

**Eminent Authors to Gather in Bismarck to Discuss
World War II Alien Enemy Internment**
Five Writers will Appear and Sign Books on June 1 at Barnes & Noble Book Store

EVENT: Book Signing and Discussion on World War II Alien Internment: They were called aliens and enemies. But they were in fact ordinary people victimized by the politics of a global war. The Alien Enemy Control Program in America was born with the United States declaration of war on Japan, Germany, and Italy and lasted until 1948. In all, 31,275 “enemy aliens” were imprisoned. The five authors will participate in the Alien Enemy Planning Conference at Ft. Lincoln, just south of Bismarck. The Conference will be held May 31-June 1, 2010. It will be hosted by the United Tribes Technical College, and underwritten by the National Park Service.

WHEN: Tuesday, June 1, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

WHERE: Barnes & Noble Book Store, 565 S. 7th Street, Bismarck, ND 58504 (701-224-1300).

WHO:

John Christgau, author of *ENEMIES: WORLD WAR II ALIEN INTERNMENT*, the first book written on the WWII Alien Enemy Control Program, focuses on the lives of eight internees at Ft. Lincoln, in Bismarck, North Dakota.

Heidi Donald, author of *WE WERE NOT THE ENEMY*, the story of the arrest of her father as a Latin American enemy alien, and the entire family’s subsequent internment in Crystal City, Texas.

Stephen Fox, author of *HOMELAND INSECURITY: ALIENS, CITIZENS AND THE CHALLENGE TO AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES IN WORLD WAR II*. Historians are asked, “Can it happened again?” *Homeland Insecurity* provides a resounding answer: “Yes!” The crackdown on Muslims in post 9/11 mirrors the WWII alien internment experience.

Tetsuden (“Tetsu”) Kashima, author of *JUDGMENT WITHOUT TRIAL: JAPANESE AMERICAN IMPRISONMENT DURING WORLD WAR II*. The book reveals that long before the attack on Pearl Harbor, the government planned for the eventual internment of designated enemy aliens and later incarceration of the Japanese American population.

Ursula Potter, author of *THE MISPLACED AMERICAN*, the story of Karl Vogt, a German national who was taken from his home near Plaza, Washington by agents of the FBI and sent to internment camps in Bismarck, Wisconsin, Oklahoma, and Montana.

MORE INFO:

For additional information about the book signing call Barnes and Noble, Bismarck: 701-224-1300.

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