Minnesota National Finalist Yearbook



National History day 2010



The Staff would like to say a big "thank you" to the parents, teachers and students who shared National History Day 2010 with us. We feel honored to have had a chance to get to know you. We have such a great group of talented kids, and we would like to congratulate all of you. You are all winners to us!



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Juniors



The Minnesota Junior Division represented the Land of 10,000 Lakes with knowledge, poise and enthusiasm this year at National History Day. Students from Duluth to St. Paul, White Bear Lake to Minneapolis, made the entire delegation proud. They chose topics that were local, like the Southdale Mall and the Minneapolis Park System, and national like Child Welfare, and international like China's One-Child Policy. We were amazed by their research, their depth of knowledge, and their positive attitude. Hats off to you, juniors!

Sarah Becker

Chloe Boehm

Eliza Edwards

Guanani Gomez– van Cortright

Alexa Groenke

Tasha Holtman Olivia Heusinkveld

Anna Jacobs









Joey Keiski Grace Kirkpatrick Adam Kneepkens Katie Kostohris





















Kelly Lee Franny Miller Liza Miller Billy Menor









Monica Nelson Lydia Newman-Heggie Liam Plambeck Abigail Remiarz









Nikita Salovich Kateri Schmidt Maggie Schmidt Kayla Schneider









Mindy Viavattine Katherine Wald









The Senior Division of the Minnesota delegation was not to be outdone. They too put their best efforts forward, making some outstanding History Day projects and not forgetting their Minnesota flair. From Chatfield to the Twin Cities, Chisago Lakes to Fergus Falls, these upperclassmen made their presence known. Projects spanned a variety of topics, including Betty Crocker, the Guthrie Theater, the Interstate Highway System, and the Soo Locks. We couldn't be more proud of our senior scholars for their diligent research and thoughtful analysis on unique innovations in history. The comradery between the juniors and seniors was exceptionally magical this year.

Moran Andrew Eerdmans Billy Eerdmans Joseph Gifford

Jaime Carreno





Austin Gromatzky Bailey Hilgren Megan Howell Amanda Jenkins









Bekah Nelson









Molly Nemer Jeanna Nesbitt Elizabeth Nussbaum

Ariel O'Neill

Lisa Otto









Norma Romero-Rodriguez

Kate Wageman







Emma Weber

Kyle Young







support squad

Where would History Day scholars be without their adoring groupies? They schlep props, run out for last-minute copies, get nervous, and cheer for their rock stars. Their loyal connections hold up in the D.C. heat, and though they may be pouring sweat, the support squad does their job.

































Tim "Mr. History" Hoogland Naomi "The Torch" Peuse Ali "Ali Kat" Kappes







Chris "Mr. 7" Taylor Laura "LZ" Zeccardi Katie "Sconnie" Craven















Liz "Lizard" Venditto Dan "Thunder" Ott Mary "Cash Box Mary" Ecker





Victoria "Dutcher" Dutcher Ron "Ronnie" Hustvedt



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drama elub

Get ready, Minnesota, it's show time! This year's Drama Club made their presence known at National History Day by practicing, rehearsing, and racing to the stage for medals. The drama kings and queens covered topics such as the American Indian Movement, the March of Dimes, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Special Olympics and Title IX. Whether they were tackling Vice President Nixon's accent Eunice Shriver's poise or Betty Crocker's cooking tips, each of our brilliant, talented, and fearless actors, performed with historical accuracy and believability that brought chills to our spines, laughter to our hearts, and tears to our eyes. Such was the quality of performances that two of our performances were invited to perform at such events as the Special Olympics and at General Mills!





A-V ELUB

You better fasten your *seatbelts*, because the A/V club *Explore-atoriumed* the limits of their medium and put the competition on *refrigerated* ice. There was no need for *non-violent protest* or *localized theatrics*. This year's documentaries displayed *iron*-clad dominance. The rest of the competition had to be *put to sleep* so they could dream of *green, independent parks*. Congratulations to all of the club members who pushed "play" and let the magic happen on the big screens.





shop class

You may have noticed that some of your fellow scholars had a propensity for "righting" things. Maybe you caught one of them fixing a crooked picture during a White House tour or placing post-it notes at perfect Right Angles on their dorm walls. These are the kids of Shop Class. Other telltale signs of Shop Class students include their sticky hands or the utility knife stuck in their back pocket. This year's class of Shop students showed up at Nationals with carefully designed and masterfully engineered works that would make the Smithsonian proud. Innovative Shop Class creations include the Hormel Sit-Down Strike, Joseph Lister, China's One Child Policy, Southdale Mall, Balloon Angioplasty, Braille, Soo Locks and Dorothea Dix. You never know what kind of things these handy individuals might create in the future...



young writers' workshop

"Catch the Orphan Train through Norman Borlaug's enhanced wheat fields across Sesame Street to Southdale Mall." That sentence captures the breadth of the topics our essayists studied to create their 10-page masterpieces of historical prose. Creativity aside, our essayists sought out sources in the deepest, darkest and most secretive archives to bring to light long-lost manuscripts to answer age-old questions such as, "Does Southdale Mall represent the end of main street America?" or "Is producing cheaper, more productive wheat creating a market vacuum in third world countries making it impossible for local farmers to compete?" or "Isn't it cruel to charge train fair to orphans?" or "What was Cookie Monster's life like before cookies and what was his name?... perhaps Stewart or Douglas?" Our steadfast paper writers tackled these questions and other mysteries of history with pluck and perseverance and occasional outbursts of allegorical alliteration.











website squad

Still a young category in 2010, the website finalists made it look easy. Undaunted by the limitations of Weebly, these students created interactive websites on an array of subjects including shell-shock, management theories, Sister Kenny, and The New Hollywood Movement. These scholars will go down in history as the squad who put the mundane process of HTML coding in their rearview mirror and squeezed out every bit of magic from Weebly to present their historical content with profound clarity. When these scholars are on the information superhighway, it's best to pull over and let them by.





NATIONAL AWARD-WINNERS



Andrew Eerdmans, Billy Eerdmans Senior Group Performance National Champions



Jennifer Mailee Lor, Norma Romero-Rodriguez Senior Group Documentary 2nd Place, History Channel Award, Outstanding Entry on an International Theme



Adam Kneepkens, Billy Menor Junior Group Exhibit 2nd Place



Tasha Holtman Junior Paper 2nd Place



Joe Gifford, Jenni Klejeski, Bekah Nelson Senior Group Performance 2nd Place





Chloe Boehm Junior Website 2nd Place

NATIONAL FINALISTS

Monica Nelson, Sarah Becker Junior Group Performance 5th Place, Outstanding State Entry Award

Katie Kostohris, Anna Jacobs, Kateri Schmidt, Maggie Schmidt Junior Group Performance 6th Place

Austin Gromatzky Senior Paper 6th Place

Abigail Remiarz, Kelly Lee Kayla Schneider Junior Group Documentary 7th Place

Bailey Hilgren Senior Individual Documentary 10th Place, Outstanding State Entry Award

Elizabeth Nussbaum Senior Individual Exhibit 12th Place

Lisa Otto Senior Group Exhibit 12th Place













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hd best uf...



Best "I Just Won!" Face Tasha Holtman



Best Camera-Dodger Ariel O'Neill



Best Button Traders Liam Plambeck, Billy Eerdmans



Best Multitasker Josh Hguyen





Junk-food Junkies Staff



Best Dancers Jaime Carreno-Moran, Kyle Young Jeanna Nesbitt, Andy Eerdmans

Best Student Impersonation of a Staffer Nikita Salovich (Naomi Peuse)



Most likely to become a History Day staffer Jennifer Mailee Lor



Scariest Room Decoration Lydia Newman-Heggie, Guanani Gomez-van Cortright



Best Parade of States Robots Red Rocker, Blue Bomber



AUTOGRAPHS

