



## The Chicago Seminar on Sport and Culture

Co-sponsored by Northeastern Illinois University and the Dr. William M. Scholl Center for American History and Culture

### CALL FOR PAPERS

for the 2009–10 academic year

*Deadline for Submission: 25 April 2009*

The seminar is intended to draw together scholars from a variety of fields to share their inquiries in the history, sociology, literature, anthropology, and economics of athletics. Comparative as well as interdisciplinary, the seminar engages the development of sport within diverse cultural settings—ancient and modern—and explores topics that range beyond the playing fields: the social construction of masculinity, for instance, or the relationship between sport and ethnic identity. Each seminar features a presentation of original research by a scholar in the field as well as cultural commentary on sport. Ideally, our meetings stimulate wide-ranging discussions, applicable for use in both classroom and broader professional forums.

The seminar is open to graduate students, faculty members, independent scholars and the general public. Priority is given to individuals who are at a stage of their research at which they can best profit from discussion. The seminar meets on selected Fridays during the academic year, 3:30–5:00 PM, at the Newberry Library in Chicago.

To propose a paper, please send a one-page proposal, a statement explaining the relationship of the paper to your other work, and a brief c.v. to Jenny Butler, Program Assistant, Dr. William M. Scholl Center for American History and Culture, The Newberry Library. **Please send all materials as electronic attachments via email to: [scholl@newberry.org](mailto:scholl@newberry.org).**

If you are interested in proposing a paper and have questions, please contact one of the seminar coordinators, Steve Riess (Northeastern Illinois University, [S-Reiss@neiu.edu](mailto:S-Reiss@neiu.edu); (773) 442-5631) or Gerald Gems (North Central College, [rgems@noctrl.edu](mailto:rgems@noctrl.edu); (630) 637-5502.)

The Newberry Library is unable to provide funds for travel or lodging, but can assist in locating discounted accommodations.

If you would like to be placed on the mailing list to receive announcements of upcoming presentations, or if you would like further information about Newberry Library seminars, phone Jenny Butler at the Dr. William M. Scholl Center for American History and Culture at the Newberry Library at (312) 255-3524, or send an e-mail to [scholl@newberry.org](mailto:scholl@newberry.org). (Please include your e-mail address with all communications, and let us know if you would be willing to receive announcements by e-mail.)

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