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Provisional list of speakers for Poreč symposium

We don't yet have a final version of the program for the symposium "Saintly bishops and bishops's saints," which the Hagiography Society is co-sponsoring with Hagiotheca in Poreč, Croatia, on 27-30 May. Some of the speakers have not yet confirmed their intention to participate and there are always some last-minute changes, but here's the list of speakers and topics that are currently anticipated:

- Rachel S. Anderson (Grand Valley State U), "A mutually beneficial alliance: the bishop Saint Æthelwold and Queen Ælfthryth of England";
- Monika Bartelen (Calgary), "The troubling tale of the life and death of Archbishop Engelbert of Cologne";
- Sebastian Bartos (Georgia College & State U), "The relics of the saints in the formation of episcopal authority in the medieval duchy of Krakow";
- John Marcus Beard (Gettysburg), "Public displays of asceticism: holy bishops and the conversion of Gaul in the Vita Martini";
- Renate Blumenfeld-Kosinski (Pittsburgh), "Battling bishops and the authorization of clerical violence";
- Jane Cartwright (Lampeter, Wales), "Saintly bishops, archbishops and episcopal promotion of Welsh saints' cults";
- Raeleen Chai-Elsholz (Paris), "Servants of God and servitude";
- Luciana Cuppo (Trieste), "Benedict, father of monks, in the chronicle of Mellitus, bishop of London";
- David Defries (Kansas), "The Master's bishop: the ecclesiology of the Regula Magistri and its influence on the Vitae ss. Audomari, Bertini, Winnoci";
- Stephanos Efthymiadis (Cyprus), "The place of holy and unholy bishops in Byzantine hagiographic narrative (8th-12th c.)";
- Dávid Falvay (Eötvös Loránd, Budapest), "Late medieval texts and images about foreigner bishops as Hungarian saints: Martin of Tours and Gerard Sagredo";
- Amalia Galdi (Salerno), "Cult of bishops in the southern Italian Middle Ages (VIII-XII century)";
- Cristian Gašpar (CEU, Budapest), "Failed bishop or perfect monk? Constructing models of sanctity in Canaparius' *Vita* of St. Adalbert of Prague [BHL 37]";
- Evan Gatti (ELON U), "The Benedictional of Engilmar: A bishop's blessing on the border or in-between";
- Paul Antony Hayward (Lancaster), "William of Malmesbury, the 'dapsile bishop', and post-Conquest English hagiography";
- Thomas Heffernan (Tennessee), "Gender and the sources of authority in Augustine's sermons on Perpetua and Felicity";
- Sari Katajala-Peltomaa (Tampere), "Bishops fighting with demons: examples of the Nordic canonization processes";
- Stanislava Kuzmová (CEU, Budapest), "Bishop Stanislaus of Cracow - 'the most glorious patron' of Cracow, the kingdom of Poland and the Poles in medieval sermons";
- Ana Maria Machado (Coimbra), "Saint Frutuoso: Hagiography, cult and art":
- Marina Miladinova (Matija Vlačić Ilirik) "Successio apostolica and power relations in Istria in the Age of Justinian and beyond";
- Virginia Nixon (Montreal),"Bad bishops: the image of the hostile bishop in late medieval northern lives of Saint Anne";
- John S. Ott (Portland State U), "Episcopal sanctity in the Archdiocese of Reims, 1050-1150";

- Janine Larmon Peterson (Marist College), "Episcopal authority and disputed sanctity in late medieval Italy";
- Vadim Prozorov (Moscow), "St. Domnius, holy bishop of Spalato: the tradition of apostolic succession in Dalmatia";
- Sherry Reames (Wisconsin), "Popular images of saintly bishops in late medieval England";
- Marianne Sághy (CEU, Budapest), "The cult of holy bishops in fourth-century Rome between episcopal and private initiative";
- Victoria Smirnova (Moscow), "A German bishop will never be saved? The case of Saint Engelbert of Cologne";
- Ville Vuolanto (Tampere) "A self-made living saint? The case of Theodoret of Cyrrhus (d. 466)"

For details on accommodations and costs for the symposium, see last November's newsletter or the Hagiography Society website. Later updates will be posted on the web when we receive them.

Call for papers: Hagiography and Popular Cultures

The AISSCA (Associazione Italiana per lo Studio della Santità, dei Culti e dell'Agiografia) has invited the Hagiography Society to cosponsor this conference, which sounds like a great opportunity for anyone who is doing research on "popular culture" or folkloric elements in hagiography. Here's an overview of the practical details:

- Conference dates and location: 28-30 Oct. 2010, in Verona, Italy
- Main organizers: Pierre Boglioni (Montréal) and Paolo Golinelli (Verona)
- Conference languages: Italian, French, and English
- Cost: fairly minimal (except transportation), since it will be held at the University of Verona and there is no registration fee
- Deadline for abstracts: 31 May

For further information, see the complete Call for Papers posted on the "News" page of the Hagiography Society website (printed copy enclosed with this newsletter for non-email subscribers.)

2009 directory and bibliography available

After many delays, the 2009 editions of the Hagiography Society directory and bibliography have finally been published. Paid-up subscribers who use email should have received them already as email attachments, and paper copies are being sent along with this newsletter to non-email subscribers who have paid their dues for 2009. If you forgot to pay last year but would still like to receive the 2009 editions, it's not too late; just indicate your wishes on the 2010 dues form and add the appropriate amount to your payment.

Dues for 2010

Since we need to start thinking about 2010 dues, non-email subscribers will find a dues form enclosed with this newsletter unless they have already paid for 2010. (Members on our email list have already been reminded.)

It's important to pay your dues this year if you want to have a say about the future of the Hagiography Society, because only paid-up members will be eligible to vote on the Society's new constitution and officers. (See next item)

Future plans for the Hagiography Society

A small committee of long-time members has worked with me this winter to draft a proposed constitution for the Hagiography Society. Our document, which is being distributed with this newsletter, spells out a new organizational structure and system of governance that ought (we think) to enable the Society to survive and flourish for many years to come. Please read through the draft document in the next week or two, and send me your reactions and suggestions.

Unless serious problems are identified that need to be remedied before we vote on the document, I expect to send out the ballots around April 20 and have the results tabulated before our business meeting in May at Kalamazoo. If possible, I'd also like to have a good slate of nominees to present to that meeting, send out the ballots on those before June 1, and have the new officers in place for the 2010-11 academic year. This timetable is optimistic, of course!

Kalamazoo reminder

Our annual lunch and business meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 14, in Bernhard 107. We've booked the room starting at 11:30, in the hope that many of us will be able to arrive and get our food before noon, speeding up the buffet line and allowing ample time for the business part of the meeting, which will be more complicated and more important than usual. Please make every effort to attend. We'd like as many members as possible to join in the discussion of the Society's future governance, which will be on the agenda along with choosing our Kalamazoo topics for 2011 and other usual items.

As for our 2010 paper sessions, the good news is that the papers should all be excellent. The bad news is that anyone who gets to Kalamazoo late will miss them, since they are scheduled for the first two time slots of the Congress. Here's an overview of the details:

Hagiography and Geography: Place in the Telling of Saints' Lives will be SESSION 21, at 10 am Thursday in Fetzer 1010. Papers: "Pilgrimage (or Lack thereof) in the *Vitae* of Edward the Confessor " (Jennifer N. Brown); "Seeking the Life of St. Kentigern in the Streets and Lanes of Glasgow: An English Monk, a British Saint, and a Scottish City in the Twelfth Century" (Mairi Cowan); "Place as Proof in the Cult of St. Anne at Chartres" (Colleen A. Farrell).

Unanchored and Unkempt: Independent Religious Women in Medieval Europe will be SESSION 84, at 1:30 Thursday in Schneider 1155. Papers: "Independence, Incest and Identity in the Old English Life of St. Euphrosyne" (Erin Mann); "An Exasperating House: Juliana of Mont Cornillon and the 13th-cent. Leprosarium" (Jay Stemmle); "Agency and Authority in Medieval Society: The Case of Gertrude of Ortenberg" (Anneke B. Mulder-Bakker).

Two more calls for papers

Ascona, Switzerland, 17–22 Oct. 2010. "St. Thomas Becket and Vernacular Medieval Literature," an international medieval conference to be held at Centro Stefano Franscini, Monte Verità, Ascona, Ticino. The conference will be divided into two sections: A) 1155–1170: "Warriors of God and Culture. Thomas Becket and his eruditi"; B) After 1170. "Perpetuating Myth". Abstracts (due by 15 Aug. 2010) and inquiries should be directed to congress@becketproject.ch; http://www.becketproject.ch.

Leeds, 11-14 July 2011. International Medieval Congress, with the special thematic focus "Poor . . . Rich" (issues of wealth and poverty in the Middle Ages). Proposals should be completed online. The

deadline for paper proposals is **31 Aug. 2010**; for session proposals, **30 Sept. 2010.** Details at http://www.leeds.ac.uk/ims/imc.

Other upcoming conferences

Sewanee, 9-10 April 2010. "Pilgrimage in the Middle Ages," 37th Sewanee Medieval Colloquium. For further information see http://www.sewanee.edu/Medieval/main.html .

Toronto, 21–24 May 2010. "Chester 2010: Drama and Religion 1555–1575." Contact: <u>David.Klausner@utoronto.ca</u>; <u>ostovich@mcmaster.ca</u>; or <u>j33rober@uwaterloo.ca</u>.

Paris, 31 May–1 June 2010. "Marguerite Porete, 1310-2010: International Perspectives." Details will be posted at http://gas.ehess.fr .

London, 5 June 2010. "Imagining Inquisition in Medieval England." Contact: Mary Flannery, m.flannery@qmul.ac.uk or Katie Walter, katie.walter@rub.de.

Tours, 10–12 June 2010. "Studium Conference: Sacred Space, Sacred Memory: Bishop-Saints and their Cities." Contact: Christine Bousquet, Christine.bousquet@univ-tours.fr or Yossi Maurey, ymaurey@mscc.huji.ac.il.

Belfast, 10–13 June 2010. "Mapping Late Medieval Lives of Christ." Contact: Ryan Perry, r.perry@qub.ac.uk; http://www.qub.ac.uk/geographies-of-orthodoxy.

London, 18–19 June 2010. "Rethinking Medieval Liturgy: New Approaches across Disciplines," a workshop for post-graduate students with a training session led by Susan Boynton. Contact: kati ihnat@yahoo.ca or erik.niblaeus@kcl.ac.uk.

New York, 28–30 June 2010. "Orthodox Constructions of the West." Contact George Demacopoulos, demacopoulos@fordham.edu or Aristotle Papanilolaou, papanilolaou@fordham.edu .

Edinburgh, 12–14 July 2010. "Form and Function in the Late Medieval Bible." Contact: L.M.B@ed.ac.uk or write to the Centre for the History of the Book, 22a Buccleuch Place, The University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh EH8 9LN, Scotland.

Giessen, 19–24 July 2010. 13th Colloquium of SITM (Société internationale pour l'étude du théâtre médiéval). Contact: Prof. Dr. Cora Dietl, Justus-Liebig-Universität Gießen, Institut für Germanistik, Otto-Behaghel-Straße 10 B, 35394 Gießen; http://www.uni-giessen.de/~g91159/sitm.htm.

Antwerp, 21–24 August 2010. "Music for the Office and Its Sources in the Low Countries (1050–1550)." Contact: pieter.mannaerts@arts.kuleuven.be; or see the Alamire website: http://www.arts.kuleuven.be/alamire.

Waltham, MA, 18–19 Oct. 2010. "Patronage and the Sacred Book in the Medieval Mediterranean." Contact: Jonathan Decter, decter@brandeis.edu or esperanza.alfonso@cchs.csic.es.

Bochum, 12-13 November 2010. "Sanctity and Literature," a symposium at the Ruhr-University Bochum. Contact: Eva von Contzen, Department of English, Universitätsstraße 150, 44780 Bochum, Germany, Eva.Contzen@rub.de.