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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

By Nupur Chaudhuri

Greetings!

It is an exciting time to be the president of the WAWH. I am saying this because of the upcoming conference at Asilomar and because of some changes we have recently introduced. The conference program clearly indicates that, although we are a regional organization, our teaching and research interests are not limited to our region or to American history. Our presenters' work is without frontiers. Thanks to the hard work of Regina Lark and her committee—Dionne Espinoza, Alexandra Epstein, Muriel McClendon, Margaret Nash, Carmen Nava, and Ula Taylor—the WAWH program covers aspects of women's history throughout the world.

For the first time, the Association of Black Women Historians will sponsor panels at our conference. The topics will include "New Themes in Black Women's History" and "Gendering the Northern Movement: Black Women Activists in New York City." Thank you to program committee member Ula Taylor for organizing these panels.

Among other program highlights, separate panels will honor and reflect on the work of two internationally known, long-time WAWH members: Karen Offen and Ellen Dubois. WAWH's reputation for staging strong conferences also helps us draw such senior scholars as Dolores Janiewski of New Zealand and Franca Iacovetta of Canada, both of whom plan to present papers this year. We are very excited that our keynote speaker will be Deborah Gray White, whose talk is titled "God, Guns, and Motherhood: The Million Mom March and the Future of Race." Finally, Margaret (Peg) Strobel, who served as the president of WAWH from 1978 to 1979, will be our banquet speaker. This year we also celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of our Sierra Prize, and on Friday night, we will recognize the work of Sierra Prize winners and celebrate their academic achievements.

This year, as part of a two-year experiment, the conference is scheduled for Friday and Saturday only. It will begin with a session at one o'clock Friday afternoon and continue through the Saturday evening banquet. We hope to see if this change in the conference format makes it more convenient for members to attend. Please let us know if you like the change. I hope you will all come to Asilomar.

Even if you are not able to attend the conference, don't forget to renew your membership for the 2006 – 2007 year. The organization runs on membership dues.

Besides organizing this year's conference, the WAWH board has worked on a number of new items, including several that we hope will increase our visibility as an organization. Our long-time member Susan Bell will speak on "Christine de Pizan (1364 – 1430) in Her Study" at the WAWH luncheon at the annual conference of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association in August. We are also organizing or cosponsoring panels at several conferences. At the Southern Association of Women Historians' (SAWH) conference in Baltimore this June, we will cosponsor a panel on mentoring with the host group. Susan Lebsack, a member of the organization, will represent the WAWH there.

We have also submitted a panel for the 2007 annual meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA), with which we have become an affiliate organization. The title of the AHA panel is: "Regional Women's History Organizations: Are They Still Relevant in the Twenty-first Century? Two generations respond." Cosponsored by WAWH and the Coordinating Council for Women in History, the panel will have representatives from the Association of the Black Women Historians, the Coordinating Council for Women in History, the Southern Association of Women Historians, and the WAWH. And at the Organization of American Historians, we will be a cosponsor for the Women in the Historical Profession Reception.

In closing, I would like to welcome our new treasurer, Linda Mollno, to our board. Thank you to Amy Essington, the board members, Regina Lark, and the rest of her program committee, who have all made this year a fruitful one for our organization.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WAWH Membership Goal

WAWH's goal is to have 500 current members by the 2006 conference. WE NEED YOUR HELP! We currently need about 20 new members to reach that goal. Please share information with your colleagues and graduate students and encourage them to join. The organization's operating funds come from membership fees. The more current members we have, the more we can do to promote the professional and research interests of women historians. If your membership expires with the 2006 conference, remember to renew when your conference/membership packet arrives in the mail. Please consider giving a membership subscription as a graduation gift for your students.

### The Coalition for Western Women's History Announces the Irene Ledesma Prize, 2006

The prize, for Ph.D. graduate student research in western women's history, honors the memory of Irene Ledesma whose contributions to Chicana and working-class history were ended by her untimely death in 1997. The CWWH will award the prize at the women's history breakfast during the 46th Annual Western History Association conference in St. Louis MO, October 11 – 14, 2006. Applicants must be enrolled in a Ph.D. program. The \$1,000 prize supports travel to collections or other research expenses related to the histories of women and gender in the American West. To apply: submit four copies of the following: a vita; a brief description of the research project and an explanation of how the prize funds would support the research (not exceeding three pages, double-spaced), and a letter of support from the student's major advisor by June 1, 2006 (postmark) to: Dr. Nancy Taniguchi, Chair, Ledesma Prize Committee, History Department, California State University, Stanislaus, 801 West Monte Vista Avenue, Turlock, CA 95382. For more information, including evaluation criteria, visit the CWWH website at [www.westernwomenshistory.org](http://www.westernwomenshistory.org) or contact Dr. Taniguchi at [ntaniguchi@csustan.edu](mailto:ntaniguchi@csustan.edu) or by phone at (209) 667-3529.

### The Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession

invites WAWH members to attend the committee's events at the OAH Annual Meeting in Washington, DC April 19 – 22, 2006.

1) Women in the Historical Profession luncheon from noon – 2 p.m. on Thursday April 20. Jacquelyn Dowd Hall will speak. Her talk is titled: "Naming Names: Writing the History of Left Feminism in the Shadow of the Long Cold War" Tickets may be purchased when you register for the conference.

2) Women in the Historical Profession sponsored session: "Teaching Primary Documents: Women, Policy, and the Government," Friday April 21, 2 – 3:30 p.m.

3) Women in the Historical Profession Reception, 7 – 8 p.m. Friday April 21. This reception is co-sponsored by WAWH.

**Call for Submissions:** The journal, *Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social*, is seeking papers that examine, describe, analyze, or interpret the experiences of Chicanas/Latinas and Native Woman. The journal welcomes English or Spanish submissions of scholarship, commentary, reviews, and creative writing. For more information visit: <http://malcs.chicanas.com/journal.html> or contact Karen Mary Davalos.

**Call for Submissions:** *Literary Mama*, a new online, literary journal, will feature writings by mothers about the complexities and many faces of motherhood. Examples of work being sought are fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction, literary criticism, book reviews, and profiles about mother writers. For further details visit: [www.literarymama.com](http://www.literarymama.com).

**Call for Poetry Submissions:** We are seeking poetry for "Women and Development: Rethinking Policy and Reconceptualizing Practice," a special issue of *Women's Studies Quarterly*. Send previously unpublished poetry to Edvige Giunta, Poetry Editor, *Women's Studies Quarterly*, Department of English, New Jersey City University, Jersey City, NJ 07305. For inquiries:

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## THANK YOU DONORS

Thank you to the people who have made donations to the WAWH between October 16, 2005 and February 1, 2006.

Tamara Hunt

Lorena Oropeza

The WAWH is a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt organization. Your donations are tax-deductible and help support the continued growth of our organization and its activities including: the newsletter, the annual conference, two prizes, one award, and one fellowship. Donations of any size are welcome. Donations can be directed to a specific fund or award. Thank you for your continuing support.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the members who have joined between October 16, 2005 and February 1, 2006.

Karin A. Amundsen	Elizabeth Clement	Jennifer Mandel	Hayden-Smith Rose
Amy Strebe Goodpaster	Jill Patrice Dolan	Anne F. Mattina	Stephanie Schnorbus
Patricia B. Ash	Abgail B. Feely	Deborah Mindrey	Carol Lynne Tatlock
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Susan Carter	Julie A. Johnson	Michaela Reaves	Deborah Gray White
Helen Harden Chenut	Megan Jones	DeAnna J. Reese	Annette Williams
	Ben-David Liat	Allyson Robison	

## MEMBER NEWS

**Lois Banner**, University of Southern California, won the American Studies Association's 2005 Bode-Pearson Prize for Lifetime Achievement. In addition, Wadsworth publishing has released the 4<sup>th</sup> revised edition of her women's history text, *Women in Modern America: A Brief History*.

**Tamara L. Hunt**, University of Southern Indiana, has been promoted to full professor effective fall 2007. She currently serves as the history department chairperson.

**Kimberly Jensen** presented public lectures on the life and activism of Oregon physician Esther Pohl Lovejoy, who served as Portland's city health officer from 1907 to 1909. An active suffragist and 1920 Congressional candidate, Lovejoy provided medical relief in France during World War I and, from 1919 to 1967, coordinated the American Women's Hospitals, a forerunner to such groups as Doctors Without Borders and Mercy Corps. Jensen's work explores how Lovejoy's experiences and activism in Oregon provided a foundation for her career in international health. Jensen received support for this project through a research grant from the Oregon Council for the Humanities.

**Diane M.T. North**, Ph.D., adjunct associate professor, University of Maryland University College, gave a presentation at the 2006 annual meeting of the American Historical Association. Her illustrated talk, entitled "From Adelphi to Afghanistan: Teaching World History Online," formed part of

a panel, "Welcome to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: A Primer for Teaching Undergraduate History Online." The panel also was sponsored by the American Association for History and Computing.

**Michelle Stonis** is pleased to announce the completion of her M.A. in History at California State University, Long Beach in the fall of 2005. Her thesis is titled: "'On Heathen Ground': The Double Bind of Women's Roles in the Sandwich Islands Mission, 1819-1863." She argues that U.S. Protestant missionary women in the Sandwich Islands Mission were caught in a double bind between different religious and social ideals of women's proper behavior on a foreign frontier. She will be presenting her work at this year's WAWH conference.

**Lise Weil** announces a special "Love and Lust" issue of the online journal, *Trivia: Voices of Feminism*, featuring Carolyn Gage, Michele Causse, Caryn Mirriam-Goldberg, Lise Weil, Harriet Ellenberger, Bonnie St. Andrews, Betsy Warland, and others—now available at [www.triviavoices.net](http://www.triviavoices.net).

**Jessica Weiss**, California State University, East Bay, and the Institute for the Study of Social Change Visiting Scholar gave a talk at the ISSC in February called "The Feminine Mystique and Beyond." Using sources that highlight ordinary women's voices, she examined Betty Friedan's legacy and impact in Oakland, California between 1957 and 1964. She also gave a talk, titled "'A Busy Housewife Dish': Cooking and Career in Oakland, California, 1957-1964" at the March meeting of the Culinary Historians of Northern California.

Share your accomplishments. Include your professional news in the next newsletter.

Send submissions for Member News to Trudy Flores. Your information will be included in the next Networker.

A reminder e-mail is sent to the organizational e-mail list before the submission due date.

Due dates are listed on the Calendar section of the newsletter.

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eguinta@njcu.edu. No e-mail submissions please. Include name and address on each poem submission, and indicate that it is for the *WSQ* "Women and Development" issue.

**Call for Submissions:** *Altar Magazine*, a social justice publication, is accepting written and artwork submissions for its seventh issue. Complete submission guidelines available in the "Submit" section at [www.altarmagazine.com](http://www.altarmagazine.com). For more information please e-mail: [submissions@altarmagazine.com](mailto:submissions@altarmagazine.com). Deadline: April 1, 2006.

**Call for Submissions:** *Altar Magazine* seeks contributions for *Feminist Anthology: Doing it in Strange Places . . . And Making Change: Young Women Fighting for Social Justice*. Writers of all experience levels and all walks of life are encouraged to submit work. All work must be original and should not be published elsewhere. E-mail documents in Word or Rich Text Format to Mandy Van Deven. Please include "Doing it in Strange Places" in the subject line. Submissions may also be mailed to: Mandy Van Deven, 955 Metropolitan Ave, #4R, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Word count should be between 2,500 and 5,000 words. Include your name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and a short bio. If you have any questions contact Mandy Van Deven at [mandy\\_vandeven@yahoo.com](mailto:mandy_vandeven@yahoo.com) or visit [www.altarmagazine.com](http://www.altarmagazine.com). Deadline: May 1, 2006.

**Call for Submissions:** "Gender, Race, Ethnicity and Power in Maritime America," 2006: A Multidisciplinary Discussion of Gender, Race and Ethnicity in the Maritime World. The conference will be held at Mystic Seaport in Mystic, Connecticut, October 26 to 29, 2006. It will engage a wide community of scholars, teachers, researchers, museum professionals, and the general public in an inclusive conversa-

tion about issues of gender, race, ethnicity, authority and power in American maritime history very broadly defined, in local, national, and global contexts. Sessions will be organized to foster an interdisciplinary dialogue among participants about the state of scholarship in the field, new research, and public access through institutional, educational, and media programming. Graduate and postgraduate scholars in a range of disciplines – American studies, history and literature; geography, anthropology, archeology, sociology and other social sciences; Native American, African American, Latin American, and Asian American studies; women's and gender studies – as well as museum professionals, public historians, and professional educators at all levels, are encouraged to submit proposals for individual papers or presentations in other formats. Mystic Seaport plans to publish selected conference papers.

Please email a 250-word abstract of the proposed paper, panel or presentation and c.v.(s) before **April 15, 2006**, to: [glenn.gordinier@mysticseaport.org](mailto:glenn.gordinier@mysticseaport.org). Or mail/fax: Dr. Glenn S. Gordinier, Munson Institute, Mystic Seaport, 75 Greenmanville Ave., P.O. Box 6000, Mystic CT 06355-0990; FAX 860/572-5329. The Munson Institute is Mystic Seaport's summer graduate maritime history program.

**Position Available:** Portland Community College is seeking a history instructor for a full time (1.0 FTE) probationary faculty position commencing September 2006 for the academic year 2006/2007. Apply by 3/24/06 for best consideration - EXTENDED. Hours of work may include evening or weekend teaching assignments. Initial assignment will be at the Sylvania Campus. Salary Range: \$42,469/yr to \$71,150/yr. Hires will normally be at Step 1, Step 2, or Step 3 depending on experience. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Master's degree in History from an accredited institution. PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Background in Western Civilization, some teaching experience, and demonstrated successful academic prepara-

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## VOLUNTEER FOR THE WAWH

There are many ways individuals can help support the WAWH. Contact Amy Essington at [aessington@verizon.net](mailto:aessington@verizon.net) if you are interested or have ideas to share.

### Advertising

Advertising and membership growth are ongoing jobs that have many parts. One can volunteer for one part to assist in increasing the visibility of our organization.

### Conference Assistance

Maybe you attend the conference, but are not able to commit to the hours of participating on a program committee or local arrangements committee. There are many smaller jobs that occur at the time of the conference, and volunteers are always needed.

We would like to reach out to members who have never held a board position. If there are board positions for which you would like to be considered, in the future, please contact Amy Essington and submit your name.

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tion in content areas. This position is included in the bargaining agreement between Portland Community College and the Portland Community College Faculty Federation Employees. As an Affirmative Action, Equal Employment Opportunity institution, PCC is actively seeking qualified minorities, women, and individuals with disabilities to enhance its work force and to reflect the diversity of its student body. More information is available at: <http://www.pcc.edu/hr/Faculty.htm>.

**Position Available:** North Seattle Community College has an opening for a full-time, tenure track faculty position at the North Campus beginning Fall quarter 2006. JOB NUMBER: 06-021-RS. PAY RANGE: \$40,266 - \$43,495 depending on experience and education, based on the negotiated faculty salary schedule for a 172-day contract. DESCRIPTION: Primary teaching responsibilities include the survey courses in world and U.S. history. Secondary teaching responsibilities include history courses that reflect the instructor's training, teaching and research; focusing on particular world regions and time periods; and meeting the curricular needs of NSCC students taking 100 and 200 level history courses. Specific teaching assignments will depend on the instructor's background and division scheduling needs. QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS & ABILITIES: A Master's degree in history from an accredited institution, and a working knowledge of current developments in history and history methods and in utilizing computer applications for history instruction. In addition, the applicant should have demonstrated experience in effectively teaching students from diverse backgrounds and working with students with diverse physical and learning abilities. PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Experience teaching college-level history courses; Ph.D. degree in history; experience in using technologies in teaching, designing student and instructional assessments, and developing new courses and course materials. In addition, interest in interdisciplinary teaching and interacting with history professionals. APPLICATION PROCEDURES: To apply see [www.seattlecolleges.com/humanresources](http://www.seattlecolleges.com/humanresources). This is in a union shop bargaining unit. For more information, contact: Maureen Nutting, History Dept., Math/Science/Social Sciences Division, North Seattle Community College, [mnutting@sccd.ctc.edu](mailto:mnutting@sccd.ctc.edu). CLOSING DATE: 4/10/2006 5:00 PM PST.

### Selected Events at the Huntington:

Lisa Sousa offered details about a recent **Women's Studies Seminar** on "Women, Disability, and the Arts" at the Huntington Library, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA and suggests that we save the date for the next "Women's Studies at the Huntington" Program: June 3, 2006. Contact Lisa Sousa at [lsousa@oxy.edu](mailto:lsousa@oxy.edu) for additional information.

### The Evolution of the Mayme A. Clayton Library and Cultural Center April 6 (Thursday) 7:30 p.m.

Librarian Mayme Clayton spent 40 years collecting an astonishing range of rare books, manuscripts, photographs, films, music and ephemera documenting the African-American experience. Now her son Avery has created a library and research center to house the collection and make it accessible to the public. A panel of historians and educators will join Mayme and Avery Clayton to discuss the evolution of this rich new resource for the study of African-American culture. Free. Friends' Hall

### Mothering Monsters: Mary Shelley's Frankenstein

**The Martin Ridge Lecture** April 12 (Wednesday), 7:30 p.m. Mary Shelley's extraordinary life led directly to the creation of one of our most enduring myths, the story of a scientist who makes a monster he can't control. Anne Mellor, professor of English at UCLA, will focus on the ways in which Shelley's own experiences contributed to the writing of this famous novel. Free. Friends' Hall.

**Conference** – Book Consumption in the Tudor Era: Printing, Publishing, and Reading April 21 – 22 (Friday and Saturday), 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.. The interplay between the material and intellectual consumption of books during the Tudor era (1485 – 1603) will be explored in this conference, with particular attention to the contributions of publishers and booksellers. \$25. Registration: (626) 405-3432 or [skrasnoo@huntington.org](mailto:skrasnoo@huntington.org).

**TheFeministArtProject** invites you to participate in activities that celebrate women's contributions to art and the Feminist Art Movement. Our purpose is to bring public attention to their significant impact on contemporary art practice, highlighting their international influence, and guaranteeing inclusion in the cultural record, past, present, and future. Starting in 2006, museums, universities, and other institutions nationally are planning to commemorate several historic anniversaries in the American Women's Art Movement of the 1970s and launch new initiatives to demonstrate the ongoing significance of women's contributions to art. Please join in this celebration by mounting activities to support this mission.

A National Committee, facilitated by Rutgers University, is coordinating activities and conducting a nationwide campaign to publicize all programs related to the mission of TheFeministArtProject. We will include projects already planned and others that will be initiated in response to this call. TheFeministArtProject, Foster Center/Douglass Library, 8 Chapel Drive, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ 08901. For further information, please call 732-932-9407, extension 46 or visit <http://feministartproject.rutgers.edu/>.

## WAWH HISTORY: FOUNDERS' DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP

By Amy Essington

This is another in a series of columns on the history of the organization. This column will highlight the Founders' Dissertation Fellowship (FDF). The FDF was established in 1986 to assist doctoral students in finishing their dissertation. It was previously called the Graduate Dissertation Prize. The FDF is an endowed award, but accepts donation throughout the year to support the \$1000 prize. This list of winners is missing some information. If you have the missing schools or dissertation title of the individuals with italicized names, please send it to me.

### 2005

Eleonory Gilburd, UC Berkeley, "To See Paris and Die': Foreign Culture in the Soviet Union, 1956-1968."

### 2004

Bonnie Miller, Johns Hopkins University. "The Spectacular Little War': A Study of Spanish-American War Visual and Popular Culture."

### 2003

Amanda Littauer, University of California, Berkeley, "V-girls, B-girls and Vagrants: Women, Sexuality and Criminality in the Wartime and Postwar Urban West, 1943-1960."

### 2002

Amy Meschke, Southern Methodist University, "Bender and Inheritance in the Spanish and Mexican Borderlands, 1750-1846."

### 2001

Katherine Benton, University of Wisconsin-Madison, "What About Women in the 'White Man's Camp'? Gender, Class, and the Re-invention of Race in Cochise County, Arizona, 1853-1940."

### 2000

Chiou-ling Yeh, University of California at Irvine, "'Taking it to the Streets': Representations of Ethnicity and Gender in San Francisco's Chinatown Chinese New Year Festivals, 1953-1993"

### Honorable Mention:

Katherine A. Benton, University of Wisconsin, Madison, "What About Women in the 'White Man's Camp'? : Gender, Class and the Reinvention of Race in Chochise County, AZ, 1853-1940"

### 1999

Lynn Sacco, University of Southern California, "Not Talking About 'It': A History of Incest in the United States, 1900-1940."

### 1998

*Bridget Ford*

Van Nguyen-Marshall, University of British Columbia, "Issues of Poverty and Poor Relief in Colonial Northern Vietnam: The Interaction Between Colonial Modernism and Elite Vietnamese Thinking (1900-1945)"

### 1997

Marie Francois, University of Arizona, "When Pawnshops Talk: Material Culture and Petty Credit in Mexico City."

Honorable Mention: Regina Lark, University of California, Los Angeles, "Japanese War Brides: Marriage and Migration."

## WAWH HISTORY: CONTINUED

1996

*Jennifer L. Green, UCLA*

1995

Rebecca Lynn Winer, UCLA, "Silent Partners? Women, Commerce and the Family in Perpignan, c.1250-1300"

1994

Martha Rampton, University of Virginia, "The Gender of Magic in the Early Middle Ages."

1993

Kathleen Gilmartin, Yale University, "Call Me an Amazon," Sexual Identities and Gender Among Colorado Lesbians, 1940-1960."

1992

Cecelia O'Leary, University of California, Berkeley, "Politics and Patriotism: The Making of an American Identity, 1870s to 1920s."

1991

Anne Marie Poole, University of California, Los Angeles, "Madonnas or Magdalenes?: Saint-Simonian Women, Paris, 1832-1834."

1990

Lois Huneycutt, University of California, Santa Barbara, "Margaret of Scotland, Edith-Matilda, and Formation of a Queenly Ideal in Medieval England."

Honorable Mention:

Kathryn A. Edwards, UCLA, "Families and Frontiers: Urban Reactions and Re-creations on the Burgundian Border, 1477 - c. 1530."

*Joan Waugh, UCLA*

1989

Lori Liowski, University of Southern California, "From Rhetoric to Reality: Unionism and the Shaping of Winneshiek County, Iowa, 1840-1880."

1988

Mary Murphy, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, "Class, Gender, and Leisure in the Urban West, 1917-1940."

1987

*Nina Silber, UC Berkeley*

Sherry Katz, UCLA, "Dual Commitments: Feminism, Socialism, and Women's Political Activism in California, 1890-1920"

*Mary Ellen Odem, UC Berkeley*

1986

Margaret Rose, University of California, Los Angeles, "Women in the United Farm Workers: A Study of Chicana and Mexicana Participation in a Labor Union, 1950-1980."

**Graduate Student Paper Prize**

1986

Judy Kutulas, UCLA, "Anna Louisa Strong and Eleanor Roosevelt: A Political Friendship."

Even though it is endowed, the Founders' Dissertation Prize requires donations each year to cover the cost of the \$1000 prize.

Donations of any size are welcome.

The WAWH is a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt organization. Your donations are tax-deductible and help support the continuation of awards.

Thank you for your continuing support.

## 2007 WAWH AWARDS AND PRIZES

### Founders' Dissertation Fellowship

The WAWH invites applications for its 2006 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 2006. The \$1000 award may be used for any expenses related to the dissertation. A complete application must be received by January 15, 2006. The fellowship recipient will be announced at the WAWH Annual Conference.

Applicants for a WAWH Founders Dissertation Fellowship must submit the following to the award 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.

THE DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15, 2006.

For full application requirements and form, visit the web site. Applications should be mailed to each committee member, see below and check the web for details.

For further information, please contact the chair.

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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 2004 or 2005. All fields of history will be considered, and articles must be submitted with full scholarly apparatus.

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For full application requirements and form, visit the web site. Applications should be mailed to each committee member, check below and the web for details.

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## 2007 WAWH AWARDS AND PRIZES

### Sierra Book Prize

The WAWH will award the 2006 Sierra Book Prize (\$500) 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 2005. 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.

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For full application requirements and form, visit the web site. Applications should be mailed to each committee member, check below and the web for details. For further information, please contact the chair.

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### Barbara Penny Kanner Award

The WAWH 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. The 2006 award will be autobiographical and an item published in 2004 or 2005.

THE DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15, 2006.

For full application requirements and form, visit the web site. Three sets of application material should be mailed to the chair, check below and the web for details. For further information, please contact the chair.

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Beginning in 2004, all WAWH awards have an application form which can be found on the organizational web site. Award applicants must also be current WAWH members at the time of submission.

# MEMBERS TO VOTE ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO WAWH'S CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

By Amy Essington

This year the membership will vote on proposed revisions of the Constitution and Bylaws for our organization. A 2006 draft version, including the proposed changes, appears below.

You may remember that the constitution was last revised in 2001, as part of the application process for 501 (c)3 status. The Constitution and Bylaws are in need of revision now to include formally the position of Executive Director. This position has been filled on an ad hoc basis since 2004. With the passage of the new version of the Constitution and Bylaws, the Executive Director will become a permanent board position.

With the creation of this new position, responsibilities of other officers, such as secretary and treasurer, had to be redefined to reflect the current responsibilities of the officers. Other individuals, such as award committee and award chairs, did not appear at all in the 2001 version, and were added. As with the revision process in 2001, Karen Lystra and I spent hours reviewing the document and evaluating its content. As we revised the text, we tried to construct clear language that reflected the intent and current workings of our organization. I think we were successful. Printing the Constitution and Bylaws in the newsletter is part of the organization's process for making amendments. The board offered suggestions and has approved this version of the document. The vote by the members will occur at the business meeting of the conference in Asilomar. If you are a current member in attendance, you will be able to vote for or against the approval of the 2006 version. If you have questions or concerns about the 2006 draft version, at right, and are unable to attend the business meeting, please send them comments to me. I will do my best to answer any questions and bring your concerns to the business meeting.

This is a very important part of the continuing growth and success of our organization. Please take the time to read the document and let me know if you have any questions.

## PROPOSED WAWH CONSTITUTION

The Constitution of the Western Association of Women Historians

### Article I Name

The name of the organization shall be the Western Association of Women Historians (WAWH).

### Article II Purpose

The purpose of the organization shall be to promote the interests of women historians both in the historical profession and the field of history.

### Article III Membership

Section 1. Membership shall be open to anyone who supports the purpose of this organization and who pays annual membership dues.

Section 2. Dues shall be set by the Executive Board for approval by the general membership at the business meeting of the annual conference.

Section 3. Yearly membership shall apply to the interval between annual conferences.

Section 4. All members in good standing, as stipulated in the By-Laws, shall be eligible to vote at business meetings.

### Article IV Officers and Executive Board

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# PROPOSED WAWH CONSTITUTION, CONTINUED

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Section 1. Officers of the Association shall be: President, President-Elect, Executive Director, Secretary, and Treasurer. Each person elected shall be a member in good standing, as stipulated in the By-Laws.

Section 2. The officers, with the exception of the Executive Director, shall be elected by a majority at the annual meeting, and shall hold office for two-year terms. The Executive Director shall be elected by a majority at the annual meeting for four-year terms. Each term of office shall begin with the adjournment of the annual meeting. In case of an incomplete term of service, an election may be held during the year by a means approved of by the Executive Board. With the exception of the President, President-Elect, and Past President, each officer is eligible for reelection at the invitation of the President.

Section 3. The officers shall establish standing committees and other positions deemed necessary to achieve the goals of the organization.

Section 4. The management of the business of the Association shall be vested in an Executive Board composed of the officers, the Immediate Past President, the *Networker* Editor, Graduate Student Representatives, and award committee chairpersons, or other representatives as appointed by the President and approved of by the officers. Each person appointed shall be a member in good standing, as stipulated in the By-Laws.

Section 5. Members of the Executive Board who are not elected officers shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Board.

Section 6. No person shall be a member of the Executive Board if not a member in good standing, as stipulated in the By-Laws, of the organization, and no member shall hold more than one board position.

Section 7. The Executive Board shall perform the duties described in the constitution and the bylaws of the organization and, where not in conflict with these, by Robert's Rules of Order.

Section 8. The Executive Board shall maintain and preserve records of the organization. These records shall be submitted to the organization's archives following established guidelines.

Section 9. The President shall make an interim appointment, approved by the Executive Board, to fill a vacancy for the duration of an incomplete term of service until the next annual meeting.

## Article V Meetings

Section 1. The Association shall meet annually. The time and place to be chosen by the President, arranged by the Executive Director, and approved by the officers.

Section 2. The Association will hold one annual business meeting. The officers shall be empowered to call additional meetings of the membership.

Section 3. All official business of the Association shall be ratified at the annual business meeting by a majority of those members in good standing, as stipulated in the By-Laws, in attendance.

## Article VI Amendments

Section 1. Amendments to this constitution may be proposed by the Executive Board or by a motion made at the annual business meeting and approved by a majority of those members in good standing in attendance. Proposals must then go through the process of ratification as described in Section 2, 3, and 4 below.

Section 2. The text of proposed amendments to the constitution, as approved by the Executive Board, shall either be printed in the newsletter immediately preceding an annual conference or be distributed with the program and reservation forms sent to

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# PROPOSED WAWH CONSTITUTION, CONTINUED

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members in advance of the meeting. Copies shall also be made available at the time of registration.

Section 3. Amendments must be approved by a majority vote of those members in good standing, as stipulated in the By-Laws, present and voting at the business meeting.

Section 4. Amendments so approved shall be publicized in the next regular issue of the newsletter. If one-third plus one of the members in good standing object within three months, the amendment shall be submitted to the members in good standing, as stipulated in the By-Laws, by mail ballot. Two-thirds of those returning their ballots must approve the amendment.

## Article VII Dedication

Section 1. Upon the dissolution of the WAWH, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to the corresponding section of any federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for a federal purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the association is located, exclusively for such purposes, or to such organizations, as the said Court shall determine which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

# PROPOSED WAWH BYLAWS

Bylaws of the Western Association of Women Historians

## Article I Membership

Section 1. Membership dues for membership categories of full-time employed, part-time employed, retired, graduate student, independent scholar, and lifetime membership will be determined by the Executive Board for approval by the general membership at the business meeting of the annual conference.

Section 2. Members of the Association who have paid dues for the current membership year will be considered as members in good standing and have voting privileges.

Section 3. All elected officers and appointed Executive Board members must be members in good standing of the organization.

## Article II Duties of the Officers

Section 1. The President shall:

Be the chief executive officer of the WAWH.

Call at least one meeting of the Executive Board annually, one business meeting for the general membership, and additional meetings and consultations when necessary.

Set the agenda for and preside at the meeting of the Executive Board, the business meeting at the annual conference, and any other necessary meetings.

Formulate policies and projects for presentation to the Executive Board to fulfill the obligations and purposes of the Association.

Nominate (or appoint a committee to nominate) candidates for election as officers of the Association.

Appoint the chair and members of the award committees, *Networker* Editor, Graduate Student Representatives, and other standing and ad hoc committees for approval by the Executive Board.

Oversee selection of the time and place of the annual conference, local arrangements, and the conference program.

Be responsible for securing the keynote speaker.

Shall have the option to arrange at least one conference session at the annual conference.

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## PROPOSED WAWH BYLAWS, CONTINUED

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- Represent WAWH in its dealings with other organizations, institutions and groups.
- Arrange for the representation of the WAWH on panels and luncheons during other professional conferences.
- Perform other tasks as authorized by the Executive Board.
- Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 2. The President-Elect shall:

- Assist the President and prepare to assume the presidency at the end of their respective terms.
- Become President at the end of their term. If the office of President shall, through any cause, become vacant, the President-Elect shall thereupon become President.
- Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 3. The Executive Director shall:

- Be the chief operational officer of the WAWH.
- Be elected to a four-year term.
- Under the direction of the President, oversee the affairs of the Association including responsibility for the continuing operations of the Association, correspondence of the organization, assisting in the formulation of policies and projects for submission to the Executive Board, and performance of other duties as directed by the Executive Board.
- Be responsible for the management of the membership database and membership records.
- Be responsible for financial reporting and fiduciary oversight including filing with the authorities the reports required by federal and state law.
- Be responsible for selecting, in cooperation with the president, and securing conference sites, drafting and circulating the call for papers, coordinating with the local arrangements chair, and the program chair.
- Supervise the printing and mailing of program material.
- Be responsible for overseeing conference registration.
- Oversee the design, maintenance, and updates of the organizational web page.
- Be responsible for collecting and archiving reports presented by the Executive Board members and maintaining internal information and records essential for the management of the organization.
- Receive an annual fellowship that will be determined by the Executive Board and awarded each year at the annual conference for the previous year.
- Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 4. The Secretary shall:

- Take minutes and notes of Executive Board meetings and business meetings. If the Secretary is unable to attend an Executive Board meeting and/or a business meeting, the Secretary shall designate an appropriate substitute to take minutes. If the Secretary is unable to act, the President shall appoint an appropriate substitute to take minutes.
- Submit the Executive Board meeting minutes within thirty days of an Executive Board meeting for approval by the Executive Board.
- Submit a draft of the minutes of the business meeting to the membership for review *in the edition of the newsletter that follows the conference*. Present the minutes of the business meeting of the previous conference for approval at the next business meeting.
- Handle the correspondence of the WAWH as directed by the Executive Director.
- Be responsible for membership recruitment and follow-up.
- Assist in publicity for the organization as directed by the Executive Director.
- Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall:

- Maintain the financial records.
- Deposit all receipts in appropriate accounts; pay all expenses with funds drawn on the proper accounts.
- Provide the Executive Director with financial data necessary to complete reports required by federal and state law.
- Present a financial report to the Executive Board meeting and the business meeting at the annual conference.
- Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

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# PROPOSED WAWH BYLAWS, CONTINUED

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Section 6. The *Networker* Editor of the newsletter shall:

Be responsible for publishing, printing and distributing a minimum of three issues a year, with input from other members of the Executive Board and from the membership.

Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 7. The Graduate Student Representative(s) shall:

Be responsible for representing the particular interests of the graduate students in the organization.

Maintain a liaison with other graduate student groups.

Be prepared to assist with tasks related to the annual conference as directed by the Executive Director.

Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 8. Award Committee Members shall:

Be appointed by the President for a three-year term.

Have terms that are staggered in a three-year cycle. Each year a new committee member will be appointed. In case of an incomplete term of service, an appointment will be made to complete the term of service.

Section 9. Award Committee Chair shall:

Ideally will have at least one year experience on the particular committee prior to taking over the position of Chair.

Be responsible in overseeing the work of the committee, including receipt and distribution of applications to committee members, timely determination of award recipient(s), and notification of the decision to those applicants selected and not selected as well as the Executive Director.

Present, or appoint someone to present, the award to the winner at the annual conference

Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 10. The Program Chair shall:

Approve the draft of the call for papers for the annual conference.

Form a committee to assist in the creation of the program of the annual meeting.

Arrange the program content in cooperation with other Executive Board members.

Oversee program committee's review of proposals and the selection of papers, panels, and other submissions.

Create the final draft of the conference program.

Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 11. The Local Arrangements Chair shall:

Supervise the physical arrangements for the annual conference.

Be responsible for managing the registration desk at the annual conference under the supervision of the Executive Director.

Make summary report of income and expenditures for each annual conference to the Executive Board.

Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.

Section 12. The Past-President shall:

Be a resource of organizational knowledge and procedure for the Executive Board.

Advise the President (or the appointed nominating committee) about promising candidates for office.

## Article III Amendments

The Executive Board is authorized and directed to initiate amendments to the Bylaws as may be desirable to regularize the administrative practices of the Western Association of Women Historians. An up-to-date copy of these Bylaws shall be made available upon request. Any part of the Bylaws shall be subject to review and amendment at the annual meeting by a majority vote of those members in good standing in attendance.

# PROPOSED SIERRA BOOK PRIZE BYLAWS

## Bylaws for WAWH Sierra Book Prize

1. The purpose of the WAWH Sierra Book Prize shall be to recognize the best monograph in the field of history published by a WAWH member.
2. All recipients shall be current members of the WAWH for one year prior to submission. Eligibility is limited to two groups: those residing in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, 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).
3. The book must be a monograph based on original research (not an anthology or edited work). It must be published in the year prior to the award. Books cannot be submitted more than once. The Prize is open to all fields of history.
4. Applicants for a WAWH Sierra Award must submit the following to the selection committee:
  - a. Award application form.
  - b. One copy of the entry for each committee member.
  - c. Statement that the applicant is a member of the WAWH.
5. The Award Committee Members shall:
  - a. Be appointed by the President for a three-year term.
  - b. Have terms that are staggered in a three-year cycle. Each year a new committee member will be appointed. In case of an incomplete term of service, an appointment will be made to complete the term of service
6. The Award Committee Chair shall:
  - a. Ideally have at least one year experience on the particular committee prior to taking over the position of Chair.
  - b. Be responsible in overseeing the work of the committee, including receipt and distribution of applications to committee members, timely determination of award recipient(s), and notification of the decision to those applicants selected and not selected as well as the Executive Director.
  - c. Present, or appoint someone to present, the award to the winner at the annual conference  
Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.
7. Each award committee member shall review and rate each application for the Sierra Book Prize. From their individual ratings, Committee members shall reach a consensus on the recipient(s) of the Sierra Book Prize.
8. The Committee shall use the following criteria in selecting recipients:
  - a. Originality of conception and analysis.
  - b. Wide research and careful documentation.
  - c. Clarity of expression.
9. The award will be determined by the Sierra Book Prize Committee subject to funding availability and the applicant pool.
10. The Sierra Book Prize recipients(s) shall be announced at the annual conference.

# PROPOSED KANNER AWARD BYLAWS

## Bylaws for WAWH Barbara Penny Kanner Award

1. The Barbara Penny Kanner Award has been established by the WAWH to honor the distinguished achievement in two areas: 1) scholarly bibliographical and historiographic guides to research focused on women or gender history or 2) annotation or critical editions of autobiography(ies) of women. 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.
2. All recipients shall be current members of the WAWH for at least one year prior to submission.
3. The Kanner Award is intended to promote the practice of bibliomethodology or critical editions of autobiography (ies). 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 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.
4. Applicants for the WAWH Barbara Penny Kanner Award must submit the following to the selection committee:
  - a. An award application form.
  - b. One copy of the entry for each committee member.
  - c. Statement that the applicant is a member of the WAWH.
5. The Award Committee Members shall:
  - a. Be appointed by the President for a three-year term.
  - b. Have terms that are staggered in a three-year cycle. Each year a new committee member will be appointed. In case of an incomplete term of service, an appointment will be made to complete the term of service.
6. The Award Committee Chair shall:
  - a. Ideally have at least one year experience on the particular committee prior to taking over the position of Chair.
  - b. Be responsible in overseeing the work of the committee, including receipt and distribution of applications to committee members, timely determination of award recipient(s), and notification of the decision to those applicants selected and not selected as well as the Executive Director.
  - c. Present, or appoint someone to present, the award to the winner at the annual conference
  - d. Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.
7. The Selecting Committee shall use the following criteria in selecting recipients:
  - a. Appropriateness and clarity of bibliographical/textual apparatus.
  - b. Significance of the topic.
  - c. Comprehensiveness and accuracy of research.
8. The award will be determined by the Barbara Penny Kanner Award Committee subject to funding availability and the applicant pool.
9. Each member of the Committee shall review and rate each application for the Barbara Penny Kanner Award. From their individual ratings, Committee members shall reach a consensus on the recipient(s) of the Barbara Penny Kanner Awards.
10. Barbara Penny Kanner Award recipient(s) shall be announced at the annual conference.

# PROPOSED RIDGE PRIZE BYLAWS

## Bylaws for WAWH Judith Lee Ridge Prize

1. The purpose of the WAWH Judith Lee Ridge Prize is to recognize the best article in the field of history published by a WAWH member.
2. All recipients shall be current members of the WAWH for at least one year prior to submission.
3. The article must have been published in one of the two years preceding the award year. All fields of history will be considered, and articles must be submitted with full scholarly apparatus.
4. Applicants for a WAWH Judith Lee Ridge Prize must submit the following to the selection committee:
  - a. An award application form.
  - b. One copy of the entry for each committee member.
  - c. Statement that the applicant is a member of the WAWH.
5. The Award Committee Members shall:
  - a. Be appointed by the President for a three-year term.
  - b. Have terms that are staggered in a three-year cycle. Each year a new committee member will be appointed.
  - c. In case of an incomplete term of service, an appointment will be made to complete the term of service.
6. The Award Committee Chair shall:
  - a. Ideally have at least one year experience on the particular committee prior to taking over the position of Chair.
  - b. Be responsible in overseeing the work of the committee, including receipt and distribution of applications to committee members, timely determination of award recipient(s), and notification of the decision to those applicants selected and not selected as well as the Executive Director.
  - c. Present, or appoint someone to present, the award to the winner at the annual conference.
  - d. Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.
7. Each member of the Committee shall review and rate each application for the Judith Lee Ridge Prize. From their individual ratings, Committee members shall reach a consensus on the recipient(s) of the Judith Lee Ridge Prize.
8. The Committee shall use the following criteria in selecting recipients:
  - a. Clarity of the article.
  - b. Originality and cogency of the argument presented.
  - c. Originality and appropriateness of the research.
  - d. Significance of the article as a contribution to historical knowledge and interpretation.
9. The award will be determined by the Judith Lee Ridge Prize Committee subject to funding availability and the applicant pool.
10. The Judith Lee Ridge Prize recipient(s) shall be announced at the annual conference.

# PROPOSED FOUNDERS' DISSERTATION FELLOWSHIP BYLAWS

## Bylaws for WAWH Founders' Dissertation Fellowship

1. The purpose of the WAWH Founders' Dissertation Fellowship is to encourage graduate students who show promise of significant contributions to historical scholarship. Funds from these Awards may be used for purposes directly or indirectly related to the dissertation, such as research expenses, scholarly conferences, preparation, or dissertation.
2. All recipients shall be current members of the WAWH.
3. All recipients shall be graduate students in history who have been advanced to candidacy and are writing the dissertation at the time of application. They should expect the Ph.D. no earlier than December of the calendar year in which the award is made.
4. 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.
5. The Award Committee Members shall:
  - a. Be appointed by the President for a three-year term.
  - b. Have terms that are staggered in a three-year cycle. Each year a new committee member will be appointed. In case of an incomplete term of service, an appointment will be made to complete the term of service.
6. The Award Committee Chair shall:
  - a. Ideally, have at least one year experience on the particular committee prior to taking over the position of Chair.
  - b. Be responsible in overseeing the work of the committee, including receipt and distribution of applications to committee members, timely determination of award recipient(s), and notification of the decision to those applicants selected and not selected as well as the Executive Director.
  - c. Present, or appoint someone to present, the award to the winner at the annual conference.
  - d. Make a summary report to the Executive Board at the annual meeting.
7. Each member of the Committee shall review and rate each application for the Founders' Dissertation Fellowship. From their individual ratings, Committee members shall reach a consensus on the recipient(s) of the Founders' Dissertation Fellowship.
8. The Committee shall use the following criteria in selecting recipients:
  - a. Scholarly potential of the graduate student;
  - b. Significance of the dissertation project for historical research;
  - c. Originality and clarity of argument;
  - d. Progress already made toward completing research on the dissertation.
9. The award will be determined by the Founders' Dissertation Fellowship Committee subject to funding availability and the applicant pool.
10. Founders' Dissertation Fellowship recipient(s) shall be announced at the annual conference.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

WAWH 2006 Conference, May 5—7, 2006  
Asilomar Conference Center, Pacific Grove, CA

\*\*2006 will be the first of a two year trial of a Friday noon to Saturday banquet schedule. Plan to arrive for lunch on Friday and return home on Sunday.\*\*

### WAWH 2007 Conference

May 4-5, 2007

Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice  
University of San Diego  
San Diego, California

Come to sunny San Diego as we expand our southern California meeting location south of Los Angeles. We will have beautiful views and good San Diego weather for our yearly conference.

Asunción Lavrin will be the keynote speaker.

### WAWH 2008 Conference

May 16-17, 2008

University of British Columbia  
Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada  
Bring your passports! Join us for our first venture outside of the United States.

### WAWH 2009 Conference

Northern California  
TBA

#### ERRATUM:

The Fall *Networker* featured a draft of Eileen Boris's comments to the WAWH luncheon at the 2005 PCB-AHA conference. Boris discussed the New Deal at the WAWH Luncheon. The edited version suggested that she had also discussed it when she spoke to the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors in June of 2001. Rather, at that earlier meeting she addressed the value of carework, and an outcome of that meeting was a board decision to become the collective bargaining agent for home care workers. From her experience with the contemporary politics of homecare, Boris decided to give homecare a history and explore its theoretical implications for work and care. The editor regrets any misunderstanding.

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WAWH Membership Renewal Form

The date on the mailing label of your Networker is the year your membership expires. Membership runs conference to conference. A printable form is also available online at www.wawh.org. Thank you for keeping your membership current.

Become a Member of WAWH Today or Renew Your Membership

This is a 1) \_\_\_\_\_ new 2) \_\_\_\_\_ renewal 3) \_\_\_\_\_ gift membership.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (include city, state, zip) \_\_\_\_\_

This is a HOME or WORK address (Circle one) For renewals: this is an updated address YES or NO

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Current Department and /or Position \_\_\_\_\_

Research and/or Teaching Fields (up to 3) \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Circle YES or NO)

Publish my info in the directory YES or NO

Publish my home info in the directory YES or NO

Send me an email Networker YES or NO

Include me on the organizational email list (only info and reminders sent ) YES or NO

Include me on the organizational graduate student email list (graduate students only ) YES or NO

Membership Level	Fees
Full Time Employed	\$25
Part-Time/Retired	\$20
Graduate Student/Independent Scholar	\$10
Lifetime Membership	\$500

My membership level is \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to donate \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to order a 2005 Membership Directory (\$8) \_\_\_\_\_

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