Chapter Welcomes Swift, Bohn

A welcome and welcome back to Tom Swift and Terry Bohn, respectively. The former has become a new member of the Chapter while the latter is returning.

Tom Swift, a native Minnesotan who has lived most of his life in New Brighton, is a reporter for the Minnesota Sun Publications newspaper chain. "Swifty" was a first baseman in high school and made the all-conference team. He also excels at hockey. He was captain of the hockey team at St. Olaf and twice named to the all-MIAC squad. Tom was also the managing editor of his college newspaper.

Tom is single but does have three brothers, one mom, and one dad. With brothers Ken and Dave, Tom took a baseball trip three summers ago that brought them to Comiskey Park, Wrigley Field, Riverfront Stadium, Fenway Park, Three Rivers Stadium, and Oriole Park.

Swifty's favorite player was another swifty, Kent Hrbek; one of Tom's big thrills was watching his hero circle the bases for an inside-the-park home run against Kansas City in 1984.

Terry Bohn is a charter member of the Halsey Hall Chapter and served on the chapter Board of Directors from 1986 to 1988. He worked hard on membership recruitment and led a campaign that resulted in a sizable increase in membership in 1987.

Terry is now a social worker with North Dakota Human Services and lives in Mandan with his wife, Mary Jo; seven-year-old daughter, Margaret (bats left, throws left); and son, Taylor (a future designated hitter). His main baseball interest is minor-league history, especially the Northern League, Minnesota-Dakota League, and Minnesota-Wisconsin League. He now follows the Prairie League teams in Minot and Bismarck and was in the stands when the Dakota Rattlers were no-hit by Kerry Ligtenberg of the Minneapolis Loons.

Tom and Terry's applications were received too late to be included in the Chapter Directory, but their addresses and phones are listed below (along with Jack Stanton, who has a new address and phone number).

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In addition, Robert Kaplan's address was incomplete in the directory. His full address is 405 Yancey Court, Hinesville, GA 31313. His e-mail address is kaplarj@aol.com.

Alden Mead also has an e-mail address that was not in the directory: 75247.3243@compuserve.com.

Cow Chips

Rich Cohen is doing research on George Leroy "Hooks" Wiltsie, the only native of Hamilton, New York, to reach the majors. One of Rich's goals is to corroborate Wiltsie's 1953 claim that he was the first-base coach when Fred Merkle made his baserunning boner.... Don Rittenhouse is staying busy with volunteer work and is president of the "Meals at Home" program. Meanwhile, Don's wife, Carol, visited Germany.... Ron Replogle attended a cello and piano concert conducted by Robert Jameson and Ron's friend, Richard Zgodava.... Mendal Mearkle is in his fourth year of free-lance and contract work of consulting for banks and business organizations.... Nancy Jo Leachman moved into a new and bigger library in Rochester as her daughter, Emily, is trying to decide where to go to college next fall.... George Rekela saw the shuttle take off in Florida.... Jack Stanton is running a public-relations firm and adding to his baseball library.