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MACALESTER ATHLETICS

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MEGAPHONE

A Newsletter of M CLUB Activities & Macalester College Athletics



President Brian Rosenberg introduces Board of Trustees Chair David Deno to Mac supporters drawn from across the United States for the Leonard Center dedication and the public kickoff of Step Forward, the Campaign for Macalester.

THE LEONARD CENTER

Dedicated

On October 11, with a great sense of pride, hundreds of members of the Macalester community gathered to dedicate the Leonard Center, the college's new \$45 million athletic and wellness complex. President Brian Rosenberg spoke of the goals that guided the creation of the complex:

- Upgraded spaces for athletes and those interested in wellness
- A welcoming space that reinforces the sense of community
- Architecture that expresses the character of Macalester, as the center does through banners and murals as well as its facilities

Noting that "there are almost an infinite number of people who could be thanked," Rosenberg cited the Leonard family and other lead donors, Hastings and Chivetta Architects, McGough Construction, several key staff members, and the student athletes who put up with "the absence of facilities, no home games, and other inconveniences with the highest level of forbearance."

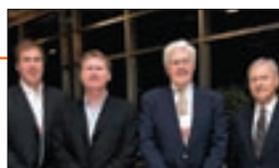
As students, guests, and alumni of all decades enjoyed a beautiful autumn day, they heard briefly from other speakers including Board of Trustees Chair David Deno '79, student government President Alison Tray '09, and student-athlete Amanda Cagan '10. A time capsule containing memorabilia was placed in the wall behind a date stone with the help of Rosenberg, Deno, Step Forward Campaign Chair Jerry Crawford '71, Leonard Center Fundraising Chair Lee Nystrom '73, and M Club President Steve Cox '76.

Following a prayer of dedication by Chaplain Lucy Forster-Smith, the crowd was escorted to a celebratory Zero-Waste campus picnic by the Kilt Krew boosters.

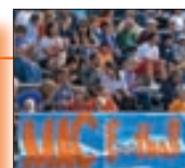


Students, alumni, and guests enjoy a delicious picnic on the lawn following the dedication ceremonies. Cups, plates, and tableware were all compostable.

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LEONARD CENTER



Dedication Weekend

Campaign Chair Jerry Crawford '71 helps kick off the public phase of Step Forward, the Campaign for Macalester. The campaign has already raised over \$100 million of the \$150 million goal, \$26 million of which went toward the construction of the Leonard Center.



M Club President Steve Cox meets up with longtime Macalester supporters Loretta Yourd Ring '63 and John Ring '51 who dressed to the nines in tartan and Macalester apparel for the two-day celebration.



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HALL OF FAME HONORS OUTSTANDING ATHLETES

On November 15, in the Hill Ballroom, M Club, joined by the Alumni Association, inducted Tom Lindell '87, Matt Jackson '92, Don Olson '58 and Ed Mallen '71 into the Athletic Hall of Fame and honored Grace King '09 and Tom Conboy '08 as Athletes of the Year. The Hall of Fame, inaugurated in 1980 with the induction of the 12 charter members, honors distinctive athletic achievements of individuals who have participated in Macalester athletics, in coaching, or in administration, and who have brought recognition and honor to themselves, the college and the community.



MATT JACKSON '92
SOCCER

Matt Jackson arrived on the Macalester campus from Auckland,

New Zealand, and helped turn the Scots into an MIAC soccer power as a three-time all-conference midfielder. A dominant force during his four years at Macalester, Jackson led the Scots to MIAC championships during his freshman and junior seasons, and in his senior campaign in 1991 was named MIAC Player of the Year and All-American. In addition to claiming two league titles and making it into the NCAA playoffs twice, Jackson and the Scots went a combined 45-14-5 from 1988 to 1991. The Scots went a perfect 10-0 in the conference in 1990. Jackson is ranked eighth on the school's all-time goal-scoring list with 24—second best among midfielders.



TOM LINDELL '87
FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TRACK & FIELD, GOLF

An all-around athlete, Tom Lindell competed in four different sports at Macalester, earning multiple letters in basketball, track & field, and golf. It was in football where Lindell truly excelled as quarterback on a team that posted four straight winning records. Lindell was the team Most Valuable Player and honorable mention All-MIAC pick as a junior and senior, and during his senior campaign guided the Scots to a 7-2-1 record and second-place conference finish. He established nine school passing records and is still Mac's record-holder for touchdown passes in a season with 18, set in 1985.



ED MALLEN '71
SWIMMING & DIVING

One of two divers inducted with this year's Hall of Fame class, Ed Mallen won MIAC championships in both 1-meter and 3-meter diving every year from 1968 to 1971, and was an All-American diver on both boards for three straight years. He helped Macalester win MIAC championships four years in a row. Mallen holds the second best score ever posted by a Mac diver on both the 1-meter and 3-meter boards. Mallen joins former teammate and classmate Tom Axtell in the Hall of Fame. He is the 19th Hall of Famer to come out of the Macalester men's swimming & diving program.



DON OLSON '58
FOOTBALL

Don Olson was a standout lineman on both sides of the ball and helped build the Scots into a top football program. Three times Olson was honored as part of the St. Paul Pioneer Press All-MIAC first team, while helping lead Macalester to a 4-3-1 record in 1955, a 5-4 mark in 1956, and a second place 6-1-1 record as a senior in '57. Mac's lone defeat during Olson's senior year was to league champ Concordia, while the Scots enjoyed one-sided wins over St. John's and St. Thomas. The team's 6-1-1 record in 1957 is the second-best winning percentage in Mac football history since 1898.

CATCH THOSE WEBCASTS

Once again, Macalester home athletic events in the sports of football, volleyball, soccer, basketball, softball, and baseball will be webcast, while Live Stats will be available for most of these events. Both audio and video webcast coverage will be available through the Macalester athletic web site.



old gymnasium, workers were capsule from 1924 with bibles, two 1923 dimes, and a aster. At the dedication, a new containing a Café Mac menu, resident Steve Cox, a PDA, college catalog, and more.



Macalester plays a thrilling Homecoming game against St. Scholastica, winning 27–21 when Trevor Miehe '11 hits Jon Elliott '11 for a 22-yard touchdown pass in the first-ever overtime football game in school history.



Athletic Director Kim Chandler joins other fans at the Saturday afternoon Homecoming football game.



A spectator's T-shirt expresses pleasure in having Macalester's own athletic facilities available again.

STEVE MURRAY

hired as Fitness Coordinator



Steve Murray has been hired as the Deno Fitness Center Coordinator and Strength & Conditioning Coach at the Leonard Center and began his duties at Macalester on August 28. Murray fills the newly created position at one of the finest fitness centers and weight-lifting facilities among all NCAA Division III colleges in the nation.

His duties include organizing the Deno Fitness Center, supervising and teaching proper technique for training on the new equipment, supervising student workers, and working with WHAM (Wellness & Health at Macalester) on campus-wide health and wellness initiatives. Murray will organize strength training and programmatic needs for the varsity athletic teams, and provide athletic training consultation for athletes rehabilitating after injuries.

Murray attended the University of Minnesota, where he played football and graduated with a degree in sports management and a minor in business in 2002. He earned his master's degree in business administration from the University of Wisconsin—Eau Claire in 2004. He is certified by the National Strength and Conditioning Association and is currently the owner of Elite Fitness LLC in Minneapolis. Murray has also worked in strength and conditioning at three other Division III institutions—Hamline University in St. Paul, Marietta College in Ohio, and most recently, Augsburg College in Minneapolis.

TEAMS EARN NATIONAL ACADEMIC HONORS

Macalester athletes have always excelled in the classroom and several teams have been recognized for 2007–08 academic honors through their respective coaches' associations. The most recent honors went to the softball and women's water polo teams, which each earned the highest cumulative grade point average among all NCAA Division III colleges in the nation.

The Scots top the National Fastpitch Coaches Association's list—"Girls Got Game Top Ten All-Academic Teams." During the 2007–08 academic year, Macalester softball players combined to earn a 3.59 GPA for top team honors in Division III. Mac's water polo team posted a 3.54 GPA, the highest in the land, edging out Harvard for top honors in the survey conducted by the Association of Collegiate Water Polo Coaches.

Over the course of the last year, several other Macalester teams have received team academic honors. The Macalester women's track & field team was recognized as one of the 2008 United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) All-Academic teams. The team's 3.43 GPA was 19th-best overall. The Mac men's team was the top-ranked MIAC team with a 3.310 GPA. Macalester's women's cross country team once again received USTFCCCA All-Academic Team honors

as the Scots posted a 3.47 grade point mark. The men's cross country team's 3.51 combined mark was tied for best in the nation among Division III programs.

The National Soccer Coaches Association bestowed academic honors on both Mac soccer programs. The women's team tied for ninth-best overall, and second-best among NCAA Division III institutions, with a 3.57 team mark in 2007–08, while the Macalester men's team turned in the third-best team GPA in the Division III ranks with a 3.37.

For the 28th consecutive semester, the Macalester men's and women's swimming & diving teams have earned All-Academic honors as recognized by the College Swim Coaches Association of America. The men's team accumulated a 3.16 GPA during the spring '08 semester, and the women also received CSCAA honors with a 3.48, 19th-best nationally.

The Macalester Scots received the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Team Academic Award for the 2007–08 academic year with a 3.45 combined GPA. They have earned this honor nine times in 10 years.



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M CLUB
Coming Events

Sat., Dec. 6

Winter Sports Day—
Leonard Center

1 p.m. Women's Basketball
vs. Hamline

3 p.m. Men's Basketball vs.
Hamline

Reception for alumni and
parents in the M Club
room between the games,
food provided by M Club

Fri., Feb. 27

M Club Invitational—
Leonard Center

Men's and Women's Indoor
Track Meet

Time TBD

Sat., Apr. 18

Spring Sports Day

TBD Women's Softball vs.
Concordia (doubleheader)

TBD Baseball vs. St. Olaf
(doubleheader)

4 p.m. Women's Tennis vs.
Gustavus

Sat., Apr. 25

M Club Invitational

Men's Tennis

Time TBD



PRESIDENT'S
Message

Greetings M Clubbers,

I am very pleased to announce that the Leonard Center is everything we expected and more. It will stand as our legacy for decades to come, symbolizing the values of wellness and recreation that Macalester embraces. Together with excellence in academics, internationalism, and service to community, this state-of-the-art structure represents the college's desire for excellence in intercollegiate athletics.

This incredible project would not have happened without the leadership of President Brian Rosenberg, who believed it could happen, along with the commitment to athletics from a select few of the M Club who offered their time and the necessary funding to help raise the millions of dollars necessary for this project. In the home stretch the M Club Challenge was offered, and many of you stepped up to take advantage of the dollar-for-dollar matching campaign offered by Dave and Martha Deno, bringing us that much closer to our goal.

On October 11 as the Step Forward Campaign celebrated its launching, the building was dedicated and I, as M Club President, could not have been prouder. Thank you to all who helped to make this happen. Together, we can share our pride not only in the Leonard Center but also in our Macalester College.

It is now our responsibility to show our appreciation for the amazing strides taken in support of everything we believe in as M Club members by becoming ongoing stewards whenever the opportunity arises. Again, I am honored to serve you and look forward to seeing you as we together cheer on our athletes.

LET'S GO MAC!
STEVE COX '76

MEGAPHONE
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As part of Macalester's commitment to sustainability, we encourage you to consider opting out of the printed version in favor of receiving your copy electronically. To do so, please contact Deanna Cahoon at cahoon@macalester.edu or 651-696-6260.

SAAC RAISES FUNDS
to Battle Breast Cancer

Macalester's Student-Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC) and the Athletic Department helped raise over \$2,000 to fight breast cancer during Dig Pink/Kick Cancer Night on Friday, October 3, during home volleyball and women's soccer matches.

As part of volleyball's national Dig Pink program, Macalester raised just under \$1,500 for the Side-Out Foundation during the Macalester vs. Bethel match through donations and a silent auction. At the simultaneous soccer match with St. Benedict, about \$750 was raised for the Susan G. Komen Foundation through donations and a halftime raffle.

The Macalester volleyball and soccer teams wore pink uniforms, donated by the Volleyball Warehouse, Soccer Express, and Diadora.

SAAC and the Athletic Department would like to extend a great big thank-you to everyone who came out to support the teams and these worthy causes.

"SAAC members (left to right) Elliott Yodh, Maddie Mettie, Kira Spencer, Martha Coe and Jordan Eckstein present a check for \$734 to Karen Heuchert from the Susan G. Komen Foundation."

