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Books by Alumni. 1410. https://works.swarthmore.edu/alum-books/1410. The problem in reducing masculinity to the penis as the mark of power is that it can easily become the mark of impotence.” He contrasts the genders by saying that “female nakedness retains some of the power of an insoluble mystery, while male nakedness more often than not undermines male assertion and makes men look foolish.”Â This book was loaded with quotes and reliable source information, which reviles the changes in philosophy of combat and the discipline of man. Read more. Larry W Rogers. In his book From Chivalry to Terrorism: War and the Changing Nature of Masculinity, Leo delves deep into the cultural history of warfare in the West and shows how the changes in battlefield weaponry and tactics have changed our ideas of manhood. Leo and I discuss how the different ways Achilles and Odysseus fought battles created competing ideas of manhood among the Ancient Greeks and how we see that competition still going on today. We then dig deep into the chivalric code of the Middle Ages and how aristocratic warriors combined Christian piety with pagan warrior fierceness. Leo then walks u