

LECTURE & MEETING

April 12, 2015

The MCHS April Quarterly Meeting will feature “Mothers of Martyrs: Women and Civil War Commemoration” by guest speaker Professor Katharine Antolini, Sunday, April, 12 in Ames Claire Hall. West Virginia Wesleyan College history professor Antolini will remind us that the story of the Civil War is more than the tales of men made heroes or martyrs on the battlefield. It is also the story of women left behind to honor, mourn, and persevere. “Mothers of Martyrs” explores the role that women played in healing the physical and psychological wounds of the war through their symbolic acts of commemoration. The talk highlights the origins of Mother’s Day and Memorial Day through the work of southern women.

Dr. Antolini holds a Ph.D. and M.A. in History from WVU, an M.A. from Rutgers University, and a B.A. from W.V Wesleyan College. Her new book “Memorializing Motherhood: Anna Jarvis and the Struggle for Control of Mother’s Day” was published last fall. Professor Antolini also serves as historian and a trustee for the International Mother’s Day Shrine in Grafton.

Please join us at 2pm on Sunday, April 12 for “Mothers of Martyrs”.

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You must swipe your card or use your phone number when shopping for each purchase to count.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE MUSEUM THIS SUMMER!

Another summer season at the MCHS museum is fast approaching. Please consider volunteering this summer! We will be open from Farmer’s Day through the month of October from 10am -4pm, Tuesday through Saturday. You do not need to know all about Monroe County history to be a volunteer. Our volunteers are friendly faces welcoming our many summer visitors to the museum. It’s a fulfilling and enjoyable way to spend a few hours each week. Just ask any of our long time volunteers! Please contact Judy Wagner at 304-772-4468.

AMES CLAIR HALL

Ames Clair Hall in Union is getting a make-over this spring. By summer, Ames Clair will have new pew cushions, new window treatments, an expanded stage, and air conditioning. A more beautiful and comfortable Ames Clair will be the venue this summer for a number of exciting lectures and productions. More information on these programs will be forthcoming in the Watchman and the MCHS Newsletter.