The American Civil War Society (ACWS) is dedicated to the historical period known as "The War Between the States". This war has remained the bloodiest conflict in American's history pitting brethren against brethren. The war is probably the most complex and socially controversial ever in our country's history. The very issue of the meaning of the Declaration of Independence was clear and precise in 1776, but when the Southern states exercised their rights as described in that declaration, the United States government said, "The Union must and shall be preserved!" Each person had to declare for themselves what best fit their ideology. There was no foreign powers attacking our country, thus causing a single united front of concern. The issue was clearly State Rights and what was the meaning of our forefathers' Declaration of Independence to hold for future generations if secession was not allowed.

ACWS is re-enactors portraying these vulnerable pages in our country's history. We continue to educate the public through as many diversified perspectives as were the issues back in 1861 - 1865. We the re-enactors have researched and developed period correct uniforms, weapons, civilian attire, and living history encampments to portray some of the conditions back in that period of our countries archives.

The ACWS is active throughout San Bernardino, Orange, Los Angeles, and San Diego Counties. Our historical presentations are recognized by several County Regional Park Departments and our Living History Insurance liability exceeds the Counties requirements. In addition to the re-enactments that are done on specified weekends, the Society has provided programs for private organizations, schools, parades, ceremonial presentations, and commemorative celebrations as an educational tool to better share living history with the general public.

The ACWS is a Non-Profit 501 (c) (3) Educational Corporation.

**Saturday Night Dinner Menu** - $15.95 per person

- Barbequed Spare Ribs
- Baked beans
- Coleslaw
- Corn on the cob
- Dessert
- Beverage

### All weekend activities:

- Face painting - Calico House Restaurant
- Blacksmith demonstrations – The Smelter Building
- Rope making—Next to The Smelter Building
- **Free craft activity for kids**—Calico Craft Corner

### 2018 EVENTS AT CALICO

- Easter Celebration: April 1st
- Bluegrass in the Spring: May 12th & 13th
- Calico Days: Sept. 29th & 30th
- Ghost Haunt I : Oct. 19th—21st
- Ghost Haunt II : Oct. 26th–28th
- Holiday Fest: - Nov. 24th

**ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**
Saturday February 17, 2018
9 a.m. Calico Ghost Town opens to visitors
Posting of Colors by Color Guard and Camp Carlton Band – Central Calico

9:30 a.m. Camp Carlton Band, drill—Main Street

10 a.m. Civil War music with Occasional Strings – Main Street

10:30 a.m. Combined military parade – Main Street

11 a.m. Inspection of U.S. Troops by President Lincoln – North Calico
Inspection of C.S. Troops – South Calico

Dramatic performance by living history troupe, Victorian Muse Theatre– building behind Lane House Museum

Trails and Rails perform live music on the patio of Lil’s Saloon

11:45 a.m. CIVIL WAR BATTLE – The Silver Bowl

12:30 p.m. Stories told by Abraham Lincoln – across from Mystery Shack

1 p.m. Civil War dancing in the street with Occasional Strings (everyone welcome) – South Calico

Ladies Tea (Open to the Public, must make reservations at Town Hall prior to start time, no kids under the age of 12; space limited) – Town Hall

2 p.m. Inspection of U.S. Troops by President Lincoln – North Calico with brass band participation

Inspection of C.S. Troops– South Calico

Trails and Rails perform live music on the patio of Lil’s Saloon

2:30 p.m. CIVIL WAR BATTLE – Artillery Point near School House -North Calico

3 p.m. Ladies Tea (Reenactors only, must make reservations at Town Hall prior to start time, no kids under the age of 12) – Town Hall

Trails and Rails performs live music on the patio of Lil’s Saloon

3:30 p.m. Cannon demonstration at Artillery Point near School House – North Calico

Dramatic performance by living history troupe, Victorian Muse Theatre– behind Lane House Museum

4 p.m. The GETTYSBURG ADDRESS by President Abraham Lincoln – Main Street Stage

5 p.m. Calico Ghost Town shops close for the evening

5:30 p.m. Retire the Colors– Camp Carlton Band

Visitors are invited to dine with the troops at the Saturday evening dinner- (additional fee) Calico House Restaurant

7:15 p.m. Blue & Gray Cotillion: music by Occasional Strings– The Calico House Restaurant

Sunday February 18, 2018

9 a.m. Calico Ghost Town opens to visitors
Posting of Colors by Color Guard and Camp Carlton Band – Central Calico

9:15 a.m. Church call, Central Calico– near flag poles (concludes at 10 a.m.)

10 a.m. Civil War music with Occasional Strings – Main Street

10:30 a.m. Combined military parade- along Main Street

11 a.m. Dramatic performance by living history troupe, Victorian Muse Theatre– building behind Lane House Museum

Trails and Rails perform live music on the patio of Lil’s Saloon

11:45 a.m. CIVIL WAR BATTLE – The Silver Bowl

12:30 p.m. Stories told by Abraham Lincoln – across from Mystery Shack

1 p.m. Civil War dancing in the street with Occasional Strings (everyone welcome) - South Calico

1 p.m. Ladies Tea (Open to the Public, must make reservations at Town Hall prior to start time, no kids under the age of 12; space limited) - Town Hall

1:30 p.m. Dramatic performance by living history troupe, Victorian Muse Theatre– building behind Lane House Museum

2:00 p.m. Inspection of U.S. Troops by President Lincoln – North Calico

Inspection of C.S. Troops– South Calico

Trails and Rails perform live music on the patio of Lil’s Saloon

2:30 p.m. CIVIL WAR BATTLE – Artillery Point near School House -North Calico

3:30 p.m. Dramatic performance by living history troupe, Victorian Muse Theatre– building behind Lane House Museum

Cannon demonstration at Artillery Point by School House – North Calico

Trails and Rails perform live music on the patio of Lil’s Saloon

4 p.m. The GETTYSBURG ADDRESS by President Abraham Lincoln – Main Street Stage

5 p.m. Calico Ghost Town shops close for the evening

5:30 p.m. Retire the Colors– Camp Carlton Band