

**Proceedings of the 25th Annual Conference of the  
Israel Society for the Promotion of Classical Studies  
26-28 May 1996, Bar Ilan University, Ramat Gan**

**Sunday, May 26, 1996**

- 18:00 Gathering and Refreshments  
18:30 GREETINGS: Y. Friedlander, Rector of Bar Ilan University  
OPENING REMARKS: John Glucker, Chair of ISPCS  
AWARD of ISPCS Honorary Membership to Ra'anana Meridor and  
David Sohlberg  
OPENING LECTURE: Erich S. Gruen (University of California,  
Berkeley): "Jewish Twists on Pagan Tales"

**Monday, May 27, 1996**

9:00 - 9:30 REGISTRATION

9:45 - 13:15 FIRST SESSION (in Hebrew)

Chair: Miriam Ben Zeev (Ben Gurion University)

David Weissert (Tel Aviv University)

"A Trumpeter's Dedication Epigram"

Vered Lev Kenaan (Tel Aviv University)

"The Maiden and the Ass: Allegorical and Literal Meaning in  
Apuleius' Cupid and Psyche"

Naomi G. Cohen (Haifa University)

"The Name 'Shabtai' in the Ancient World: A Reappraisal of  
Tcherikover's Theory"

SHORT BREAK

Chair: Ephraim David (Haifa University)

Daniel E. Gershenson (Tel Aviv University)

"Cephalorion and Rhosos"

Ephrat Habas Rubin (Ben-Gurion University)

"The Polycharmos Inscription from Stobi"

H.-A. Rupprecht (Philipps-Universität, Marburg)

"Hellenistic Marriage Contracts and Social History" (in English)

13:30 LUNCH BREAK

## 15:00 - 19:00 SECOND SESSION

Chair: Ranon Katzoff (Bar Ilan University)

S. Douglas Olson (University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign)

“The Story of the Return: Narrative Tension in *Odyssey* 13-21”

Luc Deitz (University of Heidelberg)

“Scholastic Logic and Renaissance Poetics — A Few Observations on  
J.C. Scaliger’s *Poetica* 1561”

John D. Morgan (University of Delaware)

“The Calendar and the Chronology of Athens”

## SHORT BREAK

I.F. Fikhman (The Hebrew University)

“The Fate of the Municipal Organization in Byzantine Egypt”

L. Koenen (University of Michigan)

“Phoenix from the Ashes: The Petra Papyrus Archive”

**Tuesday, 28 May**

## 9:00 - 10:00 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SOCIETY

## 10:00 - 13:15 THIRD SESSION (in Hebrew)

Chair: Israel Shatzman (The Hebrew University)

Nahum Cohen (Achva College, Beer Tuvia)

“The Archive of the ‘Abi’ or Cave’ (Jericho Mountain)”

Zeev Rubin (Tel Aviv University)

“Jerome’s *Vita Hilarionis* and the Inter-Religious Struggle in Late  
Antiquity”

## SHORT BREAK

Alexander Jakobson (Haifa University)

“Party Politics in the Roman Republic? The Meaning of the Term  
*popularis* in Cicero’s Fourth Speech against Catiline”

Rachel Zelnik-Abramovitz (Tel Aviv University)

“‘Patronage’ or its Avoidance in Classical Athens”

Zvi Yavetz (Tel Aviv University)

“Dacians and Jews in Latin Literature”

## 13:15 LUNCH BREAK

## 15:00-19:30 FOURTH SESSION

Chair: Hannah Cotton (The Hebrew University)

Alan Watson (University of Georgia)

“Private Law, Religion and International Law in Early Rome”

Woldemar Görler (Universität des Saarlandes)

“...*ut ne imperatus sim, si veniat Phormio*, or How to Prepare for a Delicate Meeting”

Lynn R. LiDonnici (Vassar College)

“The Ephesian Megabyzos Priesthood and Religious Diplomacy at the End of the Classical Period”

SHORT BREAK

Chair: Benjamin Isaac (Tel Aviv University)

Veit Rosenbeger (Lehrstule für Altegeschichte, Augsburg)

“The Taming of the Gods”

G. Liberman, (Université de Paris X)

“Plutarch and the ‘Great Rhetra’”

CLOSING LECTURE:

Werner Eck (Universität zu Köln)

“*Cum Dignitate Otium*, Senatorial *Domus* in Imperial Rome”

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