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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

RICHARD SALLER TO PRESENT PHI BETA KAPPA FALL LECTURE

CHARLESTON -- Richard Saller, a distinguished scholar from the University of Chicago, is the keynote speaker for the eighth annual fall lecture of the Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association of East Central Illinois.

He will speak on "Family Values and Myths of Moral Decline in Ancient Rome" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, in Lumpkin Hall, Room 122 (Roberson Auditorium) on the Eastern Illinois University campus.

The lecture, sponsored by Eastern's Office of Academic Affairs and the Associates Lectureship of Phi Beta Kappa, is free and open to the public.

Saller holds an endowed chair at the University of Chicago as the Edward L. Ryerson Distinguished Service Professor of History and Classics. He has been a member of the University of Chicago faculty since 1984, where he also serves as dean of the Social Sciences Division.

Frank McCormick, professor of English at Eastern and presi-

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dent of the Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association of East Central Illinois, said, "Dr. Saller is a beloved and popular teacher at the University of Chicago. The fact the he received his university's Quantrell Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching in 1992 suggests that his lecture will be lively as well as informative."

Saller is a former faculty member at Swarthmore College and a former visiting professor at the University of California, Berkeley. He also has served as a fellow at Princeton and Cambridge universities.

He is a member of the American Philological Association and the American Historical Association.

Saller is the author of Patriarchy, Property and Death in the Roman Family and Personal Patronage under the Early Empire. He is the co-author of The Roman Empire: Economy, Society and Culture and The Early Principate: Augustus to Trajan.

He is co-editor of Economy and Society in Ancient Greece: Papers of Sir Moses Finley and The Family in Italy from Antiquity to the Present.

Saller is a former editor of the preeminent journal in his field, Classical Philology.