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GOVERNOR SEBELIUS PRESENTS AWARDS TO FIVE STUDENTS IN TERRITORIAL ART CONTEST

KANSAS—Governor Kathleen Sebelius honored five Kansas students, grades three through twelve, with awards in the “Celebrating Territorial Kansas’ 150th Birthday” art contest today. The contest was sponsored by the Kansas Territorial Sesquicentennial Commission, the Kansas State Historical Society, and the Kansas Department of Education. Mr. and Mrs. William L. Oliver, Jr. also provided for assistance with the project.

The winners are:

Grades 3-5

First Place: Ashton Ketterman (\$100)

School – McClure Elementary, Topeka
USD#: 501
Theme: The Land and Its People

Second Place: Robert Leal (\$50)

School – Pierceville Plymell. Garden City
USD#: 457
Theme: The Land and Its People

Grades 6-8

First Place: Ian Campbell (\$100)

School - Williamsburg Middle
USD #287 – West Franklin
Theme: Self Determination – Popular Sovereignty

Grades 9-12

First Place: Amanda Sachse (\$100)

School – Pleasant Ridge High School
USD#: 449 (Easton)
Theme: The Land and Its People
Medium: Color Reduction Relief Print

Second Place: Megan Eichenberger (\$50)

School - Pomona High School

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USD# 287 – West Franklin

Theme: Self-Determination/Popular Sovereignty

The contest was designed to increase knowledge about the difficult process by which Kansas eventually became the 34th state of the Union. From artwork submitted by each school district, winners were selected in each of the three categories. Winners will receive a certificate of achievement and a cash prize from Governor Sebelius.

Judges for the contest were Chris Prouty, Kansas State Historical Society; and Kelly Spurgeon and Janet Loebel, Kansas Department of Education.

The 10-member Kansas Territorial Sesquicentennial Commission is chaired by Judge Deanell Reece Tacha, other members are Constance M. Achterberg, Jack E. Dalton, Larry M. Hatteberg, Mike Hayden, Yolanda Lopez, G. Hal Ross, William L. Muir III, Karen Seaberg, and Karen Swisher. A 28-member advisory committee assists the commission with its projects and activities.

For further information about the Kansas Territorial Sesquicentennial Commission, contact the Kansas State Historical Society at 6425 SW Sixth Avenue, Topeka, KS 66615; 785-272-8681; TTY 785-272-8683; www.kshs.org/sesquicentennial.