

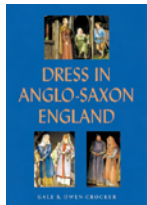
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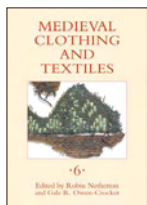
MEDIEVAL CLOTHING & TEXTILES

A Career in Medieval Text and Textiles

GALE R. OWEN-CROCKER



Gale R. Owen-Crocker, co-editor of Boydell & Brewer's **Medieval Clothing and Textiles** series and, amongst other publications, author of the classic reference work **Dress in Anglo-Saxon England** (now available as paperback), sent us a very personal article about her career and academic life, discussing her work and research in Medieval Studies and introducing the new series **Medieval and Renaissance Clothing and Textiles**. The first volume **The Troyes Mémoire** will be first published in November 2010.

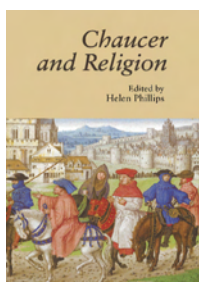


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MEDIEVAL LIFE
brochure

When I was 6, the classroom wall bore posters of King Alfred (burning the cakes) and a family tree of the West Saxon kings. I like to see this as a pointer to my destiny. I was about 10 when, because a teacher was absent, we were packed into the back of our classroom and VI form English was taught at the front. The lesson was on the Prioress in Chaucer's General Prologue to The Canterbury Tales. Whatever prep. I had been assigned was abandoned; I was hooked from the moment ... [read more](#)

SERIES NEWS

CHAUCER AND RELIGION



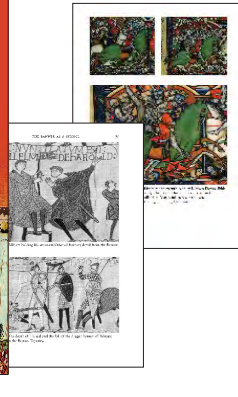
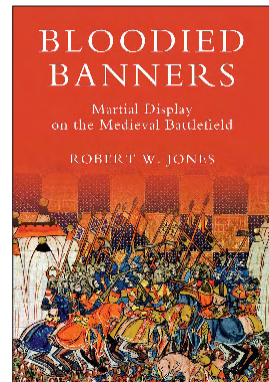
*'What do scholars and critics in 2010 think about the multiple relationships between Chaucer's writings and the religion(s) and religious issues of his period?' Prof. Helen Phillips explains the concept of the forthcoming book **Chaucer and Religion** and also uses the opportunity*

*for the **Christianity and Culture** project to raise an issue important to the teaching of the humanities: that schools don't provide students with a basic knowledge of religion, which is so important to understand the literature, history and whole culture of our past. We have posted her article as a basis for discussion on our new blog <http://medievalheraldblog.blogspot.com> where everyone is welcome to comment and exchange opinions.*

Religion was central to medieval attitudes to almost everything and it aroused, of course, profound engagement but also deep anxieties and controversy. Religion has – perhaps more than any other subject – also prompted opposed and controversial opinions during the history of Chaucer criticism, and centuries before Chaucer ... [read more](#)



INTERVIEW



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B & B.: *What inspired you first of all to study this particular aspect of medieval history?*

R. W. J.: *I've been interested in military history for a long time. When some excellent lecturers at Cardiff University kindled a love for the medieval period in me, a combination of the two was inevitable. I've also been a re-enactor and I've found that recreating the past can give added insights ... [read more](#)*

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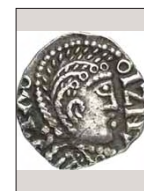
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KING ROTHER AND HIS BRIDE



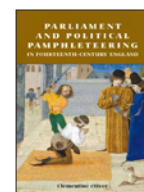
A new view of *King Rother* in which not only the wooer but also his bride-to-be enacts a quest.

STUDIES IN EARLY MEDIEVAL COINAGE 2



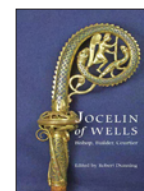
A scholarly and erudite collection of articles centred upon the study of early Anglo-Saxon coinage and based upon the proceedings of the second biennial Scaettas Symposium.

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