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President's Column

Dear Reader:

In my final column as President, I want to look to the future of our organization. When I took office two years ago, I had a dream that the WAWH could become the equivalent—not in size but in perception—of the Berkshire Conference. What this meant to me was that the special sense that surrounds the Berks would also be ours: that participating in a WAWH conference would be a sought-after professional accomplishment and a not-to-be-missed personal experience for the widest possible range of people—from graduate students to independent scholars to the leading academics in the field. With the hard work of my immediate predecessor, Karen Blair, and the future efforts of our president-elect, Pat Cline Cohen, that dream is starting to materialize.

The keynote speaker at this year's conference in Berkeley at the Clark Kerr Conference Center is Natalie Davis, whose work in French history is world-renowned. Hers is only one of the many intellectually rewarding sessions that are planned for Berkeley. This year the panel to honor a distinguished Americanist is focused on the teaching and scholarship of Linda Kerber, one of the co-founders of the WAWH, who teaches at the University of Iowa. It is fitting that we learn more about the organization's early years from its founder and one of the premier American historians. The panel will also include other prominent American historians: the co-founder of the organization, Grace Larsen, and Professors Terri Snyder, Suzanne Lebsock, and Alice Kessler-Harris.

The other featured panel is focused on the work of Hilda L. Smith, a distinguished European historian who teaches at the University of Cincinnati. Her latest book is *'All Men and Both Sexes': Gender and the False Universal in England, 1640-1832*. She explores how women disappeared from political discourse in early modern England well before the Enlightenment and how the "male maturation process" came to define ideas of citizenship and responsible adulthood. This distinguished panel includes a past president of the WAWH, Karen Offen, and another pioneer in the history of feminism, Carol Pateman.

I have only scratched the surface of the intellectual richness of this program, which includes a range of topics and presenters. However, I also hope you will support another side of the program: our banquet. We aim for good food, lively conversation, followed by a short awards ceremony. Then you can continue the evening's conversation however you wish. (With no after-dinner speaker, there is time to make your own choices later in the evening). Banquets often have a certain stuffy connotation but we hope that ours is different. Join us for the fun and also to

support and help build a WAWH community. If cost is all that is keeping you away, please get in touch with me via e-mail at klystra@fullerton.edu. I will see you in Berkeley June 6-8, 2003.

Another important aspect of our growth as an organization is the Capital Campaign that we have begun this spring. Nupur Chaudhuri and Betsy Perry are co-chairing the Committee that will be raising money to fund the Sierra Prize, our annual best book award. The Sierra Prize desperately needs funding (the kitty is almost empty) and the Committee will concentrate on putting that award on solid financial footing. The Capital Campaign will expand in other areas once this important need is met. When you (hopefully) get your tax return this year, would you slice off a portion for the WAWH? We recognize the many demands on your charitable dollar, but we think that the cause of women's history and women in the history profession is worth translating into monetary terms.

Finally, I have so many people to thank that I almost need another column. The 2003 program chair, Barbara Loomis and her committee, Sherrie Katz, Nancy Fitch, Rachel Van, and Ann Wilson deserve special praise as does Annie Russell, local arrangements chair, and Mary Anne Irwin, program lay-out and design. A special category of appreciation and recognition is due Amy Essington who has agreed to be program registrar again this year and who has created a new membership database during my tenure. She has also taken us through the treacherous shoals of the IRS tax-exempt application process to the shores of the promised land of full tax deductions for donations, kept the treasurer's books, and enabled me to stay relatively sane. Finally my thanks to the WAWH Award Committee Chairs—Judy Raftery, Alexandra Nickliss, MariaElena Raymond, and Janis Appier, whose work to evaluate the achievement of our members in books, articles, bibliography/autobiography, and the promise of graduate dissertations has been exemplary.

It has been humbling, exhilarating, and daunting to be part of this enterprise of women's historians and I look to the future of the WAWH with hope and anticipation.

Karen Lystra

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Announcements

WAWH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WAWH 2003 Conference

The 2003 Conference will be held at the Clark Kerr Conference Center on the UC Berkeley campus June 6-8, 2003. 2003. Conference Programs will be mailed to all CURRENT members in early April. Like last year, conference packets will include a membership renewal form as an information sheet to update database information. Membership renewals sent in after the conference registration material has been mailed will be renewed for the 2003-2004 year. Exception: all conference presenters will need membership current for the 2002-2003 year. All members with an expiration date of 2001 and 2002 will be dropped from the mailing list after the conference. PLEASE RENEW NOW. Please contact Amy Essington at aessington@aol.com if you have any questions.

2003 Conference Flyer

Enclosed in this newsletter is a flyer promoting the 2003 conference. Please post it on your campus, share with colleagues, or copy and distribute to your students. The flyer is also on the web site, www.wawh.org, for you to email or print.

2003 Conference Airline

United Airlines is the official airline for the 2003 conference. To receive a 5-10% discount on your airfare to San Francisco, Oakland or San Jose airports please call United Airlines at 800-521-4041 (a special line for meetings and not the regular reservation line) and mention code #516BD, Monday through Sunday, 7:00 am to 12:00 midnight (ET). Discounts apply to travel between June 3 and June 11. Mileage Plus members will receive full credit for all miles flown. For every 40 people that make reservations through the meeting line, WAWH will receive a free round-trip ticket.

Membership Goal of 500

We are so close! As of the printing of the *Networker*, current membership stands at 486! However, there are 89 members who will be dropped from the mailing list after the conference if they have not renewed. If your membership expired in 2001 or 2002, PLEASE RENEW NOW. If you are still looking for

a colleague or student to join, sign them up now so they will receive their very own conference program. Plus, check the label on your *Networker* to ensure you are current (2003 or later). Together we can reach 500!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Message from Caryll Dziedziak, graduate student representative, to graduate members of the WAWH:

I am one of the WAWH Grad Reps and I'd like to coordinate an informal session specifically for grad students at the June conference. In order to make this as useful as possible, I need your feedback as to what issues, topics you think would be useful. Even if you are unable to attend this year's conference, this could be a useful resource in your graduate studies.

We can make this as broad or focused as you like. We could use this opportunity to introduce you to other grad students with similar or overlapping research topics, we could arrange to have faculty join us to address a specific topic, we could discuss some of the universal grad issues like making conference presentations, writing a dissertation, obstacles in researching, getting published, job opportunity, trends etc.

When you have a chance, please email me your thoughts and ideas. I look forward to hearing from you. Thanks for giving this your consideration.

Caryll Dziedziak
cdziedziak@hotmail.com

CALLS FOR PAPERS

7th Annual Claremont Early Modern Studies Graduate Symposium

May 3, 2003

Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California

"Tempest Tost": The Transatlanticization of Ideas in the Early Modern World

A Celebration of the Work of Constance Jordan

Call for Papers: Graduate students are invited to submit one

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Thank you Donors

Thank you to the people who have made donations to the WAWH between October 16, 2002 and March 1, 2003.

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Welcome New Members

Welcome to the members who have joined between October 16, 2002 and March 1, 2003.

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Member News

Estelle Freedman's book, *No Turning Back: The History of Women and the Future of Feminism*, has just been issued in paperback (Ballantine Books). She has created a web site that can be used in conjunction with the book for teaching women's history and introductory women's studies (<http://noturningback.stanford.edu>), with links for each chapter to historical documents, data, and contemporary feminist organizations.

During the past year, **Susan Karant-Nunn** has coedited, along with Thomas A. Brady, Jr.; Katherine G. Brady; and James D. Tracy, a book entitled *The Work of Heiko A. Oberman: Papers from the Symposium on his Seventieth Birthday* (Leiden: Brill, 2002). Two of her articles have appeared: (1) "Not Like the Unreasoning Beasts': Rhetorical Efforts to Separate Humans and Animals in Early Modern Germany," in James Melton, ed., *Constructing Publics: Cultures of Communication in the Early Modern German Lands* (London: Ashgate, 2002); (2) "Popular Culture As Religious Dissent in the Post-Reformation Era," in James M. Stayer and Hans-Juergen Goertz, eds., *Radicalism and Dissent in the Sixteenth Century* (Berlin: Duncker & Humblot, 2002).

Frances Richardson Keller accepted an invitation to present a paper on Anna Julia Cooper's Contributions to American Education at the Women's History Network conference at Royal Holloway College, University of London. Her book, *Fictions of U.S. History: A Theory and Four Illustrations*, was published by Indiana University Press in April 2002.

Susan Starbuck's *Hazel Wolf: Fighting the Establishment* follows Hazel Wolf from childhood to old age, a lifetime

of burning with a fierce desire for justice. She saw the quest for justice as a collective responsibility. Time and again, she met that challenge head on. Whether organizing for labor rights or founding chapters of the Audubon Society, battling to save old-growth forests or fighting deportation to her native Canada as a Communist, over and over she put herself in the line of fire. "I was just there," she said, "powerless and strong, someone who wouldn't chicken out." Susan Starbuck teaches in the Graduate Program in Education at Antioch University, Seattle.

New York University Press has re-released the work of **Marilyn Tobias**, Independent Scholar/Public Historian, *Old Dartmouth on Trial: The Transformation of the Academic Community in Nineteenth-Century America*. The book is part of the NYU Press Series in Education and Socialization in American History. She was a member of the panel on "Renegotiating the Historical Narrative: The Case of American Higher Education," at the recent SSHA Meeting. Her article on Michael H. Cardozo appears in *American National Biography Online* (October 2002 Updates).

Ping Yao (Cal State LA) has published two articles, "Until Death Do Us Unite: Minghun Practice in Tang China" (*Journal of Family History*, Vol. 27, No.3 [2002], pp.207-226) and "Pleasure as Status: Courtesans and Literati Connection in Tang China" (*Journal of Women's History*, Vol. 14, No. 2 [2002], pp.26-53). She is also a main contributor to the book, *Images of Women in Chinese Thought and Culture: Writings on Women in Preclassical-Song Dynasty* (Hackett Publishing Company, forthcoming, March 2003).

Announcements Continued

page abstracts for papers of 20-minute reading length on any topic related to the literature, politics, and cultural history of the Early Modern World and European people and cultures (1450-1750). We are also celebrating the retirement of Dr. Constance Jordan, Professor of English at Claremont Graduate University and Co-Founder of the Early Modern Studies Program, an interdisciplinary program within the Schools of Arts & Humanities and Religion. As such, papers specific to her work are especially welcome. We encourage submissions from students in the humanities and related disciplines.

Submissions (and c.v.) should be postmarked or sent via email or fax by **March 8, 2003** to:

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Attn: Early Modern Studies Group
740 N. College Avenue
Claremont, CA 91711-6163
Phone: (909) 621-8612
Fax: (909) 607-1221
Email: reeseg@charter.net
Website: <http://www.cgu.edu/hum/earlymod/>

Women and Conflict: Historical Perspectives

Saturday and Sunday, October 11-12, 2003
University of California, Santa Barbara

UCSB's First Annual Graduate Student Conference, entitled "Women and Conflict," invites individual interdisciplinary paper proposals in women or gender studies that address the conference theme from a historical perspective. Studies of conflict could include but not be limited to domestic, political, social, cultural, trans-regional, and ideological themes. The Program Committee especially welcomes papers that break boundaries of time, place, disciplines, and methodology. We aim to bring together graduate students and faculty who are thinking about women's and gender history from trans-regional and comparative perspectives. Faculty wishing to serve as chairs or commentators should email the Conference Committee with their area of expertise.

Paper proposals must be received via email attachments in Microsoft Word or snail mail by **April 1, 2003** and must include:

1. Cover letter with the name, address, phone number, email address, and institutional affiliation. (Panelist must be enrolled in a graduate program on the conference date);
2. One-page abstract of the paper;
3. One-page curriculum vitae.

Mail proposals to:
Women and Conflict: Historical Perspectives
Department of History
University of California
Santa Barbara, California 93106

Email proposals to:

U.S.-related papers: Alexandra Epstein: ae0@umail.ucsb.edu
Modern Non-U.S. papers: Sandra Dawson:
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Victorian Legacies

The Victorian Interdisciplinary Studies Association of the Western United States (VISAWUS) announces its eighth annual conference, hosted by the Departments of English at Southwest Texas State University and the University of Texas-Austin, in Austin, Texas, October 8-11, 2003. The focus of this year's conference is **Victorian Legacies**. We invite proposals for 20 minute papers or full panels (three papers) addressing the full range of the Victorians' legacies to their inheritors: attitudes, music, an educational system, political divisions in the colonized world, the class system, an urge to travel, press standards etc. Papers may focus on the Victorian end or the post-Victorian end of the legacy.

Paper proposals, a maximum of the equivalent of two double-spaced pages, should be emailed to:

Prof. George Griffith
Ggriffith@csc1.csc.edu

Deadline for proposals will be **June 6, 2003**.

Crossing Boundaries: Comparative Perspectives in the History of Women Religious

June 27-30, 2004

Hosted by the Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica at the Atchison (Kansas) Heritage Conference Center.

The HWR Program Committee wants to encourage proposals that explore and examine the History of Women Religious from a variety of comparative perspectives: crossing the "boundaries" of race, class, ethnicity, and religious orders, as well as the "boundaries" of geography, time, social context, and academic disciplines.

Proposals for papers in the form of a one-page abstract accompanied by a one-page C.V. are requested (letter, email or fax) by **August 1, 2003**. Panel proposals are especially encouraged but individual proposals are also welcome.

Send all proposals to:

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2003 WAWH Awards and Prizes

Barbara Penny Kanner Award

The Western Association of Women Historians will award \$500 to the best scholarly bibliographical and historical guide to research focused on women or gender history. The Kanner Award is intended to promote the practice of biblio-methodology or autobiography in historical context. The bibliomethodology award should reflect the critical tools of the historian's craft as they have been developed to provide research guides rather than library catalogues. The autobiography in historical context award should reflect the craft of history as developed and interpreted in individual lives. Book-length submissions are preferred but substantial guides in other forms (articles or book chapters) may also be considered. The bibliographical and the autobiography awards will be given in alternate years, with submissions for each award considered for two-year intervals from the date of publication.

This year's award will be bibliographical and an item published in 2001 or 2002.

EACH YEAR THE DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15.

Send THREE copies of your submission as well as a statement that the applicant is a current WAWH member to:

MariaElena Raymond

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Judith Lee Ridge Prize

The WAWH will award \$100 for the best article in the field of history published by a WAWH member. All recipients shall be members of the WAWH for at least one year prior to submission. Eligibility is limited to two groups: those residing in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming or the Western Canadian Provinces; and WAWH members residing in other states who have paid membership for three years (not necessarily consecutive years). The article must have been published in 2001 or 2002. All fields of history will be considered, and articles must be submitted with full scholarly apparatus.

EACH YEAR THE DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15.

Three (3) copies of the article, as well as a statement that the applicant is a current WAWH member, should be mailed to:

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Founders Dissertation Fellowship

The WAWH invites applications for its 2003 Founders Dissertation Fellowship. Applicants must be members of the WAWH, advanced to candidacy, writing the dissertation at the time of the application, and expecting to receive the Ph.D. no earlier than December 2003. The \$1000 award may be used for any expenses related to the dissertation. A complete application must be received by January 15, 2003. The fellowship recipient will announced at the WAWH Annual Conference.

Applicants for a WAWH Founders Dissertation Fellowship must submit the following to the selection committee:

- a. A completed application form. A curriculum vita is not an acceptable substitute.
 - b. A summary of the dissertation project, an explanation of its historical scholarship, a survey of the major primary sources, a summary of research already accomplished, and an indication of plans for completion of the dissertation in no more than five double-spaced pages.
 - c. One confidential letter of recommendation from a dissertation committee member sent directly to the Founders Dissertation Fellowship Committee. A file maintained by a university office is not an adequate substitute for the specified letters of reference.
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For further information and application forms, please contact:

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Sierra Book Prize

The Western Association of Women Historians (WAWH) will award the 2003 Sierra Book Prize (\$250) for the best monograph in the field of history published by a WAWH member. Eligibility of the prize is limited to two groups: those residing in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming or the Western Canadian Provinces; and WAWH members residing in other states who have paid membership for three years (not necessarily consecutive years). The book must be a monograph based on original research (not an anthology or edited work). It must have been published in 2002. Books previously issued as hardback and reissued as paper can not be submitted more than once. Books can not be submitted more than once. The Prize is open to all fields of history.

EACH YEAR THE DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15.

Three (3) copies of the book must be submitted as well as a statement that the applicant is a current WAWH member. Please send the copies to:

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