PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: GREETINGS FROM PENNY

This year's Call to Conference invites our membership and friends to one of the most beautiful areas of California. Situated at the tip of the Monterey Peninsula overlooking the Pacific Ocean, Asilomar provides more than a hundred acres of forest and dune, cypress, surf and sand. Our program committee, under the superb leadership and coordination of Linda Popofsky, offers a stimulating program (see following pages). Our arrangements committee, headed by Mollie Rosenhan with Katherine Ioss as first lieutenant, has provided for comfortable lodging and refreshments along with a smooth organization for reception, meetings and activities. In charge of pre-registration and pre-conference information, Betsy Perry, 926 Redwood Drive, Pasadena, CA 91108, our secretary-treasurer, awaits receipt of your registration form, check and any questions. If you do have questions, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Our thanks to MK Veloz for her fine publicity work.

I must urge everyone to pre-register immediately. Asilomar is a most desired site for conferencing, and we were able to reserve a limited number of rooms. Just after our pre-registration deadline of April 15, I must contract for the number of people who have paid reservations, and relinquish claim to any above that number. After that date, conference attendees will have to make other arrangements for lodging (though meals can be obtained). Actually, I can make the best estimate and contract if we receive 50 pre-registrations by March 20. Please send the registration form in this newsletter and send it to Betsy as soon as possible. (Page 5.)

WAHW members have a unique opportunity to subscribe to membership and publications of the Coordinating Committee on Women in the Historical Profession (CCWH), a national organization which represents our interests to AHA and WAWH as well as to government agencies and to the public. CCWH's frequently published newsletters are not only a vital source of information about issues and events, but also about colleagues and associations similar to our own. News of the research and publications of women historians is also featured. This year CCWH will accept new members from among WAWH members (made up to 1981) for only $3.50 instead of the usual fee of $9.00. To take advantage of this special introductory offer, check the appropriate line in the WAWH Membership application form in this newsletter. (See back page.)

WAHW participation at Pacific Coast Branch-American Historical Convention next August in Eugene, Oregon will include a sponsored panel on Brazil and a luncheon featuring guest speaker Mary Jane Hamilton, associate dean of the Law School at UC Davis. Mary Jane has been a member of WAWH since the early '70s. Our vice-president, Frances Keller, will also give a talk, entitled "Men and Women and the Historical Arts: Directions for Dividends".

I have enjoyed my long tenure of service to WAWH in a number of offices, especially this year in the presidency. I will step down as of May 24, leaving warm feelings of friendship and admiration for WAWH members and officers. I wish the new president, Frances Keller, and her board all the best.
Western Association of Women Historians Annual Meeting
Asilomar, California; May 22-24, 1981

Friday, May 22
3-5 p.m. Registration: walk on the beach

5-6 p.m. HISTORIANS’ PERSPECTIVES ON CONTEMPORARY POLITICS: POLAND AND THE U.S.
Frances Richardson Keller, San Francisco State University.
Chair: Commentator
"Turmoil in Poland: the Historical Roots", Bogna Lorencz-Kot, San Francisco State University
"Political Money and the Candidacy of Women: A Preliminary Report", Shirley Kennedy, Claremont Graduate School

6 p.m. Dinner
Welcome: Barbara (Penny) Kanner, President, WAWH, Program for the Study of Woman and Man In Society, University of Southern California
Business Meeting: Reports and Elections

8:15 p.m. THE POLITICS OF WOMEN'S WORK IN AMERICA, 1900-1975, a multi-media presentation
M. Joyce Baker, ABC-CLIO Press, and Rolfe Buzzell

Saturday, May 23
8-9 a.m. Breakfast

9-10 a.m. Plenary Session: Panel: THE FUNDING CRISIS AND THE FUTURE OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN CALIFORNIA.
Jess Flemons, San Diego State University; Virginia Bulmer, APT College Guild; Gloria Rumberger, University of California ART

10:15-12 p.m. Morning Session
1. WOMEN IN THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION: Barbara Gelb, Stanford University, Chair-Commentator
"Recovering Women's History: Coping and Surviving in Early Christian Society", Rosemary Radford, Stanford University
"The Methodist Deaconess: A Case in Religious Feminism", Mary Ames Dougherty, UC Davis
"Feminism and Religion: The Case of Italian Feminists and Catholicism", Lucia Chinova Birnbaum, Berkeley, California

2. SEX AND SOCIALIZATION: EDUCATION IN AMERICA: Margaret Goodart, CSU Sacramento, Chair-Commentator
"Southern Seminaries and the Diffusion of Feminist Values, 1820-60", Christie Fose, University of Oregon
"Education in Los Angeles, 1880-1910", Victoria Brown, UC San Diego

3. BRAZIL: HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES ON POLICY FORMATION: Mary Lombardi, Institute for Historical Study, Chair
"Strategies of Autonomy in Foreign Relations, 1808-1840", Francesca Miller, UC Davis
"Epidemics and Public Health Policy, 1820-1930", Robin Anderson, Arkansas State University
Ann Hagerman Johnson, Theodorus Cultural Research, Commentator

12-1 p.m. Lunch

1:15-3 p.m. Afternoon Session
1. WOMEN HISTORIANS IN PUBLISHING: A WORKSHOP: Carolyn Baylor, University of Santa Clara, Facilitator
Joy Dickinson, Stanford University Press
Clare Novak, Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society
Margaret Weink, Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society
2. **MINISM AND ANTI-FEMINISM IN THE 18TH CENTURY**: Susan Croag Bell, Center for Research on Women, Stanford University, Chair-Commentator
   "Defoe's Womanish Man: A Godly Helpmate for Robinson Crusoe", Gail David, UC Davis
   "Denis Diderot: A Study in Enlightened Anti-Feminism", René Felgenbaum, Calgary
   "A Peculiar Protection": Hannah More and the Cultural illusion of Fladgon", Mitzi Myers, UCLA

3. **CHICANA LABOR HISTORY**: Antonia Castañeda, Stanford University, Chair-Commentator
   "Chicana Labor History and UCRPAWA: The California Sanitary Canning Company as a Case Study", Vicki Ruiz, Stanford University
   "Mexican Women and Labor Conflict in Los Angeles: The ILGWU Dressmakers' Strike of 1933", Clementina Durán
   "Chicanas in the California Labor Force: A Slide Presentation". Denise Segura, UC Berkeley; Clementina Durán
   Lupe Frias, UC Berkeley

3:15-5 p.m. **Panel and Audience Participation: MAINSTREAMING INTEGRATING MATERIAL ON WOMEN INTO HISTORY SURVEY COURSES**
   Catherine Frelinguer, Panama of Benjamin Franklin, Yale University, President CWHP, Chair-Commentator
   D'Ann Campbell, Indiana University
   Carolyn Loucks, Stanford University
   Elizabeth Fox-Genovese, SUNY - Binghamton
   Jane Downs, McNulty College

5-6 p.m. **Walks about Asilomar. Committee meetings.**

6 p.m. **Dinner - Special Barbecue**

6:45 p.m. **Evening Program**: WOMEN HISTORIANS IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL POLITICS; Janny E. Roper, President
   Special Guest Speaker: Catherine Frelinguer, President, CWHP; Panama of Benjamin Franklin, Yale University.
   "The Future: NAHU and CWHP"
   **Evening Address**: Cecilia Muehlman, Assistant Provost, Stanford University. "The Feminist Partnership in Academe: Women Administrators and Women Faculty"

**Sunday, May 24**

7-9 a.m. **Breakfast**

9:30-11:30 a.m. **Morning Session**

1. **INTELLECTUAL LIFE ON THE WESTERN FRONTIER: THE CASE OF THE MORMON WOMEN**; Carol A. O'Connor, Utah State University, Chair-Commentator
   "The Woman's Exponent: Cause and Effect", Sherilyn Cox
   "Emmeline Wells and the Life of the Mind", Carol Carnwell Madsen, Joseph Fielding Smith Institute for Church History, Brigham Young University
   "The Inner Life and the Outward Reality: The Autobiographies of Mormon Women", Maureen Ursenbach Beecher, Brigham Young University

2. **WOMEN FOR ALL SEASONS**: Helene Moglen, UC Santa Cruz, Chair-Commentator
   "His Majesty's Women Comedians", Joanne LaFleur, Institute for Historical Study
   "Elisabeth Haldemann: A 17th Century Publisher and Dissenter", Dorothy Ludlow, University of Santa Clara
   "Mary Cassatt: Radical Artist in a Conventional Context", Barbara Day, UC Irvine
Mollie Rosenhan, Conference Coordinator, offers further information: Our annual conference will find our members in Asilomar in Pacific Grove. For those staying the entire weekend, the fee covers lodging and three meals a day. For those electing to stay elsewhere or coming only for a day, meals may be had with the group and paid for at the time of the conference; if you think you will join us for any meals, it would be useful to know in advance so that we can arrange an appropriate dining room. (See coupon to be returned to Mollie Rosenhan.) A wine party, coffee and doughnuts, and park services (including a ranger talk) are all included in the registration fee.

Since Asilomar is part of the state park system, no alcoholic beverages may be sold on the grounds. Individuals are welcome, however, to bring their own wine, beer, and booze, or tectotal.

For those wishing to travel by air, Monterey Airport is served by Air California as well as Apollo, United, and Yosemite Airlines. An airport limousine meets each flight and charges $5.30 to Asilomar (at the time of this writing). Taxis, of course, are also available.

For those wishing to drive, take the Pacific Grove exit off US 1; it is marked Asilomar—and follow the signs.

Those wishing a place for themselves and their sleeping bags should contact Katherine Foss at the School of Education, Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94305. You may arrive anytime after 3 p.m. on Friday. Go to the Administration Building where registration will take place. For those wishing to wander around Carmel and Monterey after checkout on Sunday, baggage can be left at Asilomar, but rooms must be vacated by lunchtime.

For further information about registration, contact Mollie Rosenhan (see coupon); for local arrangements, contact Katherine Foss (see above) for general information, contact Mollie Rosenhan, 630 Gerona Road, Stanford CA 94305. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request.
DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 1981
Pre-registration Form
Annual Conference 1981

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Send your check for registration and full room and board now. Return this form to Betsy Perry, 396 Redwood Drive, Passaden, CA 92205, with your check. After April 15, 1981, room and board at Asilomar cannot be guaranteed. DO NOT SEND MONEY FOR SEPARATE MEALS AT THIS TIME, BUT INDICATE YOUR INTEREST. Return by April 15, 1981.

REGISTRATION FEES AFTER APRIL 15 WILL BE: $15.00 for employed participants and $9.00 for students/unemployed attending the whole conference. Saturday only reg fee will remain the same as above.

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NOTE: IF A RECEIPT OR REPLY IS REQUESTED, PLEASE SEND A SELF- Addressed, STAMPED ENVELOPE! REGISTRATION PACKETS WILL BE AT OUR RECEPTION DESK AT ASILOMAR.

Volunteers are needed to help with registration, troubleshooting, and hospitality. Graduate students who help will have their registration fee waived. Please call Katherine Fons, (415) 824-3308, or Rollie Rosenhan, (415) 326-1313.
Grace Larsen, Past President Liason and Advisor, sent along the following remarks: The 1981 meeting of the Western Association of Women Historians will be held at Asilomar where our extraordinary organization was formed by a small group in 1964. The Program Committee, chaired by Linda Popofsky, has worked conscientiously, and I believe you will agree, effectively, to prepare a significant and varied series of sessions. With a particularly good program the present officers hope to attract to the meeting as many women historians as possible. My personal plea is to all past presidents, as well as other officers, and to the founding members—Founding Mothers—to attend for a grand reunion. Please do try to get to Asilomar May 22-24.

The unfortunate accident which led to the death of Catherine Scholten on January 21st has shocked all who knew her. While she was finishing her doctoral dissertation at UC Berkeley, Catherine had been teaching classes in American social history and working in the Regional Oral History Office. We regret the loss of a promising young historian.

The California Women in Higher Education will hold its annual conference March 27-29 at the University of Santa Clara. Please direct inquiries to the Office of Grants and Fellowships, University of Santa Clara, Santa Clara, CA 95053.

FOR ANNOUNCEMENT: U.S. Women's History and U.S. Survey, with ability to teach in one or more of following: Family, Social/intellectual, Urban. Tenure-track. Prefer published scholars with teaching experience, but will consider all applicants with Ph.D. Deadline: April 1, 1981. Send resume to: Prof Martha Swan, Dept of History and Government, Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX 76201. EOE/AA

The Organization of American Historians will hold its 74th annual meeting in Detroit, Michigan, April 1-4. The Convention is being held at the Detroit Plaza Hotel. Pre-registration accepted until March 29th. OH, 115 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, NC 28202. A breakfast for women historians is scheduled for 8 a.m. April 3 in the Grand Ballroom. Tickets should be bought in advance from OH.

Jeanne E. Jensen of New Mexico State University was awarded the Western Historical Association's Raymond A. Billington prize for the best article in Western History published last year for "The Gentle Tamer Revisited: New Approaches to the History of Women in the American West" which appeared in the Pacific Historical Review in May 1980. She has also published articles in Review of Political Economy 12 (Summer 1980), and in the Spring issue of New Mexico Historical Review.

Melinda Young Frye offered a course this spring at UC Davis titled "Material Aspects of American Culture." The course offered insights into reading the essential elements of cultural artifacts.

A conference on the experience of immigrant women will be held at the University of the Pacific, Stockton, California, on April 24-25. The conference will bring together scholars and community people, including 50 first generation local women who have been interviewed and whose life experiences form the raw material for the conference. Anyone interested in attending or participating, please contact Sally Miller, Department of History, University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA 95211.

FOR ANNOUNCEMENT: Teaching position in Women's Studies Program, San Jose State University, for one year full-time leave replacement, Aug 28, 1981, to June 1, 1982. Ph.D. or ABD; teaching and research experience in women's studies required. Send resume and references to Dr. Je Sprague, Coordinator, Women's Studies Program, DMH 237, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA 95192.
If you have not sent in information about yourself for our Directory, please fill out the form below and send it to Jackie Farnhart. The Directory will make available a list of our members for organizations who request names of speakers, reviewers, experts in various areas. Jackie will accept a recent vita, if that is more convenient to send instead of the form below, and she will then extract the necessary information. Please make sure you are included in the Directory.

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Please include a concise summary of information not covered above you would like included in the Directory. Attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

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California State University, Chico

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