



## Congratulations to Our State Contest Winners!

Saturday, April 25, was the Kansas History Day State Contest at Washburn University in Topeka. Congratulations to our gold and silver medalists! They will be moving on to the National History Day Contest at the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland.

Students going on to nationals should carefully read the [National Registration Booklet](#) and follow the procedures outlined in it. The registration and historical paper **deadline received by date** is May 19. May 19 is also the day that websites are locked.

Contact Tracie Lamb at [kansashistoryday@gmail.com](mailto:kansashistoryday@gmail.com) if you need a KHD t-shirt or buttons.

### List of state winners:

#### Junior Historical Papers

##### *1st place*

Katrina Mason

*Catherine the Great: Leadership and Legacy*

Derby Middle School; Derby, KS

Teacher: Tracey Anderson

##### *2nd place*

Adan Gutierrez

*The Legacy of the Last Queen of France*

Satanta Junior/Senior High School; Santanta, KS

Teacher: Destiny Lalicker

#### Senior Historical Papers

##### *1st place*

Kurtis Engel

*The 1972 China Summit: Leaders and Legacies in Cold War Diplomacy*

Blue Valley West High School; Overland Park, KS

Teacher: Paul Stuewe

##### *2nd place*

Paul Johnson

*Sherman's March to the Sea: Contributions to the Legacy of Total War*

Bishop Carroll Catholic High School; Wichita, KS

Teacher: Chris Jaax

#### Junior Individual Documentary

##### *1st place*

Sam Hubert

*Branch Rickey: A Vision of an Integrated Future*

Mill Creek Middle School; Lenexa, KS

Teacher: Joann Dunham

##### *2nd place*

Manmeet Pelia

*R. Buckminster Fuller: The Dymaxion Man Who Strived to Change the World*

Derby Middle School; Derby, KS

Teacher: Tracey Anderson

#### Senior Individual Documentary

##### *1st place*

Emily Stanley

*Fighting to Feed the World: Norman Borlaug and the Green Revolution*

Seaman High School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

##### *2nd place*

Benjamin Fischer

*Three Strikes: An Unlikely Leader Leaves a Legacy*

Christian Learning Center; Fort Scott, KS

Teacher: Gloria Fischer

#### Junior Group Documentary

##### *1st place*

Olivia Rothrock, Jodi Gore, and Zoe Wohlford

*Gloria Steinem and Ms. Magazine: Women Fight for their Voices*

Liberty Memorial Central Middle School; Lawrence, KS

Teacher: Devin Heath

##### *2nd place*

Zuzu Melchor and Helena All

*Ya Basta! Subcomandante Marcos and the Zapatista Struggle for Indigenous Rights*

Liberty Memorial Central Middle School; Lawrence, KS

Teacher: Devin Heath

#### Senior Group Documentary

##### *1st place*

Bailey Bushnell and Kendall Leatherman

*A Champion of the Disabled: Senator Bob Dole's Leadership Towards the Passage of the Americans With Disabilities Act and Its Historic Legacy*

Seaman High School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

##### *2nd place*

Hailey Reed and Andrea Sodergren

*Tran Ngoc "Harry" Hue: Steadfast Leader for Liberty*

Seaman High School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

#### Junior Individual Exhibit

##### *1st place*

Kadi Stithem

*The Alex Project: How Dr. Irene Pepperberg and a Parrot Named Alex Helped a "Birdbrained" Idea Take Flight*

St. Mary Parish Catholic School; Derby, KS

Teacher: Angie Gumm

Junior Individual Exhibit (continued)

*2nd place*

Jimin Park

*The Halo of Freedom and Light: The Leadership and Legacy of Kim Dae Jung*

Washburn Rural Middle School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Alice Bertels

Senior Individual Exhibit

*1st place*

Lanna Wagner

*TPN: The Liquid Lifesaver*

Goessel High School; Goessel, KS

Teacher: Sherri Sells

*2nd place*

Tori Mitchell

*From Freedom Rides to Congress: John Lewis*

Lawrence High School; Lawrence, KS

Teacher: Valerie Schrag

Junior Group Exhibit

*1st place*

Alex Andresen, Carlos Agüero, and Milton Hershey

Eisenhower Middle School; Manhattan, KD

Teacher: Terry Healy

*2nd place*

Kydee Barbee and Abigail Noyes

*Corrie ten Boom: "The Measure of a Life is Not Its Duration, But Its Donation"*

Seaman Middle School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Kyle Johnson

Senior Group Exhibit

*1st place*

Erin Boyd and Chelsea Lake

*Philip K. Wrigley: Preserving Baseball One Pitch at a Time*

Seaman High School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

*2nd place*

Claire Walsh, Calder Hollond, and Madison Bowers

*Eisenhower Paves The Way*

Basehor-Linwood High School; Basehor, KS

Teacher: Allison Gutierrez

Junior Individual Performance

*1st place*

Tierra Jones

*The Judith Jamison Story: Carrying Ailey's Legacy and Adding My Own*

Jardine Middle School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Judy Pierson

*2nd place*

Taman Kanchanapalli

*MLK Leadership through Legacy*

Topeka Collegiate School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Gail Franklin

Senior Individual Performance

*1st place*

Daniel Mangiaracino

*Genie Oblige: Franz Liszt's Musical Leadership and Legacy*

Bishop Seabury Academy; Lawrence, KS

Teacher: Sonja Czarnecki

*2nd place*

Jesse Belt

*Woody Guthrie*

Lawrence High School; Lawrence, KS

Teacher: Valerie Schrag

Junior Group Performance

*1st place*

Olivia Romig and Kale Michael

*"The Children of Silence Must Be Taught to Sing Their Own Song"*

Seaman Middle School; Topeka, KS

Teacher: Kyle Johnson

*2nd place*

Zoe Self, Julia Kerr, and Drake Garcia

*Leadership in Action: The Giver of Hope*

Fort Scott Christian Heights School; Fort Scott, KS

Teacher: Karen Schellack

Senior Group Performance

*1st place*

Christin Guilfoyle, Mary Kerr, and Ben Self

*The Letter "Q"*

Fort Scott Christian Heights School; Fort Scott, KS

Teacher: Karen Schellack

*2nd place*

Marin Hodges, Donya Jahandar, Carly McDonald, and Frankie Skinner

*A Discourse on Women's Roles During the Roaring Twenties*

Blue Valley West High School; Overland Park, KS

Teacher: Paul Stuewe

Junior Individual Website

*1st place*

Brent Thein

*George C. Marshall and the Marshall Plan*

Woodrow Wilson Elementary School; Manhattan, KS

Teacher: Terry Healy

*2nd place*

Madeline Bachtold

*Elizabeth Blackwell: Paving the Way for Working Women*

Chisholm Trail Junior High School; Olathe, KS

Teacher: Rhonda McGraw

### Senior Individual Website

1st place

Michael Navarro, Jr.  
*"And That's the Way It Is": The Leadership and Legacy of Walter Cronkite*  
Washburn Rural Middle School; Topeka, KS  
Teacher: Alice Bertels

2nd place

Joseph Ginzel  
*Dr. Jonas Salk: The Father of Vaccination*  
Seaman High School; Topeka, KS  
Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

### Junior Group Websites

1st place

Levi Nutter and Noah Jayne  
*Ike and the Interstate*  
Eisenhower Middle School; Manhattan, KS  
Teacher: Terry Healy

2nd place

Mason Reid, Jackson Harvey, Sean Hackenberg, Daniel Tamura, and Jakob Hagemester  
*Robert Oppenheimer*  
Woodrow Wilson Elementary School; Manhattan, KS  
Teacher: Terry Healy

### Senior Group Websites

1st place

Michelle Anderson and Marcy Anderson  
*Dr. Alfred Blalock: Healing the Blues*  
Seaman High School; Topeka, KS  
Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

2nd place

Nathan Henderson, Katelyn Hersh, and Ray Newins  
*"Rabble Rouser": Clair Cameron Patterson and the Fight Against Tetraethyl Lead*  
Seaman High School; Topeka, KS  
Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

## **Special Awards and Prize Winners**

### Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area

Avery Munns

Senior Individual Documentary  
*James Lane: Pioneering Patriot*  
Washburn Rural High School, Topeka  
Teacher: Alice Bertels

### Lowell Milken Center Unsung Hero Award

Erin Hebert and Maesey Meier

Junior Group Documentary  
*The Last of the Beautiful in Midwestern Psychology*  
Seaman Middle School, Topeka  
Teacher: Kyle Johnson

### Native Sons and Daughters of Greater Kansas City

Hunter Eisler

Senior Individual Documentary  
*Robert E. Eisler, Jr: Changing the Dynamic*  
Olathe North Sr High School, Olathe

Teacher: Matt Sorrels

### Norman and Karen Conard Award for Diversity

Sam Hubert

Junior Individual Documentary  
*Branch Rickey: A Vision of an Integrated Future*  
Mill Creek Middle School, Lenexa  
Teacher: Joann Dunham

### Robert J. Dole Congressional History Prize

1<sup>st</sup> Place:

Baily Bushnell and Kendall Leatherman  
Senior Group Documentary  
*A Champion of the Disabled: Senator Bob Dole's Leadership Towards the Passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Its Historic Legacy*  
Seaman High School, Topeka  
Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

2<sup>nd</sup> Place:

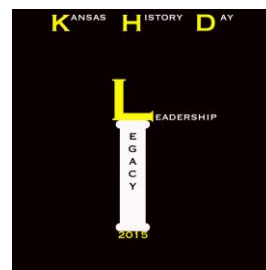
Nicholas Navarro  
Junior Individual Website  
*Harry Colmery and the 'Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944' (G.I. Bill of Rights)*  
Christ the King School, Topeka  
Teacher: Kelly Kelley

3<sup>rd</sup> Place:

Richard Peterson  
Junior Individual Documentary  
*The Antiquities Act: An Act of the Past for the Future*  
Seaman Middle School, Topeka  
Teacher: Kyle Johnson

## **Congratulations to the Annual T-Shirt and Button Design Contest Winner**

Congratulations to Rick Brown of Manhattan High School, this year's winner of the t-shirt and button design contest.



## **State Contest Special Thanks**

Our thanks go out to the contest judges and volunteers who helped the day run smoothly. Thanks also to the facilities staff at Washburn's Memorial Union for doing a great job with the various room setups on Friday and Saturday.

Special thanks to this year's sponsor, Attorneys Palmer, Leatherman, White, & Girard. Their generous donation provided breakfast and lunch for our judges and volunteers. We would also like to thank the sponsors of

our special awards and prizes and economic need scholarships:

- Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area (<http://www.freedomfrontier.org/>)
- Lowell Milken Center Unsung Hero Award (<http://www.lowellmilkencenter.org/>)
- Native Sons and Daughters of Greater Kansas City (<http://www.native-sons.org/>)
- Norman and Karen Conard Award for Diversity
- Robert J. Dole Congressional History Prize (<http://www.doleinstitute.org/>)
- Kansas Association of Historians (KAH): <http://kah.fhsu.edu/>
- Kansas City Area Archivists (KCAA): <http://www.umkc.edu/KCAA/>

And finally, our thanks to Deb Goodrich, who announced the winners at the awards ceremony.

## Behring Teacher Ambassadors Program

The Behring Teacher Ambassador Program is an effort to utilize the winners of the affiliate Behring Teachers of the Year Awards expertise to help spread the word about History Day and strengthen affiliate programs. Yearly, 28 teachers are selected for the program.

For 2014-2015 Kansas was fortunate to have two ambassadors: Kyle Johnson and Terry Healy. Kyle and Terry served as mentors to new teachers, represented the KHD at conferences, and developed ideas, such as the *Just One Imitative*, to encourage new teachers to get involved in NHD. The KHDF Board truly appreciates all their efforts on behalf of the Kansas History Day program.

Once again Kansas has two ambassadors for 2015-2016: Kyle Johnson (continuing) and Vicki Gallowy with the Reno County Education Co-op in Hutchinson. The KHDF Board looks forward to working with both of these teachers in the coming year.



## Thanks to the Kansas History Day Foundation Board Members and District Coordinators for Another Successful Year!

As the so called "Executive Directory" of the KHDF Board, I would like to thank all of my fellow board members for all the ways, big and small, that they have contributed to the KHD program this year.

- Norman Conard, President
- Tracie Lamb, Secretary/Treasurer and State Coordinator
- Kris Sandwell, Curriculum and Outreach
- Travis Lamb, Outreach
- Susan Sittenauer, Outreach

My thanks also all of the District Coordinators who help keep the KHD program running across the state.

- District 1, Overland Park: Letha Johnson, Tracie Lamb, and Paul Steuwe
- District 2, Fort Scott: John Seal
- District 3, Topeka: Rachel Goosen, Robin Shrimplin, and Kim Moore
- District 4, Manhattan: Tracie Lamb, Letha Johnson, Jim Bach, and Terry Healy
- District 5, Garden City: Anita Palmer
- District 6, Wichita: Gretchen Eick, Barbara Brotton, Eric Cale, Angela Lentino, Wendy Donaldson, John Rhodes, Guangqiu Xu, Russell Arben Fox, Abby Miller, and Erin Haneberg

Additionally, the District and State Contests would not happen without all the volunteers who gave of their time to judge. A special thank you to all the judges, and local teachers, in District 4 (Manhattan) who braved the snow storm so that the local students could have their entries evaluated.

## Mentors and Teacher, Student, and Parent, Testimonials Sought for the KHD Website

We are still looking for teachers to serve as mentors to new NHD teachers, as well as teacher, students and parent testimonial for the website, please email Letha Johnson at [letha\\_johnson@att.net](mailto:letha_johnson@att.net).

## Kansas History Day Alumni Sought

Are you a former student who participated in the Kansas History Day Program? Do you know former Kansas History Day students? KHD is looking for former participants and would like to know what they're doing now. Kansas History Day Alumni can sign-up at <http://www.kansashistoryday.org/alumni.html>. We would like to feature alumni in future editions of the newsletter.

## AmazonSmile

Shop at [AmazonSmile](#) and Amazon will make a donation to NHD!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 19 – NHD Contest registration deadline. All registration material **must be received by** the NHD National Office by this date.
- June 14-19 – NHD Contest at the University of Maryland in College Park, MD.
- June 20 – Research for 2016 entries can begin.