CISTERCIAN STUDIES CONFERENCE 2015
CANCELLATIONS

THURSDAY 3:30
*Impeccantia* according to William of Saint Thierry
Aage Rydstrøm-Poulsen, University of Greenland

SUNDAY 8:30
*Are the Eyes Never to Be Raised at All?*: Curiosity and Sanctity Among the Cistercian Fathers
James DeFrancis, Christendom College

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The Founder of Cloister Henrykow in the Light of Monastic and Secular
Founding Tradition in the Middle Ages
Monika Michalska, Jagiellonian University, Cracow

Does it really makesense to operate in all countries?
Klaus Wollenberg, Hochschule München

Illness/ unable to travel
funding not received
illness
THURSDAY

Clairvaux's First Abbot Remembered 10:00

'Living on his Nerves': In Search of the Founder of Clairvaux 10:05
Brian Patrick McGuire, emeritus

The Vita Quarta Bernardi and the Cistercian Literary Tradition 10:35
Spencer J. Weinreich, Yale University

Cistercian Bestsellers by Anonymous Authors:
An Outline History of the Main Pseudo-Bernardine Works 11:05
Elias Dietz OCSO, Abbey of Gethsemani

Chair: E. Rozanne Elder, Cistercian and Monastic Studies, WMU

Lectio Divina and Its Echoes 1:30

Lions in the Desert 1:30
Kyler Williamsen, Western Michigan University

Saint Bernard and John Scotus Eriugena:
Flying with the Evangelist's Eagle through the Spiritual Landscape 2:00
Natalie Van Kirk

Monastic Reading in the Cistercian Visionary Texts of the Thirteenth Century 2:30
Elena Kuzmenko

Chair: Cassian Russell OCSO, Monastery of the Holy Spirit
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FRIDAY

Medingen Prayer Books in America

The Medingen Prayer Book:
Obrecht MS 23 at Western Michigan University
Henrike Lähnemann, St Edmund Hall, Oxford 10:00

The Interwoven Language of MS Lat 395,
Houghton Library, Harvard
Gennifer Dorgan, University of Connecticut 10:30

A Miniature of the Resurrection of Christ in Cambridge:
Houghton Library MS Latin 440
Laura Godfrey, University of Connecticut 11:00

Chair: Susan Steuer, Special Collections, Western Michigan University

Cistercian Preaching (Session 177) See page 9

The Devotional Culture of Cistercian Nuns

Devotional Print Culture in Northern Germany
Elizabeth Andersen, Newcastle University 1:30

Letters from the Cloister: The Nuns’ Networks of Communication
Anne Simon, University of London 2:00

Material Culture in the Digital Age: A Discussion
Susan Steuer, Special Collections, WMU 2:30

Chair: Henrike Lähnemann, Oxford University
**Cistercians in a Changing World**

Friday 3:30

Clairvaux, Its Abbots, and the Papal Curia in the Fourteenth Century
3:30
Ralf Lützelschwab, Freie Universität Berlin

Katharina von Bora: A Cistercian Lutheran?
4:00
Rose Marie Tillisch, Diocese of Elsinore

Bernard's Notion of Curiosity, Augustine on Creation as the Great Book, and the Impetus for Science
4:30
Cheryl Kayara-Bass

Chair: Philip F. O'Mara, Bridgewater College, emeritus

**Cistercian Studies Reception**

7:30

**Cistercian Lay Communities: Coming Together**

8:00

*An informal presentation on associations of lay Cistercians*

Linda Harrington, Associates of Iowa Cistercians
Teresa McMahon, International Association of Lay Cistercian Communities
Martha Fessler Krieg, On-line Cistercian Lay Associates *
Cassian Russell OCSO, Monastery of the Holy Spirit

Chair: Karen McDougall, Lay Cistercians of Gethsemani Abbey

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SATURDAY

The Cistercian Exempla Tradition 10:00

You Must Remember This: The Recording and Preservation of Exempla in Britain and Ireland, c. 1200 10:00
Helen Birkett, University of Exeter

Rewriting Herbertus in Bavaria:
The Changing Nature of Cistercian Exempla Collections 10:30
Stefano Mula, Middleberry College

The Miraculous and the Mundane 11:00
Lawrence Morey OCSO, Abbey of Gethsemani

Chair: Brian Patrick McGuire, Roskilde University, emeritus

Cistercians As Landowners 1:30

'This is Our Forest': Cistercian Expansion in Angoumois and the Conflict with Saint-Amant-de-Boixe 1:30
Michael F. Webb, University of Toronto

Conflict Involving the Collection of Tithes at Cistercian Houses in Northeastern France 2:00
Kathryn E Salzer, Pennsylvania State University

Cistercians and their Towns in Medieval England 2:30
Anna Anisimova, Russian Academy of Sciences

Chair: Thomas X. Davis OCSO, New Clairvaux Abbey
Cistercian Property Management 3:30

Building the Desert: Property Management
According to the Early Cistercians 3:30
Jean Truax, Independent Scholar

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Monika Michalska, Jagiellonian University, Cracow

Does it really make sense to operate in all countries? 4:30
Klaus Wollenberg, Hochschule München

Chair: Kathryn E. Salzer, Pennsylvania State University

Cistercian Conference Dinner Saturday evening

The Presidents' Dining Room, Bernhard Center

Reception 6:15
Dinner 7:00

The Saga of the Chapter House of Santa Maria de Ovila
Thomas X. Davis OCSO, New Clairvaux Abbey

Reservations required
SUNDAY

Cistercian Textual Studies I  
8:30

Secular Desire and Biblical Violence:
Cistercian Interpretations of Dinah and Tamar  
Tristan Sharp, Newman Theological College

'Are the Eyes Never to Be Raised at All?':
Curiosity and Sanctity Among the Cistercian Fathers  
James DeFrancis, Christendom College

New Writings by Roger of Ford  
Bryan VanGinhoven, Arizona State University

Chair: Charles Cummings OCSO, Holy Trinity Monastery

Cistercian Textual Studies II  
10:30

Miles Christi: The Image of the Soldier in Bernard's Writings  
J. Stephen Russell, Hofstra University

Sponsus et Sponsa: Aelred of Rievaulx on Relationships  
Daniel Marcel LaCorte, Saint Ambrose University

Contemplation and Action in Saint Bernard of Clairvaux's Angelology  
Gilbert Stockson, University of Notre Dame

Chair: John R. Sommerfeldt, University of Dallas, emeritus
**Liturgies**

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Other Papers and Sessions of Interest

Thurs 3:30 (Session 111) Anchorites, Hermits & the Nobility
Paper 1: Robert of Knaresborough and the Problem of Eremitic Authority: Noble Patrons and Cistercian Neighbors
Joshua Easterling, Murray State University

Thurs 7:30 (Session 147)
Paper 2: The Role of the Laity and the Ordering of Society in Aelred of Rievaulx's *De sanctis ecclesiae Hagulstadensis*
Chad Turner, CUNY

(Session 173)
Paper 2: Neptic Prayer in Early Medieval Monasticism: The Byzantine Ascetic Theme of Watchfulness in the *Rule* of St Benedict
Daniel VanderKolk, Independent Scholar

Fri 10:00 (Session 177) Cistercian Preaching (Medieval Sermon Studies 1)
How to Rejoice in the Physical Departure of Christ: The Six Ascension Sermons of Bernard of Clairvaux
Philip F. O'Mara, Bridgewater College emeritus
From Mud Bricks to Living Stones: Twelfth-Century Cistercian Exegeses of Ascension
Timothy M. Baker, Harvard Divinity School
Continuities in Cistercian Formation: Twenty-First-Century Interrogations of Aelred's Sermons for All Saints
Cassian Russell, ocsO, Monastery of the Holy Spirit
Presider: Ralf Lützelschwab, Freie Universität. Berlin

(Session 204) Breaching Religious Order: Towards New and Productive Uses of ‘Order’ . . . in Monastic and Mendicant Scholarship
Paper 3: Leyser, Vitolo, Licence, Vanderputten: Four Modern Scholars' Understanding of the Hermit Communions of New Monasticism
Isabella Bolognese, University of Leeds

Fri 1:30 (Session 1275) Post-Conquest Religiosity
Paper 3: Conquering Cistercians: Savigny, Sempringham, and Obazine c. 1147
Lochin Brouillard, University of Toronto
Fri 1:30 (Session 265) Carolingian Monasticism 1: Benedict of Aniane Reconsidered 
    Anianian Reform of Monastic Property? The Puzzle of Early Medieval Cartularies 
        Hans Hummer, Wayne State University 
    The Emperor’s Monk of the Monks’ Emperor? 
        Rutger Kramer 
    Benedict of Aniane Remembers the Monastic Past 
        Martin Claussen, University of San Francisco 

Fri 3:30 (session 320) Carolingian Monasticism 2: Smaragdus, Hildemar, and 
    Monastic Reform 
        Leaks, Lies and Lessons Learned: Preliminary Acts of the Council of 
            Aachen in Context 
            Matthew Ponesse, Ohio Dominican University 
        Smaragdus and Hildemar on Mutual Obedience: Studying Benedict’s 
            Chapter 71 
            Terrence Kardong OSB, Assumption Abbey 

Saturday 1:30 (Session 404) Nunneries in Medieval Europe . . . 
    Paper 2: Premonstratensian Sisters in Northern France: Using the 
            Documents of Practice 
            Yvonne Seale, University of Iowa 
    Paper 3: Debating reform in Tenth- and Early Eleventh-Century 
            Female Monasticism 
            Steven Vanderputten, University of Gent 
    Paper 4: Rhetoric under the Cloisters: Teaching and Transmission of 
            Knowledge in Feminine Monasteries 
            Sergi Sanchot Fibla, University Pompeu Fabra 

(Session 425) Religious Persecution and Heretical Identities . . . 
    Paper 1: Violence and the Construction of the Heretical Identity in the 
            Cistercian Anti-Heretical Discourse 
            Stamatia Noutsou, Masarykova University 

Sunday 8:30 (Session 516) Abelard and Heloise 
    The Trustworthiness of the Letters of Abelard & Heloise . . . 
        Deborah Fraioli, Simmons College. 
    Neuroendocrinology and the Self in the Letters . . . 
        Ronald J. Ganze, University of South Dakota 
    Redemption. . . Abelard’s Reading of Romans? 
        Eileen Kearney, St Xavier University 
    Abelard’s Planctus David . . . 
        Hunter Hensley, Easter Kentucky University
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