



## SEWANEE MEDIEVAL COLLOQUIUM

The University of the South  
30-31 March 2012

### Theme:

**“After Constantine: Religion and Secular Power in Late Antiquity and the Middle Ages”**

### Lecturers:

Peter Brown, Princeton University  
Thomas Bisson, Harvard University

### FRIDAY, 30 MARCH

8:30 A.M. Registration begins, McGriff Alumni House  
(Light breakfast and printed program available.)

9:30 A.M.–  
11:30 A.M. **SESSIONS 1, 2 AND 3**

**1. *Crusade: Precedent, Context, Implications***

duPont Library, Torian Room

Chair: Christopher MacEvitt, Dartmouth College

Paper: “Irish Monastic Armies: A Reappraisal”  
Burnam Reynolds, Asbury University

Paper: “Ecclesiastical Reform, Lay Religiosity, and the First Crusade”  
James D. Ryan, CUNY

Paper: “Religious and Secular Authority in the New Kingdom of Jerusalem”  
Jay C. Rubenstein, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Comment: Christopher MacEvitt, Dartmouth College

2. *Literary Perspectives I*

Spencer Hall 271

Chair: Brian Gastle, Western Carolina University

Paper: "Church Power in the Lancastrian State: Gower's 'Epistle' to Archbishop Arundel"  
Robert F. Yeager, University of West Florida

Paper: "The Donation of Constantine in *Piers Plowman*"  
William E. Rogers, Furman University"

Paper: "Beyond Scripture: Pope and Prince in the Wycliffite Glossed Gospels"  
Mary Raschko, Mercer University

Comment: Karla Taylor, University of Michigan

3. *The Sixth and Seventh Centuries: Tensions in East and West*

McGriff Alumni House

Chair: Stefan Hodges-Kluck

Paper: "St Eligius of Noyon between Throne and Reliquary"  
Craig H. Caldwell, Samford University

Paper: "'It is not right to give to an earthly king what is offered to the heavenly king': John the Almsgiver and Changing Attitudes to the Wealth of the Church in the Seventh Century"  
Christopher J. Bonura, University of Florida

Paper: "Holy Entrepreneur: Agilbert, a Merovingian Bishop between Ireland, England, and France"  
Carl I. Hammer, University of Pittsburgh

Comment: Samuel Collins, George Mason University

11:30 A.M.–  
12:45 P.M.

**LUNCH, Convocation Hall**

12:45–  
3:00 P.M.

**SESSIONS 4, 5, AND 6**

Gailor Hall 110

4. *Sainthood and the Negotiation of Power*

Chair: David Dault, Christian Brothers University

Paper: "A Martyr for Milan: Ambrose and the Easter Crisis of 386"  
Collin Garbarino, Houston Baptist University

Paper: "Political Sainthood and the Boundaries of Empire: The Case of the *Opusculum de nobili Simone de Monteforti*"  
Jennifer Jahner, University of Pennsylvania

- Paper: “Comital Power and the Collective Memory of St Winnoc’s Shrine in Early Medieval Flanders”  
David Defries, Kansas State University
- Paper: “‘Glowing with apostolic faith’: Margaret of Scotland, Pilgrimage, and the Shrine of St Andrew in the Development of the Medieval Scottish Church”  
Lois L. Huneycutt, University of Missouri
- Comment: Thomas J. Heffernan, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

5. ***Inventing a Christian History*** Gailor Hall 132

- Chair: Paul A. Holloway, The University of the South, School of Theology
- Paper: “‘Engraved in indelible characters’: The Epigraphic Habits of Eusebius and Constantine”  
Sarah Bond, Washington and Lee University
- Paper: “‘That which is worthy of ecclesiastical history’: The Christian State in Christian Histories”  
Colin Whiting, University of California, Riverside
- Paper: “Eusebius of Emesa: A Bishop and Chronicler of the Post-Constantinian Church”  
Joseph J. Reidy, St Louis University
- Paper: “‘The Portentous Lives (and Deaths) of Emperors: Philostorgius’ Vision of Christian History”  
Anna Lankina, University of Florida
- Comment: The Rev. Dr Benjamin J. King, The University of the South, School of Theology

6. ***Secular Power in Christian Thought:  
From Augustine to Dante*** duPont Library, Torian Room

- Chair: Winston Black, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Paper: “Augustine on the Use of State Coercion in Religion”  
Edwin Curley, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- Paper: “A Tale of Two Courtrooms? Theories of Royal and Ecclesiastical Justice in Twelfth-Century England”  
Philippa Byrne, Wadham College, Oxford
- Paper: “Dante’s Faith in Politics: Demarcations of *fede* in the *Commedia*”  
Dennis O. Looney, University of Pittsburgh
- Comment: John V. Fleming, Princeton University

3:00 P.M.

**Tea, McGriff Alumni House**

3:30 P.M. **FIRST PLENARY SESSION, Gailor Auditorium**  
**The Brinley Rhys Lecture/School of Theology Lecture**  
“Constantine, Eusebius, and the Future of Christianity”  
Peter Brown, Princeton University

4:30–  
6:30 P.M. **SESSIONS 7 AND 8**

7. ***Christian Communities: Archaeological Perspectives*** Gailor Hall 110

Chair: TBA

Paper: “Christian Imperialism and the Colonization of A Jewish Village in Lower Galilee: The Archaeological Evidence from Khirbet Qana (Cana of Galilee)”  
C. Thomas McCollough, Centre College

Paper: “Hydatius, Archaeology, and the Legacy of Roman Spain”  
Rebecca A. Devlin, University of Florida

Paper: “After Clovis: What Can Archaeology tell us about the Impact of his Conversion in Sixth-Century Francia?”  
Bailey K. Young, Eastern Illinois University

Comment: Christine Delaplace, University of Toulouse

8. ***Later Anglo-Saxon England: Kingship, Church, and Reform Ideology*** Gailor Hall 132

Chair: Sara Miller Schulte, Western Michigan University

Paper: “Confrontations between Secular and Sacred ‘Masculinities’ in Early Latin Hagiography and in Aelfric’s *Lives of Saints*”  
Rhonda L. McDaniel, Middle Tennessee State University

Paper: “‘With these we must be brief’: Pastoral Care and Catechetical Teaching in Anglo-Saxon England”  
Mark A. Singer, University of Missouri

Paper: “Alfred’s Land Management and the Legitimation of his Claim on the Church’s *Bocland*”  
Chad Judkins, Purdue University

Paper: “Rebel Angels and the Benedictine Reform: Political and Ecclesiastical Authority in Tenth-Century Winchester”  
Jill Fitzgerald, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Comment: Mary Frances Giandrea, American University

6:30 P.M. **Cocktails and Dinner**

## SATURDAY, 31 MARCH

7:45 A.M. Registration continues, McGriff Alumni House  
(Light breakfast and printed program available.)

8:00–  
10:00 A.M. **SESSIONS 9, 10 AND 11**

**9. *Women, Religion, and Rulership***

Gailor Hall 110

Chair: Laurence Marvin, Berry College

Paper: “Religious Patronage and/as Female Secular Power: Judith of Flanders’ Books and Relics”  
Mary Dockray-Miller, Lesley University

Paper: “The Ideology of Queenship in the Earliest Coronation *Ordines* of the Queen”  
Grzegorz Pac, University of Notre Dame

Paper: “Salian Women Constructing Authority through the Crowned Virgin Mary”  
Nina Verbanaz, University of Missouri

Comment: Heather Tanner, Ohio State University

**10. *Religious Material Culture and Secular Power in Late Antiquity***

Gailor Hall 112

Chair: Aneilya Barnes, Coastal Carolina University

Paper: “Cultural and Material Prestige in Fourth-Century Cappadocia”  
Nathan Howard, University of Tennessee – Martin

Paper: “The Roman Catacombs: Material Evidence for a Changing World”  
Natalie Hall, University of Arkansas

Paper: “*Haec spectacula Christianorum*: The Roman Circus in Early Christian Basilicas”  
Kim S. Sexton, University of Arkansas

Paper: “Curating Ancestors and Culting Saints: The Role of Women in the Anglo-Saxon Conversion”  
Austin Mason, Boston College

Comment: Robin Margaret Jensen, Vanderbilt University

**11. *Later Medieval Monasteries: Issues of Lordship and Authority***

Spencer Hall 271

Chair: TBA

Paper: “‘I am a good attorney for her in this country’: Continental Monastic Mother Houses and their English Daughter Houses in the Fourteenth Century”  
Katie L.T. Newell, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Paper: "Monastic Lordship and the Donation of Constantine on the Eve of the English Dissolution"  
Christopher Guyol, University of Rochester

Paper: "Thomas de la Mare: A Marvelous Anachronism"  
Larry W. Usilton, University of North Carolina, Wilmington

Comments: Larry W. Usilton, University of North Carolina, Wilmington, and TBA

10:00 **Coffee, McGriff Alumni House**

10:30 A.M.–  
12:30 P.M.

**SESSIONS 12 AND 13**

**12. *Image, Ideology, and Power in Late Antiquity* Spencer Hall 271**

Chair: Elizabeth Moodey, Vanderbilt University

Paper: "Imperial Ideology and/or Christian Theology in Fourth-Century Iconography"  
Robin Margaret Jensen, Vanderbilt University

Paper: "The Enthroned Jesus and the Miracle-Working Christ: An Assessment of Post-Constantinian Christian Iconography"  
Lee M. Jefferson, Centre College

Paper: "The Roman Aristocracy, Battling Bishops, and the Origins of Christian Processions in Late Antique Rome"  
Jacob Latham, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Comment: Brett Whalen, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

**13. *Literary Perspectives II* Gailor Hall 110**

Chair: Stephanie Batkie, University of Montevallo

Paper: "Nature, Natural Law, and the Secular Power According to the *Roman de la Rose*"  
John V. Fleming, Princeton University

Paper: "Authoritative Conversion: Josephus, Romans, and Authority in the *Siege of Jerusalem*"  
Cord J. Whitaker, University of New Hampshire

Paper: "The Prince and the State in *Mesure* in Lydgate's *Fall of Princes*"  
Christina Di Gangi, Urbana University

Comment: Robert Edwards, Pennsylvania State University

12:30–  
1:45 P.M.

**Lunch, EQB House**

1:45–  
3:45 P.M.

**SESSIONS 14, 15 AND 16**

**14. *Bishops and Imperial Authority in Late Antiquity* Gailor Hall 112**

- Chair: H.A. Drake, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Paper: “Martyr or Misfit: A New Look at John Chrysostom’s Career in Constantinople”  
Justin Stephens, Metropolitan State College of Denver
- Paper: “Exiling Bishops in Late Antiquity: Setting the Pattern”  
Eric Fournier, West Chester University of Pennsylvania
- Paper: “‘Renew your virtue’: Miracles, Imperial Intercession, and the Re-Making of Martin of Tours”  
Michael Proulx, North Georgia College and State University
- Comment: H.A. Drake, University of California, Santa Barbara

**15. *The Carolingian World: Rulership, Authority, Commemoration* Spencer Hall 271**

- Chair: Alexander M. Bruce, The University of the South
- Paper: “Solomon’s Mirror: Carolingian Kings, the *Song of Songs* and Guided Meditation”  
Hannah Matis, University of Notre Dame
- Paper: “Commemoration and Image: Depicting Episcopal Authority in the Carolingian Era”  
Sigrid Danielson, Grand Valley State University
- Paper: “The Legendary Charlemagne and the *Gemma Augustea*: Saint-Sernin of Toulouse and the Visual Cultivation of the Ideal Proto-Crusader”  
Catherine Fernandez, Emory University
- Comment: Matthew Gabriele, Virginia Tech

**16. *Undergraduate session* Gailor Hall 110**

- Chair: TBA
- Paper: “Presentation, Perception, and Power: The authority of foreign terminology in the *Reeves Tale* and the *Miller's Tale*”  
Jacqueline Cordell, University of New Hampshire
- Paper: “Be they Pagans or Heretics: On the perceptions of Islam in ‘The Song of Roland’”  
Matthew Miller, Middle Tennessee State University
- Paper: “King, Martyr, and Saint: St. Oswald as Hero of Christianity”  
Samuel Stephens, Middle Tennessee State University

Paper: “Young Hero that was God Almighty “The Dream of the Rood” as Polemic Against Arian and Pelegian Heresies”  
Alex Taylor, Middle Tennessee State University

4:00 P.M. **Tea, McGriff Alumni House**

4:30 P.M. **SECOND PLENARY SESSION, Gailor Auditorium**  
**The Edward B. King Lecture**  
“Power and Lordship in the Norman Anonymous”  
Thomas N. Bisson, Harvard University

5:30 P.M.–  
6:30 P.M. **SESSIONS 17 AND 18**

**17. *Conflict and Cooperation: Case-Studies from the Italian Peninsula* Gailor Hall 110**

Chair: Louis Haas, Middle Tennessee State University

Paper: “Church-State Relations in Fourteenth-Century Siena”  
Bradley Franco, University of Portland

Paper: “Heretics and the Repudiation of Secular Power in Medieval Italy”  
Peter Diehl, Western Washington University

Comment: William Caferro, Vanderbilt University

**18. *Christian Values and Lay Society* Spencer Hall 271**

Chair: Kelly J. Whitmer, The University of the South

Paper: “Copulating for Christ: Fornication as a Call to Prayer on Romanesque Village Churches”  
Holly R. Silvers, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Comment: Glenn Gunhouse, Georgia State University

Paper: “‘Keep him so he does no harm’: Christian Charity and Social Responsibility meet Urban Madness in Late Medieval Germany”  
Anne Koenig, Northwestern University

Comment: Kelly J. Whitmer, The University of the South

6:30 P.M. **Cocktails and dinner, EQB House or McGriff Alumni House (location depends on numbers)**



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