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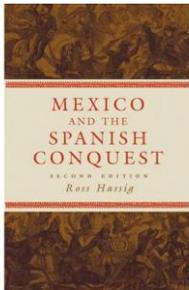


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The War and Society Roundtable *Books, Dialogue, and Debate*

Roundtable: “a discussion or deliberation in which each participant has equal status and equal time to present views.”

September 11, 2007



Book: *Mexico and the Spanish Conquest* by Ross Hassig (Univ. of Oklahoma Press; 2nd ed., 2006, ISBN: 978-0806137933)

Moderator: Sarah Franklin, Assistant Professor of History, Univ. of Southern Miss.

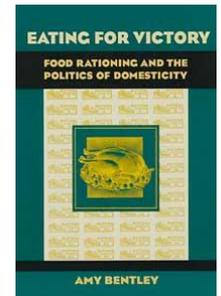
Synopsis: “Hassig concludes that the conquest was less a Spanish victory than it was a victory of Indians over other Indians, which the Spaniards were able to exploit.”

October 9, 2007

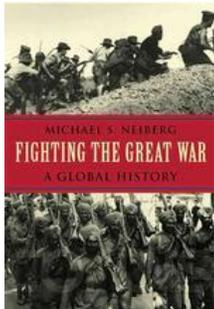
Book: *Eating for Victory: Food Rationing and the Politics of Domesticity*, by Amy Bentley, (Univ. of Illinois Press; 1998, ISBN: 978-0252067273)

Moderator: Andrew Haley, Assistant Professor of History, Univ. of Southern Mississippi

Synopsis: “This book looks at the mechanics of mandatory food rationing in World War II and then considers the politics and propaganda involved in making food rationing work.”



November 13, 2007



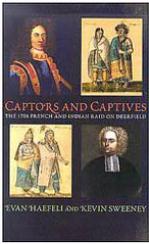
Book: *Fighting the Great War: A Global History* by Michael S. Neiberg (Harvard Univ. Press, 2006, ISBN: 978-0674022515)

Moderator: Michael Neiberg, Professor of History, Univ. of Southern Mississippi

Synopsis: “Melds an analysis of the strategic issues facing belligerents . . . with an understanding of the tactical challenges of conducting war in a modern industrial world.”

December 11, 2007--End of the Year Social

Come prepared to munch, mingle, and mull over the questions: “What was the best War and Society book of the year?” and “What was the worst?”



January 8, 2008

Book: *Captors and Captives: The 1704 French and Indian Raid on Deerfield* by Evan Haefeli and David Sweeney (Univ. of Mass. Press, 2003, ISBN: 978-1558495036)

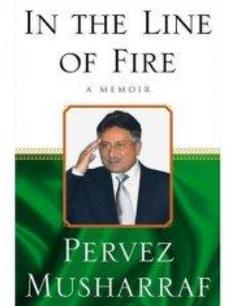
Moderator: Kyle Zelner, Assistant Professor of History, Univ. of Southern Mississippi

February 12, 2008

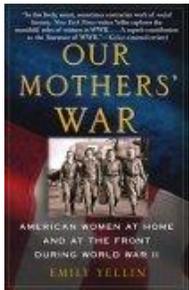
Book: *In the Line of Fire: A Memoir* by Pervez Musharraf (Free Press, 2006. ISBN: 978-0743283441)

Moderator: Erin O'Donnell, Visiting Instructor of History, Univ. of Southern Miss

Synopsis: "Here, for the first time, readers can get a firsthand view of the war on terror in its central theater. President Musharraf details the manhunts for Osama and Zawahiri and their top lieutenants."



March 11, 2008



Book: *Our Mothers' War: American Women at Home and at the Front during World War II* by Emily Yellin (Free Press, 2005, ISBN: 978-0743245166)

Moderator: Pamela Tyler, Associate Professor of History, Univ. of Southern Mississippi

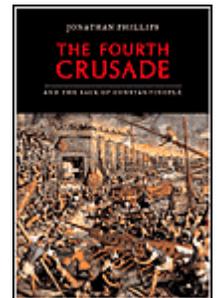
Synopsis: "An eye-opening and moving portrait of women during World War II, a war that forever transformed the way women participate in American society. . . [that] re-creates what American women from all walks of life were doing and thinking."

April 8, 2008

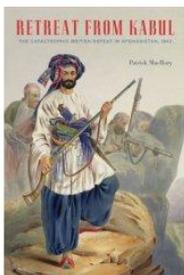
Book: *The Fourth Crusade and the Sack of Constantinople* by Jonathan Phillips, (Pimlico; new ed, 2005, ISBN: 978-1844130801)

Moderator: Phyllis Jestice, Associate Professor of History, Univ. of Southern Mississippi

Synopsis: "Phillips uses monastic chronicles, letters and even the songs of court troubadours to reconstruct the brutal sacking of the Byzantine capital and its causes."



May 13, 2008



Book: *Retreat from Kabul: The Catastrophic British Defeat in Afghanistan, 1842* by Patrick MacRory (Lyons Press, 2007, ISBN: 978-1599211770)

Moderator: Mary Beth Farrell, Instructor of History, Univ. of Southern Mississippi

Synopsis: "A gripping account of the 1840s "First Afghan War," which ended when the British fled in defeat, at the cost of 16,000 lives, slaughtered by Afghans in one week."

All meetings will begin at 6:30PM and will be held at the library, located at 329 Hardy Street. Several copies of each book will be available for loan at the library. For more information, please contact Sean Farrell at the Library at 601-584-3166 or Kyle Zelner at the University of Southern Mississippi at kyle.zelner@usm.edu

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