

We urge you to consider submitting or nominating articles or book chapters for next year's prize. **All nominations must be received by January 15, 2007.** Please send one copy of the nominated article along with a brief cover letter summarizing its merits and contributions to:

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ANNOUNCING—*MFF*/SMFS PRODUCTS!

Because of the delay in getting Issue 39 out to everyone, the call for SMFS product designs has been extended. Submit your ideas/entries to the Managing Editor at <medieval.feminist@minotstateu.edu>. Designs will need to be clear enough to make a good transfer, and without too many details. Monochromatic designs preferred, as more colors drives the price up considerably. **Please send all design entries to the *MFF* office no later than March 15, 2006.**

We will endeavor to have at least book bags and coffee mugs with the *MFF*/SMFS logo available before Kalamazoo.

KALAMAZOO 2006

We certainly have a busy Kalamazoo planned this year! This May, SMFS is co-sponsoring two events with the International Anchoritic Society. As well, we are unofficially sponsoring the sessions hosted by our spin-off organization, the Medieval Foremothers Society. Of course, SMFS is also sponsoring three sessions and one roundtable of its own, too. And who could forget the Business Meeting, the Advisory Board meeting, the Graduate Student Reception, and, of course, the annual banquet! Details of all of these events appear below.

Friday Noon:
Advisory Board meeting

Friday 5:15:
Business meeting with cash bar. The screening of *Anchoress* will follow at 8:00 PM.

Saturday 5:15:
Graduate student reception

Annual Banquet

The SMFS Annual banquet will be held on Saturday, May 6, 7-9 PM at Saffron (1710 West Main Street, Suite D). The cost will be \$25.00/ person "prix fixe." Watch for reservation information on med-fem-l in March 2006. A graduate student subvention will be available.

Note that our banquet this year will not follow the business meeting on Friday night. Consequently, the staging site for transportation will be at the MFF Graduate Student reception.

SMFS at Twenty: Founding Mothers (A Roundtable Discussion)

Organizer: Natalie Grinnell

Presider: Elizabeth Robertson

A roundtable discussion with E. Jane Burns, Thelma Fenster, and Roberta L. Krueger.

SMFS at Twenty: Teaching

Organizer: Mica Gould

Presider: Mica Gould

Participants:

1. Jeb Grisham
 - Reading the Dreams of Christine de Pizan
2. Eric Artiles
 - Taking the Reigns: Women Writers and the Question of Power

SMFS at Twenty: Theory

Organizer: Natalie Grinnell

Presider: Marla Segol

Participants:

1. Theresa Earenfight
 - When Is a Norm Not a Norm? Kingship, Queenship and Monarchy in the Middle Ages

2. Jennifer N. Brown
 - Theorizing the Feminine in the *Vita* of Edward the Confessor
3. Carole Levin
 - Reflections on the Life of a Scholar Looking for the Woman's Part in Renaissance England

SMFS at Twenty: Archives

Organizer/Presider: Jennifer N. Brown

Participants:

1. B. J. Van Damme
 - Siena and the Widow
2. Caitlin G. Callaghan
 - Seven Shillings and a Penny: Female Suicide in Late Medieval England
3. Roisin Cossar
 - Locating Women in Northern Italian Notarial Registers, 1300-1400

Friday night film: *The anchoress* (Newby, 1995); **running time 108 min.**

Co-Sponsored by: Society for Medieval Feminist Scholarship & The Anchoritic Society

Organized by: Susannah Chewning & Virginia Blanton

Introduced by: Susannah Chewning

Christine Carpenter and The Anchoritic Imaginary

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Organizers: Susannah Chewning & Virginia Blanton

Presider: Virginia Blanton

Participants:

1. Michelle M. Sauer
 - The Modernization of Christine Carpenter
2. Liz Herbert McAvoy
 - Metamorphosing into the Penitentiary: Christine Carpenter, the Anchorhold and the Hierarchies of Repression
3. Jennifer Balke
 - Redefining the Anchorhold: The Politics of Enclosure in the Twentieth Century
4. Jane E. Jeffrey
 - Unsettling the Gaze in Julian of Norwich's *Revelations* and Chris Newby's *Anchoress*

In Honor of Mary Martin McLaughlin I: Medieval Women and Religious Life

Sponsored by: The Medieval Foremothers Society

Organizer/Presider: Catherine M. Mooney

Participants:

1. Monica Green
 - Getting to the Source: The Case of Jacoba Felicie and the Impact of The Portable Medieval Reader on the Canon of Medieval Women's History
2. Joan Cadden
 - Scientific Literacy? Heloise Says Women Seldom Get Drunk
3. Gloria Kury
 - Readers, Romula, and Marcel P

In Honor of Mary Martin McLaughlin II: The Continuing Impact of Her Scholarship

Sponsored by: The Medieval Foremothers Society

Organizer/Presider: Bonnie Wheeler

Participants:

1. Penny Johnson
 - An Appreciation of the Scholarship of Mary M. McLaughlin
2. E. Ann Matter
 - Mary McLaughlin and the Rediscovery of Heloise
3. Sharan Newman
 - The Living Heloise
4. Brian Patrick McGuire
 - Abelard the Individual in Michael Clanchy and Mary Martin McLaughlin
5. Catherine Mooney
 - Tertiaries and Nuns: Shifting Religious Affiliations of Italian Holy Women