

Saturday, February 13, 2016

I. Phonology

9:00 Adam Strich: *The Vowel System and Syllable Structure of Pre-Yiddish Hebrew and Aramaic: A Reassessment*

9:30 Marijn van Putten: *The Secondary Origins of the Berber e Vowel*

10:00 Break

II. Morphology

10:15 John Huehnergard: *Of People and Tongues: Semitic *nis and *lis*

10:45 Benjamin Suchard: *hallo from the other side: presentatives in Semitic and Egyptian and the Ethiosemitic verb 'to be*

11:15 Gene Gragg: *Morphological Features and Paradigm Development in Cushitic-Omotic*

11:45 Fokelien Koostra and Johan Lundberg: *Variation in Dadanitic causative stems hf'l and 'f'l*

12:15 Øyvind Bjøru: *A Minute Case of Assimilation of Middle waw in Hebrew*

12:45 Lunch

III. Syntax

2:00 Simone Mauri: *Clause Chaining in Berber*

2:30 Ruth Kramer: *General Number Nouns in Amharic Lack a Number Phrase*

3:00 Lutz Edzard: *Experiencer Constructions and Impersonal Verbs in Semitic*

3:30 Break

VI. Keynote Address

3:45 James Allen: *Ancient Egyptian as a Real Language*

6:00 Dinner at *The Claypit*

Sunday, February 14, 2016

IV. Semantics and Pragmatics

8:30 Letizia Cerqueglini: *Contrastive Distribution of MIN and ʿAN in Traditional Negev Arabic*

9:00 Ronni Henkin: *ʿan in Traditional Negev Arabic and Other Arabic Dialects*

9:30 Amel K. Khalfaoui: *The Semantics and Pragmatics of the Discourse Connective ʾama*

10:00 Anbessa Teferra: *Marking Spatial Relations in Sidaama*

10:30 Break

V. Lexicography

10:45 Edward Cook: *By-Forms and/or Biforms as a Problem in Biblical Hebrew Lexicography*

11:15 Mila Neishtadt: *Raisins and Dry Figs in Palestinian Colloquial Arabic: A Key to Identifying and Understanding Two Rare Post-Biblical Hebrew Words*

11:45 Lunch

VII. Epigraphy and Philology

1:00 Ahmad Al-Jallad: *Towards a Complete Decipherment of Thamudic C: Remarks on Language and Genre*

1:30 Charles G. Häberl: *The Mandaean Book of John*

2:00 Ahmad Al-Jallad and Chiara Della Puppa: *“In battle, indeed, comes the best release”: A New Safaitic Poetic Text from Northern Jordan*

2:30 Break

VIII. Classification and Subgrouping: Semitic

2:45 Khalsa Al Aghbari: *Jibbāli's Genetic Affiliation to Arabic: Evidence from Noun Plurals*

3:15 Alexander Magidow: *Diachronic Classification of Arabic Dialects via Personal Pronouns*

3:45 Grover Hudson: *Some Ethiosemitic Lessons of the Comparative Lexicon*

IX. Classification and Subgrouping: Afro-Asiatic

4:15 Paul Fallon: *Are the Agaw Languages Cushitic?: A Lexical Analysis*

4:45 Na^oama Pat-El and Aren Wilson-Wright: *Afroasiatic: A Reevaluation from a Semitic Perspective*

5:15 Break

5:30 Business Meeting