

THE CALLING CARD

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The Society for Women and the Civil War



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Happy Spring!

New Board Member.

The SWCW Board of Directors is happy to welcome the newest member, Jim Knights. Jim is a retired FBI Special Agent. He received a B.A. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and an M.A. from the University of Chicago. A native of New England, one of his great-great-grandfathers served during the Civil War with Co. E, 6th Massachusetts Militia Infantry. In addition to the Society for Women and the Civil War, he is a member of the Seminary Ridge Museum in Gettysburg and the Friends of Gettysburg (Gettysburg Foundation). He has authored several published articles on law enforcement recruiting, including one on the valuable role of women as investigators. His first attempt at historical fiction, the *Benjamin's Field* trilogy, was published in 2015. His latest novel, *Soldier Girl Blue*, inspired by the wartime memoir of Sarah Emma Edmunds, will be published this year by S & H Publishing. He recently made his film debut as an extra in "*A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood*," starring Tom Hanks and Matthew Ryhs.

2019 Scholarships.

The Society is accepting essay submissions for the 2019 Marge Estilow and Florence Williams Scholarships, which are awarded to a current high school or college student. The theme of the essay is Women in the Civil War, and scholarship winners receive \$250 and publication of their essay in our quarterly journal, *At Home and in the Field*.

Scholarship winners will be selected based on the quality of their original research on the lives and efforts of women in the Civil War era, specifically the relevance of the topic and the quality of the research, which should be based principally upon the use of primary sources. Microhistory perspectives are welcomed.

Applicants must submit:

- An essay not more than 5 pages in length.
- A bibliography of the primary and secondary sources used.
- A personal biography, not more than 1 page, including age, school attending (or prospective school), and contact information.

Please direct any questions or inquiries to Meg DeAngelis at athomeandinthefield@gmail.com. Essay submissions may also be sent to Meg. **All submissions for 2019 must be RECEIVED by June 20.**

Solicitations.

If you have any news you want to share with the rest of the Society, please send an email to dublanton@gmail.com. We want to hear about member publications and activities, good books, upcoming lectures and events, and honors and awards. Submissions for the May *Calling Card* must be received by May 14, 2019. The next issue will arrive in your inboxes on or around May 15.