims, Travis Davenport.



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Bob Sikkensen



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Gary Slamer



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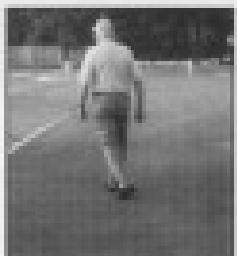
Advisor Medication



Are you ready to rumble?



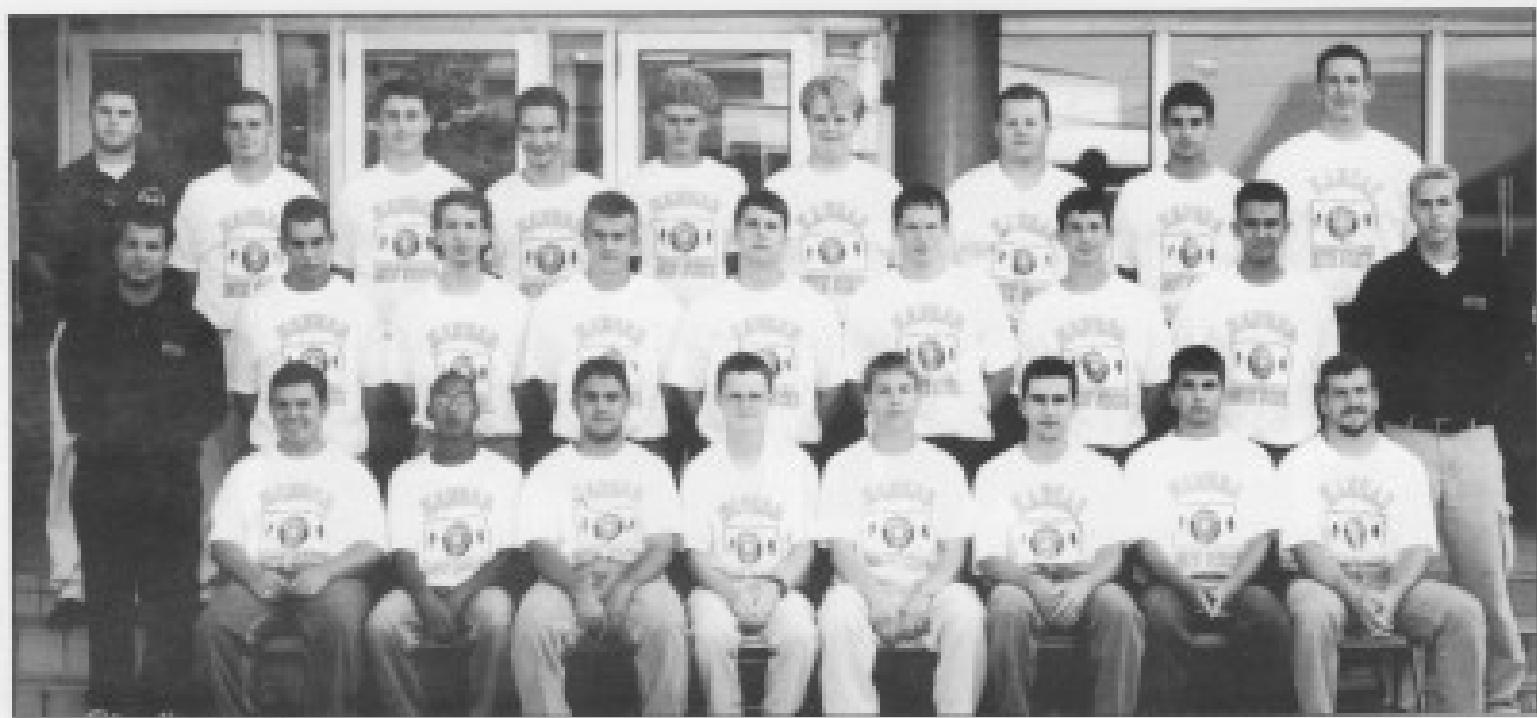
Schreg mind's his own business.



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<i>Aylward Counselor</i> Jerod Gard	<i>Government Counselor</i> Anthony Hoch
<i>Birk Counselor</i> Jeff Cary	



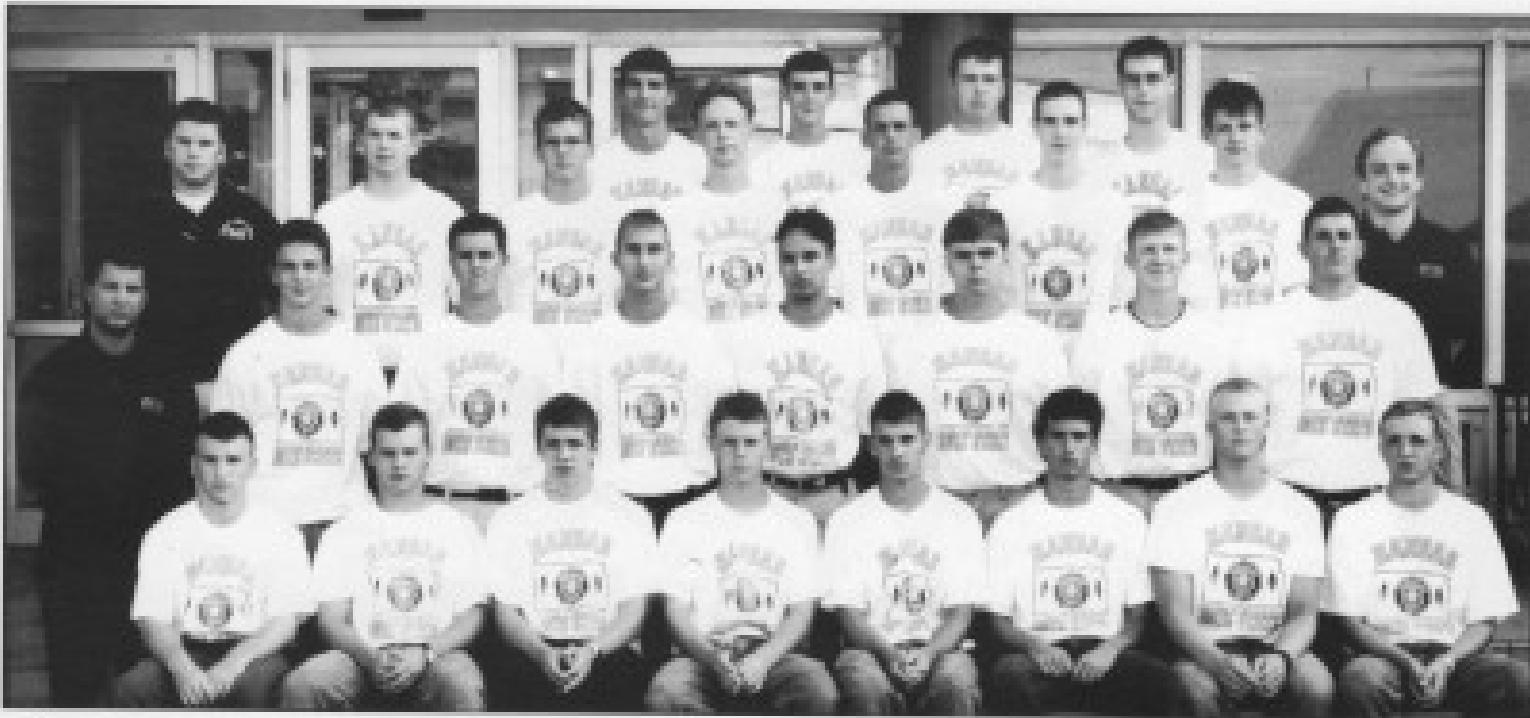
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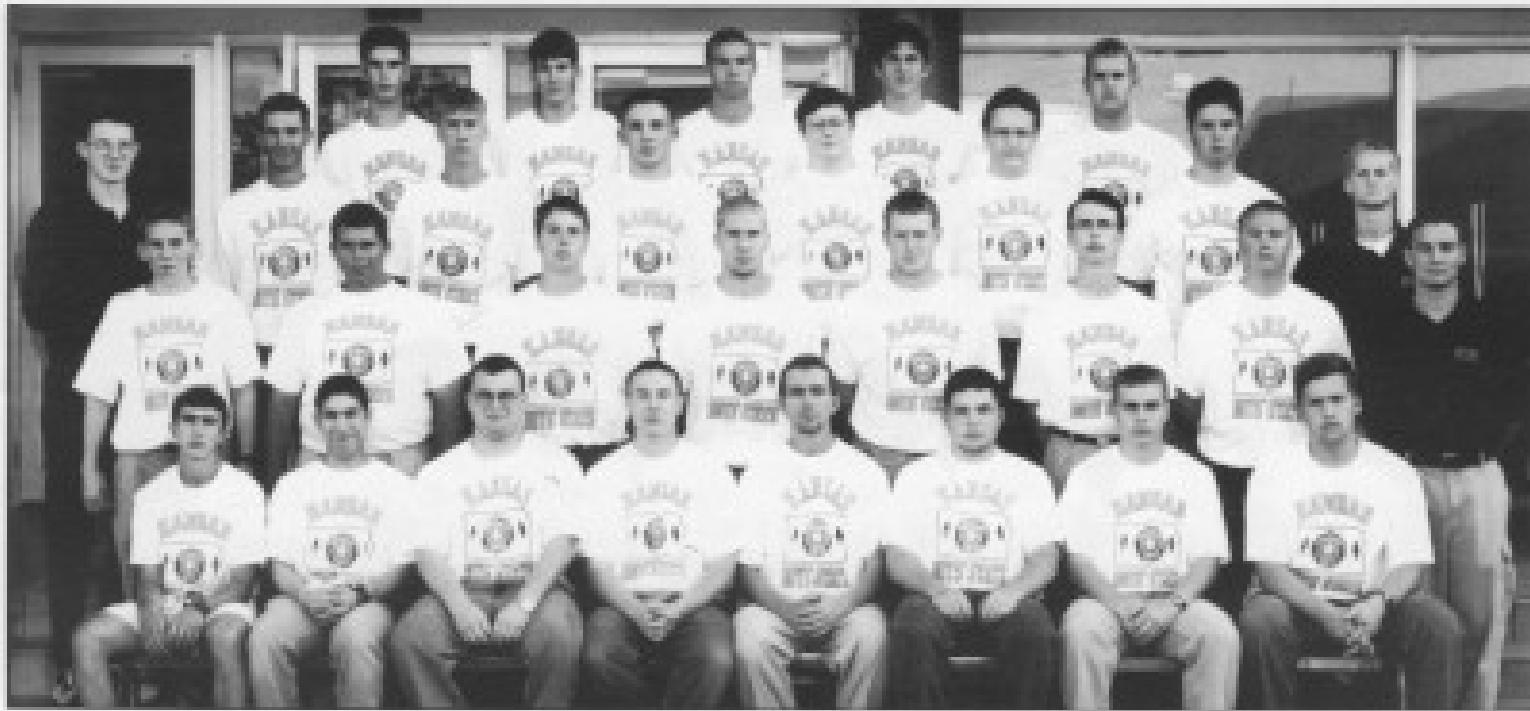
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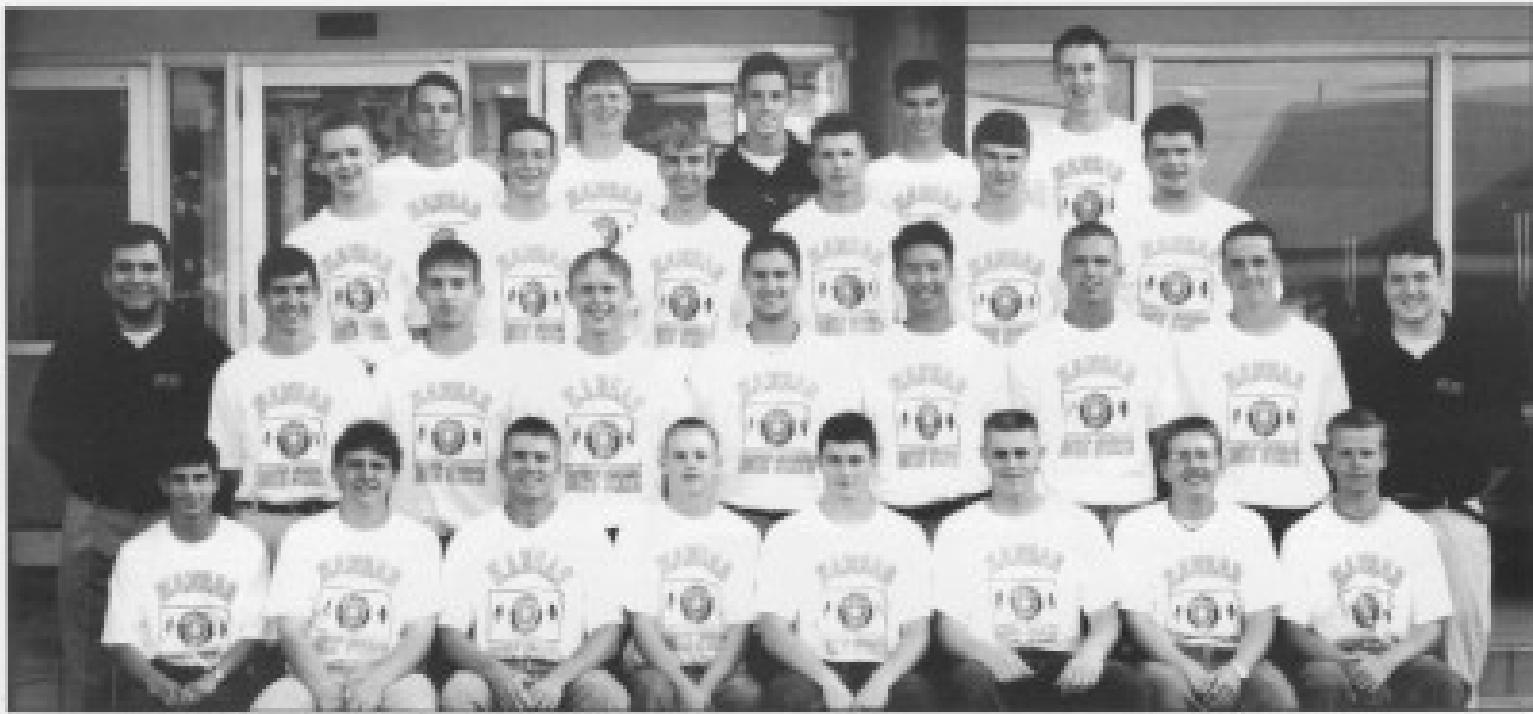
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One Day At a Time

1999 Kansas Boys' State



City of Raymond

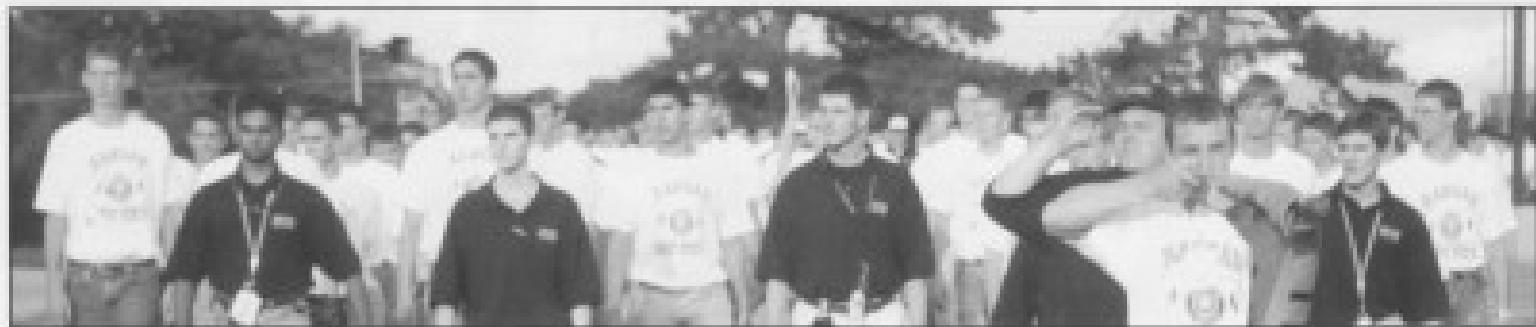
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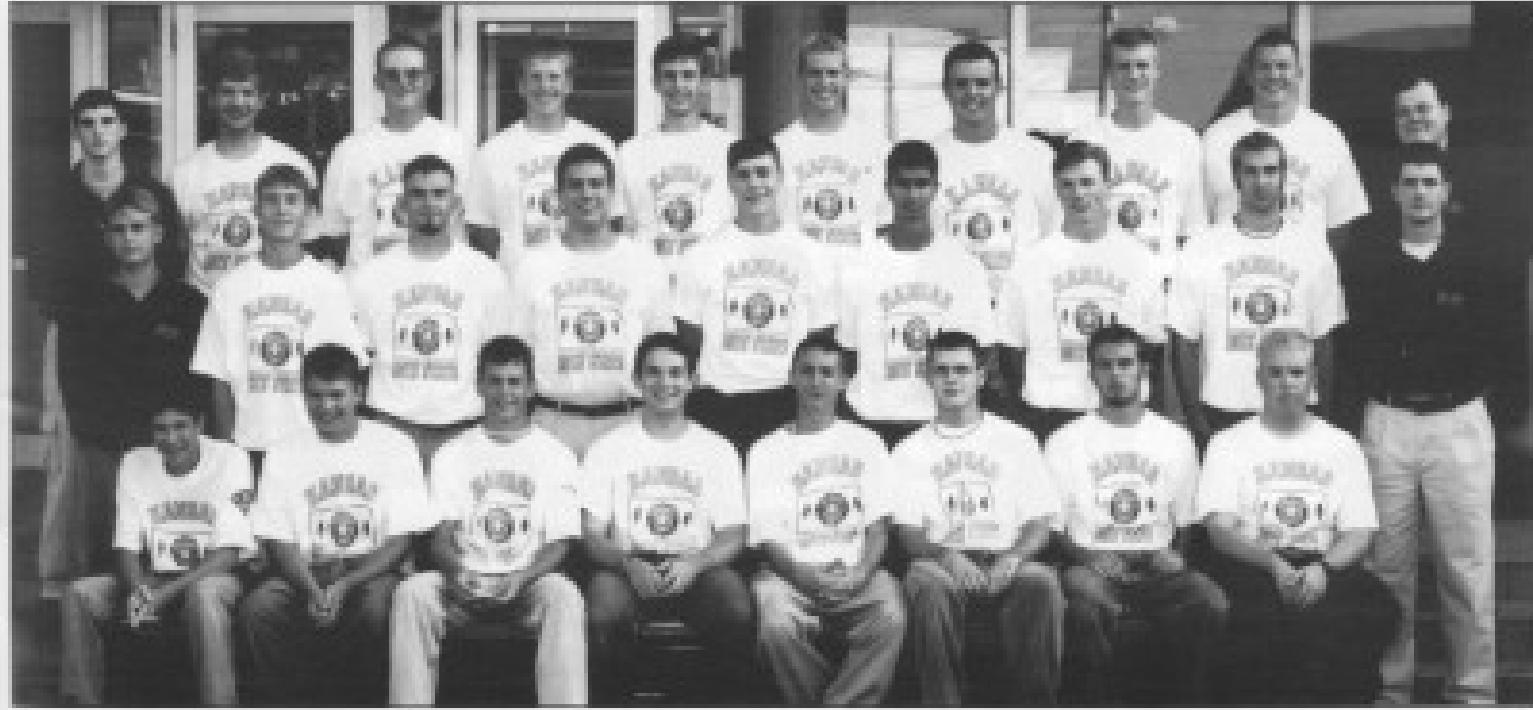
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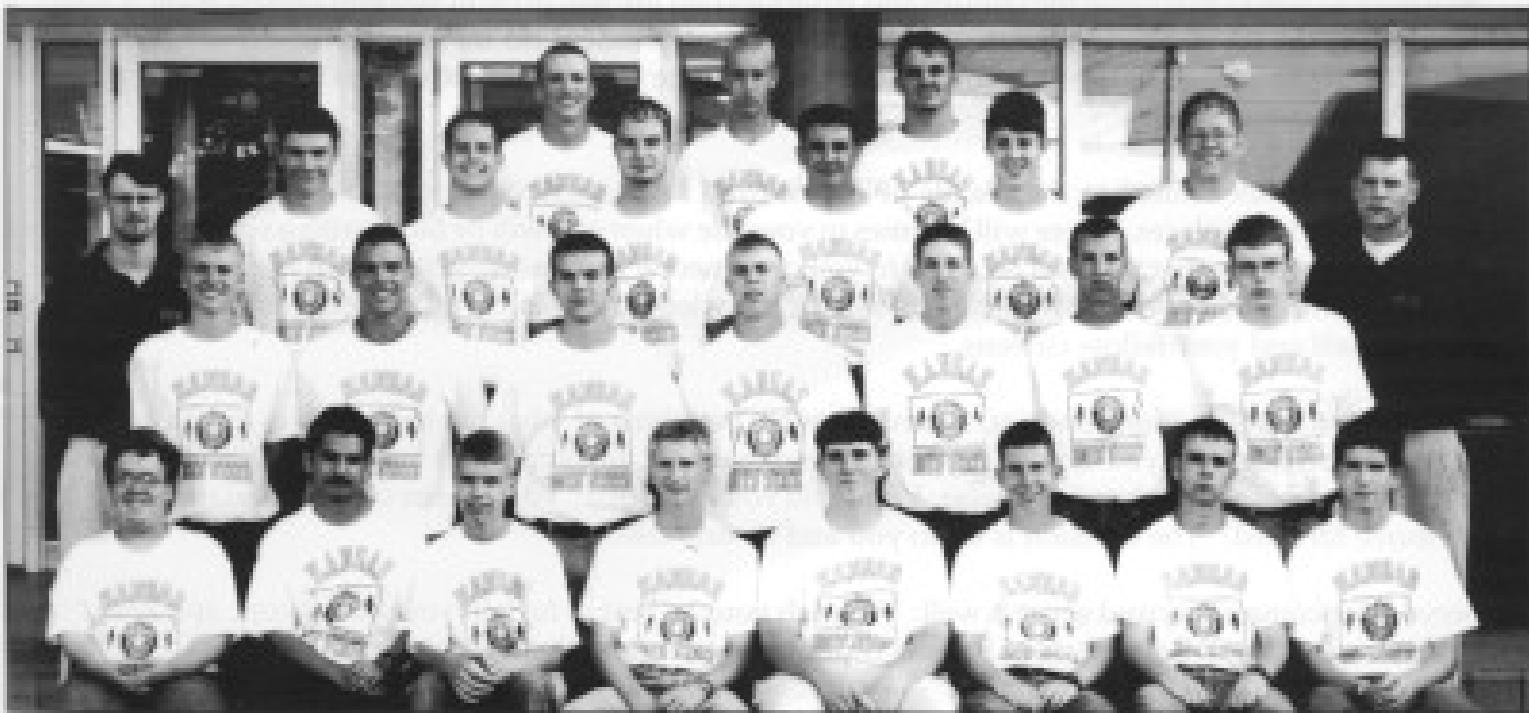
City of Sullivan

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These are the memories that you created over one week in the summer of 1999.

You arrived at Kansas State University on Sunday, June 6th wondering what exactly to expect. Suddenly you were thrust into a high-paced, cooperative, and very involved program. The tasks of creating and maintaining a working government were placed in your hands. While it is difficult for anyone to judge your accomplishments, we know that you left having done your best. Hopefully through this program you were able to see exactly what kinds of

decisions our society is faced with. Elected officials have the incredible tasks of creating legislation to protect their constituents' rights while at the same time maintaining financial and social stability. One evident message of our program is that it is not easy to be a leader. We hope that you not only found opportunities to find great success, but that you also faced the chore of overcoming a sound defeat. It is in these instances where a leader proves his worth, and you have undoubtedly taken this message from The American Legion Boys' State of Kansas.

So it is up to you to overcome the failures and struggles that life will present you and protect what is yours. Democracy, the most effective form of government, is dependent on involvement. We are taking for granted that you will certainly be involved, but we challenge you not only to do this but to become a leader within your communities.

Democracy is not limited to the realms of Topeka and Washington. It exists in your homes, schools, churches, and workplaces. There will be times in your life when you will be faced with a situation that you do not agree with or that you feel is unfair to you or someone you know. As difficult as it may seem, it is not only your right but your responsibility to use the knowledge and skills you gained from our program to help yourself and your fellow citizens.

That is what is great about America. No matter what you think of what has happened in the past, or even what is happening now, you have the opportunity to change it. In a very short time a couple hundred years' worth of progress will be handed to you. What will you do with it? Will you be content to stand still? Will you move forward? The decision is up to you and no one else.

Serve your community and serve it well. We wish you the best of luck in your endeavors, and hope that the American Legion Boys' State of Kansas could help you along the way.

- The American Legion Boys' State of Kansas Staff