

Lucinda Stone Women's Studies Collection

Smythe Library
Northwest-East Vermont State Southern University

Collection Management Project

Lori Ann Saeki LIS 615 April 29, 2004 Since the passage of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the number of women and girls who participate in sports has increased dramatically. Still, no professional women's sports leagues in the United States has enjoyed success over an extended period of time. Following this development, the participation of women in amateur and professional sports and the forces that influence it have become a growing field of study among cultural feminist scholars. The Lucinda Stone Women's Studies Collection at Smythe Library has earned national recognition for its materials on women and popular culture, yet the women's studies faculty at the university have identified a gap in the collection when it comes to women and sports. The Stone Collection thus would like to purchase materials on women and sports to maintain the collection's status as one of the premier women's studies collections in the nation and to meet the research needs of faculty and students.

Description of the Library

The Lucinda Stone Women's Studies Collection is one of five special collections in Smythe Library at Northwest-East Vermont State Southern University in Hinesburg, Vermont. The Stone Collection's primary users are the women's studies students and faculty, with secondary users being students and faculty of other academic programs of the university and greater Hinesburg community. Researchers from across the nation also come to Hinesburg to view the many unique materials in the Stone Collection.

The NWEVSSU Women's Studies Department offers an undergraduate major, minor, and certificate, a graduate certificate, and a Master's degree.

The Stone Collection consists of materials that describe and analyze women in art, education and pedagogy, literature, media, medicine and health, music, popular culture, science and technology, sports and recreation, and theater, as well as materials on feminist theory and history. While monographs and serials make up the majority of the holdings, the Stone Collection acquires materials in all formats, and is particularly recognized for its extensive collection of photographs, ephemera, realia, and other non-print materials which are housed separately in the Smythe Library Archives.

Parameters of Proposed Collection

To improve its holdings on women and sports, the Stone Collection would like to acquire the following 45 items dealing with but not limited to the following categories: women's participation in sport; history of women in sports; women's sports leagues; media and women in sport; gender stereotypes in sport; feminist critique of sport; Title IX history and challenges; lesbians in sport. These items represent both general analysis of women in sport and histories of women's experiences in particular sports, where available. Emphasis has been placed on materials created from a feminist or woman-centered viewpoint. The Stone Collection submits this request for these 40 monographs, one scholarly journal, and four videocassettes, to the women's studies selection committee for approval.

Selected Items

1. Berlage, Gai. *Women in Baseball: The Forgotten History*. Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 1994. ISBN 0-275-94735-1 \$22.50. Owned by 916 libraries.

Reviewed by: Lecompte, M. L. Choice 32 (2) (October 1994): 325.

Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 119 (February 1, 1994): 84.

Barra, Allen. New York Times Book Review (April 10, 1994): 25.

Festle, Mary Jo. Journal of American History 82 (June 1995): 265.

Guild, Molly. San Francisco Review of Books 19 (April/May 1994): 28.

Rey, Patricia Del. NWSA Journal 6 (3) (Fall 1994): 497-501.

Author examines women in baseball from a sociocultural perspective. Covers women in baseball from Victorian period to present, including the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, barnstorming tours, women's college baseball, little league, semipro, and negro leagues. But author fails to make important connections, does not mention significant individuals or organizations. We still feel it is appropriate for our collection due to the diverse range of baseball opportunities for women covered by the book. Women's participation in sport, history, women's sport leagues.

2. Birrell, Susan and Mary G. McDonald, eds. *Reading Sport: Critical Essays on Power and Representation*. Boston: Northeastern University Press, 2000. ISBN -55553-429-5 (pbk) \$22.50. Owned by 426 libraries.

Reviewed by: Ryan, F.L. Choice. 38 (4) (December 2000): 744.

Collection of ten academic essays "read" sports as literary text to deconstruct athletics and expose "structures of dominance expressed around ... power lines of race,

gender, and sexuality" (Ryan). Essays examine both sports in general and particular athletes who reflect and reinforce these structures of dominance. Named one of *Choice's* Outstanding Academic Titles of 2000. Feminist critique of sport.

3. Birrell, Susan and Cheryl L. Cole, eds. *Women, Sport, and Culture*. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics, 1994. ISBN 0-89322-650-X (pbk) \$42. Owned by 696 libraries. Reviewed by: Davenport, J. *Choice* 32 (9) (May 1995): 1488.

Collection of essays from cultural feminist perspective relating to gender, the body and sport. Five sections move reader from theoretical — women and ideology of sport — through gendered hierarchies in sport, how media affects sport and gender, and sport and sexuality. Feminist critique of sport, media and women in sport.

4. Bolin, Anne and Jane Granskog, eds. *Athletic Intruders: Ethnographic Research on Women, Culture, and Exercise*. Albany: State University of New York Press, 2003. ISBN 0-7914-5584-X (pbk) \$23.95. Owned by 345 libraries.

Reviewed by: Hastings, D.W. Choice 40 (11/12) (July/August 2003): 1946

Essays and case studies examine how participation in sport shapes women's self-perceptions of body image, and identities as women/athletes, and how women construct their own definitions of femininity and physicality. Sports covered include triathlon, aerobics, basketball, bodybuilding, weightlifting, motorcycle riding, softball, casual exercise, and rugby. Part of "SUNY series on Sport, Culture, and Social Relations."

Women's participation in sport, gender stereotypes in sport, feminist critique of sport.

5. Brackenridge, Celia. *Spoilsports: Understanding and Preventing Sexual Exploitation in Sport*. London: Routledge, 2001. ISBN 0-419-25780-2 (pbk) \$33.95. Owned by 235 libraries.

Reviewed by: Lenskyj, Helen J. *Culture, Sport, Society* 5 (2) (Summer 2002): 124-126. Grahn, Katherine J. *Sociology of Sport Journal* 19 (3) (2002): 342-344.

Berman, Erica. Sociology of Sport Journal 19 (3) (2002): 344-346.

Mutrie, N. British Journal of Sports Medicine 36 (4) (August 2002): 311.

Author examines sexual harassment and abuse in sports perpetrated by men in positions of power within athletics (such as coaches). Explores how heterosexual masculinity is constructed through sexual violence in sport. Draws from several disciplines to examine context of sexual exploitation and prescribe solutions to cut down on sexual violence in sport. Context of book is United Kingdom, but applicable to those in the United States as well. Gender stereotypes in sport, feminist critique of sport.

6. Byrne, Julie. *O God of Players: The Story of the Immaculata Mighty Macs*. New York: Columbia University Press, 2003. ISBN 0-231-12749-9 (pbk) \$22.50. Owned by 151 libraries.

Reviewed by: Kerry, Jr., H. F. Choice 41 (7) (March 2004): 1332.

Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 128 (14) (September 1, 2003): 176.

Chronicle of Immaculata College, a women's Catholic school outside of Philadelphia, which won the first three women's basketball national championships, and how it opened the door for women in sports. Examines intersection between religion and women as athletes. Women's participation in sport, history.

7. Cahn, Susan K. *Coming on Strong: Gender and Sexuality in Twentieth-Century*Women's Sport. New York: Maxwell Macmillan Canada, 1994. ISBN 0-02-905075-8

Out of print — available used from amazon.com for \$11.56. Owned by 951 libraries.

Reviewed by: Ruffle, Kathy. *Library Journal* 119 (February 1, 1994): 84.

Tyrrell, Ian. The Journal of American History 83 (2) (September 1996): 646.

Sperber, Murray. Contemporary Sociology 24 (3) (May 1995): 336-337.

Rey, Patricia Del. NWSA Journal 6 (3) (Fall 1994): 497-501.

Coolidge, Shelley Donald. *The Christian Science Monitor (Eastern Edition)* (April 26, 1994): 13.

Author looks at issues of race, class, gender and sexuality in sport and how they have evolved through history through analysis of popular media and educational journals. Ruffle says Cahn "does in a scholarly way what Mariah Nelson's *Are We Winning Yet?* [already in our collection] did in a popular vein." Exposes structures of male dominance in sport and how gender stereotypes have affected women's participation in sport through time. Book has overall theme that the concept of athleticism as a masculine trait is socially constructed, and thus changeable. Ruffle also called this book "essential to most collections" in her July 15, 2002, *Library Journal* article, "LJ Collection Development — She Got Game! Women in Sports." History, gender stereotypes in sport.

8. Cayleff, Susan E. *Babe: The Life and Legend of Babe Didrikson Zaharias*. Urbana, Ill.: University of Illinois Press, 1995. ISBN 0-252-06593-x \$18.95. Owned by 1,001 libraries.

Reviewed by: Lecompte, M. L. Choice 33 (November 1995): 501.

Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 120 (July 1995): 88.

Lukowsky, Wes. *Booklist* 91 (June 1-15, 1995): 1716.

Nelson, Mariah Burton. Women's Review of Books 13 (October 1995): 10.

Biography that also provides feminist analysis of one of the most important women athletes of the 20th century. Examines Babe's athletic career, her fundamental role in the creation and success of the Ladies' Professional Golf Association, her constructed heterosexual image and her lesbian lover. History.

9. Choi, Precilla Y. L. Femininity and the Physically Active Woman. London:Routledge, 2000. ISBN 041516561x (pbk) \$29.95. Owned by 269 libraries.Reviewed by: Roper, Emily A. Sport Psychologist 16 (4) (December 2002): 459-501.

Explores reasons for women's limited participation in sports. Identifies fear of being labeled the "sporty type," a label which translates to "masculine" or "lesbian." Examines different factors, such as the media, that challenge women athletes to demonstrate their "heterosexual femininity." Women's participation in sports, gender stereotypes in sport, history, media and women in sports.

10. Christensen, Karen, Allen Guttmann, and Gertrud Pfister. *International Encyclopedia of Women and Sports*. Three volumes. New York: MacMillan Reference USA, 2001. ISBN 0-02-864954-0 \$350. Owned by 955 libraries.

Reviewed by: Miller, J. P. Choice 39 (1) (September 2001): 77.

Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 126 (6) (April 1, 2001): 90-91.

Booklist 97 (18) (May 15, 2001): 1786-1788.

Contains nearly 450 articles on individual sports, athletes, and issues through history and from around the world. Includes photos and bibliographies with most articles. Named an Outstanding Reference Source by *American Libraries* May 2001. A little expensive, but essential. Women's participation in sports, history.

11. Cohen, Greta L. *Women in Sport: Issues and Controversies*. Newbury Park: Sage Publications, 1993. ISBN 0-8039-4980-4 (pbk) Out of print — available used from amazon.com for \$9.80. Owned by 723 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 31 (4) (December 1993): 641.

Rey, Patricia Del. NWSA Journal 6 (3) (Fall 1994): 497-501.

Book features 31 essays divided into eight sections covering gender issues, history, physiological and psychological aspects, and predictions for future. Each chapter supplemented by discussion questions and references. Gender stereotypes in sport, history, feminist critique of sport.

12. Creedon, Pamela J., ed. *Women, Media and Sport: Challenging Gender Values*. Thousand Oaks, Calif.: Sage Publications, 1994. ISBN 0-8039-5234-1 (pbk) \$23.95. Owned by 667 libraries.

Reviewed by: Arrighi, M. A. Choice 32 (1) (September 1994): 160.

Jennings, Karen. Media, Culture and Society 18 (4) (October 1996): 683-686.

Book provides criticial analyses of women, media and sport from feminist perspective and offers new model for women's sports. Media and women in sport, feminist critique of sport.

13. Crosset, Todd W. *Outsiders in the Clubhouse: The World of Women's Professional Golf.* Albany: State University of New York Press, 1995. ISBN 0-7914-2489-8 Out of print — available used from amazon.com for \$29.80. Owned by 407 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 33 (6) (February 1996): 987.

Theberge, Nancy. Contemporary Sociology 25 (July 1996): 552.

Stoddart, Brian. American Journal of Sociology 101 (May 1996): 1745.

Author, who is a sociologist, takes sociological approach to look at the Ladies Professional Golf Association, what author calls "the subworld of women's professional golf." Offers social and historical context of LPGA, takes reader into the "subworld," looks at ideological struggle over women's golf, and LPGA as agent of social change. Highlights contrast between players' lives and lives of women in mainstream culture. Also considers class and race issues within the sport. Personal interviews with players. Some misspelled names and typos. Women's participation in sport, women's sport leagues, gender stereotypes in sport, history.

14. Daddario, Gina. *Women's Sport and Spectacle: Gendered Television Coverage and the Olympic Games*. Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 1998. ISBN 0-275-95856-6 \$49.95. Owned by 453 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 36 (4) (December 1998): 720.

Coronado, ViBrina. *Journal of American & Comparative Cultures* 23 (2) (Summer 2000): 100-101.

Analysis of media coverage of women's sports during the winter and summer Olympics between 1992-1996. Research shows low incidence of coverage of women, and when do appear, written or portrayed differently than stories about men's sports and women's validity as athletes are undercut by stereotypical gender-appropriate portrayals (such as Tonya Harding/Nancy Kerrigan being the biggest story of 1994). Media and women in sport, gender stereotypes in sport.

15. Drummond, Siobhan and Elizabeth Rathburn, eds. *Grace and Glory: A Century of Women in the Olympics*. Washington, D.C.: Multi-media Partners, 1996. ISBN 1-57243-116-4 \$19.95. Owned by 816 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 34 (4) (December 1996): 650.

Annichiarico, Mark. Library Journal 121 (April 1996): 85.

Chronicles how women's participation in the Olympics has evolved thorugh time, from being "Excluded" (Chapter 1) at the beginning, to "Conflicting Images" (Chapter 4, 1948-1971) to participating "With Bells On" (Chapter 5, 1972-present). Draws on interviews and events summaries. History.

16. Etue, Elizabeth and Megan K. Williams. *On the Edge: Women Making Hockey History*. Toronto: Second Story Press, 1996. ISBN 0-929005-79-1 (pbk) \$16.95. Owned by 177 libraries.

Reviewed by: Su, M. C. *Choice* 35 (1) (September 1997): 171.

Falconer, Tim. Quill & Quire 62 (November 1996): 38.

Focuses on development of women's organized hockey in Canada, but through that lens tells story of conflicts that affect women's sports in general, particularly nontraditional sports. Explains why women's ice hockey is an Olympic sport. History, women's sports leagues, feminist critique of sport.

17. Festle, Mary Jo. *Playing Nice: Politics and Apologies in Women's Sports*. New York: Columbia University Press, 1996. ISBN 0-231-10162-7 \$29.95. Owned by 715 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 34 (9) (May 1997): 1538.

Kort, Michelle. Women's Review of Books 14 (December 1996): 13.

Considers the double standard of how gender roles affect sports and examines how women's sport has grown "despite a culture that allows certain behaviors in men's sports that it considers inappropriate in women's activities" (Davenport). Book focuses on 1950s to the present, and looks at attempts at women's professional basketball, Title IX, and the battle between the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women and National Collegiate Athletic Association. Women's participation in sport, gender stereotypes in sport, history, women's sports leagues.

18. Foggia, Lyla. *Reel Women: The World of Women Who Fish.* Hillsboro, OR: Beyond Words, 1995. ISBN 1-885223-18-8 \$24.95. Owned by 229 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 33 (10) (June 1996): 1685.

Grover, J. Z. Women's Review of Books 13 (February 1996): 10.

Comprehensive book on history of women in fishing. Author attempts to explode myth that women don't fish. Book broken up by fly fishing, big-game saltwater angling, bass fishing, and related areas of science and industry. More than 40 biographies of women prominent in angling. Also contains photos and an appendix with resources for women fishers. Grover skeptical of author's "generalizations and ahistoricisms," but concedes book contains much new information. Good for collection as fishing not a commonly covered sport. Gender stereotypes in sport, history.

19. Gogol, Sara. *Hard Fought Victories: Women Coaches Making a Difference*. Terre Haute, Ind.: Wish Pub, 2002. ISBN1930546513 \$16.95. Owned by 524 libraries. Reviewed by: Ruffle, Kathy. *Library Journal* 127 (5) (March 15, 2002): 87. Reid, Irene A. *Sociology of Sport Journal* 19 (4) (2002): 440-442.

Draws primarily on interviews with women coaches to describe their experiences within the context of American collegiate sport and Title IX. Author compares coaching as a profession for women with other male-dominated sports. Includes profiles of coaches in both major sports and minor sports. Women's participation in sports, history, Title IX history and challenges.

20. Gottesman, Jane and Geoffrey Biddle. *Game Face: What Does a Female Athlete Look Like?* New York: Random House, 2001. ISBN 0-375-50602-0 \$35. Owned by 947 libraries.

Reviewed by: Ruffle, Kathy. *Library Journal* 126 (17) (October 15, 2001): 82-84. Reiher, Frances. *School Library Journal* 47 (10) (October 2001): 197-198.

Author, a former sportswriter, began project in response to lack of photographs of women in sports. Published in conjunction with Smithsonian exhibition. Nearly 200 color and black and white photographs, both contemporary and historic, displaying diversity of women in sports, accompanied by captions to give context. Includes narratives by women athletes and those close to them. Illustrative material will complement the collection.

21. Griffin, Pat. Strong Women, Deep Closets: Lesbians and Homophobia in Sport.

Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics, 1998. ISBN 0-88011-729-X (pbk) \$19.95. Owned by 808 libraries.

Reviewed by: Furst, D.M. Choice 36 (1) (September 1998): 171.

Scott, Whitney. *Booklist* 92 (12) (February 15, 1998): 967.

Examises use of lesbian label to suppress women's participation in sport. Book also argues lesbians in sport should be out. Well-researched and referenced. Named one of *Choice's* Outstanding Academic Books of 1998. Women's participation in sport, feminist critique of sport, lesbians in sport.

22. Hall, Ann M. Feminism and Sporting Bodies: Essays on Theory and Practice. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics, 1996. ISBN 0-87322-969 \$22. Owned by 487 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 34 (2) (October 1996): 321.

Gilroy, Sarah. Sport, Education & Society 3 (2) (October 1998): 237-239.

Author overviews feminist movement, particluarly last 25 years, in six chapters. Explains different feminist theories from this time period and applies them to sport.

Offers suggestion on how to bridge the gap between theory and practice in women's sports. Feminist critique of sport.

23. Hargreaves, Jennifer. *Heroines of Sport: The Politics of Difference and Identity*. London: Routledge, 2000. ISBN 0415228484 (library binding) \$100. Owned by 280 libraries.

Reviewed by: Theberge, Nancy. *Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology* 40 (1) (February 2003): 114.

Scraton, Sheila. *Women's Studies International Forum* 24 (3/4) (May-August 2001): 479.

Author examines sport and women of different cultures not often studied — South African women, Muslim women in the Middle East, Aboriginal women in Australia and Canada, lesbians, and women with disabilities. Work pushes beyond previous Eurocentric and Amerocentric research on women and sports, and explores the intersections of gender and other categories of difference in sport. Work will help provide perspective to a collection that has a general American focus. Women's participation in sports, history, gender stereotypes in sport, lesbians in sport.

24. Hertman-Tews, Ilse and Gertrud Pfister, eds. *Sport and Women: Social Issues in International Perspective*. London; New York: Routledge/ISCPES, 2003. ISBN 0-415-24628-8 (pbk) \$31.95. Owned by 277 libraries.

Reviewed by: Reekie, S. H. M. Choice 40 (11/12) (July/August 2003): 1946.

Book features 20 contributors, 19 of them women, who talk about situation for women in sport in 16 areas/countries, providing global perspective. Includes essays on such places as Tanzania, Colombia, and Iran. Contributors start from Judith Lorber and concept of gender as a social construct. First volume in "International Society for Comparative Physical Education and Sport" series. Women's participation in sport, feminist critique of sport.

25. Heywood, Leslie and Shari L. Dworkin. *Built to Win: The Female Athlete as Cultural Icon*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2003. ISBN 0-8166-3624-9 (pbk) \$19.95. Owned by 327 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 41 (5) (January 2004): 950.

Analyzes 1996 Olympic games and "new acceptance of women athletes" through increased and better coverage in media. But finds women have long way to go. Includes appendix on "Youth Attitudes about Female Athletes" from test groups on sports played and favorite athletes, plus 27-page annotated bibliography. Part of Sport and Culture series. Women's participation in sport, media and women in sports, gender stereotypes in sport.

26. Johnson, Susan E. *When Women Played Hardball*. Seattle: Seal Press, 1994. ISBN 1-878067-43-5 (pbk) \$14.95. Owned by 844 libraries.

Reviewed by: Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 119 (March 15, 1994): 76.

Miller, Mev. Small Press 13 (Winter 1995): 52.

Lukowsky, Wes. *Booklist* 90 (April 1, 1994): 1417.

Barra, Allen. New York Times Book Review (April 10, 1994): 25.

Written by a childhood fan of the Rockford Peaches, recounts the 1950 sevengame playoff series between the Peaches and the Fort Wayne Daisies game by game. Through the series, introduces the reader to the players and issues about the league's image and the players' post-playing career after the league was disbanded. History, women's participation in sports, women's sports leagues.

27. Lenskyj, Helen. *Out on the Field: Gender, Sport and Sexualities*. Toronto: Women's Press, 2003. ISBN 0889614164 \$18.95. Owned by 52 libraries.

Lenskyj is also the author of *Women, Sport, and Physical Activity: Research and Bibliography*, already in our collection. Although we were unable to find any reviews for this, her newest work, based on the work already in our collection and the chapter titles, we feel *Out on the Field* is appropriate for our collection. Sample chapter titles: "Homophobia in sport and physical education: The struggle begins;" "Sexual harassment in university sport and recreation;" "Sport media, gender boundaries and homophobia;" "Good sports? Feminists organizing on sport issues." Feminist critique of sport, lesbians in sport.

28. Longman, Jere. *The Girls of Summer: The U.S. Women's Soccer Team and How it Changed the World.* New York: HarperCollins, 2000. ISBN 0-06-019657-2 \$24. Owned by 1093 libraries.

Reviewed by: Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 125 (13) (August 1, 2000): 115.

Barrera, Brenda. Booklist 96 (19-20) (June 1-15, 2000): 1834.

Cooper, Andrea. The New York Times Book Review 105 (29) (July 16, 2000): 17.

Author, a sportswriter for the *New York Times*, recounts the final game of the 1999 Women's World Cup of Soccer. Through this lens, he gives both profiles of several key players from this event, the first time women's soccer took a key position on the world stage, as well as an overview of gender issues, such as Title IX, women's soccer in Muslim countries, the image of women athletes, and the double standard for women in sports. History, gender stereotypes in sports.

29. Madden, W. C. *The Women of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League: A Biographical Dictionary*. Jefferson, N.C.: McFarland & Co., 1997. ISBN 0-7864-0304-7 \$35. Owned by 371 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 35 (5) (January 1998): 798.

Reference source includes biographies of 600 women who signed contracts to play in the AAGPBL, including birthplaces, teams played for, overview of players' career, and life after they left league. Includes photos of players. History, women's sport leagues.

30. McCrone, Kathleen E. *Playing the Game: Sport and the Emancipation of English Women, 1870-1940*. Lexington, Ky.: University Press of Kentucky, 1988. ISBN 0-8131-1641-4 Out of print — available used from amazon.com for \$28.75. Owned by 407 libraries.

Reviewed by: Archer, J. Choice 26 (May 1989): 1554.

Lewis, Jane. The Times Literary Supplement (June 24, 1988): 703.

Author draws on primary and secondary material and illustrations of different ways women participated in sport to argue that this was the most important symbol of female liberation (which Lewis doesn't buy). Also argues women in sport will go out of their way to prove their femininity "by favouring orthodox ideas as to women's place in society" (Lewis). History.

31. Messner, Michael A. *Taking the Field: Women, Men and Sports*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2002. ISBN 016634491 (pbk) \$19.95. Owned by 570 libraries.

Reviewed by: Anderson, Eric. *Sociology of Sport Journal* 20 (3) (2003): 287-288. Dolance, Susannah. *Contemporary Sociology* 32 (5) (September 2003): 560-561.

Author examines sport as an agent in the social construction of gender, and how athletics has maintained its status as a masculine domain through sexism and homophobia. Named one of *Choice's* Outstanding Academic Titles of 2003. Gender stereotypes in sport, feminist critique of sport.

32. Miller, Toby. *Sportsex*. Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 2001. ISBN 1-56639-994-7 (pbk) \$16.95. Owned by 449 libraries.

Reviewed by: Emory, M. J. *Choice* 39 (6) (February 2002): 1082.

Book analyzes "globalization of the body through sports, particularly sports driven by the media and advertisers" (Emory). Compares media portrayal of men versus women athletes and how sports as business turns bodies into "site of reward." Author

takes Foucault approach in book. Named one of *Choice's* Outstanding Academic Titles for 2002. Media and women in sports.

33. Nelson, Mariah Burton. *The Stronger Women Get, the More Men Love Football:*Sexism and the American Culture of Sports. New York: Harcourt Brace, 1994. ISBN 0151813930 Out of print —available new from amazon.com for \$1.17. Owned by 962 libraries.

Reviewed by: Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 119 (May 15, 1994): 78.

Paylor, Diane. *Ms*. 5 (July/August 1994): 77.

Beauregard, Sue-Ellen. *Booklist* 90 (May 15, 1994): 1659.

Author identifies correlations between "masculine" sports, such as football, and violence against women, using real statistics and examples of male athletes and coaches exerting sexual power over women. Also shows how men create barriers around sports as more women infringe on their athletic territory. Follow-up to Nelson's popular *Are We Winning Yet?*, already in our collection. Women's participation in sport, gender stereotypes in sport, feminist critique of sport.

34. Olsen, Marilyn. *Women Who Risk: Profiles of Women in Extreme Sports*. New York: Hatherleigh Press, 2001. ISBN 1-57826-092-2 \$22.95. Owned by 385 libraries. Reviewed by: Ruffle, Kathy. *Library Journal* 127 (3) (February 15, 2002): 152.

Profiles of women in extreme sports, including auto racing, rock climbing, skydiving and more. Not apparent whether book deals explicitly with how gender stereotypes affect women in these sports, but through the stories of the athletes'

experiences in these sports should do so implicitly. Includes action photographs.

Women's participation in sports.

35. Pieroth, Doris H. *Their Day in the Sun: Women of the 1932 Olympics*. Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1996. ISBN 0-295-97554-7 \$16.95. Owned by 505 libraries.

Reviewed by: Krotee, M. L. Choice 34 (9) (May 1997): 1539.

Ruffle, Kathy. Library Journal 121 (September 1, 1996): 184.

Through media accounts, oral histories, and interviews, author chronicles U.S. women athletes and how they arrived at the Olympics, and the impact the many medals they won had on America's attitudes about women athletes. Includes interviews with 14 surviving athletes. Looks at social and cultural significance of Games and how women participated in the Olympics before women athletes were accepted. Includes profiles of 40 women, including Babe Didrikson. Women's participation in sport, history.

36. Rapoport, Ron, ed. *A Kind of Grace: A Treasury of Sportswriting by Women*.

Berkeley, Calif.: Zenobia Press, 1994. ISBN 157143013x (pbk) \$16.95. Owned by 217 libraries.

Reviewed by: Noverr, Douglas A. *Journal of American Culture* 19 (1) (Spring 1996): 110-111.

Simson, Maria. *Publisher's Weekly* 241 (17) (April 25, 1994): 69.

Anthology of news stories and profiles by women sportswriters reprinted from small and large newspapers and sports magazines. Many essays deal with gender

discrimination and homophobia in sports and sports media. Also includes profiles of both well-known and less popular women athletes. Media and women in sports, history.

37. Sandoz, Joli and Joby Winans, eds. *Whatever it Takes: Women on Women's Sport*. New York: Farrar, Strauss, and Giroux, 1999. ISBN 0-374-52597-8 (pbk) \$13. Owned by 787 libraries.

Reviewed by: Reekie, S. H. M. *Choice* 37 (8) (April 2000): 1507.

Ruffle, Kathy. *Library Journal* 124 (12) (July 1999): 102.

Beauregard, Sue-Ellen. Booklist 95 (22) (August 1999): 2010.

Book features 56 essays and poems written from women's perspectives about their participation in sport. Several essays talk about being a lesbian in sport. Most essays recent (from '80s and '90s), but also includes essays on horseback riding from 1854, gymnastics in 1899, basketball in 1909, and football in 1925. Women's participation in sport, history.

38. Scraton, Sheila and Anne Flintoff, eds. *Gender and Sport: A Reader*. London: Routledge, 2002. ISBN 0415259533 (pbk) \$33.95. Owned by 193 libraries. Reviewed by: Giles, Audrey R. *Sociology of Sport Journal* 20 (2) (2003): 176-178.

Collection of primarily previously published works by some of the most respected feminist scholars in sports. Text is divided into eight sections on gender theory, history, media, race, masculinities, sexualities, the body, and policy. Feminist critique of sports, history, gender stereotypes in sport.

39. Theberge, Nancy. *Higher Goals: Women's Ice Hockey and the Politics of Gender*. Albany: State University of New York Press, 2000. ISBN 0-7914-4642-5 \$18.95. Owned by 327 libraries.

Reviewed by: Reekie, S. H. M. Choice 38 (7) (March 2001): 1308.

Forman, Pamela J. Contemporary Sociology 30 (5) (September 2001): 498-499.

Feminist analysis of gender issues in sports told through the example of ice hockey. Explores contradictions between gender stereotypes of women and their participation in a high contact team sport. Considers whether women gain respect by playing with and/or like men. Issues analyzed apply to other sports women do not traditionally participate in. Women's participation in sport, gender stereotypes in sport, feminist critique of sport.

40. Tricard, Louise Mead. *American Women's Track and Field: A History, 1895 through* 1980. Jefferson, N. C.: McFarland & Co., 1996. ISBN 0-7864-0219-9 \$75. Owned by 553 libraries.

Reviewed by: Davenport, J. Choice 34 (6) (February 1997): 1003.

Booklist. 93 (December 15, 1996): 744.

Facts, stories, records, and biographies of women in track and field. Starts in 1895 when Vassar held first field day for women. Davenport said "resource is a must for all interested in the history of women's track and field, which was impacted by the attitudes and philosophies of women leaders about women in sport." Includes extensive bibliography. History

41. Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal. Reston, Va.: National Association for Girls and Women in Sports. ISSN 1063-6161 \$50 per year for libraries. Owned by 93 libraries.

Peer-reviewed scholarly journal focusing on women-centered issues and approaches to sport and physical activity. Published semiannually by the National Association for Girls and Women in Sports. Published by Women of Diversity Publications prior to 2004.

42. *In the Game*. (Coos Bay, Ore.: Smith Productions, 1994) videocassette, 55 min. and one study guide. \$149 from Smith Productions. Owned by 87 libraries.

Reviewed by: Pitman, R. Video Librarian (November 11, 1994):

Follows Tara Vanderveer and the Stanford women's basketball team through their 1989-1990 national championship season. Through the stories of Coach Vanderveer and the players, examines inequities in women's and men's athletics. Women's participation in sport, gender stereotypes in sport, history.

43. Out for a Change: Addressing Homophobia in Women's Sports. (Berkeley, Calif.: University of California Extension Center for Media and Independent Learning, 1994) videocassette, 29 min. and one curriculum guide. \$150 from UC Extension Center for Media and Independent Learning. Owned by 60 libraries.

Addresses issues of women in sports and homophobia in sports. Considers how the lesbian label affects women athletes. Speaks with Mariah Burton Nelson and Martina Navratilova.

44. Straight Talk with Derek McGinty: Women in Sports: The Title IX Generation.

(Washington, D.C.: PBS Video, 1997) videocassette, 60 min. \$13.99 from PBS online.

Owned by 44 libraries.

Panel examines objectives, achievements and shortfalls of issues related to Title IX. Title IX history and challenges.

45. *True-Hearted Vixens*. (Berkeley, Calif.: University of California Extension Center for Media and Independent Learning, 2000) videocassette, 58 minutes. \$250 from UC Extension Center for Media and Independent Learning. Owned by 24 libraries.

Follows two women and their teams in a women's professional football league. Shows how the players and the league grapple with gender stereotypes in this traditionally masculine sport. Women's sports leagues, gender stereotypes in sport.

Final Budget

	Number of Items	Cost
New Books	34	\$955.35
Used Books	5	\$81.08
Encyclopedia	1	\$350.00
Journal	1	\$50
Videos	4	\$562.99
	Total Cost:	\$1,999.42

Proposed Budget

	Number of Items	Cost
Books	43	\$1,346.76
Journals	2	\$108.22
Videos	5	\$425
	Total Cost:	\$1,879.98

Difference: -\$119.44

Though we originally requested funding for 50 items, due to unexpected costs, we were forced to limit our request to just 45 items. Our figures were skewed largely due to the cost of the three-volume *International Encyclopedia of Women and Sports*, which was not originally budgeted for, but which we feel is an essential reference source for our collection.

Summary

The 45 items we have requested for the Stone Collection will bring our holdings on women in sports up to date and underscore our status as one of the premier women's studies collections in the nation. These items represent the range of scholarship in this field, including both general critiques of gender and sport as well as sport-specific analyses and histories, that cover the categories we identified as important in this

discipline: women's participation in sport; history of women in sports; women's sports leagues; media and women in sport; gender stereotypes in sport; feminist critique of sport; Title IX history and challenges; lesbians in sport. However, though we have tried to obtain diverse and balanced materials that cover these categories, we recognize that the sport-specific material in our request is limited to just a few sports. This is mainly due to the fact that many women's sports, particularly team sports, both major and minor, flourished — and collapsed — in the mid to late nineties, and thus as of yet there is still a lack of scholarship on them. As we continue to work with the collection in the coming years, we plan to place priority on acquiring upcoming sport-specific scholarship, especially research on and analyses of the failed women's fast-pitch softball leagues in the 1990s, the battle between the Women's National Basketball Association (sponsored by the men's NBA) and the now defunct American Basketball League, the sudden rise, fall, and attempts at reinstatement of the Women's United Soccer Association, and other attempts in the United States to create professional women's leagues in sports as varied as volleyball and football.