History Department Honors Convo Day Toast:
Here are some Photographs from last Friday’s celebrations

Top row from left to right: Diet Prowe and Harry Williams (recipient of the Fulbright Award), Kittle Evenson and Rachel Schwartz (Winner of the Ellen Rogers Steif award), Jesse Rothman (winner of the William Harris Prize in African and African American Studies). Bottom row from left to right: Laura Michel and Ben Somogyi (co-winners of the 2011 Edward M. “Ted” Mullin prize), George Vrtis, Callie Millington (co-winner of the 2011 Edward M. “Ted” Mullin prize) and David Tompkins.

Professor Victoria Morse to Serve as Faculty Consultant to Dean and Interim College Librarian

We are pleased to announce that Professor Victoria Morse has agreed to serve as Faculty Consultant to the Dean, Interim College Librarian, and the Library leadership team during the transition to a new college librarian. She has been deeply involved in the Gould Library’s information literacy project, among other library initiatives and projects. Professor Morse will provide assistance and counsel to the Dean, Interim College Librarian, and library leadership team regarding policy, planning, and communications during the transition, and will participate as appropriate in meetings with Library Department Heads, the Library Committee, and the Bridge.

- Bev Nagel, Dean of the College and Jennifer Edwins, Interim College Librarian
Goodbye From the Senior Editors

For the Senior Editors it has been an honor and high point of our year writing, editing, researching, and endlessly formatting The Historian. We would like to thank all those who have contributed, including the alums that sent in updates and the professors we interviewed for articles. The newsletter has evolved into more than just a source of information, it has become part of the greater effort to build the esprit de corps of the department. To us this is incredibly fulfilling. The study of history should not occur in isolation, but rather in a community of great minds. We hope that The Historian can continue to bring the department together, while also informing and entertaining its audience! We leave this task in the very capable hands of the rising editors: Nicolas Bellos, Ben Somogyi, Ellen McKinstry, Scott Fox, Mackenzie Zimmer, and Sarah Robinson.

Have a wonderful summer finding your own trivia and facts about this day in history, and The Historian will return in the fall full of renewed zeal!

~The Graduating Editors: Rob Kaye, Mira Alecci, and Rachel Schwartz

It Has Been a Great Year! Select Headlines from Each Historian of the Year

9/17/10: The New Guy: Interview with Professor Willis

10/1/10 Breaking News: Not All of Carleton on a Hill! Flooding in Northfield

October 20th Introducing the Newbies (Juniors) best historical crushes

11/5/2010 Let’s Hear it for Serena Zabin, Dangerous Economies: Status and Commerce in Imperial New York, was recently released as an audiobook

11/17/10 Successful Ted Mullin Hour of Power

1/7/11 BIKE AND BOOTS. On the Iron Curtain and Camino de Santiago

1/21/11 New! Medieval Maps in Special Collections.

2/4/2011 Mr. Khalid Goes to Washington

2/18/11 Meet with your SDAs (They Help You Choose Classes)


4/8/11 Mullin Fellowship Prize Project: Mormons in Salt Lake and Jews in England and São Tomé

4/22/11 The Class of 2013: Who Are They?

5/6/2011 Where Have All The History Majors Gone? Declining numbers of sophomores declare for the greatest major.

5/20/2011 The Next Step: Where to next year for the seniors

6/6/2011 Goodbye and Keep Up the Community from the Editors
History of The Historian

In October of 1999 The History Department Newsletter featured the following recipe from Bill North. Your editors thought you would enjoy:

Demented Peanut Butter Cookies

Ingredients:
- 1/2 Cup Butter (unsalted)
- 1/2 Cup Peanut Butter (I use unsalted crunchy)
- 1/2 cup sugar (either brown or half brown/ half white)
- 1 egg
- 1 1/4 Cup Unbleached flour
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder

Baking Temperature: 375 degrees
Mix ingredients together thoroughly and let dough chill. Once chilled roll into walnut or hazelnut sized balls and place on cookie sheet.
Flatten with a sugar dipped fork in traditional crisscross pattern or non-traditional other pattern of your choosing. Bake for 10 or so minutes until dough has set (but don’t overcook). Makes about 3 dozen 1-1.5 inch cookies. Bon appétit (although historically, Sodexo)

This Day in History, June 6

In response to Professor Igra’s observation that this section has been male-centric, we have endeavored to make this week’s entry female focused.

1752 – A devastating fire destroys one-third of Moscow, including 18,000 homes.
1857 – Sophia of Nassau marries the future King Oscar II of Sweden-Norway.
1882 – More than 100,000 inhabitants of Bombay are killed as a cyclone in the Arabian Sea pushes huge waves into the harbor.
1892 – Chicago El begins operation
1919 – News of the 19th amendment granting women’s suffrage spreads through newspapers across the US.
1932 – The Revenue Act of 1932 is enacted, creating the first gas tax in the United States, at a rate of 1 cent per gallon.
1944 – World War II: Battle of Normandy begins.
1984 – Tetris is released.

Birthdays
1772 – Maria Teresa of the Two Sicilies, Holy Roman Empire Empress (d. 1807)
1872 – Alexandra, later empress (czarina) of Russia
1882 – Ann Haven Morgan Zoologist born (The 1933 edition of American Men of Science listed her along with two other women among the 250 total entries)
1939 – Marian Wright Edelman, American activist

Easy:
1. Which Greek city-state led the Peloponnesian League during the Peloponnesian War?
2. What was the largest contiguous empire in world history?
3. What was originally a patriarchal basilica, later became a mosque, and is now a museum in Istanbul?
4. The Real is the currency of which South American nation?
5. Josip Broz Tito, Jawaharlal Nehru, and Gamal Abdel Nasser founded which organization?

Hard:
1. Which three kingdoms were united through a series of personal unions, known as the Kalmar Union?
2. When did the United States formally recognize Kosovo as an independent state?
3. Where did Johannes Gutenberg print his edition of the Vulgate? (clue in the picture)
4. The Hausa, Igbo and Yoruba are the three largest and influential ethnic groups in which country?
5. Which US Supreme Court case decided that Joseph Frederick's First Amendment rights were not violated?
TRIVIA ANSWERS

Easy
1. Sparta
2. the Mongol Empire
3. The Hagia Sophia
4. Brazil
5. The Non-Aligned Movement

Hard
1. Denmark, Norway, and Sweden
2. 2008
3. Mainz, Germany
4. Nigeria
5. Morse v. Frederick

Opportunities for Adventure

Full Scholarship available at Williams College – Mystic Seaport Maritime Studies Program. Williams-Mystic is a one-semester interdisciplinary ocean and coastal studies program integrating marine science, maritime history, ocean policy and literature of the sea. Sailing on the Atlantic, traveling the Pacific Coast and exploring the Gulf of Mexico on field seminars, students’ study the 75% of our world covered in water. Acting as Williams College’s coastal campus students receive 18 semester credits and a transcript from Williams. Nominees should submit the following materials by June 30, 2011: A nomination letter from a faculty member, Name and contact information for two additional references, A brief (maximum of 1 page, single-spaced) essay on their interest in Williams-Mystic, College transcripts.

The award will be announced by Friday, July 8, 2011. All materials and questions should be directed to:
Katie Clark Williams-Mystic Program, Director of Admissions and Enrollment 75 Greenmanville Ave., P. O. Box 6000, kc2@williams.edu, 860.572.5359. For more info www.williams.edu/williamsmystic

Tastes of the Senior Cocktail Party