

## *THE CALLING CARD*

the monthly e-newsletter of  
The Society for Women and the Civil War



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### **Members Only.**

Have you renewed your membership in the Society? Our membership year runs August – July. Renew here: <http://www.swcw.org/join-the-society.html>. And then check out the Members Only page: <http://www.swcw.org/401/login.php?redirect=/members-page.html>. If you need the password, contact J-M White at [licdress1@aol.com](mailto:licdress1@aol.com).

### **2019 Conference.**

Have you registered yet? Don't wait and have to pay a late fee!  
<http://www.swcw.org/registration.html>

### **Looking Ahead to Future Conferences.**

Thank you to all the SWCW members who participated in the March survey to determine the site for our 2020 Conference on Women and the Civil War. We had two great locations to choose from; and based on your input, the Board of Directors has voted to designate the sites for our next two conferences:

- July 24-26, 2020: Harrisonburg, Virginia
- July 23-25, 2021: Petersburg, Virginia

We have Conference Chairs in place for both conferences; and they would be thrilled to add volunteers to their committees. If you have information/suggestions you want to share on either of these sites, or if you would like to volunteer to help with the Conference Committee, please send us an e-mail at [SWCW1865@gmail.com](mailto:SWCW1865@gmail.com).

### **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.

Questions and submissions should be sent to [swcw1865@gmail.com](mailto:swcw1865@gmail.com). **All submissions for 2019 must be RECEIVED by June 20.**

## **Regents.**

Here is our list of current Regents for the Society. If you want to get involved in local activities in support of the Society, contact your Regent!

- **West US** (CA, AZ, NM, TX)  
Janet Whaley: [janet1860@charter.net](mailto:janet1860@charter.net)
- **Northwest US** (WA, OR, CO, UT).  
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- **Midwest US** (AR, KY, OK, IO, MI, IL, IN, OH)  
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- **Northeast US** (VT, MA, ME, NY, NJ, CT, PA)  
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- **Mid-Atlantic US** (VA, MD, WV, NC, SC)  
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- **Southeast US** (AL, FL, GA, LA, MS, TN)  
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## **Honoring The Service of Women.**

The approaching Memorial Day observances - as well as the later Veteran's Day commemorations - are a great opportunity for us to highlight the service and sacrifice of military women - particularly those who served in the Civil War. Please consider participating in an event as a representative of SWCW. If possible, request that the sponsors add the society - with the URL for our website - to their list of sponsors in the event program. You can wear your SWCW polo shirt and pin to the event. If you have an opportunity to contribute flowers or a wreath, that would be a wonderful way to honor our predecessors and bring awareness to our organization.

## **Research Leads.**

This month's hot research leads from the committee working on SWCW's National Registry of Women's Service in the Civil War (NRWSCW) database:

The committee has found notable books which have been scanned and provided free to the public in an electronic format. One of note is the diary and letters of Mary Phinney, Baroness von Ohlnhausen, who was portrayed on the PBS series "Mercy Street." A Dix nurse, she served primarily in Virginia and North Carolina. The URL for the book is: <https://play.google.com/books/reader?id=Rec-AAAAYAAJ&hl=en&pg=GBS.PA1>

## **Solicitations.**

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