

Conference on the History of Women Religious

Sponsored by the History of Women Religious Network

Marymount College, Tarrytown, New York, June 28-July 1, 1992

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

1:30 p.m.

OPENING SESSION

Welcome , Conference Overview
Conveners: HWR Conference committee

2-4 p.m.

RECLAIMING OUR ROOTS: THE COLLABORATIVE DOING OF HISTORY

Chair: Barbara Brumleve, SSND
Maria Center, St. Louis

Panel: *"Claiming Our Roots (COR): A Collective
Approach to the History of the Immaculate Heart
of Mary Sisters (Monroe)"*

Nancy Sylvester, IHM
Network, Washington, DC
Connie Supan, IHM
Center for Humanistic Studies, Detroit
Joan Glisky, IHM
IHM Motherhouse, Monroe

Other Viewpoints: *"It's All in the Family: The
OPUS Project"*

Loretta Petit, OP
Project OPUS Staff, Akron Dominicans

*"History of Dominican Women in Asia and the
Pacific"*

Margaret Smith, OP
Siena Dominican Sisters, Canterbury,
Australia

"Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada and the U.S."

Karen M. Kennelly, CSJ
Research Coordinating Committee, Federation

*"The School Sisters of Notre Dame History
Project: Combining Research and Faith
Sharing"*

Barbara Brumleve, SSND
Maria Center, St. Louis

DINNER

7-8 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION: KEYNOTE ADDRESS

*"Women Religious and the Social Fabric, A
Paradigm: Sisters of St. Joseph (1650-1992)"*

Patricia Byrne, CSJ
Trinity College, Hartford

RECEPTION

MONDAY, JUNE 29

9-11 a.m.

I. 'MORE THAN JUST A SHOESTRING AND A PRAYER': SISTERS AND FINANCES

Chair/Commentator: Mary Oates, CSJ
Regis College, Boston

*"Strategic Investment of Women Religious in the
Social Fabric: A Twentieth-Century Case Study"*

Mary Ellen Butcher, OP
National Association of Treasurers of
Religious Institutes, Silver Spring

*"Financial Sponsorship of Social and Religious
Works by Sisters in San Francisco"*

Catherine Ann Curry, PVBM
Sisters of the Presentation, San Francisco

*"How Women Religious Helped Finance the
Nineteenth-Century Social Fabric"*

Florence Deacon, OSF
Cardinal Stritch College, Milwaukee

II. SHAPING THE FUTURE: SISTERS AND EDUCATION

Chair/Commentator: Kaye Ashe, OP
Dominican Motherhouse, Sinsinawa

*"Women Religious and the Education of
American Girls: The Origins, Interactions and
Effects of Private Secondary Academies"*

Carol K. Coburn, Martha Smith, CSJ
Avila College, Kansas City

*"The Sisters of St. Joseph and the Education of
Girls and Young Women at St. Joseph's Academy,
Toronto, 1854-1911"*

Elizabeth Smyth
The Ontario Institute for Studies in
Education, Northwestern Centre, Thunder
Bay, Ontario

*"The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur and the
'Boy Question': A Crisis in Adaptation"*

Mary Hayes, SND
Trinity College, Washington, DC

LUNCH

1-4 p.m.

ARCHIVIST-HISTORIAN LINKUP

Sessions sponsored by Archivists for
Congregations of Women Religious (ACWR)

Chairs: Anne Courtney, SC
ACWR Committee

Rosalie McQuaide, CSJP
ACWR Chair

"Access Policy"

Mary Linus Bax, Mary Canice Werner, CPPS
Sisters of the Precious Blood, Dayton

Facilitator: Loretta Petit, OP
Project OPUS Staff, Akron

"Methodology of Oral History"

Joana Chan, MM
Maryknoll Oral History Project, Maryknoll

Jane Mowrer, OP
Dominican Congregation, Sinsinawa

Facilitator: Dolores Liptak, RSM
Mercy Archival and Historical Services,
Silver Spring

"Photographs: Identification and Preservation"

Mary Simplicia Wytrwal, CSSF
Felician Sisters Central Archives, Enfield

Regina Werntz, RSM
Sisters of Mercy Historical Projects, St. Louis

Facilitator: Barbara Misner, SSCC
Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross, Merrill

1-2:45 p.m.

COMMUNITY LIFE CYCLES

Chair/Commentator:
Mary Johnson, SNDdeN
Emmanuel College, Boston

*"Religious Orders as Social Movements: A
Sociological-Historical Analysis"*

Patricia Wittberg, SC
Indiana University, Indianapolis

*"First and Third World Women: An Investigation
of U.S., Bangladeshi, Brazilian and Ugandan
Women's Attitudes and Beliefs Regarding Their
Role in the Church"*

Francis Bernard O'Connor, CSC
The Helen Kellogg Institute for International
Studies, University of Notre Dame

EARLY REGISTRATION AT REDUCED RATES

Registration by May 1 is at a reduced rate of \$25.00, after that date, \$35.00.
Campus housing is guaranteed for early registrants. The Conference will
convene at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, and conclude at 12:00 noon on
Wednesday, July 1.

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Make payable to ***History of Women Religious Conference***. Registration fee
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received before May 25; 75% before June 20.

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\$25.00 to May 1; \$35.00 thereafter \$ _____

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Conference meals include Sunday brunch, dinner, reception; breakfast
M, T, W; lunch M, T; dinner M, T.

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HISTORY OF WOMEN RELIGIOUS CONFERENCE
12001 Chalon Rd. Los Angeles, CA 90049

MONDAY, JUNE 29 (continued)

3-5 p.m.

SISTERS AND SOCIAL SERVICE

Chair/Commentator:
Mary Louise Sullivan, MSC
Center for Migration Studies, New York

"Catherine Seton (1800-1891): Mercy Prison Sister"

Ann Miriam Gallagher, RSM
Mt. St. Mary's College and Seminary,
Emmitsburg

"Religious Sisters and the World of Service:
Rochester, New York, 1870-1950"

Elizabeth Milliken
Cornell University, Ithaca

"Mission to Homeless Children: Sisters of
Providence, 1840-1922"

Mary Roger Madden, SP
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana

DINNER

7 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION:
PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

Convener: HWR Conference Committee

"A Common Archive?"

Mary Ewens, OP
Hilton Fund for Sisters, Los Angeles

"New Audiences for New Messages: Placing
Sisters' Stories into the Historical Mainstream"

Margaret Susan Thompson
Syracuse University, Syracuse

Audience Comment

TUESDAY, JUNE 30

9-11 a.m.

CHARISMATIC WOMEN:
FOUNDRESSES AND THE REFOUNDING
OF RELIGIOUS LIFE

Chair/Commentator:
Margaret Susan Thompson
Syracuse University, Syracuse

"My Dear Lord': Letters from Margaret Anna
Cusack to Bishop Winand Michael Wigger"

Rosalie McQuaide, CSJP
Catholic Relief Services, Baltimore

"Anglican Foundresses and the (Re)founding of
Religious Life in Nineteenth-Century England"

Hope B. Stone
University of Leeds, U.K.

"Mother Cabrini, Italian Immigrant, and
Immigrant Religious Today"

Mary Louise Sullivan, MSC
Center for Migration Studies, New York

11:15 a.m.-Noon

MAGNET SESSIONS

Topics will be posted upon request. If you wish
to lead a group, send your topic along with your
registration form.

LUNCH

1-3 p.m.

I. NEW PERSPECTIVES FOR THE STUDY
OF WOMEN RELIGIOUS

Chair/Commentator: Sheila Fitzgerald, OP
Gonzaga University, Spokane

"Family History - A Tool for Understanding
Religious Community"

Mary DeCock, BVM
Loyola University, Chicago

"Women Religious and Feminist Spirituality in
the U.S."

Adair Lummis, Allison Stokes
Hartford Seminary, Hartford

"This is Holy Ground': The Effect of Farmland
on the Life of a Midwestern Community of
Religious Women"

Regina Siegfried, ASC
Aquinas Institute of Theology, St. Louis

II. IMAGES OF SISTERS IN ART AND IN
LIFE

Chair/Commentator: JoAnn McNamara
Hunter College, New York

"The Habit of the Sisters of Ste. Chretienne:
Sociological Implications"

Irene M. Foster
Framingham State College, Framingham

"The Personifications of the Vault Fresco at SS.
Domenico e Sisto: A Reflection of the Lives and
Vocations of Nuns in Seventeenth-Century
Rome"

Christina Morris McOmber
The University of Iowa, Iowa City

"Maria Monk and the Shape of Nineteenth-
Century Anti-Catholicism"

Maureen A. McCarthy
Rutgers University, Rutgers

3:30-5 p.m.

I. DISTINCTIVENESS OR ASSIMILATION:
SISTERS AND ETHNICITY

Chair/Commentator: Dolores Liptak, RSM
Sisters of Mercy, Silver Spring

"Daughters of the Parish: The Teaching Sisters
as Tradition Bearers in Ethnic Catholic
Parishes"

Susan Kalčik
Folklife Division, America's Industrial
Heritage Project, Johnstown

"The Demographic Evolution of the Sisters of
Charity of the Immaculate Conception as an
Index of Canadian National Development"

Elizabeth McGahan
University of New Brunswick, Canada

II. NEW AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES ON
MONASTICISM

Chair/Commentator:
Ritamary Bradley, SFCC
Davenport, Iowa

"Two Can Never Be Three,' from Second to
Third Order Ratisbon Dominicans: Leadership
Response"

M. Cecilia Murray, OP
Drew University, Madison

"The Mixed Life: American Benedictine Women"

Judith Sutera, OSB
Mount St. Scholastica Monastery, Atchison

DINNER

7 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

8:45-10:45 a.m.

SISTERS AND THE SOCIAL FABRIC OF
EUROPE

Chair/Commentator: Barbara Misner, SSCC
Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross, Merrill

"Catholic Women and Philanthropy in
Nineteenth-Century Ireland"

Marie Luddy
University of Warwick, U.K.

"Women Making a Difference: Edith Farkas,
Margaret Slachta and the Sisters of Social
Service"

Jean Marie Renfro, SSS
Sisters of Social Service, Los Angeles

"St. Stalin': Sisters Behind the Iron Curtain"

Mary Ewens, OP
Hilton Fund for Sisters, Los Angeles

11 a.m.-Noon

CONCLUDING SESSION:
WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?
QUESTIONS FOR THE FUTURE

Convener/Presenters:
HWR Conference Committee

Audience Comment

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