

The Shipman and his fourteenth-century colleagues probably took pleasure in calling their ships *Magdalene*, intending that most land-dwellers should recognize the nautical piety but miss the nautical bawdiness of the allusion. I don't think that Chaucer missed it.

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Announcements

The North Central Names Institute will be held in Sugar Grove, Illinois, in October, 1984. For details, write or call Laurence Seits, Waubensee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL 60554

The Annual Connecticut Onomastic Symposium will be held at Eastern Connecticut State College, Willimantic, Connecticut, in October, 1984. For details, call or write to Arthur and Gina Berliner, Route 169, Brooklyn, CT 06234; or Dean A. Reilein, Mountain Road, Mansfield Center, CT 06250

The Annual Meeting of the South Central Names Institute will be held at East Texas State University, Commerce, Texas, in June, 1984. Please write to Fred Tarpley, Dept. of English, ETSU, Commerce, TX 75428