

505 North Market Street  
Wilmington, Delaware 19801  
Ph: 302-655-7161  
Fax: 302-655-7844  
[dehistory.org](http://dehistory.org)



*Trustees*

Linda R. Boyden  
Chair

Theodore H. Dwyer, Jr.  
First Vice Chair

Melva L. Ware, Ph. D.  
Second Vice Chair

Barbara M.G. Cooch  
Secretary

Tina D. Betz  
Assistant Secretary

Robert T. Wright  
Treasurer

Anne P. Canby  
Assistant Treasurer

James M. Baker  
Madeleine Bayard  
Mary W. Davis  
Mark A. Graham  
Niki Hawkins  
Alison K. Hoagland  
Steven G. Kochie  
Howard G. Kristol, Esq.  
Margaret L. Laird, Ph.D.  
Edmond L. Lincoln  
Dr. Lawrence M. Livingston  
G. Arno Loessner, Ph.D.  
Thomas P. McGonigle  
La Wanda Newton  
Douglas R. Quaintance  
Geoffrey M. Rogers  
George D. Rotsch  
Beverly W. Rowland  
Thomas L. Sager, Esq.  
Dan Scholl  
Esthelda Parker Selby  
Michelle D. Shepherd  
Chief Justice (Ret.) Myron T. Steele  
Karissa Thacker, Ph.D.  
William J. Wade, Esq.  
Clinton Walker  
Toni Young

*Chief Executive Officer*  
Scott W. Loehr

## MEDIA ADVISORY

Contact: [communications@dehistory.org](mailto:communications@dehistory.org) or 302-655-7161  
June 2, 2016

# Delaware Students Advancing to National History Day Contest

*Delaware students win top honors at state contest, now moving onto national contest.*

Wilmington, DE — After months of intensive research, 230 students from throughout Delaware presented at the annual National History Day in Delaware competition in April of this year. Fifty-three students were selected as state finalists and will go on to represent Delaware at the **2016 Kenneth E. Behring National History Day Contest**, which will take place at the University of Maryland in College Park, MD June 12-16, 2016. The Delaware finalists will compete against nearly 3,000 students from across the United States and other locations for \$50,000 in scholarships and prizes.

**WHAT:** 2016 Kenneth E. Behring National History Day Contest

**WHO:** National History Day in Delaware finalists

**WHERE:** University of Maryland, College Park, MD

**WHEN:** June 12-16, 2016

### About National History Day in Delaware:

National History Day is an academic enrichment program for students in grades 6-12. Students select topics connected to an annual theme and complete their own in-depth research, interpretation, and analysis. Students present their conclusions by creating museum-style exhibits, media documentaries, research papers, interactive websites, and dramatic performances.

This year's theme, "Exploration, Encounter, Exchange," offers students the opportunity to explore topics chosen from World history, United States history, and Delaware history. During the state competition students shared their work with peers, historians, educators, and professionals in related fields in the hopes of earning special awards and the opportunity to advance to the next level of competition. For a list of Delaware students and projects advancing to the national level, visit <http://dehistory.org/national-history-day>.

The NHD program in Delaware is coordinated and sponsored by the Delaware Historical Society.

Continued

**About the Delaware Historical Society:**

The Delaware Historical Society owns and operates the Delaware History Museum; a nationally recognized Research Library; Old Town Hall; Willingtown Square, four 18th-century houses surrounding a picturesque urban courtyard located in Wilmington; as well as the Read House & Gardens located in historic New Castle, recognized as an “American Treasure” by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the National Park Service; and The Center for African American Heritage, which will be included as part of the expansion of the Delaware History Museum, to reopen in September 2016. For more information on the Delaware Historical Society, call (302) 655-7161 or visit [dehistory.org](http://dehistory.org).

###