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## **Assistant Deputy Counsel John Rader encourages delegates to be leaders**

John Rader addressed delegates Monday night, just 10 short years after sitting in the audience as a Boys' State participant. Rader's dedication to government service and passion for law has taken him from law school to the governor's office. He was appointed as policy and legal analyst in Gov. Bill Haslam's office and has since been appointed Assistant Deputy Counsel.

Rader said it didn't take long to remember his most vivid memories of Boys' State. "What I remember is marching, lots of marching. I remember Col. Ochsenbein telling me not to hurt his pavement. And I certainly remember the lack of a female presence," he said to an understanding crowd. "But I want you to remember this, in your senior year you should relax and enjoy it. It will be the best year of your life.

"Today we honor the world's heroes. We honor greatness," Rader said. "Be willing to commit yourself and go as hard as you can. The rest belongs to fate.

"Leaders have three qualities: they are confident, courageous and courteous. You've got to be confident and not fearful of making mistakes. You have to know who you are, what you can do and have the courage to be what you can and should be. And finally, leaders treat other people with respect. You never know who might be on your team in the future. Win with humility; lose with composure. People will forget what you say. They might forget what you do. But they will never forget how you made them feel."

Rader concluded his speech by telling delegates to get excited about what lies ahead. "Embrace change. Make your community, state and country a better place."

## **BOYS' STATE ELECTS CITY, COUNTY OFFICIALS**

**Cain City:** James Isaac Kay, mayor; Kimsey Bell, Preston Delk, Joshua Groves, Thomas Watson, alderman; Matthew Collier, Chase Dagley, county commissioners; Jacob Barcsansky, Luke Bizzoco, Benjamin Franklin, Colin Mawhinney, Caleb Stuber, Stephen Waldrep, Franklin Wallace, Garrett Wright, state representatives.

**Hammer City:** Michael Willwerth, mayor; Stephen Biase, Brian Davenport, Chris Smith, Peyton Terry, aldermen; John Ramsey Ferguson, Casey Smith, county commissioners; Paul Aanestad, Wesley Anderson, Sam Herbert, Josh Malloy, Braden McClean, Justin Ramos, Bradley Weaver, Eric Yates, state representatives.

**Kreider City:** Justin Rountree, mayor; Andrew Campbell, Caleb Christian, Ross Gardner, Yuvraj Sriram, aldermen; Steven Littel, Jose Luis Pedraza, county commissioners; Jake Corbin, Daniel Hott, Christopher Kelley, Carl Manning, Dane Piazza, William Rymer, Jacob Teeters. Spencer Thompson, state representatives.

**Lahiere City:** Brandon Mensch, mayor; Matthew Art, Joseph Pope, Bradford Walker, Caleb Wampler, aldermen; William Cusick, Kenneth Ye, county commissioners; Kennedy Brock, Alexander Byrum, Matthew Chilcutt, Brandon Clouch, John Despard, Charlie Hughes, Jeremiah Johnson, Isaiah Zimmer, state representatives.

**Levi City:** Johnathan Mecklin, mayor; Joseph Atkins, Trevor Bass, Blake Stoker, Joseph Totherow, aldermen; James Finley, Tyler McGill, county commissioners; Haddon Alexander, Trent Elliott, Kent Foster, Jordan Garcia, Benjamin Hickson, Kalaf Levy, Austin Bo Simko, Matthew Snow, state representatives.

**Loring City:** William Faulk, mayor; Jason Adcock, Mathew Briggs, Grant Gipson, David Murray, aldermen; John Billingsley, Collin Cates, county commissioners; Dagan Burnett, Wesley Chatham, Vaughn Griffin, Ryan Harper, Ty McClain, Rahul Patel, Lucas Pruitt, Max Szczepaniak, state representatives.

**Maddux City:** Marlon Brown, mayor; Joseph Brockwell, Matthew Carter, Benjamin Lawson, Matthew Posey, aldermen; Grady Forrester, Ryan Hamby, county commissioners; Jose Acosta, Joseph Caldwell, Christian Dorthalina, Andrew Heim, Zachary Hickman, Lucas Jackson, Dylan Pomeroy, Isaac Wheeler, state representatives.

**McCollum City:** Justin Kingrea, mayor; James Billings, James Blanks, Austin Doss, Charles Earls aldermen; Dallas Abraham, Hunter Cantrell, county commissioners; Harold Abercrombie, Zenas Alexander, Seth Carr, Alexander Campbell, Nathaniel Malone, Kyle Riddle, John Ross Rudolph, Malcolm Springs, state representatives.

**Reel City:** Jacob Haynes, mayor; Robert Ateca, Jacob Azbell, John Bailey, Avery Orr, aldermen; Corey Goolsby, Micah Stout, county commissioners; Farris Bailey, Preston Butler, Malik Cruchfield, Andrew Davidson, James Howard, Robert Layne, Grant Lowrance, Paul Norris, state representatives.

**Roberts City:** Carey Ray, mayor; Dakota Brown, Logan Campbell, Nicholas Nash, Drake Walker aldermen; Jacob Allen, Jon Jacob Sain, county commissioners; Tyler Allen, Christopher Coles, James Deal Jr., Chad McDowell, Nicholas Odum, Matthew Putnam, Chandler Rose, Peter Yasso, state representatives.

**Summitt City:** Dylan Kellogg, mayor; Eric Fogle, Nicolas Kilmer, Ryan Lovelady, Noah Parker, aldermen; D'Andre Bradley, Sam Tingle, county commissioners; William Brandon Armstrong, Ben Bruner, Chris Freimuth, Noah Goley, Logan Martin, Sean Nash, Zack Simpson, Wyatt Slagle, state representatives.

**Young City:** Anthony Patterson II, mayor; Joshua Brennan, Wesley Buchanan, Ryder Burkett, Dillan Edwards, aldermen; Robert Tyler Hounshell, Jackson Medley, county commissioners; Emilio Almendarez, Caleb Baker, Nathan Campbell, Brandon Ellis, Christian Harris, Evan Hickson, Chris Patti, William Warren, state representatives.

**Dornan County:** Jonathan Greer, county executive; Richard Turner, county sheriff; Kaleb Gonyea, county court clerk; Archie Rich, register of deeds; Patrick Greene, county trustee; Nathaniel Wood Yarborough, county attorney; Kenneth Stanley, county tax assessor; Benjamin Fomby, circuit judge; Nicholas Laffey, chancery judge; Matthew Beery, Grady Dunlap, Ken Heflin, Karson Holmes, Tanner McDivitt, Jacob Moran, Ryan Tosh, Aaron Woody, state senators.

**Hildebrand County:** Davis Easley, county executive; Charles Yates, county sheriff; Mason Angel, county court clerk; Brandon Hunter, register of deeds; Ezekiel Williams, county trustee; Julio Salazar, county attorney; Austin McKain, county tax assessor; Patrick Henry, chancery judge; Peyton Snyder, circuit judge; Joshua Anderson, Pierce Atkins, William Boroughs, Gennaro Esposito, Phillip Fox, Dalton Nash, Jacob Whitman, Grayson Wiles, state senators.

**Markham County:** Ricky Barry, county executive; Benjamin Davenport, county sheriff; Ethan Crawford, county court clerk; Jared Clements, register of deeds; Joshua Frazier, county trustee; Logan Hale, county attorney; Jacob Adcock, county tax assessor; Braden Mayfield, circuit judge; James Davis, chancery judge; Seth Anderson, Tucker Cain, Jamal Carter, Matthew Culley, Beau Gibbs, Brandon Harris, Hunter Haynes, Joshua Vasquez, state senators.

**Robinson County:** Adam Lankford, county executive; Colton Randolph, county sheriff; Julius Edwards, county court clerk; Robert Marshall, register of deeds; Malik Williams, county trustee; Nikhil Basutkar, county attorney; Jacob Lamar, county tax assessor; Derrick Seymour, circuit judge; Mason Devers, chancery judge; Ky-Edward Bishop Anderson, Conner Bell, Alexander Brewer, Donald Broadnax, Michael Bunch, Eric Downham, Ross Martin, Jacob McGray, state senators.



