Spring Speaker Series Wrap-Up

We were delighted to have four great speakers here this semester. On March 13, Professor Robert Kohrman, who curated our most recent exhibit, presented his lecture, *Drilling for Brine: The Dow Chemical Plant in Mt. Pleasant 1903 – 1930*. On March 25, Hank Meijer and Mike Grass presented scenes from, *America’s Senator -- The Unexpected Odyssey of Arthur H. Vandenberg*, a documentary about the life and career of Arthur Vandenberg (1884-1951), a U.S. Senator (1928-51) from Grand Rapids. Renowned Michigan author Gloria Whelan shared her experiences as a writer of childrens, young adult, and contemporary literature as part of the John and Audrey Cumming Endowed Lecture on April 3. Finally, David Schock presented his documentary *The Road to Andersonville*, a film concerning the service of the 139 Native Americans during the Civil War in Company K, First Michigan Sharpshooters.

Check for the Company K and Senator Vandenberg documentaries to be broadcast on your local PBS affiliate. The lectures by Professor Kohrman and Gloria Whelan were recorded and we will be making them available on the Internet in the coming weeks. Stay tuned to the Clarke News and Notes Blog for details.

Additionally, this June and July, we are pleased to bring two speakers to the CMU campus. Further details will be posted on our blog and in an electronic newsletter.

Hemingway Family Scrapbook Obtained for the Library

Near the end of March, the Clarke was very lucky to come across a rare scrapbook that once belonged to Ursula Hemingway, a younger sister of Ernest Hemingway. The scrapbook contains photos of the Hemingway family, including Ernest, enjoying vacations at Walloon Lake. This is a perfect addition to our unique collection and gives a great insight into Hemingway’s life growing up in Michigan. This scrapbook has been featured on our blog, or you can stop by and take a look for yourself!

CMU’s Picture of the Week Program

The Clarke Historical Library is working with CMU Libraries and the CMU Alumni Association to provide you with a weekly historical photo from our Central Michigan University Photograph collection. The pictures range from sports, to clubs, to important events, to just people having fun. You can keep up with the snapshots of CMU history every week via the CMU Libraries facebook page and the CMU Alumni Association facebook page.

Welcome to the Summer of 2013!

With the Spring Semester wrapping up at Central Michigan University, the Clarke will be changing our Saturday business hours for the summer. April 20th was our last Saturday until September that we will be open. We will keep the same 8 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday hours. If you have any questions about our hours of operation, please call 989-774-3352.

Seniors Graduating from the Clarke

It is that bittersweet time when we say goodbye to three of our hard-working seniors who will be graduating from CMU at the end of this semester – Adam Gilbert, Ben Gulick, and Taylor Packard. We appreciate their years of service here at the Clarke and we wish them the best with all of their future endeavors. They will be greatly missed!

News Featured on the Clarke Blog

The Clarke is always busy, whether it is expanding our holdings, welcoming speakers, or marking historic events. Recently, some of the more notable acquisitions have been featured on our blog as well as postings commemorating historical events, such as *International Women’s Day*. Read about the Road to Andersonville documentary, *Company K, First Michigan Sharpshooters*, Gloria Whelan, and much more!