

Winter 2014

Megaphone Winter/Spring 2014

Macalester College

Follow this and additional works at: <http://digitalcommons.macalester.edu/megaphone>

Recommended Citation

Macalester College, "Megaphone Winter/Spring 2014" (2014). *Megaphone Newsletter*. Paper 2.
<http://digitalcommons.macalester.edu/megaphone/2>

This News Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Athletics at DigitalCommons@Macalester College. It has been accepted for inclusion in Megaphone Newsletter by an authorized administrator of DigitalCommons@Macalester College. For more information, please contact scholarpub@macalester.edu.

MAC

MACALESTER ATHLETICS

WINTER/SPRING 2014

MEGAPHONE

A Newsletter of M CLUB Activities & Macalester College Athletics

NEW LEADERSHIP

Model for Track

In preparation for the 2014 indoor and outdoor seasons, coaches Betsy Emerson and Matt Haugen are the new co-head coaches for both the men's and women's teams. Haugen, in his 11th season as Macalester's men's cross country coach, and Emerson, in her fourth as women's coach, will work collaboratively in leading both programs.

Todd Wojchik will serve as an assistant coach and will also work with recruiting and as the throws coach. Associate Athletic Director Vanessa Seljeskog will provide administrative assistance with program operations and will oversee the management of home meets. Marc Davies continues in his role as assistant track coach.

Discussions will continue to determine the ultimate staffing model for the upcoming seasons as Macalester solidifies the coaching structure following the departure of former head coach Martin Peper.



Betsy Emerson (above)
Matt Haugen (below)



FOOTBALL JOINS

Midwest Conference

With the 2014 season, Macalester's football program joins the Midwest Conference (MWC). The Scots have competed as an independent team since leaving the MIAC in 2001. The college is committed to MIAC membership in all other sports sponsored by that conference.

"Being part of the MWC gives our football team a great opportunity to compete for a conference championship with schools similar to our profile," said Lee Nystrom '73, assistant football coach, trustee, and former Green Bay Packer. "It makes a lot of sense for us to be a part of this conference."

The Midwest Conference began in 1921 and provides championship intercollegiate competition for liberal arts schools in the Midwest. With the addition of Macalester, MWC football will consist of 12 institutions competing in a divisional format. Beloit, Carroll, Lawrence, Macalester, Ripon, and St. Norbert will participate in the North Division, while Cornell, Grinnell, Illinois College, Knox, Lake Forest, and Monmouth will play in the South Division.



M Club Events

Sat., Feb. 8
Women's Basketball vs. Augsburg,
1 p.m.

Men's Basketball vs. Augsburg,
3 p.m.

Friday, May 2
Spring Sports Banquet, 5:30 p.m.



HALL OF FAME

Grows

On October 12, four individuals and two conference championship hockey teams were inducted into the M Club Athletic Hall of Fame.

Megan Auger '00 (cross country/track & field) won the 1999 NCAA Division III Central Region individual championship and led the Scots to an eighth-place finish at the NCAA Division III championships with an All-American individual race. She earned a master's degree in business from Harvard and works as an advisor to the FBI.



Megan Auger '00

As a first-year student, **Matt Highfield '94** (soccer) helped the Scots win the conference championship. As a junior, he was named MIAC Player of the Year and Macalester M Club Athlete of the Year. A three-time All-MIAC player, he won the conference goal-scoring title in 1993.



Matt Highfield '94



Jack Roach '57

In the three years he played, **Jack Roach '57** (tennis/basketball) made the finals of the MIAC singles championship. In 1968 he was elected to the Minnesota Tennis Hall of Fame, and in 2003 the USPTA Northern Section presented him with its first-ever Lifetime Achievement Award, the Jack Roach Award.

Lee Schafer '83 (football) was the first Academic All-American at Macalester and a standout offensive lineman who was picked for the all-conference squad in 1981 and 1982. Schafer is currently a business columnist for the *Star Tribune* newspaper in Minneapolis.



Lee Schafer '83

The **1962 and 1963 hockey teams** won their 11th and 12th all-time conference championships under Macalester Hall of Fame Coach Hank Frantzen. The 1962 team tied St. Thomas for the MIAC title. The 1963 conference champion Scots played indoor hockey for the first time and went 12-2 in league play.

Nominations

for next year's M Club Hall of Fame are due March 15, 2014. Visit macalester.edu/athletics to fill out the nomination form online or download a PDF.

Men's Championship Teams 1962 & 1963



SAVE THE DATE:

Mac Hac Golf, Monday, June 2

Don't miss the milestone 25th annual Mac Hac golf tournament! It is set for noon, Monday, June 2, at the Mendakota Country Club in Mendota Heights, one of the premier private courses in the Twin Cities. Mark the date and watch for registration information on Macalester.edu/athletics.



PRESIDENT'S Message

Greetings M Clubbers!

Last spring I received a quilt made of T-shirts from the Macalester teams, each block autographed by the athletes. This honor was really a tribute to the great work our M Club directors do to enhance the athletic experiences of our intercollegiate teams, recognize outstanding current and former athletes, and bring the Macalester community together to celebrate seasonal sporting events over grilled Scot dogs and other delectable M Club treats!

I was again honored to see that this quilt now has a permanent place in the lobby of the Leonard Center! (See photo.) This quilt symbolizes the “giving back” attitude our athletes have toward the M Club.



In this same spirit, I encourage you to give back to Macalester athletics via the Annual Fund. As you know, a portion of each gift works as an M Club contribution to Macalester athletic teams. Your gift allows the M Club and its directors to keep on doing what we do best:

bringing the Mac community together in celebration of athletics, wellness, and Macalester traditions.

I would also like to thank those M Clubbers who participated in our “Hall of Fame Athlete Sponsor” campaign that allowed current athletes to be our guests at this wonderful event, where they heard our inductees attest to how their Macalester athletic

experience has contributed to who they are today. This was our third year with this campaign and participation continues to grow.

I look forward to seeing you at upcoming events and, of course, at M Club-sponsored events over Reunion weekend 2014.

LET'S GO MAC!

STEVE COX '76, M CLUB PRESIDENT



SAAC GATHERS FOOD For Second Harvest

Macalester's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee took donations of food and cash at the Oct. 2 football game and trick-or-treated for canned goods on Halloween. The donations, which went to Second Harvest Heartland, included 662 pounds of food and \$216 to help Second Harvest purchase \$1,728 worth of food for the food shelf. All together the SAAC provided about 16,104 meals for local families in need.

SAAC officers dressed to represent their sports (L to R): Adrienne Burgin, Anya Phillips, Anna Munson, Simone Carpenter, Maddie Arbisi, Gabby Queenan, Max Skoghikian. (Not pictured: Konnor Fleming.)



FOLLOW MACALESTER COLLEGE
Athletics on Facebook



LITTLE SCOTS

Little Scots, a mentoring program for girls in grades 2–6, had its first event of the year at the women's soccer vs. Bethel game on Saturday, October 5.





**Athletic Department
Contact Information**

Phone: 651-696-6260

Fax: 651-696-6328

**Web:
macalester.edu/athletics**

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

1. Three Scots gain All-America status.

Three Macalester student-athletes were named All Americans by their respective coaches associations. Renee Jordan '14 placed eighth in 1-meter diving at the NCAA swimming & diving championships. Kimber Meyer '17 ran to an All-American finish at the NCAA Division III women's cross country championships and placed an outstanding 22nd out of 280 of the nation's top small college runners. She is the first frosh All-American since Julia Kirtland in 1983. Women's soccer player Georgia Cloepfil '14 made third team All-America honors and with her 39 career goals is sixth on the school's all-time scoring chart.

2. Cloepfil is MIAC Player of the Year.

After leading Macalester to a second-place conference finish while leading the league in goal production, senior scoring star Georgia Cloepfil was selected as the MIAC women's soccer Player of the Year. Her 19 goals, 50 points, and 126 shots ranked first in the MIAC.



3. Mac football joins Midwest Conference.

After playing an independent schedule for 11 years, Macalester football is joining the Midwest Conference. See the article on page 1 for more on the change.

4. With a 5-0 victory over St. Olaf in the semi-finals, the women's soccer team advanced to end their season at the MIAC tournament finals.

5. Volleyball player Laura Avena was named Global Player of the Week by American Volleyball Scouting Report. A chemistry and physics major, Aveno was named to the MIAC all-league team for the third consecutive year.

