Sport Literature Association - Conference Program
Ithaca College, Ithaca, New York
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DAY ONE:

Friday August 1st

Breakfast: 7:00-8:30 (Egbert Dining Hall)

Session I - 9:00-10:20 "A Literary Double Play: Canin, Presley and Trollope" (Clark Lounge)
Moderator: Judy Hakola (SLA President)

Sidney Vance, "The Purloined Sock, The Secret *doppel* and the Bottom Line in Ethan Canin's "Accountant"

David McGimpsey, "Presley Agonistes: The Sporting Conceit and Its Discontents in Elvis Presley Fictions"

Timothy Morris and Lisa Rathert, "Speaking the Unspeakable: Trollope's Foxhunts"

REFRESHMENT BREAK: 10:20-10:40

Session II - 10:40-12:00 "Hunting and Angling in Literature and Life" (Clark Lounge)
Moderator: Lyle Olsen

Mark D. Noe, "To the Hunt, but Never Getting There: The Genesis and Reality of **Pickwick Papers**"

Paul Quigley, "Angling for a Connection: Hunting and Fishing Imagery in Irving's **The Sketch Book**"

David Vanderwerken, "In Memoriam: Harry Earl Opperman III: 15 December 1940 - 8 December 1996"

LUNCH: 12:00-1:30 (Egbert Union or wander downtown to 'The Moosewood')

Friday August 1st (cont'd)

Session III - 1:30-2:50 "Archetypes and Meaning in Baseball Fiction and Film" (Clark Lounge)
Moderator: Eric Solomon

Kathy Porter, "Women as Goddess Archetypes in Baseball Fiction"
Thomas DiPiero, "If You Build It...Fields of Meaning in 'Field of Dreams'"
Michele Shiavone, "Narratives of Baseball in Mark Harris's **The Southpaw**"

SELF-GUIDED ITHACA TOUR: CULINARY OPPORTUNITIES ON THE COMMONS: 2:50-7:00

Session IV - 7:00-8:30 p.m. "The Creative Impulse: Readings in Fiction and Poetry" (Campus TBA)
Moderator: Stephen Mosher

Poetry Readings:
John B. Lee; Elizabeth D. Woodworth; Dale Ritterbusch; Don Johnson, HR Stoneback

Short Fiction Readings:
Glynn Leyshon; John Morefield; Richard Arlin Stull

DAY TWO

Saturday August 2nd

Breakfast 7-8:30 am (Egbert Dining Hall)

Session V - 9:00-10:20 "The Realm of Writing and the Written in Women's Sport"(mostly!)
(Clark Lounge)
Moderator: David Vanderwerken

Susan J. Bandy, "The Female Athlete as Protagonist: From Cynisca to Butcher"
Anne Darden, "Outsiders: The Theme of Exclusion in Women's Sport Literature"
Greg Neikirk, "We are the Champions: Milton Agonistes"

REFRESHMENT BREAK: 10:20-10:40

Session VI - 10:40-12:00 "A Land- and Ice-Scape of Sport Writing" (Clark Lounge)
Moderator: John B. Lee

Jeff Segrave, "Sport as Escape"
Don Morrow, "He Who Has Seen the Wind: The Black Bonspiel of Willie MacCrimmon"
*David McGimpsey, "Rock 'em, Sock 'em, Terre de Nos Aieux: Legends of Hockey, Canadian Nationalism, and Television Violence"
(* 1997 Winner of the Lyle Olsen Essay Award)

LUNCH ***AND*** SLA BUSINESS MEETING: 12:00 - 1:30 (Cafeteria - Egbert Union)

Session VII - 1:30-2:50 "Baseball's Fields, Fans and Angels" (Clark Lounge)
Moderator: Susan J. Bandy

Charles S. Adams, "Taking the Field: Contemporary Appropriations of Baseball"
Rajani Sudan, "I'm Out Fielding Angels: Baseball's Family Values"
Eric Solomon, "Delmore Schwartz: The Poet as Manic Depressive Baseball Fan"

Saturday August 2nd (cont'd)

REFRESHMENT BREAK: 2:50-3:10

Session VIII - 3:10-4:30 "Churches and Resurrections in the Literature of Sport (Clark Lounge)
Moderator: Don Johnson

Dennis Gildea, "Re-presenting Reality: Antebellum Prize-Fighting Fiction in the *New York Clipper*"
Franz Bokel, "The Resurrected Lady: Sports Writer Paula Reznicek"
George Grella, "The Church of Baseball, Baseball and the Church"

EVENING BANQUET: TOWER CLUB
Moderator: Stephen Mosher
6:00 pm Cocktails
7:00 pm Dinner

Presenter: Toni Bruce, "A Spy in the House That Ruth Built"

DAY THREE

Sunday August 3rd

Brunch 8:00 am, bagels, fruit, pastries (**Clark Lounge)

Session IX - 8:30-9:50 "Cycles and Cycling in Sport" (Clark Lounge)

Moderator: Glynn Leyshon

Lyle Olsen, "Sport Literature in Retrospect: A Sage's Perspective"

Duncan R. Jamieson, "Late 19th Century Round the World Bicycle Touring"

H.R. Stoneback, "Hemingway and Cycling: Or, Ernest Hemingway, John Dos Passos, Archibald McLeish, Allan Tate, And Robert Penn Warren at the 'Vel d'Hiv' and On the Road"

REFRESHMENT BREAK: 9:50-10:10

Session X - 10:10-11:30 "Swatting and Celebrating" (Clark Lounge)

Moderator: Don Morrow

Ron Hyatt, "Sport Literature in North Carolina"

Judy Hakola and Scott Schiamberg, "American Baseball Parks and W.P. Kinsella: Celebration of the Pastoral Ideal"

Bill Plott, "Swat Milligan Covers the 1912 World Series"

ADJOURNMENT