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JULY 26 - 30, 1995

The 12th Annual

SPORT LITERATURE ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting

University of Maine
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July 26-30, 1995

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Judy Hakola
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Special thanks to Dean Leslie Flemming of the College of Arts and Humanities and Prof. Harvey Kail, Chair of the English Department, University of Maine, for their support.

All sessions and meals will be in the Woolley Room in the Doris Twitchell Allen Village (DTAV) Community Building unless otherwise specified.

Wednesday, July 26

1:00 to 6:00
Conference and On-Campus Housing Registration

6:00 to 7:00
Buffet Dinner

7:30 to whenever
"Boys Will Be Boys, But Must Girls Be Too? A Conversation About Gender Issues in Sports"
Judy Hakola, University of Maine
Stephen Mosher, Ithaca College

Thursday, July 27

8:00 to 8:30: Breakfast

8:15
Welcome and Announcements
Judy Hakola

Session I: 8:30 to 9:30
"Let's Get Serious"
Moderator: Judy Hakola, Univ. of Maine

1. "A Matter of Life and Death: Some Thoughts on the Language of Sport"
   Jeffrey O. Segrave, Skidmore College

2. "Wrestling John Irving"
   Don Morrow, University of Western Ontario

Session II: 9:45 to 10:45
"The Gridiron Report"
Moderator: Stephen Mosher, Ithaca College

1. "The Jaguars Are Coming! The Jaguars Are Coming!"
   Rchard Doxtator, University of Wisonsin - Stevens Point

2. "The Social Construction of Contemporary Masculinity: The Language and Traditions of Games of Conquest in *End Zone*"
   Don L. Deardorff, Bryant College

Thursday, July 27 (continued)

Session III: 11:00 to 12:00

Creative Writing: Prose I

Moderator: Glynn Leyshon, University of Western Ontario

1. "Tami Murriello Drinks Spaghetti and Easts Beer!"
   Ludwig Otto, Paul Quin College

Lunch: 12:00 to 1:30

On your own, on campus or off

Session IV: 1:30 to 2:30

"Visceral or Ephemeral?"

Moderator: Jeff Evans, University of Maine

1. "An Erotics of Maine High School Basketball in Ruth Moore's *The Walk Down Main Street* and Tabitha King's *One on One*"
   Virginia Nees-Hatlen, University of Maine

2. "In the Beginning Was the Image"
   Richard Doxtator, University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

Session V: 2:45 to 3:45

"George Herman Ruth Turns One Hundred"

Moderator: George Grella, University of Rochester

1. "Images of the Babe"
   Eric Solomon, San Francisco State University

2. "The Babe and the Feature Film: The Muddling of the Myth"
   Richard Crepeau, Central Florida University

When the Sun Goes Down....5:00 to Whenever

Dinner and Sampling at the Seadog Microbrewery, Bangor

Friday, July 28

8:00 to 8:30: Breakfast

Session VI: 8:30 to 9:20
"Ribald Deeds and Unanswerable Questions"
Moderator: Ron Hyatt, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

1. "Tournaments in Chaucer's Tales"
Sidney Vance, University of Montevallo

2. "The Existential Paradox of Identity in Sport"
Jeffrey O. Segrave and Aaron Berthiaume, Skidmore College

Session VII: 9:30 to 10:20
"Image Is Everything...or Nothing"
Moderator: Richard Doxtator, Univ. of Wisconsin - Stevens Point

1. "*Raging Bull* and the Question of Realism"
Jeff Evans, University of Maine

2. "The Baseball Moment in American Film"
George Grella, University of Rochester

Session VIII: 10:30 to 11:20
BUSINESS MEETING

Session IX: 11:45 to Whenever

Walking/hiking or shopping on Mt. Desert Island; LOBSTAH in the evening. Transportation and meeting times and places will be arranged.

Saturday, July 29

8:00 to 8:30: Breakfast

Session X: 8:30 to 9:30
"You Can Go Home Again, Can't You?"
Moderator: Virginia Nees-Hatlen, University of Maine

1. "Sports Themes in the Works of Thomas Wolfe"
Ron Hyatt, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

2. "Hemingway and World War Two: Sport? War Game? Crusade?"
H. R. Stoneback, SUYN College at New Paltz

Saturday, July 29 (continued)

Session XI: 9:45 to 10:45

"Sports: A Prescription for Life"
Moderator: David L. Vanderwerken, Texas Christian University

1. "A Slice of Harvey Penick's *Little Red Book*"
   Lyle Olsen, East Tennessee State University

2. "Better Health Through Fishing: The Consolatory Discourse of Angling in Izaak Walton's *The Compleat Angler*"
   Don. L. Deardorff, Bryant College

Session XII: 11:00 to 12:00

Creative Writing: Prose II
Moderator: Don Morrow, University of Western Ontario

1. "The Fan"
   Bill Plott, *The Birmingham News*

2. Untitled - "hopefully something appropriate to moose pastures and black flies"
   Glynn Leyshon, University of Western Ontario

Lunch: 12:00 to 1:30

On your own, on campus or off

Session XIII: 1:30 to 2:30

"Proud to Be 'Rollin' on the River' "
Moderator: Judy Hakola, University of Maine

1. "Fishing for Understanding in Maclean's *River* "
   David L. Vanderwerken, Texas Christian University

2. "*A River Runs Through It* : Serious Play...Playful Seriousness"
   Don Johnson, East Tennessee State University

Session XIV: 2:45 to 4:00

"Free-For-All: The Best Sports Films"
Moderator and Referee: Eric Solomon, San Francisco State University

1. Richard Doxtator, University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point: *North Dallas Forty*
2. George Grella, University of Rochester: *Chariots of Fire* and *Raging Bull*
3. Stephen Mosher, Ithaca College: *Olympis* and/or *This Sporting Life*
4. Bill Baker, University of Maine: *A River Runs Through It*
5. David Vanderwerken, Texas Christian University: *Hoop Dreams* and *Hoosiers*

6:00: Chicken barbecue at Stillwater River picnic area if the weather is good; at DTAV if it's rainy. Consult campus map for walking or driving directions.

Sunday, July 30

8:45 to 9:15: Breakfast (NOTE later time)

Session XV: 9:15 to 10:15
"Sporting America: Then and Now"
Moderator: Don Johnson, East Tennessee State University

1. "Sports in Colonial New England"
Gregg B. Neikirk, Westfield State College

2. "Heroes, Anti-Heroes, and the American Dream"
Robert J. Higgs, East Tennessee State University

Session XVI: 10:30 to 11:30
Creative Writing: Poetry
Moderator: Don Deardorff, Bryant College

1. from *The Hockey Player Sonnets*
John B. Lee, Brantford, Ontario

2. "Goofy and Roy: Knocking the Cover off the Ball" - a video poem
Stephen Mosher, Ithaca College

3. (untitled, but if it doesn't include Hemingway, it's not by Stoney)
H. R. Stoneback, SUNY College at New Palz

Th-th-that's all, folks. S-s-see you in Stevens Point!