



Congratulations NHS Contest Winners, Finalists, and Outstanding State Entries!

Gold Medalist Senior Individual Performance

Student: Elisa Trujillo

School: Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence

Teacher: Sonja Czarnecki

Title: Exploring and Exchanging Rhythms: Master Juba and the Early History of Tap Dance

Bronze Medalist Junior Group Documentaries

Students: Molly McLaughlin and Olivia Romig

School: Seaman Middle School, Topeka

Teacher: Kyle Johnson

Title: The Americans Are Very Strong

Junior Outstanding State Entry Winner

Student: Audrey Nguyen-Hoang

School: Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence

Teacher: Sara Asher

Title: The Journey of Tomatoes

Senior Outstanding State Entry Winner

Students: Katherine McLaughlin and Melissa Bryan

School: Seaman High School, Topeka

Teacher: Susan Sittenauer

Title: Rachel Carson and Her Fight for Environmental Change

Special Awards and Prize Winners

Senior Native American History Award Winner

Student: Hilary Griggs

School: Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence

Teacher: Sonja Czarnecki

Title: The Chouteau Brothers: Exploration, Encounter, and Exchange in the Eighteenth Century Missouri River Valley

KHD Seeking Sponsors

Know of an individual or organization who might be interested in helping to sponsor KHD or its contests?

Please email us at kansashistoryday@gmail.com.

Sponsorship opportunities include student awards, food for judges and volunteers, and general KHD program expenses.

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. Alumni can sign-up at on the [Alumni](#) page on the KHD website. We would like to feature alumni in future editions of the newsletter.

New Online Registration System Coming!

NHD is working on a new online registration system for this year's contests. We will pass along directional information in December. As usual, registration will open January 1. **All students must have a unique email address that can receive verification and other messages from the system and KHD.** Teacher email addresses will no longer be able to be used for student accounts. Accounts will now be reusable year after year. Remember that there will be some technical difficulties as the system is new, so patience and understanding will be needed.



Remembering Wendy Donaldson

This summer Kansas History Day lost a great supporter in Wendy Donaldson. She passed away on July 22, 2016, from leukemia.

Wendy earned a Bachelor's in Music Education from Auburn University. She also earned Master's degrees in Administrative Education and Special Needs and Gifted Education from Wichita State University.

After moving to Kansas, Wendy taught in the greater Wichita area. She was actively involved in KHD for 15 years as a teacher, judge, coordinator, and sponsor. Wendy readily joined the committee formed to coordinate the District 6 contest when Wichita State was unable to continue. She personally sponsored an award for the best entry in Middle Ages history at National History Day. In 2012 Wendy was recognized as the Senior Division KHD Teacher of the Year and nominated for the Patricia Behring Award at the national level.

For additional information regarding Wendy's life, please see her [obituary](#) and the [Facebook](#) page setup in her memory.

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.

Signup for the KHD Listserv

You can now signup for the KHD Listserv via our website. Just complete the [online form](#) and you'll receive the latest updates from both KHD and NHD.

District Contest Dates

Registration for district contests begins January 1, 2016! Below are important dates for each district. Check the [KHD website](#) for updates. **Remember** – there's a new registration system, so don't wait until the last minute to register.

District 1

Coordinator(s): Tracie Lamb & Letha Johnson
Email: kansashistoryday@gmail.com
Kansas History Day Foundation
3120 SW Atwood Ave
Topeka, KS 66614

Contest Date: March 4, 2017

Registration deadline: February 18, 2017

Paper deadline: February 18, 2017

Please mail 5 copies of Historical Paper to KHD 3120 SW Atwood Ave Topeka KS 66614

Website deadline: February 20, 2017

Contest location: TBA

Entry fee per student: \$10.00 (payable to Kansas History Day Foundation)

District 2

Coordinator: John Seal
Fort Scott Community College History Dept.
2108 S. Horton, Fort Scott, KS 66701
620.223.2700, ext. 320
Email: johns@fortscott.edu

Contest date: TBA

Registration deadline: TBA

Paper deadline: TBA

Website deadline: TBA

Contest location: Fort Scott Community College

Entry fee per student: \$10.00 (payable to FSCC History Club)

District 3

Coordinator: Rachel Goosen
Washburn University History Department
1700 SW College Ave., Topeka, KS 66621
785.670.1762
Email: rachel.goossen@washburn.edu
Assistant Coordinator: Robin Shrimplin
Washburn University History Department
1700 SW College Ave., Topeka, KS 66621
785.670.1762
Email: robin.shrimplin@washburn.edu

Contest date: February 25, 2017

Registration deadline: January 23, 2017

Paper and website deadline: January 23, 2017

Contest location: Washburn University

Entry fee per student: \$10.00 (payable to Washburn University)

[District 3 website](#)

District 4

Coordinator: Tracie Lamb & Letha Johnson
Email: kansashistoryday@gmail.com
Kansas History Day Foundation
3120 SW Atwood Ave
Topeka KS 66614

Contest date: February 25, 2017

Registration deadline: February 11, 2017

Paper deadline: February 11, 2017

Please mail 5 copies of Historical Paper to KHD 3120 SW Atwood Ave Topeka KS 66614

Website deadline: February 13, 2017

Contest location: Eisenhower Middle School, Manhattan

Entry fee per student: \$10.00 (payable to Kansas History Day Foundation)

District 5

Coordinator: Tracie Lamb
Email: kansashistoryday@gmail.com

Contest date: February 25, 2017

Registration deadline: February 11, 2017

Paper and website deadline: February 11, 2017

Contest location: Satanta High School

Entry fee per student: \$10

Mailing address

Please mail Entry Fee to KHDF, 3120 SW Atwood Ave, Topeka KS 66614

Please mail 4 copies of Historical paper to: Destiny Lalicker, Satanta High School, 100 Caddo St, Satanta, KS 67870

District 6

Coordinator: Barbara Brotton
Email: dbrotton@cox.net

Contest date: February 24, 2017

Registration deadline: January 30, 2017

Paper and website deadline: January 30, 2017

Contest location: Friends University

Entry fee per student: \$10.00 (Payable to Friends University)

Scholarship assistance available

through dexterb@friends.edu

Mailing Address:

Bonnie Dexter

c/o Friends University

Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences

2100 West University Ave

Wichita, KS 67213

Contest Volunteers Needed

If you're interested in volunteering at a district contest, judges and others are needed, please send an email to kansashistoryday@gmail.com.

Seeking Nominations for the Kansas History Day Teachers of the

This award recognizes innovative history teaching within and outside the classroom. To be eligible, the teacher must be a participant in the Kansas History Day program and meet the qualifications for the *Patricia Behring Teacher of the Year Award*. An award will be given to one teacher in the Junior Division and a teacher in the Senior Division. The winners will each be nominated for the national *Patricia Behring Teacher of the Year Award*. See the [website](#) for additional information.

Teachers and Students Making News in Your Area?

If you know any news regarding History Day teachers and students in your area, please email the information to Letha Johnson at kansashistoryday2@gmail.com for inclusion in the newsletters and website.

Thanks to the Kansas History Day Foundation Board Members and District Coordinators for a Successful 2016!

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 Co-coordinator
- Kris Sandwell, Curriculum and Outreach
- Susan Sittenauer, Outreach
- Kyle Johnson, Outreach
- Terry Healy, Outreach

Many 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: Barbara Brotton, Eric Cale, Angela Lentino, John Rhodes, Guangqiu Xu, Russell Arben Fox, Abby Miller, and Erin Haneberg

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 4, 8:00am EST

[Understanding Sacrifice World War II in the Pacific Kickoff Weekend](#)

November 11, 8:00am EST

[Understanding Sacrifice World War II in the Mediterranean Launch](#)

November 28, 11:45pm EST

[Application Deadline for Normandy: Sacrifice for Freedom](#)

December 2, 9:00am EST

[NHD Exhibiting at the National Council for the Social Studies Conference \(NCSS\) in Washington, DC](#)

January 23,

[Spring I - Introduction to Project-Based Learning Using the National History Day Curriculum Framework, January - April](#)

January 23,

[Spring II - Writing and Editing for National History Day, January - March](#)

TBA

[Summer - Introduction to Project-Based Learning Using the National History Day Curriculum Format, July - August](#)

TBA

[Summer - Developing Performances to Facilitate Historical Thinking Skills, July - August](#)

TBA

[Summer - Developing Documentaries to Facilitate Historical Thinking Skills, July - August](#)