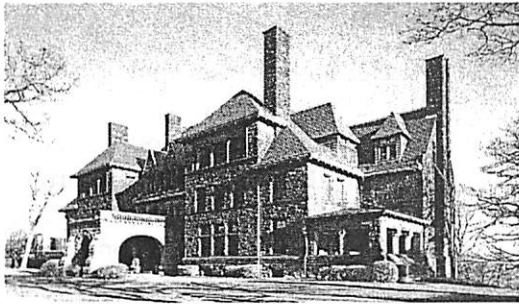


# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## History Day Finalists to Meet at James J. Hill House for Cake, Travel Info, Railroad Tycoon Tips

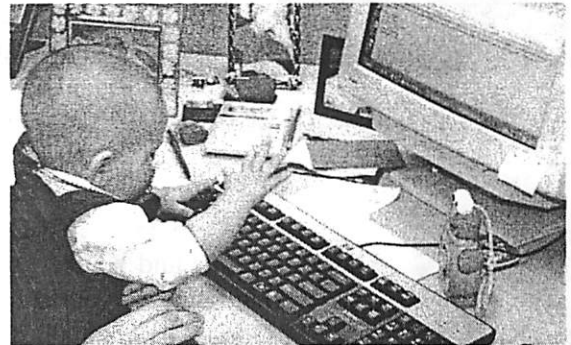
St. Paul, MN - Anticipation has been building all week as the History Day staff prepared for the 2008 state finalist reception. This annual extravaganza is moving back to the James J. Hill House for the first time in 15 years. A full program of student presentations will be followed by a travel meeting with the latest information on the trip to DC. Tasty sandwiches and salads will be served up by the official chef of Minnesota History Day -- Jessica's husband Matt. Although most of the Minnesota delegation will be traveling by air, the reception will offer students a series of special workshops that will help them launch careers as railroad tycoons. "You don't get the biggest house on Summit Avenue by becoming a history major," explained Mr. History. "J.J. Hill knew that this country was going to be built on steel rails and kids need to know how to build interlocking corporate trusts and transportation monopolies."



Although most of the Minnesota delegation will be traveling by air, the reception will offer students a series of special workshops that will help them launch careers as railroad tycoons. "You don't get the biggest house on Summit Avenue by becoming a history major," explained Mr. History. "J.J. Hill knew that this country was going to be built on steel rails and kids need to know how to build interlocking corporate trusts and transportation monopolies."

## Child Labor Speeds Registration Data Entry

State History Day staffer, Jessica Ellison has developed a new strategy to speed the completion of data entry for the Minnesota delegation on the National History Day online registration system. Taking a page out of an American history textbook, she is employing old-school child labor to complete the task. "Who knew there would be so many benefits to having children?" Ellison exclaimed. Her daughter, Scarlett, has turned out to be a data entry prodigy. "Sure, some parents put their kids in front of a piano, but my life will be so much better if I can get Scarlett up to 40 words a minute," Ellison continued, "and her typos have decreased by 60% since Wednesday -- I couldn't be more proud!"



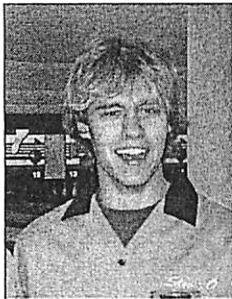
Above: Scarlett Ellison pulls another 14-hour shift of History Day data entry. Below: Jessica and Scarlett take a mandatory, five-minute binky break.



**Student Columnists Needed! Find out how to begin your writing career at the Camp History Day Daily Bulletin -- see page two.**

## Know Your Gophers!

The state History Day staff is being supplemented this year by a record crop of Gophers! Each of these staffers has served as a History Day mentor or received the Knelman HD Alumni Scholarship. In addition to their staff duties, they will help promote the \$20,000 scholarship that the University of Minnesota is awarding at the national contest.



Steve One

### The Two Steves!

If one of them didn't wear a hat, it would be hard to keep them straight. Fortunately, both are highly experienced staffers, so if you are in a jam, just yell out, "Hey, Steve!" One of them will come to help, and then you could find out his last name.



Steve Two



Los Goldy Volante

### The U of M TAs

Michelle Los will make her second appearance at nationals this year, accompanied by first-timer Alisha Volante. If you are up late in the dorms, you will find them drinking coffee and deconstructing post-modern paradigms -- because that's how grad students roll. Paper writers -- don't forget to make an appointment with Michelle before the entry deadline!



Andrew Kuzma

### K & K

Andrew Kuzma and Katie Craven round out this year's group of Gophers. Kuzma last appeared at nationals as part of a Sr. Documentary in 2002 and is hoping to improve his dorm decorating skills. Katie moved from mentoring to a U of M teaching degree and helped HD schools in the Duluth area this year. A Wisconsin native, she loves Goldy more than Bucky.



Katie Craven

## The Grapevine

... Even though Andy and Billy Eerdmans went to nationals last year, the staff still can't tell them apart.

... Although only 10 days old, Jayla Ferguson supported South and Breck students at state and is looking forward to History Day 2020. Welcome Jayla!

### History Day Students Help Break State Budget Stalemate

HD Staffer Hanneman reports that the History Day students who visited the Capitol today helped end the ongoing partisan conflicts in state government by forging a bipartisan compromise between the governor and DFL legislative leaders. Lead negotiator Jane Wageman of DeLaSalle explained that, "All I have been thinking about for six months is conflict and compromise. If my group could figure out a teachers' strike, these people should be able to agree to a budget." Way to go kids!

### Writers Wanted!

The staff has learned that a number of students want to be contributing writers to this year's CHDDDB. If this describes you, see Hanneman. He has openings for sports reporters, columnists, illustrators and propagandists.

### SUBSCRIBE TO THE CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN!

Parents, teachers, donors and other Minnesota History Day supporters are invited to subscribe to the CHDDDB. Just send an e-mail address to [james.hanneman@mnhs.org](mailto:james.hanneman@mnhs.org) and we'll get you on the distribution list.

# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## Gophers Begin the Long Journey East



Poor Mooster History nearly missed his ride Wednesday afternoon. Thank goodness Natty had her wits, and running shoes, about her.

ST. PAUL, MN – The first wave of the Minnesota delegation has safely embarked upon the cross-country journey from the Land of Lakes to the Land of Mary. Annual road warriors from Christ's Household of Faith and Minnesota staffers Ali Kappes and Natalie Jaworski left Thursday for the trek through Chicago rush hour and the never-ending drear of the state of Ohio.

After the tragic Great Bus Breakdown of 2007, CHOF ditched mega-transportation and opted for a truck and trailer to transport the CHOF delegation and all performance props. Based on the monumental size of Minnesota props in years past, CHOF teacher Dennis Simonson chose the largest trailer available. "Based on my history with our own performers and

others' desire to create elaborate,

historically accurate sets that are roughly the size of the Taj Mahal, I came prepared," Simonson said.

In keeping with a nationwide trend of downsizing and going green, however, Minnesota performers approached prop-creation with a minimalist attitude. The CHOF trailer was surprisingly empty, and in order to save money and utilize unused space, staffers Naomi Peuse and Jessica Ellison will eschew the dorms in favor of similarly comfortable sleeping places on the floor of said trailer.

"If I had known there would be so much extra space," said Blake performer Max Johnson, "I would have brought the other four heavy Victorian chairs to complete the set. It really looks so much nicer and gives me more seating options when all six chairs are present."

Right: Ellison and Peuse try out their housing arrangement and determine the trailer's blankets a suitable replacement for dorm linens.



### Ali and Natty Vow to Beat Men's Road Record of 2007

Readers may recall some gender-smacking performed by testosterone-infested staffer James Hanneman at the opening of National History Day 2007. Hanneman, co-captain of the 2007 cross-country voyage with Mr. 7, claimed the male-contingent superior to past female delegations in the areas of speed, agility, and overall effectiveness. Still burned by the baseless accusations, Natty vowed to channel the spirit and prowess of famed daredevil Amelia Earhart for their death defying challenge. "Earhart didn't let a little gender-bashing hold her back. We will show those men who can handle the open road with speed and style." No word yet on how Hanneman is handling this recent bout of gender backlash.

# Top Secret Agenda Revealed

Noting the brewing angst of DC-bound travelers, our sources reveal, for the first time ever, the day's coming events. Mr. History, once prone to secrecy for fear of Sconnie infiltration commented, "Cheesehead pressure or not, our top priority is keeping Minnesota's finest, as calm as possible. You just don't want these people gettin' squirrely." Readers are urged to mind their *Bulletins* to protect this sensitive information.

## Before Dawn Breaks: Wake-Up!

### 5:30am: Meet your History Day staff at MSP's HHH Terminal

Make sure you have your name and address on your luggage.

After checking in with Mr. History, gather off to the side for further instruction regarding check-in. 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 breakfast or explore the terminal with your group.

### 6:30am: Meet up at the gate!

Stragglers will be hunted down with bloodhounds. Try to avoid the embarrassment.

### 6:55am: Depart from MSP for IAD (Chantilly, VA)

### 10:15am: Arrive at Dulles

Once the plane lands, **REMAIN IN YOUR SEAT** until all non-NHD passengers have exited the plane.

### Mid-Morning: Gather our luggage

We will journey to baggage claim together. Once the group's luggage is collected, we will board the buses.

### Mid-Morning: Board the buses—DC bound!

You have been assigned to a bus (note the colored dot on the backside of your name badge).

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

### 12:00pm: Arrive at Union Station for lunch

Union Station houses a large food court with numerous dining options.

### 1:30pm: Board the buses—our DC tour begins!

Please return to the same bus. Place your U of M lanyard with nametag over your seat's headrest. During the tour we need you to return to the same bus and seat so we can keep track of everyone.

### 5:30pm: Arrive at College Park for dorm check-in

Ali and Natalie will have our dorm check-in cards ready for us. Individually you need to collect your card and work with dorm attendants to receive your room key. This will take some time...be patient and **NO WHINING!**—practice meditating while you wait for your name to be called.

### Evening: Forage for food in College Park (see page 3 and your College Park map for details)

### 8:30pm: First State Meeting!

Come with your questions!

### Into the Wee Hours of the Next Morning: Dorm Decorating

If you still have the energy, make Hagerstown your home away from home!

## MN Delegation Forced to Forage for Food in College Park

The University of Maryland's Diner, in a bold move this travel day, refuses to satisfy the hungry masses until Sunday morning. As a result, travel-weary Minnesotans are forced to find their own food. Mr. History considered gathering a hunting party...is turkey in season?...but was reminded of new flight regulations. Mr. History was overheard saying "Now that Charlton Heston has passed, I didn't figure I would get much support boarding the plane with my rifle." Collage Park campers are left to fend for themselves.

Luckily, the *Bulletin* was able to secure some inside information...College Park, namely Route 1 (a.k.a. Baltimore Avenue), has a great deal to choose from when foraging for food. Follow these few simple steps and you will be on your way.

- Step 1: Assess your hunger
- Step 2: Consider your options
- Step 3: Identify a food source that best suits your needs
- Step 4: Support your choice with evidence
- Step 5: Win over your potential dining companions with a well-presented argument
- Step 6: Hit the streets or pick up the phone and order boldly

Should you fail at step 5, consider a brain-to-stomach negotiation. While Gophers pride themselves in victory, it is wise to choose ones' battles carefully (it is only the first day after all).

### The staff's favorite "close enough to walk" places:

#### When speed matters...

Ali's Pick  
Quizno's  
7313 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 403-8981

Chris' Favorite  
Cold Stone Creamery  
7314 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 699-1552

Kuzma carbs up at...  
Noodles & Co  
7320 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 779-5300

Alisha's choice  
Chipotle Mexican Grill  
7332 Baltimore Ave  
(240) 582-0015

James' Hangout  
Ratsie's Terrapin Eatery  
7400 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 864-8220

Jessica's Go-To  
Smoothie King  
7403 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 277-1195

Knier gets his freak on at...  
Jimmy John's  
7410 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 927-7827

Happy Steve is even happier at...  
Potbelly Sandwich Works  
7422 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 209-0635

If Naomi had her way...  
The Bagel Place  
7423 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 779-3900

Tim loves Scottish Gourmet...  
McDonald's  
8301 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 345-1072

#### Feeling like a sit-down?

Natty feels like a neighbor at...  
Applebee's  
7272 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 864-6118

Michelle mows down at:  
RJ Bentley's  
7323 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 277-8898

#### Thinkin' delivery?

Mooster History's call:  
Domino's Pizza  
7312 Baltimore Ave  
(301) 852-3030

The Masked Banana prefers:  
Papa John's Pizza  
4509 College Ave  
(301) 277-7722

## Ogundiran Schools Former VP Mondale on Civil Rights Movement Mondale “blown away” by how important he was in history

By Hannemizzle

Minneapolis South student Sade Ogundiran had the unique opportunity to show off her History Day project on Civil Rights leader Fannie Lou Hamer to former Vice President Walter Mondale at a special luncheon last week. And while most students would be humbled in the presence of a Minnesota political legend, Ogundiran wanted to be sure that Mondale properly understood his important role in the Civil Rights movement in American history. “Mister Vice President, you cannot conceive of the importance of Fannie Lou Hamer without a thorough understanding of the historical context of the time, especially the struggle for civil rights,” Ogundiran began her lecture. A rapt Mondale asked several questions during Sade’s extensive presentation, but largely stood in awe, particularly as Ogundiran detailed his involvement in the 1964 Democratic Convention. Afterward, he responded with typical Midwestern reserve, “I guess I had forgotten how much cool stuff I did back in the 60’s. What a great project!” Ogundiran is hoping to school her judges at Nationals as well.



### “THE TORCH”

## A Beacon of Truth for National History Day in Minnesota



### An Outside View

As you probably noticed, I have had trouble shedding my Iowa skin at Minnesota’s southern border. While I grew up in Lakeville (one of Minneapolis/St. Paul’s southern suburbs), and have a strong sense of pride for my home state, Iowa has been good to me these last 10 years. I started the 2007-2008 school year toiling over topic ideas with Iowa’s young historians, drilled them through rigorous primary/secondary source testing, stood by their sides as they explored adhesive properties, and cheered their accomplishments at State History Day this spring. With all the blood, sweat, and tears who wouldn’t love them. BUT, with any luck, this national contest will help sufficiently brainwash, I mean convert, me into a full-blooded Minnesotan once again.

I have been hearing some rumors about these Minnesota traditions. Who is this masked banana you speak of? What precisely is the allure of this Mooster History? Where exactly do you pull this creative genius that is room decorating from? Why does the Minnesota delegation have so much to cheer about? I vow, here in print, to spend my week unlocking the mystery that is History Day in Minnesota. Fear not, come awards ceremony time, I will have my pride on.

### Ask Hanneman

Answers from the Dart



Wow, it’s hard to believe its Nationals time already! It seems like just yesterday we were hanging those medals around your necks at State, and already we’re packing up and heading out for Washington. And take it from a veteran (this is my 6<sup>th</sup> trip to Nationals), this week is going to fly by. So here are a few tips to wring the most out of your trip to Maryland.

- Sleep: Its going to be sparing, so grab it while you can. Just make sure there isn’t a bowling shirt near by with a camera, because we never miss a good sleeping student shot.
- Food: You may think your mom’s cooking is tops ... and you probably still will after you’ve had U of Maryland’s dorm food. But you’ll need your sustenance to keep up this week, so pile your plate high (yes, even the watery eggs in the morning)
- Room Decorating: There is no higher honor than winning Minnesota’s dorm room decorating contest. Pour your heart and soul into your room. The walls are your canvas, the bribes are your paint.

# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## Herd braves floods, oppressive heat



INDIANAPOLIS, IN - Torrential downpours in the Upper Midwest led Minnesota History Day staffers Natalie Jaworski and Ali Kappes to biblical levels. What started as just drizzle on their journey to Washington D.C., soon became sheets of rain pounding the Chevy Uplander to the point where the staffers had to make a critical decision... "Should we continue onward by automobile or follow the example of one of history's most prominent maritime travelers?" With Kappes' words, "National History Day depends on us delivering these critical supplies," a decision was made and the staffers stopped off in the flooded Wisconsin plains to search for the perfect mode of transportation.

The girls rose to the challenge of finding the perfect History Day Ark. By first stopping in the Wisconsin Dells to admire a promising landmark...they knew this was their true calling. With no available resources for the perfect watercraft they pushed on to Indiana where they stumbled upon a miracle. There on the side of a flooded Indiana expressway they spotted Captain Cook's Boat Sale. With an owner, who in a way resembled Noah himself, Jaworski relayed their trials and compromised a solution with Captain Cook.

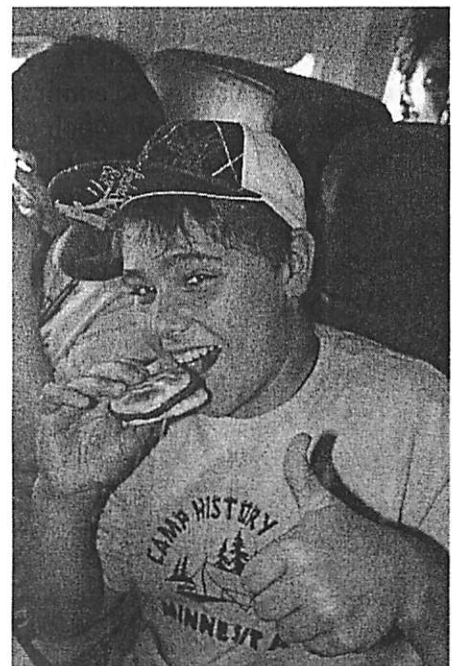
With compassion towards the History Day cause the Captain offered the girls the boat or their dreams. The girls transferred the contents, two by two, to the pontoon and left the vehicle in the wake of the storm. Taking advantage of their new mode of transportation they navigate the nation's rivers till they reached the shining Potomac. "It's been an epic journey, but knowing the olive branch lay in College Park we pushed on to reunite with the Minnesota delegation," said Jaworski. "Yeah, and we only lost two pillows and a fan along the way," added Kappes.

### Heat Greets Weary Minnesota Travelers

College Park, MD -

Lack of sleep and oppressive heat were a trying combination for Minnesota's History Day's touring delegation on Saturday. Early morning wakeup calls left several History Day students groggy and irritable.

Highland Park Junior High students Elyse Lennington-Chaffee and Marie Sheehan staged a sit-in in the Humphrey Terminal. "Even Rosa Parks sat down when she was tired!" they protested. (continued on Page 2)



Erik Hilgren approves of the cheesy eggy Sun Country sandwich.

## The Insider



As the excitement of the plane ride began to wear off, I noticed that the plane ride to the nation's capital would provide ample time to introduce my column. You can call me *The Insider*. It's my official, self-appointed duty to provide you (students, family, friends) with the latest tidbits of goss... – er – rum... – er *NEWS*. Some people would call it a tabloid, but those people have no respect for those of us who risk our lives stalk ... – er – *reporting* on the people we write about. So sit back, relax, and have confidence that there is only one place where you will get the inside scoop on all the information that is normally hidden from the general public. That place is right here, on *the inside*.

According to an informal poll of tired, slightly bored, anxious and excited Minnesota students, it would seem that Mr. History is much older than one may think. While he appeared at first to the students polled to be quite young, further pressing led most students to admit they believed him much older. The poll closed and I am here to report that Mr. History's estimated age is 94. When questioned about his birthday, Mr. History allegedly joked, "I'm living history." Looking good, Mr. History!

Until next time,  
*The Insider*



Mr. History pictured with Goldy Gopher.

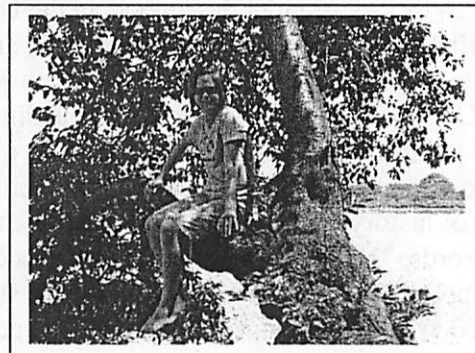
## Monkey Business in DC Tidal Basin

By CraLo

Saturday, while circumventing the Tidal Basin in front of the Jefferson Memorial the History Day Staff were perturbed by reports of treetop shenanigans. "In the past, signs warning of low-hanging boughs have always been grounds for ducking," said Jessica Ellison, with a perplexed look on her face, "but this year Shelly Tschida took a completely new approach to the obstacles."

Tschida was found scurrying up the trunks into the branches. With a massive grin she flaunted her monkey-like penchant for arboreal tomfoolery. While Jessica's, Michelle's, and Katie's hearts skipped a collective beat, Rochelle shrugged off the concern with a smirk. After safely returning to the ground the staffers were forced to admit jealously that they wished they'd thought of it first.

Creative approach to conquering the DC landscape, Shelly – we can't wait to see how you tackle the lines in the dining hall!



## Weary Travelers Continued from Page 1

But Mr. History pushed the group on, with promises of tasty hot sandwiches aboard the Sun Country flight. Chatfield student Erik Hilgren found the cheesy, eggy sandwich to be just the sustenance he needed for the long trek ahead. But even the nourishment couldn't save the Minnesotans from the oppressive Maryland heat. Several teachers and parents were left on the side of the path as the touring group slogged on. Finally, mercifully, the group arrived in the U of Maryland dorms only to find that their rooms were even more stifling than the outside. At print time, the Minnesota delegation could still be seen huddling around air conditioners in the dorm lounges.



## Website student reveals Hogwarts connection

An independent investigation conducted by Minnesota History Day staff has revealed that Cyber Village Academy student Bif Wesely is none other than the lost Squib sister of the Weasley clan: Biffendia Weasley.

Our sources tell us that Bif/fendia, upon her discovery as a Squib at age five, was removed from the Burrow and adopted into a Minnesota family for her own protection. The Weasleys allegedly realized that if He-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named again rose to power, Bif/fendia would be unable to protect herself. A Ministry of Magic official modified her memory, and the lost Weasley has lived in peace in her Muggle home.

"I always knew the Weasleys were blood traitors, but now their shame as an unpure Wizarding family is amplified, with that Squib sister," said Hogwarts student Draco Malfoy.

"I knew I was different," Bif/fendia said. "When we studied the Salem Witch Trials in school, I felt strangely uncomfortable and felt a strong desire to shout the words 'Avada Kedavra', whatever that means."

No decision has been reached about returning Bif/fendia to her wizarding family. It has been reported that a potential portkey will be established in Hagerstown Hall to allow the Weasleys to reunite with their daughter. The Ministry has asked for full discretion from the Muggles.



Recently released photos proving Wesely's resemblance to Ron Weasley.

### **MN WINNERS WILL ALL BE AT ARCADE NIGHT!!!**

- \* Guitar Hero
- \* Harry Potter Trivia
- \* Wii Battles
- \* Mariokart
- \* Movies
- \* Cards

**TONS OF PRIZES!!**

## Driver with a heart of gold exceeds Minnesota's expectations of kindness

By Kuz, Other "Bitter" Steve, and Volante Eric, the yellow dot bus driver, has been driving buses for the past 10 years in the capital of this great nation. A philanthropist at heart and avid kickball player, Eric usually displays his love for humanity with a simply wave of the hand or a shy smile. However, once he noticed how exceptional the Minnesota delegation was, he went way above his own expectations. Two and half parents were desperately stranded with no transportation to their hotel. In normal circumstances they would have had to traverse an uncertain urban landscape. Not today. Not in DC. Not on Eric's watch.



Eric has lived in Washington DC his whole life. In conversation with Mr. History, he told Tim of his mother who continues to live in the downtown area. Eric's mother takes daily strolls in the downtown area, however sometimes she gets lost. Eric did not want his new Minnesota friends to suffer the same fate. A lost Minnesotan is not a nice Minnesotan- and we all know if you're from the state of 10,000 lakes it is imperative to exude "the nice" at all times.

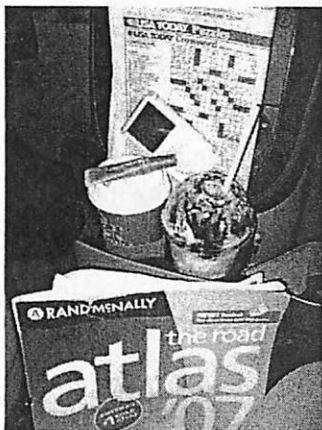
Eric packed up the parents and personally chauffeured them to their hotel of destination. The parents, forever grateful, still have their "MN-nice" and Eric more than performed his deed for the day. Hugh van Heesewijk commented, "Eric changed my life. I previously thought bus drivers were cold and unapproachable. I can only hope some of my best friends throughout my life will be bus drivers."

## Traveling in Style

College Park, MD – Each year two of the History Day staff are chosen to travel across thousands of miles of interstate to bring essential supplies to the MN staff headquarters. Although most settle for convenience, others choose to go first class. In 2007, staffers Chris Taylor and James Hanneman talked of their testosterone-filled journey, which included sunflower seeds and the Football Hall of Fame. Even making record time, this year's staffers took traveling to a new level of luxury.

"The true imperative items for a platinum road trip go beyond coffee and CD's. It takes a feminine touch to cross the nation with grace and beauty," said Ali Kappes, one of the new elect travelers with companion Natalie Jaworski. Everyone morning before the girls began, they made sure to replenish the cup holders with lattes and Vitamin Water in all exotic flavors. Never wanting to neglect their need for intellectual stimulus, the iPod was loaded with MPR podcasts and New Yorker articles. To prepare their minds for the week ahead, they completed countless New York Times crossword puzzles while keeping up on world events.

But course, one must always be prepared for a surprise photo shoot, so lip gloss, hair product, and heels were always close at hand. "There is no point in traveling if you can't do it in style," said Jaworski. "Frankly, I believe our stop at the outlet mall was more beneficial than anything you could see at the Football Hall of Fame." Now armed with new shoes and coining the term "glamour tripping," they enjoyed one last night of cable TV and heated bathroom floors before having to make a serious downgrade to the dorms of College Park. "We don't mind the transition," said Kappes, "We just hope the boys are taking notes."



To follow the illuminating example of road travelers Ali and Natty, make sure you have these essential items: chocolatey coffee beverage, iPod, lip gloss, and giant map.

### Andy Eerdmans' Random Words of Wisdom

By Billy Eerdmans (the other twin)

Hey, I'm Billy (Andy's twin). Through the years Andy has distinguished himself as a pretty deep thinker, so here are a few of his most profound recent thoughts...

- 1.) False bravery leads to a slow and painful death (said to an HD staffer who refuses to wear glasses)
- 2.) A picture is worth a 1,001 word thingys.
- 3.) If your nose tickles, someone's thinking about you, or you need to blow it.
- 4.) Terrapin, is that some sort of fuzzy bear?
- 5.) James K. Polk is cavemen is Wook Wook Mook.
- 6.) A good book must always have a map... Stay tuned for more of Andy's wit!

### CHDDB Trivia Competition

Debuting this year at NHD 2008 – the Camp History Day Daily Trivia Question!

Every day, the staff will explore the unseen layers of history with a random query. Please submit all answers to our resident trivia gurus Los (6112) or Craven (6106) (collectively known as the CraLo). Feel free to slip your answers under our doors if your knocks go unanswered (don't forget to write your name(s) on it!).

Don't forget – this is History Day and you need to provide citations to support your answer. Internet sources are fair game!

Winners will be rewarded with special recognition in the Bulletin and serious CraLo respect.

To kick it off – HD trivia question #1: No one can dispute the symbolic importance of the gopher to Minnesota. Why are gophers so important? What do they represent? And how did they come to represent our state?



# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## Gophers Prepare to be Judged

COLLEGE PARK, MD –

As junior category judging starts tomorrow, Minnesota HD'ers prepare themselves in very interesting, yet different ways:

- Bailey Hilgren was seen tearing up extra copies of her thesis statement into small pieces and tossing them out the window as an offering to the History Gods.
- In an effort to reduce her stress level, Monica Nelson contorted her face into a series of funny poses.
- Paige Norman tries to "catch up" on her button trading.
- Billy Eerdmans broke out in to a song and dance routine in order to limber up for his judging experience.

However you prepare juniors, **GOOD LUCK** tomorrow, show 'em what you got!!!!



Monica Nelson demonstrates one of her favorite warm-up exercises: face contortion



## Travelers Stymied by Maryland Funksiness

By Hanneman

COLLEGE PARK, MD –

A group of intrepid tourists from the Minnesota delegation set off this morning with high hopes of seeing a variety of historic sites, only to have their plans ruined by poor cartography and a lack of any reasonable signage.

On their way to the Antietam battlefield, the group, which included several History Day staffers and Houston High School teacher Jason Freed, got sidetracked deep into the hinterlands of Maryland, eventually realizing their mistake when they ended up in the colorful village of Funkstown.

This development initially excited staffer Chris Taylor, who shouted, "YEAH! Take me to, Funksitown!" But excitement gave way to apprehension when the group rechecked their map and noticed that Funkstown was nowhere near Antietam.

Once the group regained their bearings, they were off to the battlefield for some historical sightseeing, which led to this epiphany from Teacher of the Year Freed: "Boy, its hard to imagine how all those soldiers were able to concentrate on fighting with all these historic sites around!"

## The Insider



### History Day Staff Showing Signs of Weakness?

As the Minnesota delegation begins to settle into the hot, muggy dorms, one can often hear the phrase, "the hotter it is, the better we like it." This phrase, however, tends to be accompanied by a grimace and a rush for deodorant.

While the students, teachers and parents have settled for fans and the pool as a means to survive the non air-conditioned University of Maryland dorms, rumor has it that the MN staff are showing signs of weakness that could only be induced by annual exposure to extreme heat.

Rumors that the staff have resorted to extreme measures to keep cool have been confirmed by us on The Inside. Whispered conversations between the sweaty staff members include phrases such as "cold packs," "ice blocks," and "air conditioner."

An inside source at the D.C. Sears department store confirms that James Hanneman was seen purchasing a 15,000 BTU air conditioner, while he mumbled something about turning his room into "a walk in cooler." University security has admitted to accepting a bribe in exchange for allowing Hanneman to smuggle it on campus.

While Hanneman has not yet commented on the purchase of this air conditioner, Mr. History has reassured us, "No state money was used in the alleged purchase of the alleged air conditioner."

No comment from University of Maryland officials on the campus policy on air conditioners.

Until next time,  
- *The Insider*

## Mother Nature Strikes Back at DeLaSalle



In retaliation for his role in the exploration, settlement, and subsequent taming of the wilderness in the Midwest, Mother Nature decided to strike a retaliatory blow at René-Robert Cavalier, Sieur de La Salle as punishment for his exploits in the 1600s. Not realizing that he had been dead for over 300 years, a quick

DeLaSalle never faced such wrath from Mother Nature while he was alive.

Google search revealed the information of two De La Salle high school students traveling across the Midwest by airplane. Thinking that the explorer continued to zigzag across the heartland, Ms. Nature quickly conjured up storms meant to envelop the weary travelers. As storm system in their destination city of Washington D.C. delayed the exhausted Islanders in Milwaukee long enough for the impressive regulator of the natural environment to whip up a storm in Wisconsin, showing no mercy for cheese country. Crafty as they are, the students managed to escape the storms. Arriving safely in D.C. Mother Nature was heard to say "Curse you De La Salle, I'll get you yet." Victoria said confidently, "She has to figure out at some point that the explorer is dead." At that point, Marisha chimed in, "Until then, all Islanders must keep a vigilant watch for any dastardly natural phenomena that will try to do us in."



Despite visual evidence to the contrary, Hanneman continues to insist that he has not purchased a massive air conditioner to escape the balmy Maryland weather.



### Tips for Finding Your Inner Ken: By Barbie

Hey everyone, it's me, Barbie! That's right, your official Ken-Search 2008 guidance counselor. Like, with my help there's no way you can lose – I like know like everything a Barbie girl wants. Here's five super-duper tips to help you find your inner Ken. Like, make that Ken-ness sparkle!

- A man purse is like, a must. Bonus points to the man who's Ken enough to add a cute poodle. Like name it "Fifi!"
- Sample every fragrance at the perfume counter. Like, how else can you know whether you're a man of fruity, spicy, or floral overtones?
- Trying on some board shorts and count your stomach ripples. If it isn't a six pack, keep on doing those crunches!
- Get a manicure – even men can look fabulous.
- Know every shade of pink (there is like, so totally a difference between salmon and coral!)

### CHDDB Daily Trivia Question!

All right HD-ers, we have had a rather lame response to our trivia question thus far. Put those thinking caps on and get solving!

Remember to submit your responses to CraLo now in the 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Lounge.

HD trivia questions #2: There is a graveyard behind the Turtle's football stadium on the College Park Campus, who is buried there and why are they important enough to merit such a final resting place?

### "THE TORCH"

### A Beacon of Truth for National History Day in Minnesota



### United

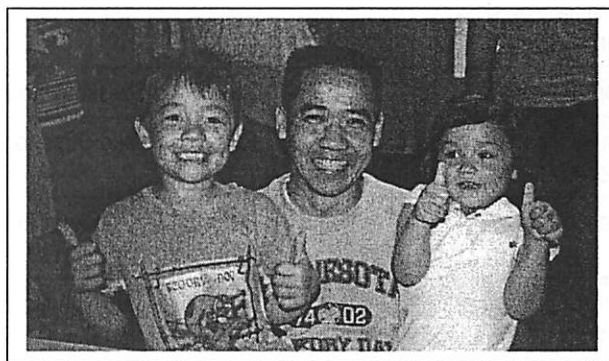
Well...now that I am here, I feel like some progress is being made. Only 5 Iowans have referred to me as a "traitor" in the last day and a half and by the third incident

I was only slightly stung. They make fun of my bowling shirt and I smile and act all "yea, I know", to appease them of course, but deep down I am pretty sure they're just jealous.

The trek through Washington, DC as a herd was a new experience for me. Iowans have a certain independent nature about them and I always avoided group travel for fear of striking a cord with their own agenda, but Minnesotans, man you guys sure know how to "moo" your way to unity. Part of a team, a piece of the whole, one of the gang...yes, I think I am getting the hang of this.

As an Iowan, the bowling shirt was always a bit showy for me..."Ooo, look at those Minnesotans and their flashy wardrobe...who do they think they are?" But today, while passing a mirror on the long journey from my corner apartment to the ladies powder room, I paused to take a look. My name all emblazoned there in gold started to gleam and I couldn't help but stare in wonderment. Then before I knew it, my eyes transformed to a seaward shade of aqua. We were becoming one. Perhaps I should have been frightened, but did Spiderman run from his transformation? No, he didn't. I decided to embrace the power of the bowling shirt and the super strength it provides.

Perhaps you will notice a little extra strut in my step next time you see me wearing my aqua super-suit. But careful, don't touch it; I wouldn't want you to get burned.



Cute Kids of the Day

## Junior Judging

Monday, June 16

As you may recall from the first State Meeting (and from your upbringing as a good solid Minnesotan) here in Camp History Day we are all about the team! Please do your best to support your fellow campers as they present their knowledge to the wider world. Help us cheer on their accomplishments because you know they will be there for you!

Paper, Web Site, and Exhibit interviews are closed to the public, but join the state staff outside the interview area as we pump up our mighty historians before they enter the ring.

|   |     |   |       |   |
|---|-----|---|-------|---|
| Bif Wesely  | JW  | To Hell or Connacht! Cromwell's Campaign in Ireland   | 10:15 | 0122 Jimenez                              |
| Marie Sheehan & Elyse Lennington-Chaffee  | JW  | Montgomery Bus Boycott  | 10:30 | 2125 Jimenze                              |
| Sophie Schmidt  | JID | The Devil's Bargain: The Compromise of St. Paul   | 10:40 | 1111 Cambridge Community Center           |
| Emily Weber & Alexandra McConkey  | JGP | Public Safety vs. Religious Freedom   | 11:00 | 3109 Cole Fieldhouse                      |
| Jane Storey & Kathryn Ross  | JGD | Balancing the Conflict in Harmony: Minnesota vs. Hershberger                                    | 11:00 | 11:00 Armory                              |
| Jovan Gorman-Carter   | JIP | The Spanish Conquest of the Aztec Empire and the Conscious Formation of a New National Identity | 11:00 | 0118 Jimenez                              |
| Andrew Engel & Hugh Van Heesewijk   | JGE | Minnesota Tobacco Settlement  | 11:45 | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union        |
| Nicholas Thyr   | JIE | Homestead: The Conflict and Compromise that Destroyed a Steel Union                             | 11:45 | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union        |
| Paige Norman  | JHP | Living Through the Treatment: The Conflict and Compromise of Treatment in Mental Hospitals      | 1:15  | Harriet Tubman-Stamp Student Union        |
| Maia Gumnit   | JHP | Near vs. Minnesota: A Constitutional Case of Conflict and Compromise                            | 1:45  | 1117 Jimenez                              |
| Megan Vandevoorde, Carrie Schweyen, Maria McGlinch, Nora Laskowski & Hanna Cody | JGP | The Stolen Generation: A Broken Circle, Missing Link  | 2:00  | Margaret Brent (2112)-Stamp Student Union |
| Monica Nelson   | JIP | Jane Grey Swisshelm: Refusing to Compromise   | 2:00  | 2117 Jimenez                              |
| Emma Peacha Singer & Becca Mattson  | JGD | Reserving Lake Superior   | 2:20  | 0116 Armory                               |
| Lea Bart  | JIE | Near vs. Minnesota: The Minnesota "Gag" Law on Freedom of the Press                             | 2:30  | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union        |
| William Eerdmans & Andrew Eerdmans  | JGE | 54-40 or Fight! The Conflict and Compromise of the Oregon Territory                             | 2:30  | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union        |
| Bailey Hilgren  | JID | Mennonites and the Civilian Public Service  | 3:00  | 1115 Cambridge Community Center           |

# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## MN Juniors Rock Opening Day

By CraLo

Minnesota History Day has had a fandabnastic day! We had sixteen awesome projects presented today all over campus by students who have put in months and months of time and effort. Their blood, sweat and tears have made this year a great year for Minnesota at National History Day and have made the staff, parents and teacher so very proud.

The enthusiasm of the non-presenting faction of the Minnesota delegation today was great to see. Several junior presenters reported being overwhelmed by the support. Huge thanks go out to all of you who came and watched documentaries, performances and gathered to support exhibitors, paper writers, and web gurus.

Jovan Gorman-Carter wowed the judges (and several girls in the audience) with his debonair Spanish accent. Sophie Schmidt revealed St Paul's tough side to surprised judges who thought all that St. Paul ever did was epitomize "Minnesota Nice." To top it all off, Lea Bart was part of the contingent to prove Minnesota's importance in the history of free speech in America.

The crowd waited breathlessly for the results on the first floor of Stamp Union. Staffer Natty's nerves almost reached the breaking point – "The results are always late! I'd swear they just want to see someone faint!" In end, Minnesota was proud to see the St. Frances girls move on for their performance on the forced Aboriginal education program in Australia.

It is with a proud tear in our collective eyes that we watched our juniors represent our state today. You put your best foot forward, told your story, and competed with grace and class. It was great to see you not only supporting each other, but everyone here at Nationals – we can't wait to see the Seniors tomorrow!



Nora, Megan, Carrie, Maria and Hanna from St. Frances of Assisi School move on to the Second Round for their junior group performance – congrats girls!

**Minnesota Delegation – come out to support our junior second round finalists!**

**"The Stolen Generation" will be presented today (Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup>) at 8:30pm in the Hoff Theater!**



**THUMBS UP TO THE JUNIORS!!**

## Rumors of Alsbury Shrine Verified

By Shelly, Camara, and Mackenzie

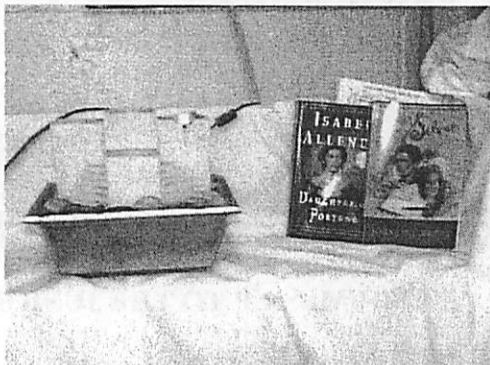
Pam Alsbury is the Christ's Household of Faith History Day coach and she, like all of us, has a secret she does not want anyone else to know.

We like to call it *The Shrine of the Alsbury*. It all happened last Saturday. As usual, we all unpacked our things and moved the unwanted junk to the hall to make more space in our rooms. But Pam went overboard. Not only did she excavate all of the furniture, but she set up her own shrine of tranquility so she could attain a mind and body connection often referred to as chi.

Mackenzie Schuett claims, "I heard strange music coming from inside the room and so I opened the door to find Pam with her eyes closed doing what looked like slow motion water aerobics. As soon as I saw her, I dashed out of the doorway and down to my room. I was terrified."

Her shrine includes the following items that she packed and brought with her:

- a water fountain with six candles
- an India-style purple blanket with three matching pillows for an exotic getaway
- a complete set of comforter, matching sheets, and pillow cases
- fruit and more candles to make a tranquil centerpiece on her table for thought
- books from Chinese enthusiasts to prepare herself for the "mind-body experience"
- plenty oils to calm her soul and help her attain the perfect chi



### The Insider



### Student Conspiracy to be Downfall of Minnesota's History Day Supreme Ruler?

The desire has long been expressed by some Minnesota students to one day exercise supreme authority over Minnesota's HD program as the State Coordinator. In short: "We just want Mr. History's job," stated one student, who preferred to remain anonymous.

However, an unfortunate obstacle has emerged to kill the dreams of these high-aspiring teenage scholars. "There are a lot of people who are waiting for his job," sighed HD staffer Michelle Los, "by the time he retires, there will be someone already with one foot – or both – in the door. Or," she adds, "he may just never retire."

It was not long following this interview that rumors emerged of a student conspiracy to attain the chair of supreme Minnesota History Day rule by slightly non-conventional means. These students are rumored to be planning a covert staging of a *coup d'etat*.

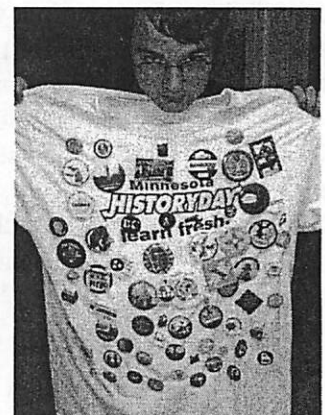
"In this case, I suppose their History Day experience will benefit them greatly," reflects Clara Engen. "They have inexhaustible means to study previous takeovers in history and learn just how to do it, as well as what mistakes to avoid."

It seems ironic that the very values Mr. History has worked so hard to establish during his rule may now be the weapons used against him. To combat the rumors, Mr. History fans are rising to defend their coordinator. "Mr. History will rule forever!!" exclaimed the ever-loyal Sophie Schmidt.

Mr. History has yet to provide comment on the situation.

Until next time,  
*The Insider*

**Billy Eerdmans proves experience matters – he's the first Minnesotan with all of this year's buttons.**





## University of Maryland Key Gnomes Strike Again

An epidemic plaguing the UMD dorms in recent years just produced another breakout. Local students described them as tiny Terp Gnomes. They may look attractive in your lawn on a seasonal basis, but they wreak havoc on the Hagerstown Dorm. When employees turn their backs the quick gnomes snatch both keys and access cards. Their tiny Terp hands and fingers prevent them from taking more than one at a time, but their long life expectancy has allowed the gnomes to create a massive army. They hit the students of MN hardest, delaying key distribution. The gnomes, however, made a rare mistake as student Maia Gumnit spotted a gnome red-handed. Inconsolable for some time, she was able to describe the experience as "eye opening." With their presence detected the keys and access cards were slowly returned and now all MN students keys. Hagerstown employees emphasize that students keep careful track of their keys and access cards, to replace would be \$85 and \$15 respectively.

### CHDDB Daily Trivia Question!

In unexpected news, a single duo has taken the lead of the trivia pack!

Ruth and Cambria answered Monday's question, citing, "You Know You're in Minnesota When..." They found that there were two animals in contention for the coveted role of state mascot. "Some said beaver, some said gopher." However, in 1858 there appeared in newspapers "a satirical cartoon depicting gophers with human heads...evidently this cartoon really hit home. The beaver idea fell to the wayside."

The girls finished with, "Fans continue to cheer 'Go Gophers!' at popular U of M sporting events, long after the mascots significance faded into oblivion along with, thank goodness, that silly beaver idea. 'Go Beavers'? I mean, come on"

As for the question from Tuesday (Who is buried behind the Terps's football stadium and why?) - we have one intrepid student who has succeeded in interviewing members of the UM gridiron gang. Rumors are that the dynamic duo are in action again.

**Now for today's question:** Why does George Washington have an obelisk?

Submit answers to CraLo in the 6<sup>th</sup> floor lounge.

## "THE TORCH"

### A Beacon of Truth for National History Day in Minnesota



### Building Bridges

I have been hearing a number of reports that Minnesotans and Iowans are conversing. This has my mind reeling about the possibilities of my position. Could my presence build a bridge between Iowa and the state that loves to tease them?

My husband, a native Iowan, is very proud of his upbringing. On our ventures north to visit my family, he has been scrutinized for his Iowa pride on a number of occasions. The ill treatment has led him to exclaim, "I just don't understand, Iowa has voted Minnesota our favorite neighbor."

Iowans who venture north have come to expect some hazing. "Minnesota nice" is a bit mystifying to these out-of-state travelers. But here, at National History Day, I have spotted my new Minnesota friends talking to my Iowa friends and I must admit it makes me smile inside.

Together, you and I could change the way these midwestern states feel about one another. Imagine the difference we could make, one button trade at a time.



### Cute Kids of the Day

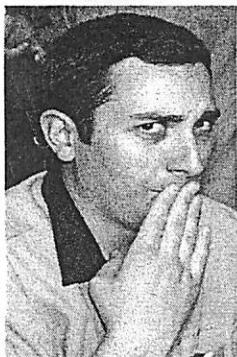
## Senior Judging

Tuesday, June 17

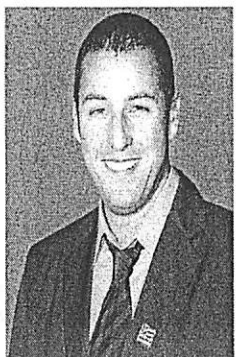
As you may recall from the first State Meeting (and from your upbringing as a good solid Minnesotan) here in Camp History Day we are all about the team! Please do your best to support your fellow campers as they present their knowledge to the wider world. Help us cheer on their accomplishments because you know they will be there for you!

Paper, Web Site, and Exhibit interviews are closed to the public, but join the state staff outside the interview area as we pump up our mighty historians before they enter the ring.

|  |     |  |       |                                    |
|--|-----|--|-------|------------------------------------|
| Jessica Christy                                    | SHP | The Trials of a 'Tyrant': The Efficacy of Lincoln's Decision to Defend Democracy by Compromising Habeas Corpus   | 10:30 | 1122 Jimenez                       |
| Audry Greene & Katie McElrath                      | SGP | The French Impressionist Movement: From a Centime to Forty Million Dollars                                       | 10:40 | Atrium-Stamp Student Union         |
| Clara Engen  | SID | Red Notes Rising: A New harmony in China Between Post-Cultural Revolution Values and Western Classical Music     | 10:40 | 1200 Cambridge Community Center    |
| Katie Faulkner, Marisha Randle, & Victoria Oyewole | SW  | The Minneapolis Spokesman  | 10:45 | 0103 Jimenez                       |
| Erik Hilgren & Matti Boice                         | SGD | A Level Playing Field  | 11:00 | 0112 Armory                        |
| Elizabeth Houns & Claire Wild Crea                 | SGE | Morrill Hill Takeover  | 11:45 | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union |
| Gary Waelhof                                       | SIE | The Minneapolis Trucker's Strike of 1934: A Conflict Which Forged the Way for Worker's Rights Nationwide         | 11:45 | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union |
| Max Johnson  | SIP | Discovering Evolution and Darwin's Fear of Conflict  | 1:00  | 0120 Jimenez                       |
| William Cramer & Andrew Decker                     | SW  | Patrice Lumumba: Playing With Fire   | 1:00  | 3111 Cole Fieldhouse               |
| Ruth Kostohris                                     | SHP | Conflicting Morals, Compromising Freedom: the Minnesota Press and the Abolishment of Capitol Punishment          | 1:15  | 1124 Jimenez                       |
| Cambria Camillo                                    | SIP | "Am I Not a Man and Brother?": Conflict, Compromise and the British Movement of the Abolition of the Slave Trade | 1:40  | Nanticoke-Stamp Student Union      |
| Mackenzie Schuett & Camara Butler                  | SGP | Lipstick vs. Grease: Gender Role Conflicts and Compromises Exploding Out of WWII                                 | 1:40  | 3109 Cole Fieldhouse               |
| Rochelle Tschida                                   | SID | WPA/FAP Art for the Millions: Coloring the Lives of the Nation During the Grey Days of the Depression            | 1:40  | 1105 Cambridge Community Center    |
| Katie Thiel & Jane Wageman                         | SGD | Conflict in the Classroom: 1970 Minneapolis Public Schools Teacher's Strike                                      | 2:20  | 0131 Armory                        |
| Nick Harrison-Strot, Evan Devine, & Atigula Gul    | SGE | The Siege at Wounded Knee: 71 Days of Conflict   | 2:20  | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union |
| Sade Ogundiran                                     | SIE | "We Will No Longer Accept Compromise": Fannie Lou Hamer, the Voice of Freedom Summer                             | 2:30  | Grand Ballroom-Stamp Student Union |



"James"



True Identity?



Not quite....



Definitely not...

### "Hanneman" – All that he seems?

As many of you might have heard, there has been some questioning about the true identity of James Hanneman.

From the data collected by some inside citizens of the NHD Minnesota delegation, we have determined that he is none other than Adam Sandler. However, he is *in cognito* after the release of his newest movie "Don't Mess With the Zohan" where he was laughed at by the entire nation for his "barely tolerable" faux accent.

When questioned by the press, Hanneman claimed that he was more of a John Cusak or Dustin Hoffman. Those fantasies were quickly crushed (see above evidence), When asked if he, "Adam Sandler" would be available for pictures and autographs by his adoring public at past award ceremonies here at NHD, we received no comment.

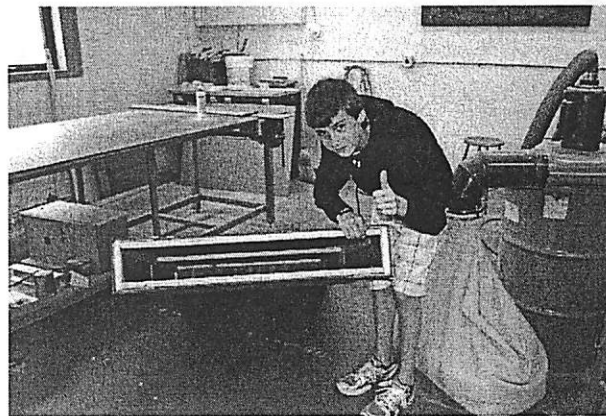
So if you see this so-called "James Hanneman" anytime soon, make sure to let him know that we are definitely on to him.

## Breck Students' Box Actually Cooler Than Their Project

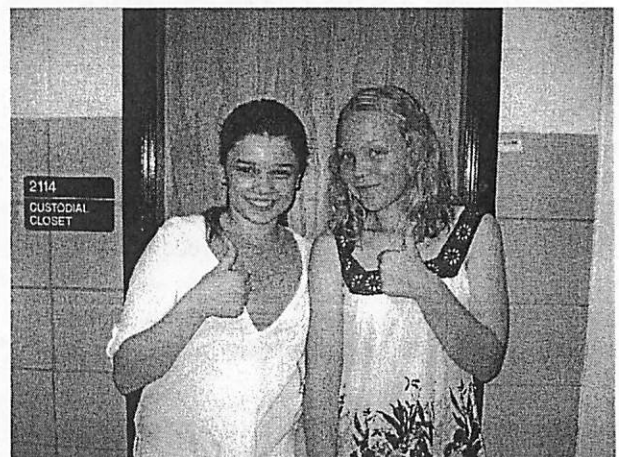
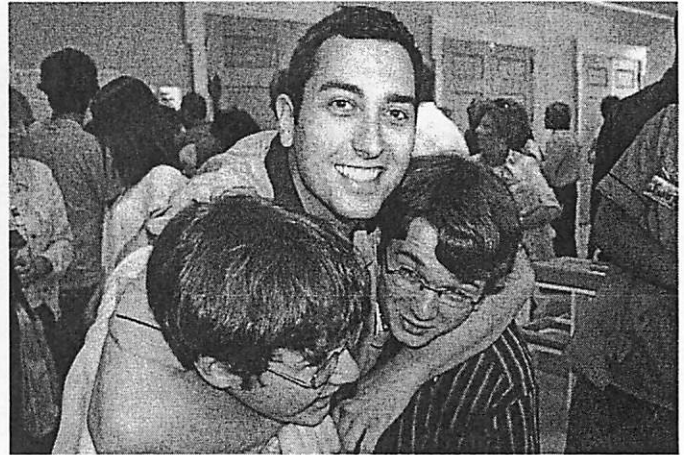
Breck students Hugh Van Heesewijk and Andrew Engel introduced a new twist to Jr. Exhibit judging in the Grand Ballroom on Monday. After presenting their stellar display on the Minnesota Tobacco Settlement, the judges asked the duo if "there was anything else that you would like to share about your project?" Instead of the customary response about a cutting edge interview or amazing primary source, Hugh stepped in and said, "You really have to see our box!"

What followed was a lively, 10-minute presentation about the intricacies of the double-walled cardboard construction, hand-carved wood support frame and screw-on plywood lid. Hugh constructed the shipping box at the MHS Museum Shop under the guidance of master craftsman, Jay "anything worth building is worth overbuilding" Erickson. The judges were thoroughly impressed and promised to nominate the boys for the special prize for Outstanding Achievement in Shipping, sponsored by UPS.

Mr. History is considering adding the box to his permanent collection of History Day exhibit examples. "Sure, we usually put up a row of national award-winning exhibits up at the History Center, but these kids need to know that it's tough to go for the gold with a crappy box."



Hugh Van Heesewijk shows off the internal support systems of the best History Day exhibit box ever made.



# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## Spectacular Seniors Wow Judges, Juniors Continue to Rock



The Seniors had a lot to live up to yesterday after the Juniors' terrific performance on Monday. Still, the Seniors showed the judges that Minnesota kids are really just that good. Max Johnson literally rendered a judge speechless by his Oscar-worthy Individual Performance. Although not underdogs themselves, Eric Hilgren's and Matti Boice's documentary taught us all the power of an underdog victory. Finally, Gary Waelhof wowed the judges with a heel-flip into 50/50 grind into 25 foot manual as an introduction to questions for his exhibit. One of the judges exclaimed, "Last time I saw moves like those was when I played Tony Hawk 4! Gary and I will definitely have to have a session sometime soon."

But spirits soared at the news that Cambria Camillo's Senior Individual Performance, Audrey Greene's and Katie McElrath's Senior Group Performance and Mackenzie Schuett's and Camara Butler's Senior Group Performance will be moving on to second round judging.

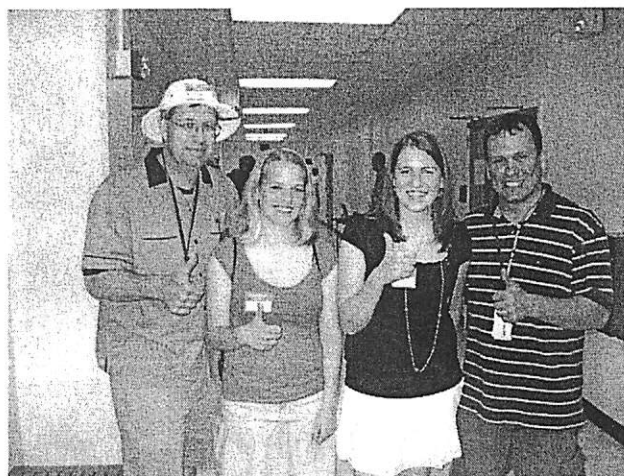
To round out a day of fantastic Minnesota accomplishments the Junior Group Performance gave a spectacular presentation of "The Stolen Generation" performance that extracted tears from several onlookers. It was a fantastic performance

**Come Support our Seniors today in  
Second Round Judging!**

**Cambria Camillo "Am I Not a Man  
and Brother?" – 9:00 a.m. at the  
Atrium (Stamp Student Union)**

**Audrey Greene and Katie McElrath  
"The French Impressionist  
Movement" – 10:00am at the Hoff  
Theater (Stamp Student Union)**

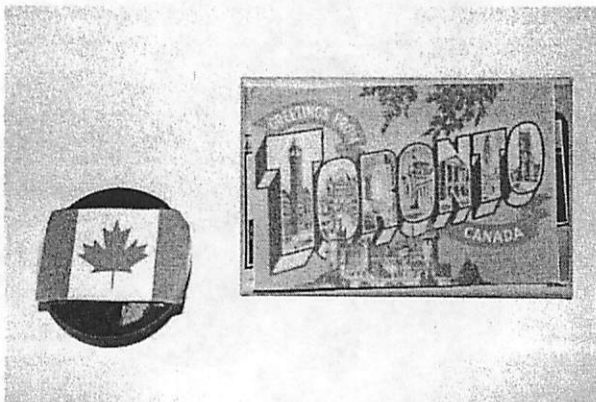
**Mackenzie Schuett and Camara  
Butler "Lipstick vs. Grease" –  
12:00pm at the Hoff Theater (Stamp  
Student Union)**



## New Button Prohibition Shocks History Day

Gaping mouths and tear-filled eyes followed the announcement yesterday morning that buttons, button trading and all other button paraphernalia have been summarily banned from National History Day. The harsh new rules came after many voiced concerns that students were trading “too many buttons.” Supreme Ruler of Minnesota History Day, Tim Hoogland, observed: “Ten years ago kids knew how to trade buttons responsibly. Now I have one coming up to me every five minutes looking for his next fix.”

Although NHD officials intend the prohibition to restore History Day to the stale, stuffy event of a bygone age, some worry about the possibility of a black market button trade. Bootleggers could, they claim, ship in buttons from the prohibition-free Canadian History Day. Minnesota student, Nick “Sticky Fingers” Thyr, is known to have said: “If you want buttons I can get you some buttons, there are ways—you don’t even want to know—I can get you some buttons by 3 o’clock this afternoon.” Others though critical of the new rules vow to uphold it. After hearing news of the possible bootleggers, Clara Engen stated: “I and a group of like-minded ‘Unbuttonables’ promise to find and shut down whatever “button-easies” there might be out there. In the meantime, most students face the unknown reality of a button-free History Day with a question: Will the new rules clean-up NHD or will they merely invite cavalier bootleggers to flood the competition with second-rate Canadian buttons?”



*Confiscated Canadian Buttons*

## The Insider



### Minnesota’s Room Judging Sparks Interest of Federal Government?

It is well known that Minnesota students take the Dorm Decorating contest very seriously, and that many go all out to win the judges’ vote. Bribes, flattery, promises of power and prestige, we’ve seen it all before. But it seems a greater interest is being taken by students to not only go “all out,” but also keep it “all in.”

“I don’t care if everyone else does the same thing as we are doing,” comments student Rochelle Tschida, “I just don’t want anyone to know.” Others take a more competitive mindset. “Our idea is the best one out there,” boldly declared Becca Mattson, “And I don’t want anyone to steal it.”

Students this year have been known to disguise decorations in their luggage so as to prevent others from getting a glimpse of their plan, others even go so far as to keep it a secret from their own family – family who has no contact with other history day students. Is it merely a logical aspect of a cutthroat competition, or are there deeper reasons for all the “hush-hush?”

Personally, the view from *the inside* is that it may be more about pride in the project and the desire to amplify the significance of the contest within the contest, but I’ll let you as the readers decide for yourself the reasoning behind the methods.

There are also rumors circulating that the CIA has expressed interest in interviewing the Minnesota students to gain insight on methods used to protect such valuable information. “I’ll be happy to share my secrets.” Smiled Andrew Decker of St. Louis Park High School. “After the Dorm Decorating competition is over.”

Until next time,  
- *The Insider*

## South High Band to kick off European Tour

The South High Band of Evan Devine, Atigula Gul, and Nick Harrison-Strot (known as The Knees) are expected to begin their European Tour this Saturday at the Wilford Theatre in Paris, France. The Knees have often been mistaken for the Jonas Brothers with their melodic tunes, great hair, and care-free attitude. Although labeled as a rock band, The Knees also dabble in Irish folksongs and Neo-Accordian Rock.



### CHDDB Daily Trivia Question!

Submitted in the wee hours of the morning yesterday was the winning trivia response to Monday's question: Who is buried in the graveyard behind the Terps football field? The correct answer was given by Cambria. She discovered that the cemetery is occupied by Top Ten teams that the Terps defeated or 'buried.'

Cambria's information comes from the Terps football team, interviewed Monday just before afternoon practice. Thanks for the info Cambria!

**Today's Question:** There is a nose on campus rubbed for good luck; what and where is this nose?



Cute Wisconsin Kid of the Day

## There's Something in the Water... or Possibly the Chicken!

What do you think of when you hear the words "sideburns" or "chops?" Chester Arthur? Maybe. Elvis Presley? Perhaps. One person you definitely do not think of is Erik Hilgren. Despite this fact, Erik has mysteriously grown a Joe Mauer-like set of sideburns! Where did they come from you ask. On Monday June 16, 2008 Erik was seen gallivanting around Chinatown. An inside source tells us that he consumed a mass amount of orange chicken. We are not sure if this is the cause of the mysterious outbreak because another source disclosed that Erik purchased a Fuze Black Tea from a miscellaneous street vendor in downtown Washington D.C. shortly after. Whatever caused this facial hair outbreak is obviously working dangerously fast (seeing as the symptoms broke out overnight). Just remember to consume with caution when dining in downtown Washington DC. If you have any information concerning this outbreak, or any ideas for rehabilitation please call 1-800-ZCHOPSS.

## Armory Floor Destroyed by Funkiness

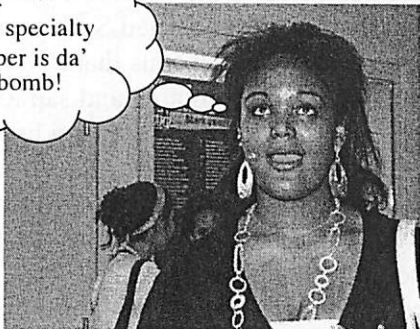
The University of Maryland Armory is now requesting a new wood floor after the National History Day participants "tore it up". The cost of the new floor is estimated at \$500,000. When asked what happened to the old floor, Maryland officials replied that a song titled Sandstorm created such a raucous raucous that a widespread panic of flaring arms, stomping, and salmon jumping ensued and literally crushed a hole in the floor. Bailey Hilgren was seen leading a riot to further damage the floor. The hole drastically resembled one of the craters from the movie Armageddon. "One thing I'll tell you" a university official commented, "The intensity of those dancing students was the craziest thing I've ever seen. Ever." When asked about legal action, the Maryland representatives solemnly commented that it is impossible for them to charge 2,400 kids with destruction of property. The new floor is planned to be completed in the spring of 09.

## Sade Ogundiran Finally Finishes Her Exhibit

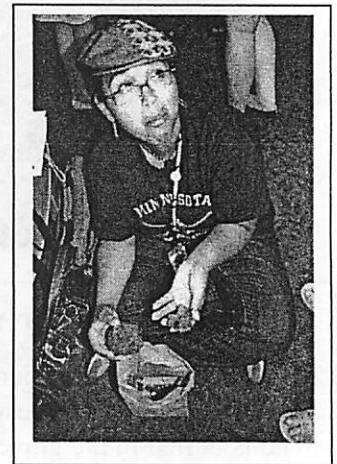
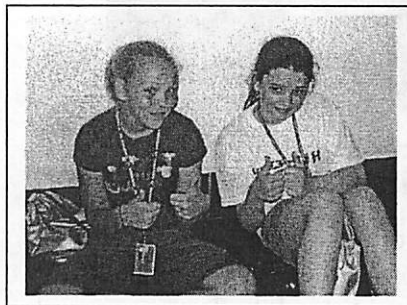
At 9:37 a.m., College Park Standard Time, South High student Sade Ogundiran actually finished her exhibit. After weeks of major construction, background design, push-button recording and generally obsessive attention to every last detail of her stellar exhibit on Fannie Lou Hamer, Sade uttered the magic words, "I'm done"

Fortunately, she had 23 minutes to take her process papers over to the student union before they closed the doors to begin judging. Both Mr. History and Mr. Ferguson can now be taken off of Sade's Fave Five cell phone list. As her History Day personal trainers, both of these educators are concerned that she may not find something to fill the post-History Day void. Sade assured them that her left-over adhesive products would be used to start her new career as a professional scrap-booker. "Anything I win at History Day is going straight into an Archivers gift card," explained Sade. "My mom wants me to save for college, but I would rather invest in exotic paper and ink cartridges."

My specialty paper is da' bomb!



## Pictures of the Day



Good Luck to our Senior Finalists!!



# CAMP HISTORY DAY DAILY BULLETIN

## MN takes several trips to the stage, National office says 'Them again?'



Sade Ogundiran, with teacher Bob Ferguson, accepts first place in senior individual exhibit.

Once again, the Minnesota History Day delegation did not disappoint at the awards ceremony. The ceremony was action-packed from start to finish, with a stellar performance from the greatest masked banana ever, outstanding shows of state spirit, and eight top-12 finishers. Oh yeah, and three medalists.

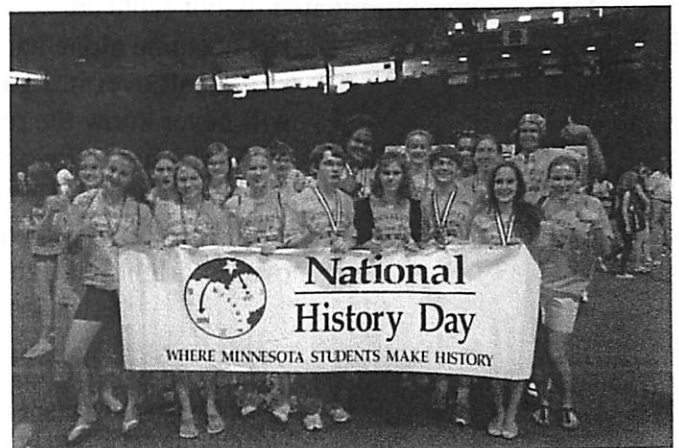
Sade Ogundiran claimed top honors with her first-place finish in the senior individual exhibit category. "I just held my cell phone out so my mom could hear the masses cheering for me," Sade said. "She said this is even more exciting than the day I was born."

Nationals veteran Jessica Christy and constant companion Abraham Lincoln took second place in the senior paper category. "I only wish the masked banana could see me now," she said.

Cambria Camillo channeled Hannah More and took second place in the senior individual performance category. "Now I feel that it is acceptable for me to speak with this British accent all the time and wear my dress everywhere I go. I'm sure the people at Target

Other Minnesota finalists include:

- Andy and Billy Eerdmans: fourth place, junior group exhibit (also Outstanding State Entry, junior division)
- Nicholas Thyr: fourth place, junior individual exhibit
- Ruth Kostohris: fifth place, senior paper (also Outstanding State Entry, senior division)
- Gary Waelhof: eighth place, senior individual exhibit
- Maia Gumnit: tenth place, junior paper
- Hanna Cody, Nora Laskowski, Maria McGlinch, Carrie Schweyen and Megan Vandevoorde: tenth place, junior group performance
- Camara Butler and Mackenzie Schuett: tenth place, senior group performance
- Audrey Greene and Katie McElrath: twelfth place, senior group performance



All of Minnesota's award-winners and finalists gather for a celebratory photo. Billy Eerdmans, still in shock at his fourth-place ranking, looked to his mom for help with the

## Staffer blames lost camera on loony Washington mascot

First off, this story is written in my defense and is unbelievable biased. On the last day of our adventures at nationals, as much of the Minnesota delegation was enjoying the awards ceremony, a mystery was looming as our departure was approaching.

As most of you know, waking up in the dorms is not the easiest thing to do, especially when the first thing you are required to do is pose, staring directly into the early morning sun, for a group photo. I was feeling a bit tired that morning as well, but was excited to get every moment on film, well at least that was my thinking when I grabbed the video camera and started recording our march to the parade of states. In hindsight, I remember having the camera through most of the ceremony until I delegated Hanneman to be the new cameraman.

As the awards ended I ran back to the dorms to catch the last metro, to take an early flight back. I was content with how well the week had gone until I got a phone call from Mr. History asking where the missing camera bag had gone. Honestly, the only things I could remember from the morning were Cambria crying and Sunrise girls sleeping in the bleachers, neither of which included the camera bag. As investigation in sued, the History Day staff found evidence that I had carried the bag to the awards ceremony, were the trail mysteriously ended.

It was eventually found on the ground directly in front of were the Washington state crowd sat during the awards. Some may think that I "left" it there, but I truly think I was framed. By who then? I'll tell you, it was the Washington state mascot (the man jumping around in red tights) who was intimidated by our fantastic banana dance.



His costume alone had trickster written all over it. I guess we will never know the real truth but in the future I would suggest holding all of your belonging close to you if you run across a man in bright red tights!

This photograph emerged as the incriminating evidence linking Ali Kappes to the lost camera. Her accusations of Washington's mascot are not necessarily the opinions of Minnesota History Day and its



Gary Waelhof and dad James wait for the bus.

## Gophers fly home with little chaos, in-flight burgers

The Minnesota History Day group, although worn down from days of high intensity competition and inedible breakfast foods at the dorm, managed to complete the last leg of the journey with precision and calm. The travelers arrived in Minneapolis at 9 p.m., well-organized and well-fed.

"I had heard about the chaos of the flight home from my sister," said Jevon Gorman-Carter, "so I prepared myself by attaching a tracking device to my wrist. You can't be too careful."

In addition to the relaxed traveling atmosphere, the Gophers were pleased to find that Sun Country Airlines' in-flight snack was far superior to those of a locally based competitor.

"My airline of choice is now Sun Country," said Hanna Cody. "Serving me a free cheeseburger after days of living solely on Mountain Dew and ice cream bars was



## Rumors fly about staff departures; all are true

After several years of top-notch service to the History Day organization, James Hanneman and Natalie Jaworski will be moving on at the end of August.

Although rumors emerged that Hanneman will be beginning his campaign to replace Pawlenty as Minnesota's governor, he will actually be entering the University of Minnesota law school this fall.

"My plans to be governor are on the back burner for now," Hanneman said. "First I need to fine-tune my arguing and rhetoric skills. T-Paw will be no match for me in 2010."

Jaworski, a seasoned traveler, will spend several months seeing the sights of Europe.

"I will miss History Day, but in November when I normally would be doing 30 Dog and Pony shows a week, I'll look up at the Coliseum with an espresso in hand and think, 'I am SO not in a bowling shirt right now!'"

## "THE TORCH"

### A Beacon of Truth for National History Day in Minnesota

#### Minnesota Loud and Proud



You sure showed me. I walked into National History Day 2008 knowing it would be different as a newly instated member of the bowling-shirted team, but the experience delivered more than I had bargained for.

Minnesota had plenty to cheer about at the awards ceremony, oh yes, and did we cheer. But medals, awards, and recognition aside, what have we gained? LOTS! I had the privilege of reading your journals—yup, somebody actually does that. (Erik, I noticed you tore out Thursday's page. I will assume some fine young lady from Iowa was so impressed by "Gangsta Boogie" that she insisted on your digits requiring emergency scratch paper rather than jumping to the conclusion that this was an ill-suited short-cut—busted!) I was pleased to hear that you made friends and memories that will last a lifetime. I was also overjoyed to discover that History Day has made an even greater impact on you.

Your journals confessed that HD made history "exciting," "relevant," "engaging," "fun," and "dramatic," as well as fostering a "deeper appreciation" for the past and those who work to preserve it. CHDDB guest columnist, The Insider, admitted that others considered them a "freak" for their ceaseless hunt for historical understanding. Don't worry, Insider, you're not alone.

I would just like to say that I consider myself in the best of company. That's me, Minnesota History Day loud and proud!



## Traveling teachers thoroughly brainwashed

When teachers Ann Litchfield and Jason Freed won trips to the national contest, they were excited about a fabulous six-day vacation, during which they might look at some exhibits, if they had time. But one glance at the plastic dorm

visits were not in the cards. Resigned to a week of History Day, Ann and Jason judged, attended workshops, and viewed as many projects as possible. After a week, both were completely assimilated and decided to devote their

