

# CLARKE HISTORICAL LIBRARY E-NEWSLETTER

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## **Clarke Hours**

Now that the winter recess at Central Michigan University has passed, the Clarke Historical Library has resumed our normal hours. We will be open 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday and 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturdays, beginning January 17.

Contact us via phone (989-774-3352), e-mail (clarke@cmich.edu), or stop by to view our exhibit or conduct research.

# **Current Exhibit Changing Soon**

The Clarke's current exhibit, Photography: Process, People, & Preservation, will be wrapping



up in the coming weeks. Our next exhibit will feature highlights from our collection of international children's books. Stay tuned to the Clarke Historical Library website, the <u>News and Notes</u> blog, and our enewsletter for information concerning the exhibit opening and events about the new exhibit.

[pictured is the cover of Roger Mello's, *João Por um Fio*]

# **Spring Speaker Series**

Although details of the spring speaker series are not complete, we have three exciting programs scheduled.

On February 19, retired CMU faculty member Susan Stan will open the Clarke Historical Library's new exhibit, displaying international children's books purchased over several years as well as the generous donation of international children's literature made personally by Professor Stan. Professor Stan is an internationally recognized expert on children's books. Her most recent publication, *Global Voices: Picture Books from Around the World*, was published in 2014.

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On March 3, the Clarke will partner with CMU's Department of English Language and Literature to sponsor a day-long symposium in the Park Library on graphic novels. This exciting event will be keynoted by Michelle Ann Abate. Professor Abate is the author of three books of literary criticism: *Bloody Murder: The Homicide Tradition in Children's Literature* (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2013), *Raising Your Kids Right: Children's Literature and American Political Conservatism* (Rutgers University Press, 2010), and *Tomboys: A Literary and Cultural History* (Temple University Press, 2008).

Professor Abate's participation is made possible through funds from the John and Audrey Cumming Endowment.

On March 24, J. Kevin Graffagnino, director of the William L. Clements Library will speak about the Library's history and treasures.

Founded in 1923 on the campus of the University of Michigan, The Clements Library collects primary source materials in all formats relating to early American history. Its collections of rare books, pamphlets, maps, prints, photographs, and manuscripts shed light on North American history from Columbus through the 19th century, offering researchers a wealth of unique resources. On almost any aspect of the early American experience, the holdings at the Clements Library are among the best in the world. Notable strengths of the Library include early exploration and settlement of North America, the American Revolution, and the American Civil War.

#### New on the Blog!

In December, our blog featured a post that takes you back to the exciting 1974 Camilla Bowl,



when the Central Michigan University football team won the Division II National Championship Title and the program was elevated to Division I status.

Another post by Marian Matyn discusses some interesting <u>WWII Christmas correspondence</u> between and a serviceman and a woman back home, just in time for the holidays. This post also features a festive group photo of the Clarke staff -- you surely don't want to miss it.

Keep up with the News and Notes blog for the latest about speakers, events, news, and inter-

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