SPORT LITERATURE ASSOCIATION XVIII
"Bringing it Home" Conference
June 14 - June 17, 2001
East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

REGISTRATION/HOUSING CHECK-IN: Luntsford Hall, after 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13

Continuing Registration in Adelphia Center. All Thursday, Friday and Saturday sessions will be held in Adelphia 137-A

Thursday, June 14, 2001

Breakfast: Culp Center Cafeteria: 7:30-8:30

9:00 a.m. - 9:10 a.m.
Adelphia Center 137-A

Welcome/Opening Comments - **Bert Bach,** ETSU Provost; **Don Johnson**, Conference Co-Director, East Tennessee State University.

Session I: Thursday, June 14, 9:10 a.m. - 10:25 a.m.

The All–American Game: Moderator: **David Vanderwerken,** Texas Christian University

- **Rob Sheinkopf,** University of Illinois, Chicago. "Eddie Scissions Redux: The Eddie Scissions Syndrome – An Epidemic Out of Control."
- **Stephen Holt**, Raceland, Kentucky. "The Wurtland Merchants."
- **Tim Morris**, University of Texas/Arlington. "White Kids, Black Mentors in Children's Baseball Novels."

Break

Session 2: Thursday, June 14, 10:40 a.m.- 12:10 p.m.

The Post-Modern, the Eccentric and Gamesmanship: Moderator: **Dennis Gildea,** Springfield College

- **Michael Giardina**, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. "Images of Transnational Celebrity: Traipsing 'round the World in Search of the (Hyper)real Martina Hingis."
- **Don Morrow,** University of Western Ontario. "Home Game: Quarrington's Eccentric Foul Ball."

- **Robert Hamblin,** Southeast Missouri State University. "Laughter and Tears: Gamesmanship in Faulkner's Snopes Trilogy"

Lunch12:10-1:30: Culp Center Cafeteria

Session 3: Thursday, June 14, 1:30 p.m. -3:00 p.m.

Baseball, Bruises and the Brits: Moderator: **Glynn Leyshon**, University of Western Ontario.

- **Eric Solomon,** "Ethnicity, Post-Modernism, Post-Colonialism, Meta-Fiction and Baseball: "*The Veracruz Blues*"
- **John Morefield,** East Tennessee State University, and **Jeff Bleamer.** "NFL Fiction and NFL Reality."
- **Julian D'Arcy,** University of Iceland: "Sir Walter Scott and British Sports Fiction."

Break

Session 4: Thursday, June 14, 3:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Computers, Women and Song: Moderator: **Tim Morris**, University of Texas/Arlington

- **Adam McKeown**, "Digitizing Values: The Problem of the Bowl Championship Series."
- **Jaime Schultz,** University of Iowa. "She Got Game: Representations of Female Hunters."
- **Dave McGimpsey**, Concordia University, Montreal. "Hit 'em Harder" Arena Rock and the Sensibility of the Sports Song."

Dinner: Culp Center Cafeteria, 5:30

Thursday Evening, June 14 (Adelphia Center)

Cash Bar 6:30 p.m. 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Poetry Reading. 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Moderator: **Nanda Fischer**, Technische Universitat, Munchen

- **Dave McGimpsey**, Concordia University, Montreal
- **Neil Nakadate**, Iowa State University
- **Grace Butcher,** Professor Emeritus, Kent State University
- **Ron Smith,** St. Christopher's School
- **Richard Arlin Stull**, Humboldt State University
- **John Lee,** Independent Scholar

- **Sarah Freligh**, Rochester, NY
- **Dale Ritterbusch**, University of Wisconsin/Whitewater
- **Robert Hamblin**, Southeast Missouri State University

Breakfast: Culp Center Cafeteria, 7:30-8:30

Session 5: Friday, June 15, 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

What is Art? Moderator: **Dick Stull,** Humboldt State University.

- **Mary Hurd,** East Tennessee State University. "Darkness in *Fat City.*"
- **Christine Sell,** University of Akron. "A History and Discussion of the Dramatic Writing Contests in the Olympic Concours d'Art 1912-1948."
- **Don Johnson**, East Tennessee State University. "Watching the Children Sport Along the Shore: Sport and Play in Seamus Heaney's Poetry."

Break

Session 6: Friday 10:30 - 12 noon

Fisticuffs meet Fascism, Feminism and Flamenco: Moderator: **Eric Solomon,** San Francisco State University.

- **Nanda Fischer**, Technische Universitat Munchen. "The Other Adolf. The Boxing Novel *Almost Champion* by Adolf Uazarski as a Political satire on Pre-Fascist Society."
- **Dennis Gildea,** Springfield College. "Feminism and the Fight Game: Sophie Treadwell's and W.O. McGeehan's "A Million Dollar Gate."
- **Mark Noe,** Pennsylvania College of Technology. "The Bout is Only Part of the Fight: Hispanic Boxers in W.E. Barrett's Denver Fiction."

Lunch: Culp Center Cafeteria, 12:00-1:30

FICTION READING I: Friday, June 14, 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Moderator: **Dale Ritterbusch**, University of Wisconsin/Whitewater.

- **Richard Arlin Stull**, Humboldt State University "Johnny, Shoot the Ball!"
- **John Morefield**, East Tennessee State University, "Archie and Me"
- **Glynn Leyshon**, University of Western Ontario. "The Lucky Gun"
- **Neil Nakadate**, Iowa State University "Creative Non-fiction Father Reflections."

Break

FICTION READING II: Friday, June 15, 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Moderator: **Julian D'Arcy,** University of Iceland

- **Jack Higgs,** East Tennessee State University. "No Concessions."
- **David Vanderwerken,** Texas Christian University. "Sports in Chaim Potok's Fiction."
- **Dan Schoenholz,** Walnut Creek, CA. "Guys Like Felix."
- **H. R. Stoneback, SUNY-New Paltz,** "New Poems"

Dinner: Culp Center Cafeteria, 5:30

Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Performance of JASON MILLER'S "LOU GEHRIG DID NOT DIE OF CANCER" And JONATHAN REYNOLDS "YANKEES 3 – DETROIT 0, BOTTOM OF THE 7TH"

Beginning at 6:45, the shuttle will leave from in front of Luntsford Hall for the Johnson City Community Theatre, 600 E. Maple St., Johnson City. Subsequent departures will occur every fifteen minutes until 7:15.

Breakfast: Culp Center Cafeteria, 7:30

Session 7: Saturday, June 16, 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Hemingway, Helions and Horses: Moderator: **John Slack,** University of Miami.

- **H.R. Stoneback,** SUNY, New Paltz "Swimming Hemingway's Other Seas and Diving Down the 'Iceberg': A Natatorial and Heliophilic Meditation."
- **Ron Hyatt,** University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
- **Neil Nakadate,** Iowa State University. "Love, Money, and the Sporting Life in Jane Smiley's *Horse Heaven.*"

Break

Session 8: Saturday, June 16, 10:30 a.m – Noon

Psyches, Statues and States of Mind: Moderator: **H.R. Stoneback,** SUNY, New Paltz

- **John Slack,** University of Miami. "Mad About Baseball: Psyches, Psychos, and Psychoses in Coover's *Universal Baseball Association* and Fromm's *How All This Started.*"
- **Gregg Neikirk**, Westfield College.
- **Sydney Vance and Paul Boyd,** University of Montevallo. " Demigods in Bronze: Epic Statuary at Baseball Stadia"

Lunch: Culp Center Cafeteria, Noon

Session 9: BUSINESS MEETING: Saturday, June 16, Noon – 1:00 p.m.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON: Noon Till 5 p.m. – Exploration, Meditation and Libation, etc.

SATURDAY EVENING: 5 p.m. till ... PICNIC AT DON JOHNSON'S PLACE ON THE WATAUGA RIVER

BLUEGRASS! RAYMOND MCLAIN AND ETSU BLUEGRAS BAND

Sunday, June 17, 7:30-9:00
Continental Breakfast, Luntsford Hall Meeting Room

Session 11: Sunday, June 17, 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
Luntsford Hall Meeting Room
Panel – Multi-ethnic Sports Narratives: Teaching Race and Sports at the University

Moderator – **La'Tonya Rease Miles,** UCLA

- **Trisha Ranney,** UCLA
- **George A. Turner, Jr.,** UCLA
- **Carrie Phillips,** UCLA

Session 12: Sunday, June 17, 10:30 – Noon

Rules and Crossing the Lines: Moderator: **Joyce Duncan**, East Tennessee State University

- **Todd Hunter Starkweather,** University of Illinois at Chicago. "The Decline and Fall of the Gentleman Amateur in *The Good Soldier.*"
- **Grace Butcher,** Professor Emeritus, Kent State University "Crossroads I Have Never Seen Before."

- **John Morefield,** East Tennessee State University. "What I Look For in Fiction."
- **Closing Comments** - Don Johnson, East Tennessee State University

CONFERENCE DIRECTORS: Don Johnson and Joyce Duncan, East Tennessee State University
PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Richard Arlin Stull, Humboldt State University