GRADUATE SCHOOL HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING:

On February 10th, 2014 the Historical Society will hold a meeting in the First Floor Bank Building lounge at 5:00 p.m. The topic for this meeting is Graduate Schools for history majors, with professors Dr. Deetz and Dr. Willingham discussing different colleges and universities with history programs, how to get in to graduate school, as well as the various types of majors and concentrations pertaining to history that are offered in graduate school. Questions are encouraged, and people are invited to bring their friends who are interested in continuing their education after Roanoke College.

SEMINAR ROTATION:

History Seminars are courses held every Fall and Spring Semester by two professors on topics of their choice, and are the final steps before graduation as a Senior. Get ahead in your class planning with these upcoming Seminar professors!

Fall 2014- Dr. Hakkenberg and Dr. Selby
Spring 2015- Dr. Wallace-Fuentes and Dr. Willingham
Fall 2015- Dr. Miller and Dr. Xu
Spring 2016- Dr. Hawke and Dr. Bucher
Fall 2016- Dr. Leeson and Dr. Deetz
Spring 2017- Dr. Henold and Dr. Gibbs

SELLBY GIVES LAST LECTURE:

On February 4, 2014 Dr. Selby will take part in the Last Lecture series, in which he will give a speech showcasing a particular interest or lesson he wishes to communicate. The Last Lecture series began this past Fall, and is an opportunity given to professors to give a speech about a life lesson or passion they have. The speech lasts one hour, and professors are encouraged to speak on anything they believe is significant for others to learn. Dr. Selby has taught at Roanoke College for 28 years, and teaches courses such as the American Civil War, the American Presidency, 19th Century Issues, and many others. The lecture will be held in the Wortman Ballroom at 7:00 p.m. on February 4, 2014.
SIG DAVIDSON DOCUMENTARY:
The RC Hillel, Interfaith Council and the Historical Society will be co-sponsoring a showing of “Sig Davidson-Reflections on Jewish Roanoke,” a documentary featuring the life of Mr. Sig Davidson, a 91 year old alumni of Roanoke College, a former member of the Roanoke College Board of Trustees, and a prominent member of the Roanoke Jewish Community. This program is part of the InterFaith Week on campus, and will be held in the Wortman Ballroom at 7:30 p.m. on February 18, 2014.

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION:
The Lunar New Year Celebration, held Thursday the 30th in the Colket Center was a huge success. Hosted by Dr. Xu, the celebration featured presentations from students who studied abroad, singing and dancing presentations from students, a delicious feast from the Red Palace, and Chinese trivia. The event had a very large turnout, and friends and faculty had a wonderful time experiencing Chinese culture and dining on delicious food.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY’S FIRST MEETING:
The Historical Society’s first meeting of the semester, held January 27th, had an excellent turn out, with many new and inspiring ideas brought about for future Historical Society gatherings. Ideas included seminars on topics such as graduate schools, careers for history majors after graduation, study abroad options and internship opportunities. Discussion about a visit to the Holocaust Museum with Dr. Willingham’s Holocaust class was also mentioned, as well as many more exciting ideas for the future of the Historical Society.

The Historical Society organizes History through the Lens movies, in which a historical movie is shown at least once a month, as well as Bittle’s Bash every Fall, and many other entertaining campus activities. The Historical Society hopes to make every meeting a fun learning opportunity by incorporating history department professors, trips to historical landmarks, movies, and other forms of entertainment. Historical Society welcomes anyone, history major or not, to join the meetings, every other Monday at 4:30 in the first floor Bank Building Lobby.