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# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## Introducing the Bulletin!

**St. Paul, MN** – Every day Minnesota Camp History Day campers will wake up to the *Camp History Day Daily Bulletin* waiting by their dorm room door. They will be able to read the exciting news from the day before and read the schedule of the new day's events. The AMAZING wordsmiths of the *Camp History Day Daily Bulletin* will keep campers up to date on what has been going on around the National History Day Campus at College Park and find out what events are still to come.

The Staff at the *Camp History Day Daily Bulletin* is also looking for guest material for the distinguished periodical. Feel free to submit your adventures, musings, observations, rants and pictures to the *Bulletin*. Keep in mind that the editor, *Mooster History* has a discerning eye for "real" news and "non-biased" scoops.

#### BUT WAIT THERE'S MORE -

People who are not with the National's contingent can follow what has been going on out in College Park Maryland, too. All of the Camp History Day Daily Bulletins will be posted online so all of your friends and

family will be able to keep their finger on the pulse of the adventures of the Minnesota National History Day Herd. The Camp History Day Daily Bulletin is the official news outlet and propaganda arm of MN NHD 2010, don't miss out on a single issue!

## Now on Facebook!

Campers and friends can also become fans of "Minnesota History Day 2010" on Facebook. We will be posting up to date travel information and plans for the campers to follow. There will also be a discussion forum for students to share their plans, talk about their projects and boast about their outrageous room decorating schemes.

Also on the Facebook page there will be news about the NEWEST Camp History Day Games and shenanigans. So stay in touch, so you can play a part in shaping what will hopefully become Camp History Day traditions FOR YEARS TO COME!!!!!

## National History Day Events to look forward to:

- Nightly Meetings in which the newly initiated learn the ancient ways of the MN History Day Scholar
- Room Decorating and Judging (more to come on this)
- National History Day DANCE!
- Dance Lessons!
- Button Trading
- NEW! Historic Photograph Reenactment (see Facebook for more details



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"We are leaving on a jet plane"

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## History Day Props and Exhibits Sold for Gas Money and Baseball Tickets

In a shocking turn of events, the History Day staff returned to the History Center Thursday morning to find that Dan Ott and Matt Hill had organized a clandestine garage sale with the props and exhibits entrusted to our care for shipment to DC. Apparently, students from Wisconsin, Iowa and both Dakotas made their way to St. Paul and paid top-dollar to upgrade the quality of their national presentations. When confronted by phone outside of Toledo, Ott and Hill expressed little remorse. "Those kids can scrounge for props all over campus," proclaimed Ott, "and we still have enough 3M adhesive and cardboard to get the exhibits knocked together on Sunday." Hill blamed the escapade on the success of Target Field. "I've been trying for weeks to watch outdoor baseball," he complained, "and if I can't watch the Twins, I might as well catch the Sox and the Reds on the way to DC. Besides, if these kids would have worked a little harder, we might have gotten some high-rollers in here from California to give us enough money to go the horse track, too." (continued, pg. 3)



## Students Hone Tourist Photo-Taking Skills in Preparation for Washington Monument Snapshot

*St. Paul* - After loading the Kingdom Come Co-op trailer late Wednesday afternoon, members of the Junior Group Performance, "Bulwark Against the Brewery" took time out to practice the skills needed for the upcoming optical illusion photograph with the Washington Monument. "We missed our chance last year, so we've been practicing with any monument or famous landmark we encounter. Now we never leave home without a camera," Kostohris said. The Capitol building presented a unique opportunity for the group to



assess their abilities to manipulate size and scale. Co-coordinator, Naomi Peuse served as photographer for the trial run. "I really hope I helped them prepare for the Washington Monument photo op. Of all the things that could go awry at National History Day, a failed photo shoot could spell disaster." Photographic evidence shows the group can still perfect their form. Jacobs kept a positive attitude, "We've got 2 days, 1200 miles, and who knows how many monuments along the way. I'm not worried." Saturday June 12, 2010

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## **Understaffed Staff Look for Cooperation**

The group travel option proved far more popular than even Mr. History could foresee. In a bold move, the majority of History Day staff were reassigned to an east-bound wagon train. Inspired by Tasha Holtman's research, they plan to retrace the relocation of orphans backwards. As a result, remaining History Day staff are outnumbered 20 to 1. Katie Craven was one of the four to draw the short straw for group travel. "I'm hoping the 2010 delegation doesn't get out of hand," commented Craven. "Regardless, I plan to smuggle my cattle prod through security to manage the masses." CHDDB readers are encouraged to study this schedule in order to avoid testing staff patience at the beginning of our trip.

10:30 AM- Meet the History Day staff at MSP's Lindbergh Terminal – Delta Group travel Desk

Make sure you have your name and address on your luggage

After checking in with History Day staff gather off to the side for further instruction regarding travel. We will receive our boarding passes and check luggage with gate agents as a group. DO NOT LOSE YOUR BOARDING PASS!

**ONCE YOU HAVE PASSED THROUGH SECURITY**, feel free to grab a snack with your group, but then move quickly to our gate!

12:00 PM - Meet up at the gate for Final Instructions and Boarding

Stragglers will be hunted for sport, their Cinnabons will be confiscated, and they will be put on the plane as gate-checked luggage.

1:00 PM – Depart MSP for BWI

During the flight you will experience "Back to the Future" style time travel and it will mystically be one hour later. Make sure to say, "Where we're going we don't need roads" and then set your watch one hour forward.

4:35 PM (FUTURE TIME) – Arrive in Baltimore

Once the plane lands and all of your instincts tell you to get off the plane – REMAIN IN YOUR SEAT. Once all non-HD passengers exit, Mr. History will inspect the gate area for safety, attract the paparazzi and call for people to leave the plane.

Once everyone is off the plane we will head for baggage claim. Collect your bag(s) and move to the designated stand-around-and-wait area until all luggage is accounted for.

A LITTLE bit later – Board the buses.

You have been assigned a bus (check your nametag for assignment). Once you have selected your seat, loop your name tag around the headrest.

Parents renting vehicles may travel to Union Station and leave their car there during the tour. We will drop you back off at Union Station when the tour concludes.

6:00 PM – Arrive at Union Station for dinner – forage for food!

7:15 PM - We will make several stops around town. After each stop, make sure you get back on the same bus and sit in the seat marked with your nametag.

Pay attention to the staff on the way back to campus. Our first state meeting will take place on the bus. 10:00 PM – Arrive in College Park for dorm Check-in!

Ott and Matt will have our dorm check-in cards ready for us. Individually you will need to collect your card and work with dorm staff to receive your room key. Exercise patience and don't whine!

Rest of the Evening – Room judging does not take place until Wednesday evening. You don't need to worry about decorating just yet. Explore and rearrange your room, make your bed, and get some sleep! Tomorrow is another big day!

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### Know Your Gophers!!

Liz Venditto (a.k.a. "Lizard")- Liz is going into her second year as the History Day Teaching Assistant at the University of Minnesota. What this means is that she is no longer the commander of History Day Mentor forces in the metro, but will be transitioning into being in charge of field trips to Wilson Library. Given this information, scholars who are interested in repeating their National Qualification next year should try to get on Liz's good side in order to get access to the "secret of ultra-awesome sources, collection" at Wilson Library.

Liz hails from Staten Island and has commented that she has no reason to watch Jersey Shore because it is EXACTLY the same as the high school she grew up in.



So, if you see the Lizard looking a bit home sick, bump your hair, pump your fist in the air and make a complete fool of yourself. Also, ask if she has forgotten one of the crucial steps in her daily routine of GTL (Gym, Tan and Laundry).

Liz Venditto

Victoria Dutcher (a.k.a. "Dutcher", a.k.a. "the Wunderkind") – Joining the team in 2008 as a History Day mentor, Victoria brought with her several years of History Day experience as a middle schooler from Eagan. Upon further investigation it was revealed that Victoria's "History Day Teacher," in middle school was a fraud who had hijacked the History Day brand in order to get kickbacks from the local Office Max for display board sales. Since that time she has committed her life to supporting students on the true path of History Day success.

Her History Day skills also helped Victoria graduate from the University of Minnesota this May. after only TWO semesters. At the age of fourteen, this made her the youngest person to ever graduate from the U of M and officially makes her the Wunderkind of History Day. When asked about comparisons to TV's medical munchkin, Doogie Howser, Victoria replied, "Doogie's got nothing on me! If history has taught us anything, it's that teenage Doctors are nothing but fear mongering quacks!"



Victoria Dutcher

Upon hearing this, Guanani Gomez-van Cortright and Lydia Newman-Heggie were quick to point out that Victoria's assertion was only true until the mid-19<sup>th</sup> Century discovery of anesthesia. Before that time it was common to have thirteenyear-olds perform surgery with nothing but a Stanley utility knife and a piece of foam-core for the patient to bite down on. "

## Staff Cash Caper Exposed

(continued from page 1) When asked for comment. Senior Individual performer Emma Weber expressed outrage that some Iowa kid has her PVC pipe. "The last thing I need to do is to make a run to Home Depot just because these jokers needed an overpriced hot dog at U.S. Cellular Field." Mr. History promises that there will be a full investigation by the rest of the staff. "In the end we will determine an appropriate punishment, or at least get a fair share of the loot."



Matt "Capitol Hill" Hill and Dan "Thunder" Ott show off the spoils from their cut of the garage sale profits (left). Hill and Ott hope that their dolla' dolla' bills cover any further cross country shenanigans on their way to College Park.

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#### The Original Button Trade -

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Most historians agree that the first signs of button trading activities in what is now known as the District of Columbia, can be traced back to the early years of the new national capital. As newly elected members of the House and Senate arrived in the Federal City, they found it difficult to mix and mingle. President John Adams issued an executive order to the U.S. mint to strike special "badges and pins with symbology appropriate to each state in the Union." Elected officials would exchange these items between committee meetings, legislative sessions and at fancy White House parties. Eventually, these buttons became so valuable that they were used an underground currency and precipitated the national bank crisis of the 1820s. The mint finally shut down the button trade during the Civil War, and it was only revived at National History Day in 1990. As you go forth to barter with students from other states, remember that you are doing your part to keep our nation united and our economy strong.



Squirrel, MinneSoda and SPAM buttons. The hot ticket items for this year are sure to be the Goldy the Gopher dog tag and the 100% Natural Camp History Day button.

### Staff TETRIS Practice Pays Off

John Ireland Boulevard, St. Paul, MN- As the History Day staff nervously awaited the arrival of the Kingdom Come Co-Op van and trailer late Wednesday afternoon, Laura Zeccardi hoped their Tetris practice during regional event season would pay off. "We really needed to hone in on our Tetris skills this year" said Zeccardi. "Our first experience packing Tetris style at the Metro Senior regional event was not a good start; we had bins, coolers and clipboards everywhere. It became obvious that we needed practice." The staff continued to improve their Tetris packing skills with each regional event. "It got to the point where everything we saw turned into 'Tetriminos,' or Tetris blocks. We packed vans in our sleep."

Team Tetris, (ask staff to demonstrate the secret Tetris handshake), confidently met the Kingdom Come Co-Op in front of the History Center with the performance props and exhibit board tetriminos ready to play. Onlookers watched nervously. Within minutes, Team Tetris got to work shifting each piece to fit with the next. "It feels so good when each piece fits snugly next to the others," commented Rachel Hernandez, "there was a real sense of accomplishment seeing that trailer packed so tightly, we have really come a long way since the beginning of the year. I think it also helped that I majored in Jig Saw during college at UMD."



The Kingdom Come Co-op van is packed and ready to go. The extra room is a result of expert packing and the diminished number of props and exhibits due to the garage sale.

(Team Tetris hopes unpacking the trailer will be as fun as loading it.)

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"When the going gets tough, change bus drivers"

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## **Smooth Flight Turns into Bus Tour of Terror**

Washington D.C. - This year's group of Minnesota travelers turned out promptly for the smoothest airport check-in in recent memory. Buttons were distributed, bags were tagged, boarding passes were handed out and all baggage fees were avoided. TSA agents remarked on how well the Minnesotans took off their shoes and marched through the metal detectors. At the gate there were no stragglers and our stand-by passengers were welcomed onto the flight with open arms. The karma for Minnesota History Day was strong and our world was filled with rainbows and unicorns...then we landed.

At first our touchdown in Baltimore seemed just a little jarring, and then people noticed that a chunk of airplane was dangling by a few wires from the cabin ceiling. "Oh, this happens all the time!" said the flight attendant with lighthearted assurance. Little did we know that this plastic panel malfunction was a secret sign that our fortunes had changed. Sure, all went well with baggage claim, but then there was a little delay with the first bus, then there was a longer delay with the second bus, and then the air conditioning malfunctioned on both buses, and then the driver of bus #2 was demanding that the staff fill up his bus with diesel, and then bus #1 broke a fan belt and stalled on the side of the road. The fates mocked us as we looked up and saw that bus breakdown occurred at Minnesota Avenue. The DC welcome mat had been pulled from under our feet and it was time for action.

Tony, the driver of bus #1 headed out to find a new bus. Paul, the driver of bus #2 was straightened out by Bus Company owner, Shawn, as they procured water from a nice lady in the neighborhood. A few gallons water got the bus temperature down to a cool 270 degrees and we made a dash for Union Station. Things started to look up. Children were fed, Mr. History got his customary bourbon chicken, Paul's driving privileges were revoked, and it was decided that we would salvage a small portion of the tour by visiting the FDR memorial. At FDR the Minnesotans reveled in the cool breezes, fireflies, photo ops, and water features of the memorial. At the edge of the Tidal Basin, the herd gazed in wonderment at the nighttime vistas of the Washington Monument and Jefferson Memorial. Satisfied with their tourist moment, a steady stream of green shirts headed back to the bus.

We were finally on time and ready to head to the dorms – and then we had strays, both real and imagined. The lights of the Jefferson Memorial were too powerful to resist for one group of travelers, while another search was conducted for children who were actually on the bus. Fortunately all was well, the air conditioning was now fully functional and our weary travelers made their way to the University of Maryland. The residence hall staff dispensed keys, cards and a few hugs. We were home and safe and ready to negotiate a refund.



A sign of things to come: MN Avenue Closed



Our Gophers Persevere!



A scene from the bus tour of terror

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### Fort Meigs, Site of 2010 History Day Blessing for the MN Herd!

As is our custom, every year before the main herd arrives via flight, the ground traveling staffers visit a historic site to secure a blessing for the herd's annual migratory visit to the DC area. It is legend that without such a blessing, food will not satiate hunger and water will not quench thirst in the harsh climates of the Chesapeake. Needless to say, fans will not generate wind and most importantly, Mr. History's jokes will fail to invoke laughter (which explains its high priority).

This year's staffers "Capitol Hill" and "Thunder Dan" found the site for the blessing at Fort Meigs, just outside of Toledo, Ohio. Fort Meigs' location was crucial for the Americans during the War of 1812 to prevent further British advances from Canada. Its location is also crucial today, because it is halfway between U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago and Progressive Field in Cleveland.

Fort Meigs was built in less than three months in the winter of 1813. William Henry Harrison planned the fort as a staging site for an invasion of Canada. However, this invasion never occurred, because the British laid siege to the fort before they could get out the front door. For their resilience during the siege the British called the Americans "Ground Hogs," for their use of earthworks. The ground hog, of course, is the cousin of the Gopher, who through this blessing will be resilient in the face of overwhelming heat, bumpy landings and terror-filled bus tours.

Ott and Hill found the fort's quartermaster/historic site interpreter, Grady, and informed him of the blessing they were seeking. Grady, who was only seven weeks on the job, responded, "I have no idea what the two of you are talking about! But hey, would you like to fire some muskets?"

After firing muskets, Hill commented, "a little gunpowder blast burned my face, if that's not a sign from the History Day Gods, I don't know what is!" Ott abided and it was counted as good. "The hotter the powder, the better we like it!"



Hill Shooting a Musket just before feeling "blessed" with powder burns.

#### Sunday Schedule

- -7-8:30 AM: Breakfast
- -9 AM unloading trailer in front of Hagerstown, if you have something on the trailer, be there! (talk to Ott)
  -9 AM – 8 PM: Student registration and exhibit setup
- -11 AM 1:30 PM: Lunch
- -5 7:00 PM: Dinner
- -6:30 PM: Welcome ceremony
- McKeldin Mall in center of campus -7:30 PM: Minnesota Trivial Pursuit/ Scavenger Hunt – All students and any chaperones who would like to tag along meet in 7<sup>th</sup> floor lounge. -9:30 PM: Mandatory State Meeting (so much fun it's impossible to miss) Outside Hagerstown dorm,

courtyard between dorm and dining hall

-Judging schedule posted in the CHDDB and the dorm

#### Bus Tour of Terror – the "Kid's Eye View"

Union Station, Washington D.C. – The Minnesota History Day delegation was met in Maryland by the stifling heat... and DRAMA! Mr. Yellow Bus Driver was striking fear into students and parents alike with his constant pop-a-wheelies and jumping-over-50-cars tricks. Finally, as Mr. Green bus driver was cooling things down, DISASTER HIT! The green bus overheated, and so did TEMPERS! Mr. History started kickboxing Mr. Yellow Bus Driver as History Day students cheered him on! Ali frantically called the bus company to come and break up the fight and fix the bus, but they would not be there in time! Luckily, Grandma History was gardening across the street and came to the rescue! Grandma History broke up the kick-boxing match, gave Mr. Yellow Bus Driver a time-out, and used her magical super powers to repair the green bus. Hooray!

On next week's show... What will happen when California wages war with Minnesota?! Tune in next week to find out. Alexa Groenke

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#### Heard it through the Grapevine

Anonymous eyewitnesses report to have seen Anna Jacobs and Kateri Schmidt emerging from under an invisibility cloak not far from the FDR memorial.

Rumor has it that the Minnesota History Day herd arrived in totally tricked out style to Maryland this afternoon. The so called, "bargain buses," procured by Mr. History weren't a bargain at all. They featured plush suede seats, a bangin' stereo system that continually cranked out "Purple Rain", and even took a hoppin' party stop on Minnesota Avenue.

Rumor has it that Liz "Lizard" Venditto nearly came to blows when the intrepid documentary team of Jennifer Mailee Lor and Norma Romero-Rodriguez caught Liz on tape practicing her fist pumps in the 7<sup>th</sup> floor lounge. The crisis was averted when Victoria "Dutcher" Dutcher pointed out that since she was only 14, she wouldn't be able to bail Liz out of jail. After that they all made peace and Liz invited everyone to go tanning.

Rumor has it that Mr. History was detained at the Minneapolis/ St. Paul airport for several hours this morning after attempting to go through the security check point with 86 bags of History Day buttons. Inside sources report that the bitter TSA agent is a former California History Day participant who was angered when Tim refused to trade any of his buttons for a California smiley face button.



Cute Kid of the Day!



Billy and Andy Eerdmans storm the banks of the Lincoln reflecting pool with Mr. History and Mooster History in tow.

#### **Eerdmans Return to DC!**

*Washington, D.C.* – Amidst the chaos of the evening bus tour, you may not have noticed the "landing party" that brought Andy and Billy Eerdmans to the edges of the Reflecting Pool in front of the Lincoln Memorial. *Pictured above*.

"We chose that Landing Zone because of its central importance to the National Mall and this great History Day competition." stated Andy. In an interview about the decadent landing party, Billy defended the decision by saying, "A lot of people said that the Amphibious Assault Vehicles were unnecessary, because we had already earned the right to come back at the State Competition. But we felt that it was an important show of force, to let all of the other states know that we mean business."

Yesterday evening at 7:42 PM, Andy and Billy Eerdmans disembarked from their flight from the Midwest and returned to National History Day. Their return made good on a promise that the twins had made almost one year ago, when they said, synchronized-ly, "We shall return," as their flight left the ground at Washington-Dulles International Airport.

"Last year, we kind got caught unawares and were forced to leave earlier than we would have liked," commented Billy. "A lot of people said we were retreating, but to them I say, there is no retreat, only advancing in a different direction!"

When asked about who forced them to advance in a different direction, Billy pointed accusingly at Mr. History or maybe at Harry Truman. Andy was quick to point out that last year, in their haste to leave, "A lot of good people were left behind and we just didn't feel right about it." When asked who, Andy simply said, "Oh ya know... people from the Minnesota delegation." He clearly could not identify anyone who had supported them along the way. And then when asked about how the abandoned Minnesotans got home, he mentioned a "march" all the way to the Midwest.

"In History Day, you win or lose, live or die - and the difference is just an eyelash," reflected Andy in the post-landing press conference. Mr. History was seen nodding in agreement.

When asked about the day's events, Nationals alumnus Joe Gifford said, "I've seen this before... it's a bit of an overreaction."

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Two days, two American League Central Stadiums. They left the Twin Cities at 5 a.m. to get to the Chicago White Sox Stadium (Left) and then caught a Friday night game at the Cleveland Indians stadium (Right).



Matt and Dan get wild at Fort Meigs, Ohio. Dan is eager to get to D.C. and nostaligic for his interpreters' past. And Matt enjoyed blasting cannons across the Maumee River.





And of course, Dan and Matt take part in typical bachelor party activities- Dan placing friendly wagers on horses, and Matt enjoying his one stroke victory on the mini-golf course.

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"The hotter it is the better we like it!"

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## "Scissors Cuts Paper" – MN Trivial Pursuit Scavenger Hunt Ends in Photo Finish

*College Park, MD* - In the evening heat of Sunday night, two teams of Minnesotans set out to conquer the first-ever Trivial Pursuit Scavenger Challenge on the University of Maryland campus. Team Attractive Young People took an early lead in the game as they sprinted out of the gate at a torrid pace. Unfortunately an unidentified member of Team Rachel Hernandez/Banana Fish (ahem...Liam Plambeck) had to stop for a chocolate shake at McDonalds before they could head to their first destinations.

Teams were stumped with NHD rule questions by staffer Mary Ecker such as, "Which two types of props are you not allowed to use in a performance?" (Do you know the answer?). They raced to reassemble an exhibit board next to the baseball stadium, answered D.C. geography questions by the famous M and performed a rousing rendition of the Susan B. Anthony "Votes for Women" play next to the Kermit the Frog statue outside of Stamp Union.

Teachers Josh Mann and Ron Hustvedt were officiating the results of the race in the nicely air conditioned Fish Bowl in Hagerstown dorm, as the contestants ran through the doors. "I've never been so happy to see two teachers waiting to judge us!" said Nikita Salovich as she delivered the completed game board. Both teams arrived practically in unison, creating the need for a judgment call by staffer Dan Ott. Andy Eerdmans and Josh Nguyen were chosen from their teams for a one-anddone game of Rock, Paper, Scissors. Josh pulled off a victory for Team Attractive Young People with a last minute scissor choice. Good work scholars, you not only impressed us but also all of the bystanders who got to watch you chant "Support Voting Rights for Women" in costume outside of Stamp Union! (Answer to Mary's questions: Animals and weapons....who knew?)



Team Hernandez / Banana Fish at the Campus "M"



Rock, Paper, Scissors, Go!

#### How to Enjoy This Sweltering, Blistering Heat by guest columnist, Nancy Newman

Our Minnesota History Day herd has been directly confronted by an extreme and almost inescapable enemy: HUMIDITY. But as we very well know, the best way to deal with enemies is to turn them into friends. Therefore we present you with five ways to get the most out of this steamy weather.

- 1. Most discomforts live solely in our minds. Instead of thinking "what uncomfortable, muggy weather!" as you step outside, replace that thought with "I have just stepped into a giant, cleansing sauna!"
- 2. Sources tell us that Steve Jobs at Apple Computer has heard our cries of discomfort and is responding with a timely burst of incredible technology: A new app for the iPhone and iPod Touch called iFan. Click on this virtual cooling system and watch the blades spin wildly, creating a refreshing, virtual breeze. iFan also provides informative searches on the coolest places on earth at this very moment!
- Head on over to the Eppley Recreation Center and hide in the cool and chlorinated shallows of the outdoor pool. Stay as long as you like, until you're so prune-y and blue you long for your stuffy dorm room!
   If the hard Washington sun is overdoing your Minnesota tan, a sure-to-please option is to hide inside the air-
- 4. If the hard Washington sun is overdoing your Minnesota tan, a sure-to-please option is to hide inside the air-conditioned dorm floor lounges during the hottest hours of the day. Let these lounges happily turn you into an ice cube. If staying frozen is an inconvenience for touring or presenting your project, Tim "Mr. History" brought an extra ice pick to help you out.
- 5. If caught by the heat while touring the National Mall area, an appealing way to escape is to air-condition jump, or sneakily hop from one cool museum to another as you dash around the attractions.

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### Junior Judging Schedule – GOOD LUCK!!!!

Here is the full judging schedule for the junior division students Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Please try to support your fellow Minnesotans as they are being judged. Watch performances! Hover outside exhibit, paper and website rooms! The more Minnesotans at each judge time, the better.

JP	11:00	Tasha Holtman	"There's No Place Like Home"	1122 Jimenez
JIP	11:00	Olivia Heusinkveld	"Special Olympics"	2122 Jimenez
JW	11:15	Nikita Salovich Liam Plambeck	"W.H.R. Rivers"	Edgar Allen Poe Rm. – SSU
JID	11:20	Joey Keiski	"Minneapolis Parks System"	1205 Cambridge
JGD	11:20	Lydia Newman-Heggie Guanani Gomez – Van Corti	"Conquering Pain" ght	0110 Armory
JGP	11:20	Monica Nelson Sarah Becker	"March of Dimes"	Benjamin Banneker - SSU
JID	1:00	Mindy Viavattine	"Taconite"	1200 Cambridge
JGD	1:00	Kelly Lee Abigail Remiarz Kayla Schneider	"Retractable Seatbelt"	0119 Armory
JIE	1:15	Katherine Wald	"Southdale Mall"	Grand Ballroom, SSU
JGE	1:15	Liza Miller Francesca Miller	"Braille"	Grand Ballroom, SSU
JP	1:45	Eliza Edwards	"Seasame Street"	1123 Jimenez
JGP	2:00	Katie Kostohris Kateri Schmidt Maggie Schmidt Anna Jacobs	"Bullwark Against the Brewery"	Hoff Theater, SSU
JW	2:00	Chloe Boehm	"Kenny Method"	3112 Cole
JIP	2:20	Alexa Groenke	"The American Indian Movemer	nt" 2123 Jimenez
JIE	2:30	Grace Kirkpatrick "C	China's One-Child Policy"	Grand Ballroom, SSU
JGE	3:00	Adam Kneepkens "B William Menor	Sypass and Bypass Surgery"	Grand Ballroom, SSU

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#### Heard it through the Grapevine

Rumor has it Mary "Cashbox Mary" Ecker was seen sneaking behind the NHD merchandise table to fold t-shirts 'the right way'. She was heard mumbling under your breath, "Man, you guys are doing it all wrong!"

Rumor has it that in true Betty Crocker style, MN performer Clara Linehan attempted to bake a batch of banana bread while the Masked Banana watched in horror.

Rumor has it White Bear Lake students Kelly Lee and Kayla Remairz were spotted at the National Zoo attempting to locate a polar bear to place outside their dorm door. Unfortunately, they were disappointed to only find turtles. Sorry Bears.

#### Monday Schedule

- 7-8:30 AM: Breakfast
- 10:00 AM 4:00 PM: Junior Judging, various campus buildings
- 11:00 AM 1:30 PM: Lunch
- 7:00 PM (approx.): Posting of Junior Finals, SSU monitors (Minnesota delegation will gather near SSU info desk)
- 7:30 10:30 PM: Student Dance, Armory

No Meeting Tonight!

#### 6 WAYS TO SURVIVE DC

For many of you, this trip marks your first visit to the surprisingly rough frontier that is your nation's capital, Washington, DC. Follow my handy list (learned the hard way after living in DC for 2+ years), and rest assured that this trip will not be your last...

1.) Riding the Metro can be an adventure, complete with greasy handrails and bumps and turns that can throw you off your feet. Make it a better ride by going to the train's first and last cars, where you have a much better chance of getting a seat.

2.) As you navigate your way through the charming village of Georgetown, keep in mind that people who lived there a long time ago were miniature versions of ourselves (hence the reason why the sidewalks are so narrow and you have to duck to enter several shops). Also beware the herds of baby strollers that roam freely along said sidewalks; they don't know how to share the limited space there is.

3.) Another Metro tip: Sometimes you may enter a train car with one or two cranky locals who, upon seeing touristy you, very audibly lament the surge of tourists who "overrun" DC during the summer. This is your cue to discuss amongst yourselves (just as audibly) all of the fun things you got to see and do so far. That's right, make 'em jealous. They're cranky because they had to work today.

4.) As you pass through museum security, try to be organized and move through at a steady pace. If you fail to do this, you may become one of the few who suddenly experiences the awakening jolt of the cattle prod the security folks keep invisibly tucked away. You have been warned...

5.) Should we experience a sudden light dusting of snow, History Day will be cancelled. Known fact: DC + snow = paralyzed city.

6.) Got sunscreen? Good. Got water? Good. Keep using repeatedly.

#### **Timely Button Trading Tips**

*College Park, MD* - As the Minnesota buttons seem more ubiquitous on campus, it may be time to start utilizing the other state buttons you have collected. In the business world this is known as being the 'middle man,' where you freely barter other state buttons for your own personal gain. If you need some tips just ask expert middle 'wo'man Katherine Wald, who recently acquired a precious Shanghai button which cost her Alaska, Hawaii, and Guam. Colleague Chloe Boehm said of the trade, "She weighed the pros and cons of the deal and decisively went for Shanghai. She acted "disappointed" during negotiations but I swear I saw a smirk on her face as she walked away!"



Katherine acquires a button!

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Mr. 7 observes in wonderment as Grace Kirkpatrick, and Sarah Becker trading buttons like pros.

**First Annual Category Throw Down™ Challenge!** Now that the rules of the challenge have been announced and the

pictures have been allocated; here is how the pictures have been distributed based on the randomly ordered live picture draft.

Jr. Group Performance, Sr. Exhibit, Jr. Paper/Website, Sr. Paper/Website, Jr. Documentary, Sr. Documentary, Jr. Exhibit, Sr. Performance.

Remember, EVERYONE has been assigned "Macarthur's Return to the Philippines" and BOTH reenactment pictures are due before the Wednesday night meeting. A panel of discerning staffers will determine the winner and the grand prize of a ridiculous role in the Parade of States.

BONUS points will be awarded for:

- Inclusion of Mooster History
- Inclusion of a Minnesota Senator or Representative
- · Actually getting into a body of water for the "Macarthur"
- · Reinterpretting the photo with a History Day emphasis
- Including EVERY member of the team in the photo

And a reminder that staffers will take the picture for you, IF there is a working reenactment strategy on campus. Good luck Campers!

#### Junior Journeys by Debra Krawetz

Today four Junior History Day finalists (Liam, Joey, Chloe & Nikita SP), accompanied by parents and teachers, set out to explore the Smithsonian Museums on the National Mall. This adventure started out in front of the Stamp Union where we fought our way onto the U of M Shuttle to get to the Metro station. After 20 minutes of trying to figure out just how to buy Metro passes we were on our way.

When we arrived at our destination, we discovered that one of the Junior travelers lost her hard fought button acquisitions on the Metro. Our first stop

was the American History Museum where we ate a hearty lunch in the cafeteria and then it was off to the Shuttle Simulation Ride. Lunch was definitely stimulated in the "simulator", especially the "innovative" beverage that Liam made for his roommate Joey of Coke and Listerine. This experiment of "Impact and Change" didn't result well for Joey's stomach, however, who needed an espresso chaser a few hours later to calm his nerves.

Then this "Junior Herd" made a stop for caffeine at Caribou Coffee . This stop cooled off the "WE LIKE IT HOT" Hagerstown dorm group, & helped the Minnesota Juniors get a much need energy boost from their sleep deprivation. The whipped cream on top of their double chocolate hazelnut chillers gave them their dose of calcium for the day.

TIPS OF THE DAY: Junior Joey Keiski learned that when you have both your cell phone and Metro pass in the same pocket, that the pass gets deactivated. Keep these 2 items separate.



Mr. History and representatives from Rhode Island.



Mr. History showing off his latest acquisition from the exotic locale of American Samoa.



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# Camp History Day Daily Bulletin

## Juniors Rock Judging! Finalists Named!

Today, the Minnesota delegation dazzled the entire History Day campus with its world-famous junior performances, documentaries, exhibits, websites, and papers.

After an early breakfast, the juniors returned to the dorm and prepared for battle, donning combat Victorian boots and spiffy ties and preparing their plan of attack (and process papers). An awkward schedule meant that many Minnesotans were judged simultaneously, causing each junior competitor to fan out across campus with small but raucous Minnesota cheering sections.

The morning's events ran smoothly. The juniors quickly got over any butterflies and wowed the judges with their research, poise, and amazing high kicks. Bowling-shirted staff were there to greet each student as they finished and a day-long marathon of high-fives, thumbs up pictures, and post-competition video interviews ensued.

The afternoon's competition saw some drama in Jimenez Hall. Abrupt, unannounced room changes left some competitors and staff sprinting across campus, but everyone arrived on time and performed admirably.



Mr. History congratulates the "Crash Ryan," girls (Abby, Kelly and Kayla) from Sunrise Park Middle School shortly after they were announced as national finalists in Jr. Group Documentary. Congratulations to BOTH Jr. Group Performance entries (Sarah and Monica & Maggie, Katie, Anna, and Kateri) who were also announced as finalists. See page three for show times.

Parents had to intervene when a building maintenance man attempted to burst into a paper interview in a quest to fix an air conditioner. Fortunately, the threat of a lutefisk lunch prevented him from entering. Ultimately, all obstacles were handled with typical Minnesota aplomb and good-nature and the juniors had much reason to be proud.



Billy Eerdmans and Liam Plambeck display the fruits of their skills and swindles.

## Button Baron Passes the Torch

By Billy Eerdmans

Buttons are meant to be given, as is knowledge. Throughout history, dynamic duos have shared knowledge and skills for great achievement: Socrates and Plato; Yoda and Obi-Wan Kenobi; Mooster History and Tim Hoogland. Into this pantheon of brilliance enters a now four-year veteran and tycoon of the button grid iron, Billy "The Button Baron" Eerdmans. He has now, for the first time ever, chosen the heir to his throne -- the "chosen one" to carry on his legacy. This man can only be Liam "The Hound Dog" Plambeck of Capitol Hill Magnet School.

At first, Liam was uneasy with his shorter teacher, but later embraced his mentor. "When Billy came up to me, saying that I was a good prospect, I didn't know what to think." Liam explained, "At first he annoyed me, but later I saw the brilliance of his button-trading methods." As Liam haggled for, and gained, American Samoa, Guam, and even charmed a few Shanghai girls for their coveted pins, the master looked on and was pleased.

"He took up the Button Trade well. He's a quick learner in girl-flattery and double jeopardy," commented Billy proudly.

*CHDDB:* Both of these wily traders have completed their quest for all of the buttons at NHD. Congratulations to Billy and Liam on your accomplishments!

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### Senior Judging Schedule- GOOD LUCK!!!

Here is the full judging schedule for the senior division students on Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Please try to support your fellow Minnesotans as they are being judged. Watch performances and documentaries! Hover outside exhibit, website, and paper rooms!

Good luck to all of our seniors! The more Minnesotans at each judge time, the better.

	SP	11:00	Austin Gromatzky	"Southdale Mall"	1122 Jimenez
<b></b>	SIP	11:00	Emma Weber	"Title XI's Effect"	0125 Jimenez
	SGP	11:00	Andrew Eerdmans William Eerdmans	"Divided Highways"	Hoff Theater
	SW	11:00	Kyle Young Jaime Carreno Moran	"Drucker's Theory"	0113 Cole
	SID	11:20	Molly Nemer	"Innovation Refrigeration"	1100 Cambridge
	SGD	11:20	Megan Howell Kate Wageman	"The Guthrie"	0119 Armory
	SGE	1:00	Ashley Jorgeson Taylor Amberg Megan Fritz	"Soo Locks"	Grand Ballroom, SSU
	SIE	1:00	Jeanna Nesbitt	"Dorothea Dix"	Grand Ballroom, SSU
	SP	1:45	Ariel O'Neill	"Hijacked"	1120 Jimenez
	SW	1:45	Amanda Jenkins	"New Hollywood Movement	" 0118 Jimenez
	SIP	2:00	Clara Linehan	"Betty Crocker"	Jimenez 2117
	SGP	2:00	Joseph Gifford Jenny Klejeski Bekah Nelson	"Institutions to Integration"	Cole 3109
	SID	2:20	Bailey Hilgren	"The Exploratorium"	1105 Cambridge
	SGE	2:30	Maureen Boyce Lisa Otto	"Joseph Lister"	Grand Ballroom, SSU
<u></u>	SGD	2:40	Jennifer Mailee Lor Norma Romero-Rodr		Pyon Su, SSU
	SIE	2:45	Elizabeth Nussbaum	"1933 Hormel Strike"	Grand Ballroom, SSU

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#### **Junior Second Round Entries**

Come cheer on the Juniors!

5:15 PM: Hoff Theater (SSU) Sarah Becker and Monica Nelson: Junior Group Performance March of Dimes: Innovating American Fundraising One Dime at a Time

5:30 PM: Benjamin Banneker (SSU) Kelly Lee, Kayla Schneider, Abigail Remiarz: Junior Group Documentary James Ryan and the Retractable Seat Belt

8:00 PM: Hoff Theater (SSU) Maggie Schmidt, Katie Kostohris, Anna Jacobs, Kateri Schmidt: Junior Group Performance Bulwark Against the Brewery: The Innovation of Scientific Temperance Instruction

Good Luck Girls! Congrats to all of the Junior Entries – You were the pride of Minnesota yesterday!!!!

Reminder from "Sconnie":

Please make sure that you are continuing to fill out our Camp History Day Journal.

In order to gain access to your precious comment forms from the judges you must make sure that you are up-to-date on your journal entries.

If you do not stay current with your entries you run the risk that Sconnie will decide that you have been remiss in your duties as a Camper and keep your comment forms to herself.

If you need a new journal let Sconnie know in room 7116.

#### BREAKING NEWS: MINNESOTA JOINS "BIG 5" CONFERENCE

2122 Jiminez Hall- Veteran History Day Mentor and Teacher Josh Mann reports that the state of Minnesota has officially joined the "Big 5" Conference of History Day participants. Mann discovered this information well in advance of a rumored press conference with Mooster History and the governors of four other History Day state powerhouses.

Mann claims that he was only being Minnesota nice and chatting with an unidentified staff member from a Southwestern state that starts with "New" and ends in "-exico." The woman, clearly an experienced History Day scout, had researched the stats and home states of each of the room's junior performers. She happily remarked that "Yes! There's only one competitor from the Big 5 here today." When Mann naively asked what the Big 5 was, the woman informed him that it was the History Day power conference comprised of the five states that "win everything."

She then asked Mann where he was from. When he replied "Minnesota," the woman looked terrified, grabbed her scouting report, and posted a 4.4 second 40-Time while running away screaming.

The news stunned many Minnesotans who have long been proud of their state's fierce independence. "I never thought Minnesota would agree to yearly competition with a state that makes silly smiley face buttons," said a deeply troubled Grace Kirkpatrick. Yet even Kirkpatrick agreed that competing in a league with the likes of California and Texas could only bring Minnesota increased exposure and the chance to prove they can win against the toughest competition. The news would also substantiate earlier reports that the mere mention of the word "Minnesota" provokes terror, tears, and spontaneous moose calls in History Day participants across the University of Maryland campus.

Things Overheard During Button Trades

"The foreigners never have their buttons with them!"

-disgruntled North Dakotan after mistaking Katherine Wald for a student from Shanghai (maybe this is why he has no buttons?)

"I had two Shanghai buttons but I sold them both for \$30."

-button-trading mastermind from Montana

"Where are you from?" -"Minnesota!!!!!" "Oh." \*walks away\* -\*pouts\*

-everyone at National History Day because Liam has already traded them every button we have

#### **Tuesday Schedule**

- 7-8:30 AM: Breakfast
- 9:00 Prop Run
- 10:00 AM 4:00 PM: Senior Judging, various campus buildings
- 11:30 AM 1:30 PM: Lunch
- 5:00 PM- 10:00 PM-Junior performance and documentary finals
- 7:00 PM (approx.): Posting of Senior Finals, SSU monitors (Minnesota delegation will gather near SSU info desk)
- 7:30 PM (or so) : Arcade Night- 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Lounge/ Yearbook photos 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Lounge
- 9 PM: Mandatory Minnesota State Meeting

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Anna Goetter offers Tasha Holtman friendly support as Tasha prepares for her paper interview.



Katherine Wald says, "judging was great! But now it's time to go to the mall (preferably Southdale).



Chloe Boehm gives some HD love before her judge time.



Joey Keiski says he like the Washington D.C. parks system, but it's not as great as the Minneapolis Parks System.

#### **Corrections to the Monday Edition**

We erroneously attributed yesterday's front-page article, "How to Enjoy This Sweltering, Blistering Heat," to Nancy Newman. The helpful tips were courtesy of Lydia Newman-Heggie and Guanani Gomez-van Cortright.

In yesterday's rumor mill, Kelly Lee's accomplice in attempted polar bear snatching was really Kayla Schneider. Or it may have been Abigail Remiarz. Our original source was too busy too confirm.

There is NO correction to the results of Trivial Pursuit Scavenger Hunt. The results stand as declared Sunday night. Any complaints can be directed to Dan Ott in his dorm room between the hours of 4 and 6 AM.

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## Marathon Day of History Day Judging Ends with Banana Mania



Minnesotans celebrate with a banana dance as the Eerdmans' performance, Bailey Hilgren's documentary, the Open School girls' documentary, and the JP2 group performance made finals. The MN History Day herd turned out in force to compete and cheer on their friends on Tuesday, the longest day of the History Day competition. As the seniors competed, it was another day of scheduling conflicts, and Minnesotans hurried up and down the hills of the Maryland campus between interviews and performances. After a series of strong senior presentations, the afternoon wrapped up with technical issues that nearly drove the normally non-violent Norma and Jennifer to blows with a laptop computer. Nine minutes into the Satyagraha documentary, the computer provided by the University froze and required a reboot. Fortunately, they had sympathetic judges and were surrounded by 25 of their favorite Minnesotans and finished their documentary and interview with remarkable poise.

After a brief break, the MN herd returned to the Student Union on Tuesday evening for junior finals. Dozens of Minnesotans parked in the theater for Monica and Sarah's March of Dimes performance. After leaping to their feet with enthusiastic applause for the great performance, the entire contingent bolted through the student union, dodging furniture and other states in an action-film-worthy running sequence. Fate was again cruel to MN as the thundering mass arrived two minutes too late and had to settle for raucous applause when Kelly, Kayla, and Abbey emerged from showing their documentary.

The night wrapped up with a fine performance from the WCTU group and the announcement that four senior projects had advanced to final round judging! In a spontaneous eruption of state pride, the assembled Minnesotans organized themselves into a festive banana dance that amused, bewildered, and potentially frightened students from other states. Congrats to all our competitors! We are so proud of you!

#### **Guest Judge Offers Room Decorating Tips**

CHDDB: Once again, Nick Demas, the state coordinator from Utah will be a guest room decorating judge. Here are some of his thoughts as he PREPARES to judge you.

'Twas the day of room judging in hot Hagerstown, and not a soul was stirring, except Mr. H in a Samoan gown. But here is a warning to all Minnesota scholars, St. Nick from Utah soon will be there to give you a holla.'

Once again the annual dorm room judging is upon yee wee Minnesotans. Are you PREPARED for the events of tonight? Last year's National History Day participants from your beautiful state raised the level of competition very high with outstanding room decorations and motifs. Some students served Chinese food to the judges. One dorm room became a bowling alley. Nearly every student served (bribed) the judges with candy or other delicacies. (I love Twix!)

In one of my favorite rooms, two boys decorated the room like the great northern woods of Minnesota. They made paper look like a campfire and recreated a campground. These two industrious young men even served hot chocolate and s'mores to the judges -- melted marshmallows and all.

So on the day of dorm room judging I ask you again: Are you PREPARED?

#### "Who knew Mr. History had legs?" Written by Andy Eerdmans

This is an article in ESPN in HD (History Day). Although there is much enthusiasm about the FIFA World Cup, one equally exciting event occurred this afternoon. Mr. History leader and mojo master of Minnesota has qualified this year for the "Battle of the States" time trials in the category of the Moose 5K. After being delayed by a performance that was four minutes over the time limit, he led a sprinting group of Minnesotans in an attempt to make the final presentation of "Crash Ryan." Obstacles littered his long legged path as he hurdled through crowded cafeterias, and sprinted up the stairs. After the race, Mr. History commented, "I hate stairs, I hate them even more now!" On the home stretch, Mr. History pushed himself over the final laboring meters, but ran over the Executive Director of History Day on his final turn. He kept his focus and finished the race using superior wit and strong moosenacity. Unfortunately, he was informed at the finish line after his Herculean effort that he was disqualified not for injuring the executive, but striding in the wrong lane up the stairs. The infraction barred him and the rest of the Minnesota delegation from enjoying the champion film at the finish line.

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#### Junior Journeys: Day 3 By Debra Krawetz

College Park- Today the junior travelers visited the WWII, Vietnam, and Lincoln memorials. On the way back to the metro, the juniors visited with the National Police Officers and got to pose for a photo on their motorcycles that also serve as a part of the Presidential motorcade (Inside Scoop: Tasha is currently being vetted to become a member of the junior motorcade crew and is being fitted for a leather bowling shirt).

The rest of this article is written in invisible ink. If you can't read this, ask Harry Potter if he will lend you his marauder's map. Just don't forget the secret code.

#### Wednesday Schedule

- 7-9:30 AM: Breakfast
- 8:30 AM- 12:00 PM Senior performance and documentary finals.
- 11:30 AM 1:30 PM: Lunch
- Afternoon: Congressional Meetings.
- 7:30 PM Mandatory State Meeting
- Approximately 9:00 PM
   Dorm Judging

#### Top Ten Ways to Reuse your History Day Project Written by Alexa Groenke

10. Play Frisbee with documentary DVDs.

9. Build a secret fort using backdrops and exhibits.

8. Shred extra scripts and papers and throw them out window for Minnesota victory parade (Caution: do only if you are only very home sick!).

7. Create new bling necklace with DVDs.

6. Cut exhibits into sword shapes. DUEL!

5. Modify website into money-making scam.

4. Dress up in old-timey costumes and freak people out on the metro.

3. Use paper and scripts to fan yourself when your bus breaks down.

2. Modify project to fit criteria for every school project you have to do next year.

1. Sell project to California for \$300. Promptly buy ten Shanghai buttons.

#### Things Overheard at National History Day

"Getting ready to Betty!"

-Clara Linehan preparing to channel her inner Betty Crocker,

"I like college!"

-Emma Weber after passing the buff University of Maryland athletic teams as they practiced near the dorm.

"P'll buy you a new shirt from the bookstore if you give me your Shanghai shirt." "Uh...no thanks."

-Rachel Hernandez continues her quest to obtain a highly coveted Shanghai t- shirt (see photo page 5).

#### Through the Grapevine ....

Rumor has it that the Satyagraha girls (Norma and Jennifer) have turned their back on non-violence and destroyed the non -functioning computer in their judging room.

According to Facebook, Clara Linehan and Liam Plambeck are married despite the fouryear age difference. Rumor has it that Clara and Liam may even have joint graduation parties when Clara graduates from college and Liam graduates from high school!

#### Senior Second Round Entries

Come cheer on the Seniors!

9:30 AM Margaret Brent 2112 SSU Bailey Hilgren: Senior Individual Documentary The Exploratorium: It's About Understanding

10:00 AM Hoff Theater SSU Andrew Eerdmans and William Eerdmans: Senior Group Performance Divided Highways

11:45 AM Hoff Theater SSU Joseph Gifford, Jenny Klejeski, and Bekah Nelson: Senior Group Performance Institutions to Integration

11:45 AM Benjamin Banneker SSU Jennifer Mailee Lor and Norma Romero- Rodriquez: Senior Group Documentary Satyagraha

Good Luck Senior Finalists! Congrats to all Senior Entries – You made Minnesota proud!

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<b>Congressional Visits</b>									
Here is the full schedule for today's congressional visits. Listed are the members we will be visiting in the afternoon. Please note the time, staff members, and location of whom you will be visiting for the day.									
Staff will leave from the info desk at Stamp Student Union 1.5 hours before the scheduled visit, otherwise meet at the congressional office buildings.									
Allow 10-15 minutes for passing through security. Questions? Lost? Call Laura Zeccardi 507-421-2868 or Matt Hill 651-343-3491									
Rep. Betty McCollum(meet at Longworth Building entrance 1:45 Mary 312- 485-4063 at Independence Ave & New Jersey Ave)& Dan 612-229-0626									
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Rep. Tim Walz	1722 Longworth HOB	2:30pm Lau	ra 507-421-2868						
Rep. Keith Ellison	1122 Longworth HOB		is 612-749-1641 z 917-816-8224						
Rep. Collin Peterson	2211 Rayburn HOB	2:30pm Ali (Tour afterw	612- 385- 5760 vards)						

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Senator Amy Klobuchar

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Don't forget to give your representative the thumbs up and tell them about your projects!

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## SENIOR JUDGING PHOTOS





Emma performs her Title IX project for the judges in Jimenez.



Lisa Otto and Marty Marrin celebrate a successful exhibit judging.



St. Paul Open teacher Courtney Major opens an ironic fortune cookie from Panda Express.



Maggie imitates Mr. Lego man spot on including smirk and hands while waiting for her final round judging.



Although the Minnesota herd missed the Sunrise Park girls by a hair, the group surprised the Bears as they exited their final round judging.

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## SENIOR JUDGING PHOTOS



Marty Marrin, Megan, and Kate breathe a sigh of relief and give a thumbs up after their *Guthrie Theater* documentary.



Staffers Rachel and Victoria help Betty, I mean Clara, with some last minute touch ups. Staffers were thanked with a moose shaped cake!



Comedians turned History Day scholars Jaime and Kyle get funky after their website interview.



Jenny, Bekah, and Joe feelin' good after their performance.



Marty Marrin poses for yet another picture with rock star Jeanna after she showed her Dorothea Dix exhibit.



Liz gives Austin moral support while he waits for his paper interview

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#### Minnesota Rocks Capitol Hill With Deep Knowledge

Washington, D.C. - The Minnesota delegation descended on Capitol Hill today and brought the weight of their historical knowledge to our congressional delegation. Jaime Carreno Moran and Kyle Young impressed Representative Keith Ellison with their knowledge international business concepts and will be working in Ellison's office in two years. Staffer Alex Palmer was hit by a runaway cart inside the Capitol and needed guidance from Mr. 7 to navigate the mean streets of DC. Although he walked with a limp for several hours, Alex was overheard to say, "You should have seen the damage my ankle did to the cart." Representative Bachman took time to talk with the JPII performers. When asked what JPII stood for, Jenny Klejeski and Joseph Gifford exclaimed in unison, "Just Performances, Two Times in the finals!!" Capitol security quickly shut down the building when Adam Kneepkens and Billy Menor tried to clear the security checkpoint with a pitchfork. "Haven't you ever heard of the Category Throwdown Challenge," remarked Billy as he handed the pitchfork to security. Adam tried to explain that they needed Representative Jim Oberstar to pose for a recreation of American Gothic, and the security guard replied, "The other day, I did see Oberstar arrive at work dressed as Douglas MacArthur and muttering 'I shall return!""



## Breakfast Hot Dish Gives Student Energy to Perform Twice in One Hour

Individual performer Olivia Heusinkveld, her family, and teacher Josh Mann traveled into D.C. on Wednesday. The travelers first stopped at Senator Al Franken's office for "Breakfast with Al" to meet the Senator and dine on breakfast hot dish. Senator Franken reassured the group of 100 strong that the dish was actually a Manohmen wild rice oatmeal. Breakfast was followed by a fun-filled ride in a hotrod Lincoln taxi driven by an 85 year old historian whose favorite passenger was Lorne Greene from the TV show, Bonanza. Mr. Chase drove the posse to the national headquarters of the Special Olympics. Olivia was whisked into a break room with interns and athletes. At the end of a dazzling performance, two interns requested that we stay and ran out of the room. Returning with gifts and demands that Olivia re-perform, for a group of 40 athletes, interns, executives and relatives of the founder of the Special Olympics; Eunice Kennedy Shriver.



After a thunderous applause upon completion of the second performance, Director Andrea Cahn (Project UNIFY National Youth Activation Demonstration program) leapt to her feet and asked one question. "Olivia, what are you doing the week of July 17<sup>th</sup>?" The question was an invitation to perform at the USA Special Olympics in Lincoln Nebraska.

The excitement continued as we met directors of various Special Olympic programs, received bountiful gifts, including rare collector buttons, and ending this whirlwind day with a private tour of Mrs. Shriver office. Olivia was asked "How are you feeling?" After grasping for words she said, "I'm so excited it all seems so surreal!"

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### THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME Travel Schedule – June 17, 2010

After we finish our business at the award ceremony, we need to get out of Dodge. Please pay attention to the following flight information for tomorrow. Bus 1 leaves at 3:00 and Bus 2 leaves at 5:00. Please have your things downstairs and ready to load the bus 20 minutes before bus departure time.

Return #1: 27 passengers depart Baltimore (BWI) at 5:55 on Delta flight #2901 and arrive in Minneapolis at 7:41 p.m.

Students on this flight: Ariel O'Neill, Austin Gromatzky, Bailey Hilgren, Andrew Eerdmans, William Eerdmans, Taylor Amberg, Ashley Jorgenson, Megan Fritz, Emma Weber, Adam Kneepkens, Billy Menor, Sarah Becker, Monica Nelson, Bekah Nelson, Joseph Gifford, Jenny Klejeski, Joseph Gifford, Eliza Edwards, Louise Edwards, Abigail Remiarz, Mindy Viavattine

**Parents and Teachers on this flight:** Richard Edwards, Marjorie Eerdmans, Don Kneepkens, Daniel Menor, Deb Nelson, Jane Remiarz, Mary Viavattine

Staff on this flight: Tim Hoogland, Laura Zeccardi

Return #2: 53 passengers depart Reagan National (DCA) at 7:55 on Delta flight #1463 and arrive in Minneapolis at 9:39 p.m.

Students on this flight: Grace Kirkpatrick, Liam Plambeck, Nikita Salovich, Clara Linehan, Amanda Jenkins, Elizabeth Nussbaum, Jeanna Nesbitt, Lisa Otto, Maureen Boyce, Katie Wageman, Megan Howell, Lydia Newman-Heggie, Guanani Gomez-van Cortright, Molly Nemer, Hannah Nemer, Joey Keiski, Alexa Groenke, Olivia Heusinkveld, Amelia Heusinkveld, Tasha Holtman, Anna Goetter, Norma Romero-Rodriguez, Jennifer Mailee Lor, Chloe Boehm, Jaime Carreno Moran, Kyle Young, Kelly Lee, Liza Miller, Lydia Newman-Heggie, Kayla Schneider, Katherine Wald, Theresa Wald

**Parents and Teachers on this flight:** Sharon Arad, Beth Bertleson, Curt Boehm, Jennifer Cramer-Miller, Sarah Holtman, Ron Hustvedt, Pamela Kirkpatrick, Courtney Major, Josh Mann, Marty Marin, Larry Nemer, Huy and Josh Nguyen, Gary Nussbaum, Lori Opsal, Greg Proferl, Myrianthi Salovich, April Schneider, Amy Usdin, Mary Wald,

Staff on this flight: Katie Craven, Ali Kappes

Happy trails to all, until we meet again. Safe travels, remember 3-1-1 for your liquids and make sure your shoes do not have explosives in the soles, take off your History Day buttons before you go through security, and when the security guard tells you to go through the metal detector, give him a big thumbs up and tell him or her, "The Hotter It Is, The Better We Like It."

#### ANY TRAVEL UPDATES WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE LOBBY!

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#### Heard it through the Grapevine

Rumor has it that in somewhat keeping with her project topic, Ariel O'Neill attempted to hijack the shuttle bus near Stamp Student Union on Wednesday.

Rumor has it that a moose in a blue bowling shirt has been seen around the University of Maryland Campus being chased by students with digital cameras and historic photographs.

Rumor has it that Breck student Grace Kirkpatrick was seen secretly doctoring up the photos of Keith Ellison's sons in Blake football uniforms with a yellow sharpie. When all was said and done, Ellison exclaimed, "Why do the photos of my sons say 'BRECK RULES?'"

Rumor has it that Alex "Camerman" Palmer can bench press the entire state of Wisconsin.

#### Successful Stalking Yields Coveted Shanghai T-Shirts

EVERYWHERE, D.C.- As National History Day winds down, the hopes of obtaining the mecca of all trading pieces, the Shanghai tshirt, were slowly drifting away. In a stroke of luck (and the realization by the Shanghai delegation that any items not traded would have to be checked at the airport), several MN students were able to woo their way to victory. Sarah Becker traded a MN dog tag, a SPAM, Missouri and a broken Maui button for her shirt. Liza Miller was willing to give her entire bag of buttons, estimated around 50, to the Shanghai folks. Clara Linehan participated in perhaps the most even trade of a MN History Day shirt for Shanghai shirt. Adam Kneepkens let Shanghai choose which buttons they wanted while Billy Menor gave up his Guam and Deleware button. In an act of extreme kindness, Billy presented his souvenir to Rachel. Billy was sorry to find out that she was not judging rooms, and the act of kindness/bribe was worthless.

Unfortunately, Katherine Wald was stood up when a meeting was promised for a shirt exchange. A California insider overheard that a Shanghai bogie had infiltrated the near celeb status delegation just to become popular in the button trade business. Sorry that you encountered this poser, Katherine.

#### Thursday AM Schedule

- 7:45 Meet behind dorm for Minnesota delegation photo
- 8:15 MN Herd departs for walk to Cole Field House for awards ceremony
- 8:30 Parade of States
- 9:00 Announcement of Awards
- 11:30 Lunch at food court in Stamp

Return to dorms, clean up, pack up

See travel schedule for more details on page 2.



1 – Team Photo, 2 – The Herd Walks, 3 – Parade of states, 4 – Awards Ceremony

#### Mr. 7's Neighborhood

As an educator, I understand that there are many types of learning styles. Some of you are tactile learners, some are great readers, but some of you need visuals to cement information into your heads. SO, in order to make a smooth morning tomorrow, I thought we would drag out some photos of past delegations that have successfully completed the team photo, herd walk over to Cole Fieldhouse, and the parade of states. For those whose eyes are the keys to their brains, this ones for you.

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#### And The Winners Are... 2010 Minnesota History Day Room Decoration Awards



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- Best Presidential Endorsed Room: Liam and Joey's Superhero Room
- Best Birthday Room: Mindy and Abby
- Pinkest Room: Nikita and Chloe
- Best "Home Cooking": Maggie and Olivia
- Best Italian: Katie and Molly
- Best Good vs. Evil: Tasha and Anna
- Heatmas Presents!: Jennifer and Norma
- Best Temperance Instruction: Kateri and Anna
- Best Parent Room: Sue and Margie's USA Room
- Best Use of Random Facts: Adam and Billy
- · Best Contest: Andy and Billy
- Best Choreography: Jaime and Kyle
- Best Average Room: Eliza and Louise
- · Best Underwater Room: Kelly and Kayla
- · Best Use of Disney Soundtrack: Clara and Emma
- Best Treasure Hunt: Amanda and Elizabeth
- Best Monster Wedding: Guanani and Lydia
- Best Costume Contest: Liza and Franny
- · Best Stereotype Room: Bekah and Jenny's Homeschool Prom
- Best HD Delegation Room: Grace and Katherine's Shanghai Room
- Best Interpretation of a Board Game: Alexa and Ariel
- Best Chewing Contest: Monica and Sarah
- · Best Winter Wonderland: Bailey and Ashley





#### Mr. Plambeck Goes to Washington

In a surprise move on Capitol Hill, Minnesota Congressman Eric Paulsen (R) resigned his congressional seat on Wednesday afternoon and immediately appointed Liam Plambeck as his replacement. While questions regarding the constitutionality of such an appointment were raised, all doubts were quickly cast aside as the young Congressman from St. Paul took his position on the House floor. Wearing nothing more than a Hollister "Surf" shirt and running shorts, the Congressional leaders watched in stunned silence as he walked to the podium and cast the first "Yea" vote in support of the controversial "Mooster Protection Act" (House Bill HD2010). Spontaneous cheers erupted from the gallery that held Liam's father, mother, and history teacher and thunderous applause soon filled the chamber.

After the session, reporters were granted an interview with Congressman Plambeck and former Congressman Paulsen on the Capitol balcony overlooking the National Mall. When asked why he abruptly vacated his post, Paulsen declined to specify and instead took the opportunity to praise his chosen successor.

"At this critical juncture in our nation's history, the time has come for the youth of America to step forward and take the reins. Liam Plambeck has emerged as the most visionary and incorruptible leader we have today."

It is rumored that Rep. Plambeck will be appointed to chair President Obama's newly formed International Button Trade Commission when lawmakers return to Washington, DC, this fall.





Liam sits on the Capital Balcony basking in his successful House floor vote on HD2010.



CHDDB FUN FACT! Most Unicorns live on diet of cherry-flavored hearts. Thanks to Guanani and Lydia for sharing this dietary preference of a mythical creature

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## Minnesotans Cap Off Week at National History Day with Parade of Medalists

## Gold Medal

Senior Group Performance: Andrew and William Eerdmans from Fergus Falls Sr. High were proclaimed National Champions for their presentation of "Divided Highways: The Impact and Change of the Interstate"



Andy and Billy celebrate their awards with their mother and History Day advisor, Marjorie

## Special Prize Stuns State!

As the awards ceremony wound down the Minnesotans started making plans for the pictures that were about to be taken of our finalists. Then came the announcement that took the state by surprise -Jennifer and Norma were being called down for a second time. Dr. Libby O'Connell of the History Channel proclaimed the girls to be the recipients of a \$5,000 award for an Outstanding Entry on an International Theme. Another layer of medals was put around their necks as they were whisked away for special interviews by a History Channel film crew. When sharing these stories with staff, Rachel Hernandez remarked, "I don't know about all that TV stuff but I like the way your medals clank."

## Silver Medals

Junior Paper: **Tasha Holtman** from Sanford Middle School "There's No Place Like Home: Placing Out and the Evolution of Child Welfare"

Senior Group Performance: Joseph Gifford, Bekah Nelson, and Jenny Klejeski from the John Paul II Homeschool, "From Institutions to Integration: Innovation in Thought Toward the Mentally Disabled"

Junior Group Exhibit: Adam Kneepkens and William Menor from Holy Rosary, "Bypassing Bypass Surgery: Coronary Balloon Angioplasty"

Junior Web Site: **Chloe Boehm** from Parkview School, "The Kenny Method: Polio Rehabilitation, Treating the Untreatable"

Senior Group Documentary: Jennifer Lor and Norma Romero-Rodriguez from St. Paul Open School, "Satyagraha: An Innovation for Change through Non-Violent Resistance.



Norma and Jennifer pose with the Wheel of Destiny. Not only did they win second place, they got to go up on stage twice for an award from the History Channel.

## Wheel of Destiny Spins for Other National Finalists

In addition to our medalists, seven other Minnesota entries made the national finals. Instead of a medal, these students were rewarded with the chance to view the "Wheel of Destiny" as Mr. History slowly turned the pointer to reveal their national placement. Gasps and cheers followed as the Minnesota delegation recognized these fine scholars:

Monica Nelson and Sarah Becker, John Paul II Homeschool, Ham Lake. Fifth place, junior group performance. This presentation also received the outstanding state entry award for the junior division.

Katie Kostohris, Kateri Schmidt, Maggie Schmidt and Anna Jacobs, Kingdom Come Co-Op, West St. Paul. Sixth place, junior group performance.

Austin Gromatzky, Blake School, Minneapolis. Sixth place, senior paper.

Kelly Lee, Abigail Remiarz and Kayla Schneider, Sunrise Park Middle School, White Bear Lake. Seventh place, junior group documentary.

Bailey Hilgren, Chosen Valley Junior/Senior High, Chatfield. Tenth place, senior individual documentary. This presentation also received the outstanding state entry award for the senior division.

Elizabeth Nussbaum, Cretin-Derham Hall High School, St. Paul. Twelfth place, senior individual exhibit.

Maureen Boyce and Lisa Otto, DeLaSalle High School, Minneapolis. Twelfth place, senior group exhibit.



Abigail Remiarz, Kelly Lee and Kayla Schneider hold the "Wheel of Destiny" at the award ceremony. The girls celebrated their seventh place finish in Jr. Group Documentary by chanting "Go Bears" seven times.

## Sarah Becker Named "Cutest History Day Kid" in the Nation

College Park, MD – As the legend of Sarah Becker's cuteness spread throughout the dorms at National History Day, an intense competition emerged as other states put forward their contenders for cutest kid honors. Sarah quickly dispatched a former cheese princess from Wisconsin and turned her dimples up a notch to take down a highly acclaimed, South Pacific cutie from Guam.

The final showdown took place at the award ceremony, as the state of Washington put forward their venerable senior division entrant, Sarah Sadlier. Sadlier looked confident as her medal for Outstanding Entry in Naval History sparkled around her neck. The chips were down and Sarah turned to the one person who could put her over the top – Josh Nguyen. After numerous appearances in the CHDDB as "Cute Kid of the Day," Josh has hall of fame cute credentials. His advice to Sarah was short and sweet – "Go gopher."

Sadlier knew that her time was up as soon as she saw Sarah striding up the stairs of Cole Field House with her fuzzy ears and adorable buckteeth. Ever gracious, Sadlier congratulated Sarah on her victory and posed for an incredibly cute picture with the new national champ. "Minnesota should be very proud. That chipmunk hat is the cutest thing I've seen in a long time!"



Sarah Becker basks in her victory as the "Cutest Kid at National History Day." In order to increase her chances of retaining her title in 2011, her parents have placed her in a hyperbaric chamber and have insured her dimples with Lloyds of London.

## Minnesota Nearly Trapped in College Park; Herd Reunites at Airport for Luggage and Goodbyes

Lindbergh Terminal, Carousel Three: After experiencing the bus breakdowns and lost travelers of the Saturday tour, the two delegations of Minnesota travelers were a little edgy as they dragged their bags down to the Hagerstown lobby. There were already rumors swirling about delayed flights and bad weather in the Midwest. Victoria called in from BWI with news that her flight had been cancelled and she was looking at staying another night in DC. This news coincided with yet another bus delay as group one waited on the sidewalk while Sean the bus driver was mystified as to the correct path to Hagerstown dorm. After 40 minutes, Mr. History finally talked him in and we loaded up for the trip to BWI in record time.

Sean returned to College Park without mishap and the second bus was loaded and made its departure from Hagerstown only 15 minutes behind schedule and, despite heavy traffic, the group reached DCA two hours before take-off. However, the Delta check-in officials were mystified as to why a group such as ours would actually be waiting to be checked in at the group check-in counter and took their time processing boarding passes and luggage tags.

The last of the group finally cleared security with minutes to spare while Katie and Ali raced with Guanani and Lydia down the terminal with visions of Home Alone in their heads. Rest assured, there was no "KEVIN!" moment on the flight; everyone was on board. Although hungry and out of breath, everyone was present and accounted for. The flight even landed 15 minutes ahead of schedule.



Andy and Billy Eerdmans kill time waiting for the bus playing "two square" – a special . version of four square that can only be played by identical twins.

Despite a two hour time difference in departure, the flights landed within a half hour of each other. Both flights were met with smiles and hugs by Naomi "the Torch" Peuse at the baggage claim at MSP. After a few more thumbs up pictures and tearful goodbyes, the herd marched through the automatic doors towing their luggage and their memories. And so ended another great Minnesota History Day adventure.





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### Category Throw-Down a Huge Success

College Park- The first annual History Day Category Throw-Down was met with great enthusiasm by the Minnesota delegation. Students in each category (junior exhibits, senior performances, junior documentaries, etc) competed against each other in an "iconic photo" reenactment. The teams were able to choose from various famous images; the Abbey Road album cover, American Gothic, Washington Crossing the Delaware, and more, then recreate the image in their own creative way. Extra points were given if Mooster History was present in the photograph and an outright winner would be declared if a group was able to get a congress person in the shot. In addition to whichever image was chosen, each group had to also recreate McArthur Returning to the Philippines.





Junior Performers reenact the Depression Era breadline image (above) while the Senior Performers put their own spin on "Lunch atop a Skyscraper" (bottom right). Not to be outdone by the actors, the Junior Website kids interpreted "George Washington Crossing the Delaware" using a handy sofa and fairy wand (bottom left).



### Rock 'em Sock 'em Robots Make their Debut at Awards Ceremony



Nikita Salovich holds the Rock 'em Sock 'em Championship Belt aloft while combatants Adam and Billy take their places for round one. Cole Field House – Unknown to the competitors of the Category Throw-Down, the prize for the best photograph was the honor of dressing up as life-sized Rock 'em Sock 'em Robots (#17 on VH1's list of Top 100 Toys) and battling it out at the awards ceremony.

Top honors for the inaugural year went to the Junior Exhibit Team due to a shot of Congressman James Oberstar (D-MN) and Staffer Sconnie posing with a plastic fork in the style of "American Gothic." The photo's masterminds Adam Kneepkens and Billy Menor were the first to don the costumes and duke it out on the floor of Cole Field House. Students from other states stared in wide-eyed wonderment at the Minnesota robots as the punches flew and the heads popped off.

Congratulations to staffers Dan Ott and Laura Zeccardi for creating another monumental moment in Minnesota History Day parade of states monkey business.