SYMPOSIUM CUMANUM

“Balneology and the Art of Healing in Antiquity”

Wednesday, June 20 through Saturday, June 23, 2001
Villa Vergiliana, Cuma/Baia, Napoli, Italy

Sponsored by The Vergilian Society, Brandeis University, and
The Department of Classics and the College of Humanities at the
University of Arizona, Tucson

Symposium Directors: Patricia A. Johnston and Raymond J. Clark

Wednesday, 20 June

10:00 am OPENING
CEREMONIES AND WELCOME:

PATRICIA A. JOHNSTON, Brandeis University and Symposia Director, The Vergilian Society

Session I: The Baths of the Ancient World

Chair: Marilyn Skinner, President, The Vergilian Society

RAYMOND J. CLARK, Memorial University, St. Johns, Newfoundland, Canada, “Thermal Bathing on the Shore of Lake Avernus” (30 min.)

JOHN SCARBOROUGH, School of Pharmacy and Department of Classics, University of Wisconsin at Madison, “Galen at the Baths” (30 min.)
RALPH JACKSON, British Museum, London, “Roman Healers in Art: Reality or Aspiration?”

Session II.
Archaeology and the Evidence for Bathing.

Chair: Giuliana Tocca, Soprintendenze di Salerno, Benevento e Avellino, and Honorary President in Italy, Vergilian Society

GARRETT G. FAGAN, Dept. of Classics and Ancient Mediterranean Studies, Pennsylvania State University, “Medicinal Bathing in Celsus and Pliny the Elder”

DAVID C. A. HILLMAN, University of Wisconsin, Madison, “Bathing the Elderly: Galen’s Geriatrics”

DAVID SOREN University of Arizona, Tucson, read by ANNALISA MARZANO, Columbia University, “The Fontes Clusini of Horace: Does it Exist?”

TANA J. ALLEN, University of Alberta, Canada, “Roman Healing Spas: the Peutinger Table Revisited”
Thursday, June 21

Session III.  Keynote Address. Chair: Baldassare Conticello

HEINRICH VON STADEN, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, “Reading as Therapy: Literacy and the Practice of Ancient Medicine” (50 min.)

Session IV. Medicine and Bathing in Ancient Latin Literature

Chair: Raymond J. Clark, Memorial University, and Trustee, Vergilian Society

PATRICIA A. JOHNSTON, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA “The Plague in Vergil's Third Georgic”

REGINE CHAMBERT, Paris IV - Sorbonne, France, “Travel and health in Seneca's Letters”

J. J. L. SMOLENAARS, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, “Amnis esse coepi: The Conversion of the River (god) Vulturnus in Statius, Silvae IV.3.”

LAURENT PERNOT, L'Université de Strasbourg II, “Balneoterapia, psicoterapia e logoterapia nei Discorsi Sacri di Elio Aristide.”


LAWRENCE K. BLIQUEZ, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, “The Name and Functions of So-called 'Cyathiscomele'” (read by title only)

Friday, June 22
Session V: EXCURSION to Castello di Baia

PAOLA MINIERO, Soprintendenza di Napoli e Caserta
“Baia: la villa romana inglobata nel ‘maschio’ del Castello Aragonese”

GIANFRANCO DE ROSSI, “The Historical and Archaeological Issues of the Misenum Springs and Balnea in Late Antiquity and the Medieval Ages”; and

Tour of the Castello di Baia

Session VI: From the Mysteries to Psychotherapy

R. DREW GRIFFITH, Queen's University, Canada, "Near-Death Experience and the Eleusinian Mysteries: Anabiosis as Psychotherapy in Ancient Greece"

ANNIE BERNER-HÜRBIN, Szondi Institut, Zürich, Switzerland, “The Hippocratic Art of Healing”

MARGARET A. BRUCIA, American Academy in Rome and Earl L. Vandermeulen High School, New York, “To Sleep, Perchance to Dream: Literary Allusions to Pre-Aesculapian Incubation in Rome”

BARBARA WEIDEN BOYD, Bowdoin College, “The (Snake) Doctor is In: Ovid on the Arrival of Aesculapius in Rome.”

ALAN POWERS, “Philosophy and Medicine in the Age of Giordano Bruno.”

Saturday, June 23

Session VI: Baths and Bathing
Chair: John Scarborough

JANET DELAINE, University of Reading, UK, “Baths and Bathing in late Roman Ostia”

M. BARBARA REEVES, State University of New York, Buffalo,
“Is There a Slave in the Bath?”

RAFFAELE GIAMMINELLI and ROSARIO DI BONITA,
“Topographia dei Bagni di Pozzuoli”