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History Spring Break Plans!

Comps papers were turned in last Friday and defenses wrapped up yesterday. It's time for the History Department to relax and make history with their time off! Here are some of the fascinating things people related to the department have planned:



Tony Stoeri '13 (History Major): I'm going to visit my sister in South Korea. She lives in a suburb of Seoul and teaches English. She's been living there for about a year. We are going to do a lot of hanging out. She is interested in history too, so she has planned a bunch of things for us to go see. We are going to the DMZ and Panmunjom, and a bunch of UNESCO World Heritage sites. Should be fun.



Dylan Holck '14 (Department Worker): I'm visiting home (Superior, WI) for a few days, and then going to my roommate's cabin in Bar Harbor, Maine for a week with a few of our friends.



Robin Reich '12 (Major): I'm going home! I'm taking the train to New York to hang out with my family and boyfriend. I'm looking forward to visiting the new Islamic galleries at the Met and walking the High Line (this park in lower Manhattan that's built on the old elevated freight rail).



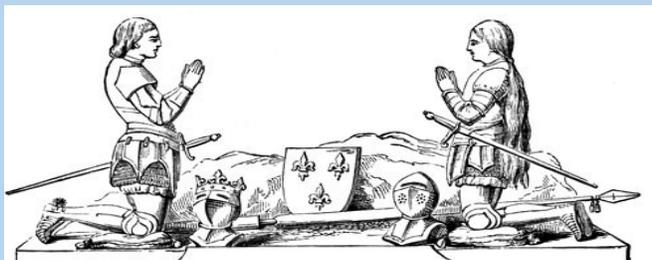
Lily Sacharow '12 (Major): I'm embarking on a road trip through Canada with fellow major Colin Mahaffey and two of our close friends. We're going by Chicago first, then up to Toronto and across through Montreal and Quebec, then back down for spring term. I don't have a driver's license, so my job will be preventing the other three from killing each other. Or me.



Thabiti Willis (Professor): I'm traveling to Dubai to prepare for the OCS Winter Break trip Afro-Arab Women's History in Dubai in December 2012.

We've got new jobs and internships to discover!

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Alumni Updates:

I'm writing to share a job listing that may be of interest to Carleton History alumni of the History Department and beyond. [The nonprofit organization, Facing History and Ourselves, is seeking a Development Assistant.](#) This organization offers teachers professional development support to integrate themes of civic engagement, social responsibility and tolerance into their classrooms. I have been a part of Facing History for nearly five years as a member of the development (fundraising) staff, and would highly recommend the organization as an employer to any fellow Carls.

The need to fill the position is urgent. Please contact me with any questions. **Please feel free to refer interested students directly to me at eleanorperrone@gmail.com.**

Please of course feel free to refer to our [Careers & Internships page](#) for job postings in Facing History offices in other cities.

Regards,
Eleanor Perrone '04

Charlie Cogan '82 recalls the old way questions were chosen for History

Comps: In the olden days, there used to be an option where you could choose your own questions. I chose really hard ones (i.e. wrote them myself, I think they call that giving you enough rope to hang yourself) and then could only finish one of them in five hours because they were so darn broad no one could answer five of them in five hours. At least, I couldn't.

The committee recommended that I pick one of the five and write a 40-page paper and I did mine on "Chivalry in History and Historiography" and it was pretty good. I think they said that if I had actually done it when I was supposed to, and not submitted it the following December, it might have been in the competitive range for distinction. Or, are my memories now being tinted by rose-colored alumni glasses? It's been more than a quarter of a century .



Meanwhile, in China....

Harry Williams, Laird Bell Professor of History, made two presentations February 14 at the "Critical Incidents" poster session of the U.S. Fulbright Lecturer Spring Orientation in Xiamen, China. At the Beijing American Center/U.S. Embassy, he gave a public lecture February 23 on "Is Barack Obama Martin Luther King's Dream? Or, of a President and a Prophet." On February 24, he and U.S. Ambassador Gary Locke gave prepared remarks at the American Center on "Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement in the United States" during a roundtable with Chinese bloggers and other opinion leaders.

I'm writing to tell you about the **Environment America Fellowship Program**. **We are currently hiring!** Even if you're not a senior, we are hiring **summer interns** all over the country.

Environment America is a federation of 29 state-based environmental groups. Each year, Environment America hires passionate, talented and committed college graduates to join our two-year Fellowship Program.

You can learn more here: <http://www.environmentamerica.org/jobs/available-positions/fellowship-program>

And you can apply by sending your resume to me at mhesterberg@environmentamerica.org

And if you're not a senior yet, check out our **internship program**. You can learn more about our internship program by getting in touch with me or looking at our website: <http://jobs.environmentamerica.org/page/amr/internships-make-difference>.

Sincerely,
Michelle Hesterberg

Check out the following opportunities:

Mount Holyoke's accelerated coed Master of Arts in Teaching program allows aspiring middle and secondary school teachers to earn a master's degree and initial licensure in History in eleven months.

We are working in collaboration with Expeditionary Learning (EL), a project-based teaching model developed out of the Harvard Graduate School of Education and Outward Bound. EL has an extraordinary track record of transforming schools—and of training teachers to achieve exceptional results in the classroom. EL works with a network of 160 schools across the country, including the Springfield Renaissance School, an urban public middle and high school that has achieved 100% college acceptance among its first two graduating classes.

Details of the program can be found on our [website](#). Please feel free to contact me directly with questions at lcarlisl@mtholyoke.edu or (413) 538-2189.

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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY:

March 9, 1788: Connecticut becomes the 5th state of the USA

March 10, 1959: Tibetans surround the Dalai Llama's palace in an attempt to prevent a potential abduction by China

March 11, 1927: The Roxy Theater is first opened in NYC

March 12, 1930: Ghandi leads his 200-mile salt march to the sea to protest British salt monopolies

March 13, 1988: The world's longest undersea tunnel opens in Japan, spanning 33.6 miles

March 14, 1967: The body of President Kennedy is moved to a permanent burial ground at Arlington Cemetery

March 15, 44 BC: The Ides of March: Caesar is stabbed to death by Brutus and several other senators in the Roman Senate



Vincenzo Camuccini, *Mort de Cesar*, 1798



Spring is just around the corner! Have more free time? Check out this almond pound cake recipe...

(Adapted from Smitten Kitchen.)

Cake:

1 1/2 cup flour
1/2 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp salt
2 sticks butter
4 eggs, separated
3/4 cup + 2 tbsp sugar
1 1/2 tsp almond extract
seeds from 1 vanilla bean

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and prepare a loaf pan with butter/cooking spray and flour. With a whisk, combine flour, baking powder, and salt in a bowl. Set aside. In a mixer, beat egg whites until they form hard peaks. Beat in 1/2 cup of sugar a little at a time. Remove from mixing bowl and set aside. With the mixer, cream butter and add remaining sugar (1/4 + 2 tbsp). When the butter and sugar is well combined, add yolks one at a time, followed by the almond extract and vanilla. Add the flour mixture to the egg yolk mixture, being careful not to over mix. Finally, fold the egg whites into the batter until just combined. Pour into pan and bake for 40-45 minutes. It will be done when a toothpick comes out clean, but be sure to err on the side of moist (avoid dry poundcake!) While the cake is baking, combine glaze ingredients in a bowl. If needed, add more milk to get desired consistency. Once the cake is out of the oven, immediately pour glaze on top and drain any excess. Let cool for 10 minutes, and you're ready to go!

Glaze:

1 cup sifted confectioner's sugar
4-5 tablespoons milk
1/2 tsp almond extract

