



Above: Post 776 Delegates — Robert Durham - Post 776 Boys State Chairman, Micah Starks, Josh Gillaugh, Joseph Gregory, Jonte Pegg, Erick Lovett, Marvin Mckinney, Aaron Benton, Keith McGuffie, Oliver Clawson.

Left: Joseph Gregory of Xenia with Buckeye Boys State Governor Dominic Dicamillo of Washington Courthouse and Jonte Pegg of Cincinnati Hughes H.S. getting congratulations for receiving their plaques being named Outstanding Citizens of Buckeye Boys State.

Submitted photos

Locals attend Buckeye Boys State

BOWLING GREEN — The Department of Ohio American Legion hosted Buckeye Boys State recently. Among those present were delegates from Greene County.

This annual program gives the delegates a first-hand opportunity to learn the workings of government at city, county and state levels. It teaches responsibilities of citizenship in a two-party political system.

The program is the largest in the United States, with more than 1,200 boys participating annually held at Bowling Green State University. This year program was held June 11-19.

Sponsors for this year's Greene County group were: McColaugh Funeral Home, State Senator Chris Widener, Pastor Rev. Dr. Gloria W. Dillon and Glory Ministries Church, Beaver creek Rotary Club, Xenia Rotary Club, Wilberforce Optimist Club, PALS, McDonalds of Athens and American Legion Post #776.

Delegates from area high schools include: Bellbrook — Scott Johannes — Municipal Judge; Matthew Witzeman — City Auditor; Beaver creek — Marlon Coerbell Jr. — School Board Member; Belmont — Micah Starks — City Director of Law;

Carroll — Aaron Benton-Supt of Schools; Hughes — Cincinnati-Jonte Pegg-Mayor; Stebbins — Oliver Clawson-Dept of Mental Health; Eric Lovett-Public Utilities Commission; Keith McGuffie-Clerk for the House of Representatives; Xenia — Joseph Gregory-Supt of Schools, Joshua Gillaugh — Banker, Marvin Mckinney — Common Pleas Judge, Kramer Sells — City Councilman, Evan Reed — City Councilman.

Boys State Junior Counselor-Austen Brower of Bellbrook and Boys State Board Members-Vernon L. Dillon of Xenia and Stanley Pleasant of Dayton.