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Danke schön!!

Program of the Third Annual
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Sports, Athletics, and the Body in Germanic Literature and Culture



The Ohio State University
Department of Germanic Languages and Literatures

The Ohio Union
Columbus, Ohio
February 18-19, 2011



Friday, February 18, 2011

Suzanne M. Scharer Room

Opening Remarks 3:00 pm
Elizabeth Gordon, Bethany Van Camp, Ryan Smith

Keynote Address, *introduced by Professor Anna Grotans* 3:30 pm

Professor Andrei Markovits

University of Michigan

“Gaming the World: How Sports are Reshaping Global Politics and Culture”

coffee break 4:45 pm

Round Table Discussion: **Sports as a “Major Player” in Germanic Politics, Culture, and History** 5:00 pm

Professor Kai Hammermeister, Professor Paul Reitter, Kevin Richards, Thomas Stefaniuk

Pot Luck Reception at the home of 7:00 pm
Professor Carmen Taleghani-Nikazm

Saturday, February 19, 2011

Davis Interfaith Prayer Room

Continental Breakfast (on-site, complimentary) 9:00 am

Athletics, National Socialism, and German National Identity 9:30 am
 moderator: *Amber Lane*

The 1936 Berlin Olympics: Sport, Propaganda, and the International Perception of Germany in the North American Press, 1933-1937

Mikkel Dack, University of Calgary

Strengthening the Volkskörper: Sports activities of the Nazi leisure organization Kraft durch Freude during the Third Reich

Julia Timpe, Brown University

The Ugly Duckling in Black, Red, and Gold: The 1990 World Cup and German National Identity

Benjamin Duclos, University of Massachusetts Amherst

coffee break 10:30 am

Physicality and Broken Bodies

11:00 am

moderator: *Sara Luly*

Zinzendorfs Dichtung: Ein religiöses Liebesverhältnis zum Marterleib Christi

Berit Jany, Ohio State University

Blood PRESSURE: Expressions of Courtly Violence in the Correspondence of Liselotte von der Pfalz

Wonneken Wanske, Ohio State University

The Mind-Body Connection in Salman Rushdie’s Novel *Midnight’s Children*

Kristen M. Hetrick, Ohio State University

Luncheon (on-site, complimentary) 12:00 pm

Minorities in Society, Minorities in Athletics 1:00 pm

moderator: *Adam Sulewski*

Gays Can Play Soccer: Redefining Identity in German Soccer for *Männer wie wir*

Adam Toth, Pennsylvania State University

Foundational Motives of Turkish-Based Soccer Clubs

Daniel Huhn, Universität Münster

Stefan Metzger, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

Sports as a Weapon: Siegmund Breitbart’s Embodiment of Muskeljudentum

Matt Sherman, Michigan State University

Closing Remarks 2:00 pm

Professor John Davidson

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