

THE "HOLY COW"

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Halsey Hall

July 2001

Officers Elected, Date Set for Fall Chapter Meeting

Cary Smith Elected President; Fall Chapter Meeting October 13

At its meeting on June 3, the Halsey Hall Chapter board of directors elected the following officers for a one-year term, effective July 1:

President—Cary Smith Vice President—Ray Luurs
Secretary—Rich Arpi Treasurer—Kevin Hennessy

The board also set the date of the Fall Chapter Meeting for Saturday, October 13. It will be held at the United Methodist Church in Columbia Heights.

Julio Becquer and Dave Theis will be contacted as possible featured guests.

Cow Chips

Howard Luloff did the public-address announcing for the Section 5AA Track and Field Meet at Washburn High School in Minneapolis. . . . **Ray Luurs** was in line at Marquette Bank in downtown Minneapolis on May 30 when the person in front of him robbed the bank. . . . **Mark Johnson** got a foul ball off the bat of **Jeff Bagwell** at the June 12 Twins-Astros game. . . . **Jerry Janzen** caught a slew of northerns, ranging from 4 to 15 pounds, while on a fishing trip north of Grand Rapids, Minnesota. He then went with his wife, **Robin**, and daughter **Laura** on a trip to Branson, Missouri, while his other daughter, **Annie**, went to Paris. . . . **Sarge Upton** won a dinner cruise playing Wheel of Fortune at the June 4 Twins-Indians game. He identified **Cesar Tovar** as the only Twins player to play nine positions during one game.

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Board of Directors 2001-02

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Webmaster Wanted

The Halsey Hall Chapter is looking for someone to take over its web site. If you have web development skills and are interested, contact Cary Smith at zinnbeck@aol.com.

July Birthdays

1—Brenda Himrich (also Roger Connor, John Clarkson, Bill Rohr, and Princess Diana)

7—Roger Godin and John Gordon (also Jose Jimenez, Satchel Paige, Billy Herman, Dan Gladden, Bill Melton, Tim Teufel, Dave Burba, Len Barker, Bill Kunkel, and Chuck Knoblauch)

9—Scott Magnuson (also Wally Post, Willie Wilson, Buck Herzog, Hector Lopez, Fred Tenney, and O. J. Simpson)

11—Bob Kapla (also Bob Allison, John Sevcik, Milt Stock, and John Quincy Adams)

13—Don "Pieso" Hammer (also Stan Coveleski, Jack Aker, Bill Caudill, and Ruben Gomez)

14—Ted Hathaway (also Happy Chandler, Robin Ventura, Tim Hudson, Danny Walton, Earl Williams, Bob Purkey, Gerald Ford, and Steve Stone)

19—Bob Tholkes (also Phil Cavaretta, Bob Meusel, Mark Koenig, Marius Russo, William VanLandingham, Bob Burda, Lee Elia, Norm Sherry, and Lizzie Borden)

23—George Rekela and Stew Thornley (also Don Drysdale, Nomar Garciaparra, Pee Wee Reese, Ginger Beaumont, Ival Goodman, Monica Lewinski, and Schottzie)

29—Tracy Tool (also Dan Driessen, Felix Mantilla, Chief Meyers, Ken Burns, Elizabeth Dole, and Marilyn Quayle)

31—Erin Moore (also Hank Bauer, Vic Davalillo, Larry Doyle, Art Nehf, Leon Durham, Frank Brosseau, and Curt Gowdy)

Hot Stove Saturday Morning

The next Hot Stove Saturday Morning will be August 4 at the usual location, Baker's Square at 66th and Xerxes in Richfield.

The after-breakfast event will be a tour of the baseball graves at Lakewood Cemetery in Minneapolis

Directory Update

Dave Hahn has a new e-mail address: hahn@boreal.org.

A Halsey Hall Legacy

Ted Hathaway reports that Terry Smith, while indexing issues of *Baseball Magazine* for SABR's The Baseball Index, came across an interesting letter to the editor that appeared in the October 1915 issue. The author of the letter? Seventeen-year-old Halsey Hall.

Here's what Halsey had to say:

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

DEAR SIR — For many years I have been an interested reader of your great magazine. Every article in it is enjoyable to me and especially the "Letter Box" section. I do think, however, that since you give fans the privilege of writing for publication, they might cease knocking other writers like themselves and also various articles in the magazine which they do not happen to like.

I have sent a "Baseball Alphabet" in rhyme and hope it will meet with your approval.

"A" is for Archer, who pegs like a shot.

"B" is for Bush (Joe), who shoots them in hot.

"C" is for Cobb and Crawford, a dangerous pair.

"D" stands for Daubert, who swats 'em for fair.

"E" is for Evers, who plays second sack.

"F" is for Fletcher, who always talks back.

"G" is for Gandil, who plays first base right.

"H" is for Herzog, his team's in a plight.

"I" is for Indians, who are down in the race.

"J" is for Jackson, who hits at *some* pace.

"K" stands for Kauff, the Federals' best.

"L" is for Lajoie, who'll stand any test.

"M" is for Mathewson, all join in his praise.

"N" is for Niehoff, who has hitting ways.

"O" is for Oldring, an Athletic man.

"P" is for Perdue, of the Cardinal clan.

"Q" is for Quigley, that scrappy old ump.

"R" is for Rucker, who doesn't get many bumps.

"S" is for Speaker, who clouts that old sphere.

"T" is for Tesreau, whom all the teams fear.

"U" is impossible, this fact you can't doubt.

"V" is for Veach, who surely can clout.

"W" is for Wagner, that grand old man.

"X" I can't guess, and nobody can.

"Y" is for Yankees, losing games is their feast.

"Z" is for Zimmerman, last but *not* least.

With best wishes for your magazine and the "Great National Game," I remain

Respectfully yours,
HALSEY L. HALL

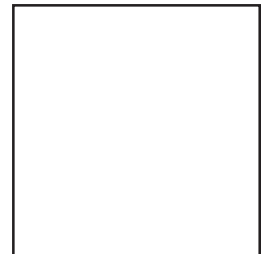
Quicksteps

The Quicksteps vintage base ball nine split a pair of matches in June, beating the First Minnesota Regiment of Civil War veterans at Fort Snelling, 8-3, and losing to the St. Croixs, 9-0, at Murphy's Landing in Shakopee.

The Quicksteps will play in Litchfield, at Optimists Park, at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 7 and against the St. Croixs on the OldAthletic Grounds at Sixth and Orleans in Stillwater on Saturday, July 28.

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