Upcoming Events:

**Wednesday, May 13, 4:30 p.m., Leighton 304, 2009 Comps Panel** - Come hear seniors Liz Bonawitz, Peter Gill, David Harrisville, Robert Hildebrandt, Sara Lopez, Ryan Oto, Alexander Persaud, Lucy Robson, & Dominic Vendell talk about their fun comps experiences and answer questions. Refreshments! Details & poster at: http://apps.carleton.edu/curricular/history/UpcomingEvents/?story_id=522041

**Friday, May 15, 2009, 9:40-10:40 a.m., Leighton 305, , Christopher Fischbach ’94**, senior editor at Coffee House Press, Minneapolis, will lead a seminar on "Getting 'Clifford's Blues' Published" on Friday, May 15, at 2A in Leighton 305. The seminar is part of the History 221 (African-American History II) coursework and is open to everyone.

Published in 1999 after being rejected by large corporate houses, "Clifford's Blues" is John A. Williams’s twelfth novel. It presents the story of a black, gay, jazz musician imprisoned in Dachau who manages to survive by working as a bandleader of a group of prisoners who play at a nearby club for SS officers. Though fictional, Clifford's Blues is the largely unknown story of sufferings of blacks -- not only African Americans but also colored men from many countries -- who were incarcerated in WWII concentration camps. The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum website documents “Blacks During the Holocaust” with scholarly and popular culture materials.

Among Williams novels are "The Man Who Cried I Am," "Night Song," and "Captain Blackman." His nonfiction includes essays on race relations, travel, and the book-length "The King God Didn't Save: Reflections on the Life and Death of Martin Luther King Jr. Last year Wayne State University Press published "Dear Chester, Dear John: Letters Between Chester Himes and John A. Williams" 

**Tuesday, May 19, 5:00 p.m. History Department Picnic, 2nd floor, History lounges, hallway, & outside in the front yard of Leighton.** Feast on your own private Hogan Brothers hoagie or pita & assorted treats while enjoying the company of our spectacular department!

**Thursday, May 21st, 2009, 5:00 p.m., Leighton 304 - Jay Rubenstein, ’89, “Crusade & Aftermath, Living with a Holy War, 1095-1125”. Casual reception in History Lounge follows talk. Everyone welcome!**
Sponsored by the Class of 1957 Revolving Lectureship fund.
Saturday, May 23, 2009, Prof. Jay Rubenstein invites his History 334 class to a 5:00 p.m. cocktail reception & 6:00 p.m. buffet dinner at Headley House.

Tuesday, May 26, 2009, 5:00-6:30 pm. 7th Annual History Faculty-hosted Senior Majors Cocktail Party, 5:00-6:30 p.m., semi-formal, invitation only.

Ellen Steif    Ian Kraabel    Ted Mullin

The History Department is proud to announce that our 2009 recipients of the Ellen Rogers Steif Memorial Prize, the Ian Kraabel Memorial Prize, & the Edward “Ted” Mullin Memorial Fellowship Prize for Juniors will be honored on Friday, May 29, 2009, 3:00 p.m. at the Honors Convocation, Carleton Chapel.

Internship / Externship, Job Opportunities:

Monday, May 18—Minneapolis Career Fair. 11:00 am-2:00 pm, Holiday Inn Select & Suites, Bloomington.

NEW Mentor Externship Opportunity for Two History Majors! Jeff Appelquist, Carleton alum ‘80 has offered to host two Carleton History Majors at one of his BlueKnight Leadership Seminars in June or in July. Your travel, lodging and meals will all be provided for you by the Carleton Career Center and the first Blue Knight History Scholarship. If you are interested in learning more about this program and how to apply for it, please contact Jessica Mueller in the Career Center ASAP for details & logistical information: jmueller@carleton.edu

For Fellowships and Internships, see:
https://apps.carleton.edu/curricular/history/after/fellowships/

To contact Carleton History Alumni about grad schools and other opportunities, visit:
https://apps.carleton.edu/curricular/history/after/graduateschool/

Full listings of all available jobs, internships, and grants are available on the Carleton History Department website at
http://apps.carleton.edu/curricular/history/after/

2009 History Department T-Shirt
Please contact Emily Tragert or Josh O’Brien to order - tragerte@carleton.edu or obrienj@carleton.edu as soon as possible.
Today in HISTORY!

1884 – Harry S Truman, President of the United States is born.

1886 – Pharmacist John Styth Pemberton invents a carbonated beverage that would later be named "Coca-Cola".

1933 – Mohandas Gandhi begins a 21-day fast in protest against British oppression in India.

1945 – Combat in Europe ends in World War II: V-E Day. German forces agree to an unconditional surrender.