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1998 ASGLE ANNUAL MEETING AND
JOINT PANEL SESSION

by John Bodel, Vice-President, ASGLE

The American Society of Greek and Latin Epigraphy is pleased to announce a joint panel session at the annual meetings of the American Philological Association and the Archaeological Institute of America in Washington D.C. in December 1998 on The Latin Epigraphy of Rome and Ostia, in tribute to Herbert Bloch, who will be made an honorary life member of the Society. All friends and admirers of Professor Bloch are invited to attend. The program will include the following papers.

Introduction: "Diana Recepta: A New Metrical Inscription from Cosa" *John Bodel, Rutgers University.*

"Herbert Bloch and the New CIL XV.1" *E.M. Steinby, University of Oxford.*

"Warrior, War-band, and Goddess" *Paul B. Harvey, Jr., Pennsylvania State University.*

"A New Identification for the Porticus Aemilia?" *Steven L. Tuck, University of Evansville.*

"The Arch of Augustus and the Roman Triumph" *Russell T. Scott, Bryn Mawr College.*

"P. Lucilius Gamala of Ostia: A New Approach to the Dating of His Career" *John H. D'Arms, American Council of Learned Societies.*



CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR 1999
ANNUAL MEETING

by John Bodel, Vice-President, ASGLE

As a newly chartered affiliated group of the American Philological Association, ASGLE may now sponsor a paper session at the annual joint meetings of the APA and AIA. Suggestions for appropriate topics should be addressed to the vice-president, whose responsibility it will be to select a topic or theme for the following year's meeting and to issue an open call for papers. Submissions will be refereed anonymously.

The following announcement and call for papers for the 1999 AIA-APA meetings will also appear in the October issue of the *APA Newsletter*.

Epigraphy and Religion
(Sponsored by the American Society of
Greek and Latin Epigraphy)

Greek and Latin inscriptions have always supplied rich material for the study of ancient religion. In recent years important individual discoveries have enhanced our knowledge (if not always our understanding) of such fundamental institutions as the cult of ancestors (M.H. Jameson, D.R. Jordan, R.D. Kotansky, *A Lex Sacra from Selinous, GRBM* 11, 1993), and reassessments of well-known types of document, such as votive dedications, have raised new questions about the place of inscribed writing in ancient religious systems (e.g., M. Beard, in *Literacy in the Roman World, JRA Suppl.* 3, 1991: 35-58).

The present panel aims to provide a representative sampling of the ways in which inscriptional evidence contributes to our knowledge of ancient, especially Greek and Roman, religions. To this end papers on a wide variety of themes are invited and a balance of

topics among them will be sought. Ideally the panel will include a combination of papers employing theoretical approaches or considering entire classes of documents and ones focussing on the interpretation of individual texts or monuments.

Abstracts of 500-800 words for papers 15-20 minutes in length are invited from all interested scholars. (You do not need to be a member of ASGLE in order to participate in the panel.) Please send three copies, to arrive by February 1, 1999, to John Bodel, Department of Classics, Rutgers University, 131 George St., New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1414. Abstracts will be refereed anonymously by members of ASGLE's Executive Committee.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

At the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Greek and Latin Epigraphy in December 1998, we will elect several new officers, and we here ask you for nominations or self-nominations. Election ballots will be included with the fall newsletter, and you may vote either by mail or in person at the meeting. Nominations must be made before the publication date of the fall newsletter, and will need to be received by the Secretary-Treasurer no later than October 25, 1998. Please give some thought to this matter; the Society is now up and running, but it will need additional ideas and energy if it is to become firmly established.

At present, the Society has the following officers and administrative structure:

President. Term is two years. Duties include: preside at and make an annual report to the Society at the Annual Meeting; convene and chair the Executive Committee; prepare agendas; report on relationships with AIEGL and other organizations.

Vice-President. Term is two years. The Vice-President becomes President at the end of the two-year term. The Vice-President is chair of the Program Committee, and assumes the duties of the President in the absence of the President.

Secretary-Treasurer. Term is three years. The Secretary-Treasurer maintains membership rolls;

maintains and reviews the Society's financial records; presents reports on membership and finances at the Annual Meeting; pays any bills; serves as recording secretary at meetings of the Executive Committee; sends to AIEGL a list of those members of ASGLE who wish to be members of AIEGL, and transfers funds for their dues. At present, the Secretary-Treasurer also prepares the Newsletter, and advises the Keeper of our Web Site.

Executive Committee. The Executive Committee of ASGLE is composed of the three officers (President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer), the immediate past President, the Editor (though at present we do not have an editor), and two At-Large Members. The Executive Committee deals with the ongoing business of the Society between Annual Meetings, gives direction and advice to the officers on a wide variety of matters ranging from the subjects of our sponsored programs to membership dues, and reviews the activities of the officers, including financial and academic matters. In the past, the Executive Committee has met at the time of the Annual Meetings of the AIA-APA, and at other occasions convenient for the committee members.

Please Send in Nominations.

John Bodel, as current Vice President, will become President automatically on January 1, 1999. We will need to elect a Vice-President, a Secretary-Treasurer, and an At-Large Member of the Executive Committee. If you would like to nominate someone, or are interested in serving, please send your nominations to the current Secretary-Treasurer, George Houston, Department of Classics CB 3145, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599, or by email at <gwhousto@email.unc.edu>.



MINUTES OF THE 1997 ANNUAL MEETING

The first Annual Meeting of the American Society of Greek and Latin Epigraphy was called to order at 8:30 AM on December 29, 1997 in the Chicago 10 Room of the Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers, Chicago, Illinois. Twelve members were present.

President McLean thanked the many persons who have helped the Society during its first year of existence, and mentioned what we have accomplished: we have over one hundred members; we have organized a Joint Panel (which would be held later the same morning); we have a newsletter and Web site; and in September our Executive Committee approved a Constitution for the Society. President McLean then asked for a moment of silence as a memorial for our deceased member, Dr. Sara B. Aleshire.

The Secretary-Treasurer gave his Annual Report, as follows.

Memberships

As of December 23, 1997, we had 110 members paid through 1997 (94 USA, 14 Canadian, 1 Brazilian and 1 Greek). We have 34 members (33 USA, 1 Greek) paid through 1998 and 5 members (all USA) paid through 1999. Our total of members as of this date is 116. Of these, 7 are student, retired, or independent members who opted not to belong to AIEGL; the other 109 are either college or university faculty or student, retired, or independent members who chose to be members of AIEGL. Also, of our 116, 93 are men and 23 are women, to judge from first names.

Financial Report

The Society carried a balance forward from December 28, 1996, of \$2143.71. We had income, entirely from annual dues of Members, of \$1949.86. (The uneven figures are due to the conversion rates for Canadian dollars to US dollars.) Our expenses for 1997 included \$972.90 to AIEGL for dues, and expenses for supplies and the Newsletter; in all, our expenses were \$1157.30, leaving us a bank balance of \$2936.27. Of that total, we will owe AIEGL dues for members in 1997, 1998, and 1999 totalling \$507.15, leaving us with a spendable balance, as of 12/29/97, of \$2429.12.

--Respectfully submitted, George W. Houston

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was approved by voice vote.

[If you would like a more detailed copy of the financial statement, please notify the Secretary-Treasurer.]

John Bodet, Vice-President, described plans for the 1998 Annual Meeting. He proposed that we organize a session on the Latin epigraphy of Rome and Latium, in honor of Herbert Bloch, and that we invite Professor Bloch to become a permanent honorary member of the Society. The proposal was approved by voice vote.

Stephen Tracy, a member of the Executive Committee, reported on the Eleventh International Congress of Greek and Latin Epigraphy, held in Rome in September of 1997. One of the highlights was the day trip to Ostia: participants could choose any two of three guided trips, one to the Isola Sacra and Portus, one an epigraphical tour of Ostia Antica, and the third an introductory tour of Ostia. The Congress had also made it possible for members to visit new epigraphical collections and displays, among them the new arrangement of materials pertaining to early Rome in the Terme Museum, which integrates epigraphical and archaeological materials, with extensive explanations in Italian and English. The new president of AIEGL is Werner Eck, the new treasurer Heikki Solin. The next Congress will take place in Barcelona.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 AM.

CALL FOR DUES, ESPECIALLY FOR AIEGL

If you have not yet paid your dues for 1998, please do so promptly. How do you know if you have not paid your dues? Look at your address label, and you will see a number to the right of your name. That number is the last year for which you have paid dues. If it is 97, then you owe dues for 1998. We will also try to include a Membership/Dues form in this packet if you owe for this year, so if you find such a form, it means you still owe for 1998. IMPORTANT: we will send the names of those members who wish to be

members of the *Association internationale d'épigraphie grecque et latine* to AIEGL on September 1, together with our check for the AIEGL dues of everyone who is paid up by then. If you wish to be a 1998 member of AIEGL, therefore, you must send us your \$30 by September 1 (or email me in haste on August 31 vowing that you will put your dues in the mail the next morning and asking me please to wait a bit). Please understand that we can keep you on the ASGLE Membership List for a year or two after you last pay dues, but we cannot do that for your AIEGL membership, since we are required to send them actual money each year.

REPORT ON THE EPIGRAPHICAL CONFERENCE IN ATHENS, JUNE 1998

by William C. West,
University of North Carolina

A conference was held in Athens on June 5 and 6 to plan for a new corpus of Attic inscriptions dating from 403-402 onward. Conducted under the auspices of the Hellenic Epigraphical Society and in memory of K.S. Pittakys, the first epigraphist of independent Greece, the conference was attended by 58 persons from many countries, including Greece, the United States, Britain, Germany, France, and Australia. This was the fourth such meeting held for this purpose, following earlier sessions in the United States, England, and Italy.

The group called for a new edition of these inscriptions, in book form and with the *Inscriptiones Graecae* series of the Berlin Academy as its model. The edition will emphasize fresh autopsy of known texts and will be accompanied by an electronic version as well. There was some discussion as to whether the language of its lemmata and commentary should be Latin, as in *IG*, or a modern language. The new edition will supersede *IG II²* (1913-1949), covering inscriptions of all classes from the archonship of Eukleides through Roman times. The conference urged that the Epigraphical Museum be recognized as the Center for the Study of Attic Inscriptions.

The conference concluded by establishing two committees. An advisory committee was

proposed, consisting of B. Petrakos (Greece), Ch. Kritzas (Greece), Chr. Habicht (Germany), M. Osborne (Australia), S. Tracy (USA), R. Stroud (USA), and S. Follet (France). An editorial committee was proposed, consisting of A. Matthaiou (Greece), G. Oliver (England), and S. Lambert (England). There was some sentiment that the governing committees could be modified after polling the individuals who had attended previous conferences but were unable to attend this one.

CENTRO CIL II OPENS IN ALCALA, SPAIN

In January, we received the following from Joaquin Gomez-Pantoja: By agreement between the Universidad de Alcala and the Deutsches Archaeologisches Institut, Dr. A. Stylow, formerly at the Kommission für Alte Geschichte und Epigraphik in Munich, has moved to Alcala. This means that the editorial office of CIL II is back in Spain. The Centro welcomes scholars from any country, and is willing to open its files--which include some 20,000 texts--to epigraphers. For further information, contact Dr. Gomez-Pantoja at Centro CIL II, Plaza de Cervantes 11,1, Universidad de Alcala, E-28801 Alcala de Henares, Spain.

NEW EPIGRAPHICAL PUBLICATIONS FROM ROME

From Silvio Panciera in Rome, with help from Silvia Orlandi, we have received news of the following recent publications of interest to epigraphers.

Instrumentum 1 (1998): *Corpus dei bolli sulle anfore romane*, ed. Clementina Panella and Vincenza Morizio. I. *I bolli sulle anfore italiche*.

Opuscula epigraphica 8 (1998): L. Chioffi, *Mummificazione e imbalsamazione a Roma ed in altri luoghi del mondo romano*.

Supplementa Italica, n.s. 16: *Aletrium, Rusellae, Forum Iulii, Bergomum, Forum Vivii - Caburrum*.

Vetere 12: G. Camodeca, *Tabulae Pompeianae Sulpiciorum*. Critical edition.

Vetera 13: G.L. Gregori, *Brescia romana. Ricerche di prosopografia e storia sociale, II. Analisi dei documenti.*

Supplementa Italica - Imagines, Roma (CIL, VI), 1, Musei Capitolini, ed. G.L. Gregori and M. Mattei. Schede di M. Alfiero, D. Bevilacqua, A. Capoferro, S. Castellani. Professor Panciera also sends along the following comments (paraphrased here, from the Italian). We all recognize that the Italian volumes of *CIL* are out of date. Various groups are preparing new volumes, and these new volumes will include photographs. At this time, however, it is impossible to prepare new editions, with photographs, of all the material in the older volumes of *CIL*, and instead what we need are supplementary publications containing photographs of the inscriptions that can still be found or of which a reliable image exists. This is the purpose of the new series, *Supplementa Italica - Imagines*, published by the Unione Accademica Nazionale. This series was undertaken on the initiative of Silvio Panciera, who is the general editor, and this first volume is intended to provide photographic documentation of the inscriptions published in *CIL* VI and preserved in the Capitoline Museums.

The arrangement of the material--some 2000 items--differs from the arrangement in *CIL*. These texts are arranged by type of monument upon which they are inscribed, and within each type chronologically. Such an arrangement, it is hoped, will make the volume of use to specialists in other disciplines, not just epigraphers. Notes on each piece complete and update the notes in *CIL*, and provide information on the monument, provenance, date, location, and bibliography. The volume has six indices: 1, Epigafi; 2, Supporti; 3, Scrittura; 4, Topografia; 5, Datazioni; and 6, Conguagli.

This and the other volumes listed above can be obtained from Edizioni Quasar, via Monte del Gallo, 26 A/B, 00165 Roma. Members of AIEGL will receive a discount.

Tituli 8: *La collezione epigrafica dell'Antiquarium Comunale del Celio. Inediti, revisioni, contributi al riordino*, ed. G. L. Gregori. This volume is available from Edizioni di Storia e Letteratura, via Lancellotti 18, 00186 Roma.

THE U.S. EPIGRAPHY PROJECT A Call for Help

by John Bodel, Vice-President, ASGLE

The U.S. Epigraphy Project was founded at Rutgers University in 1995 for the purpose of gathering and disseminating information about ancient Greek and Latin inscriptions held in the United States. The initial aim of the Project was to produce a summary record of the known locations of published and unpublished Greek and Latin inscriptions in the U.S.A. to present at the Eleventh International Congress of Greek and Latin Epigraphy in Rome in September 1997. That goal was realized with the publication of *Greek and Latin Inscriptions in the USA. A Checklist*, by J. Bodel and S. Tracy (The American Academy in Rome, 1997), in which are registered some 2,300 inscriptions (720 Greek, 1,575 Latin) from 78 collections in 28 states. A list of the collections surveyed and a sample of the catalogue will be sent upon request by email or post.

Currently the Project is compiling an electronic database--with images, wherever possible--of the Latin inscriptions registered in the *Checklist*, employing popular software (FileMaker Pro 3.0 and Adobe Photoshop 4.0) on a Macintosh platform. When complete, the database will be made available to the public; in the meantime inquiries may be addressed to the Project at the address below.

The Project seeks help now in identifying and locating the whereabouts in the United States of any Greek and Latin inscriptions mistakenly omitted from the *Checklist* and welcomes the assistance of any who know of relevant material that may have been overlooked or who have further information about the inscriptions registered. Information or inquiries of any sort will be gratefully received by the Project Director, John Bodel, at <bodel@rci.rutgers.edu> or:

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NOVAE CYBERNETICAE EPIGRAPHICAE

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There are now several electronic fora for the dissemination of epigraphical news, announcements and notices. The following list provides URLs (web-browser addresses) for several of these fora. As a convenient alternative to retyping all of these addresses into your web browser, you may wish to access them via convenient links, now available on the ASGLE Announcements web page
<<http://asgle.classics.unc.edu/annc98.html>>.

AIEGL

News forum for members: <http://www.uni-koeln.de/phil-fak/ifa/altg/eck/mitt.html>
Congresses, colloquia, etc.: <http://www.uni-koeln.de/phil-fak/ifa/altg/eck/kongr.html>

ASGLE

Announcements:

<http://asgle.classics.unc.edu/annc98.html>

British Epigraphy Society

Society activities and other conferences:

<http://www.liv.ac.uk/~gjoliver/besconf.html>

Center for Epigraphical and Paleographical Studies (Ohio State University)

Courses and events: <http://omega.cohums.ohio-state.edu/epigraphy/courses.html>

Centre for the Study of Ancient Documents (Oxford University)

Forthcoming events:

<http://www.csad.ox.ac.uk/CSAD/Events.html>

Newsletter:

<http://www.csad.ox.ac.uk/CSAD/index.html#item4>

Seminar program:

<http://www.csad.ox.ac.uk/CSAD/index.html#item5>

epigraph-1 (the epigraphy emailing list):

Subscription instructions:

http://asgle.classics.unc.edu/epi_1.html

Supplementum Epigraphicum Graecum

News and recent developments:

<http://www.let.leidenuniv.nl/history/seg/seg.htm#News and recent>

The ASGLE web site is regularly updated and checked for errors and changed addresses. Society members and friends are encouraged to forward notices of changes or new resources to the Society's Web Information Coordinator (Tom Elliott), via email: <thomase@mindspring.com>.

INDEX OF ABBREVIATIONS IN
L'ANNEE EPIGRAPHIQUE

Speaking of online epigraphical materials, Tom Elliott, our Web Information Coordinator, has compiled an index of all the abbreviations that have appeared in *L'Année Epigraphique*, from its first year on. This is available on our Web Site, and you will much enjoy looking at it. To get to it (I will take you a somewhat roundabout route, to be sure you notice what else is available):

1. Go to the ASGLE Web site:
<<http://asgle.classics.unc.edu>>
2. In the Table of Contents, click on The Epigrapher's Bookshelf.
3. In the Bookshelf, click on Abbreviations. Be prepared to be seduced into spending half an hour at least.

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