

# THE "HOLY COW"

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*Halsey Hall*

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## Swinging for the Fences

*Swinging for the Fences: Black Baseball in Minnesota*, an anthology edited by Steve Hoffbeck that includes contributions from several other chapter members, was featured in a story by Robert Franklin in the February 21, 2005 *StarTribune: Newspaper of the Twin Cities*. The article also listed some upcoming appearances and book signings:

- March 7, Zandbroz Variety, Fargo, 7 p.m.
- March 14, Bound to be Read, St. Paul, 7:30 p.m.
- March 15, St. Paul Lexington Branch Library, 7:30 p.m.
- May 5, Mill City Museum, Minneapolis, 7 p.m.

## Chapter Business

In conjunction with the Spring Chapter Meeting on Saturday, May 21, those wanting to attend the Twins-Brewers game that night must send a check for \$17, made out to Halsey Hall Chapter, by April 30 to Howard Luloff, 2509 Princeton Court, St. Louis Park, Minnesota 55416-1982.

Four directors will be elected at the chapter meeting, and members of the new board will meet at 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 5. This will be the final meeting for the outgoing board. The incoming board, which will not take office until July 1, will meet for the purpose of electing officers from among themselves.

## March Birthdays

1—James Lee and Jay Buckley (also Omar Daal, Larry Brown, Paul Hines, Bob Usher, and Pete Rozelle)

3—Ed Edmonds (also Willie Keeler, Paul Schaal, John Montgomery Ward, Jorge Julio, Jesse Jefferson, and Jackie Joyner-Kersey)

5—Gregg Richardson (also Sam Thompson, Paul Konerko, Phil Roof, Lu Blue, Jeff Tesreau, and Rex Harrison)

7—A. E. Dwello (also Jeff Kent, Joe Carter, Jeff Burroughs, J. R. Richard, Bobo Holloman, Ed Bouchee, and Willard Scott)

9—Tom Dolen (also Arky Vaughan, Bert Campaneris, Jim Landis, Jackie Jensen, Benito Santiago, Billy Southworth, Aaron Boone, Myril Hoag, and Bobby Fischer)

14—Frank Bigelow (also Butch Wynegar, Kevin Brown, Kirby Puckett, Brent Gates, Billy Crystal, Albert Einstein, L. Ron Hubbard, and Hank Ketchum)

16—Joshua Reyer (also Hee Seop Choi, Lloyd Waner, Rick Reichardt, Clint Courtney, and James Madison)

## Lowry Seeks Information about Athletic Park in Minneapolis

Phil Lowry, author of *Green Cathedrals*, is seeking the following information about Minneapolis's Athletic Park for an updated edition of the book: distance to power alleys, distance to center field, distance to backstop, height of outfield walls. This is the information he now has:

OCCUPANT: Neutral site use by AA Milwaukee Brewers Oct 2, 1891. LOCATION Left Field (N) Fifth Street, Third Base (W) First Avenue North; First Base (S) Sixth Street, Right Field (E) Second Avenue North; behind the West Hotel, in Butler Square. DIMENSIONS Left Field 275, Right Field 250.

PHENOMENA: Minor league Millers opened here in 1889, and their last game here was May 23, 1896. The entire AA Milwaukee Brewers major league series against the Columbus Colts in 1891 was to have been played here, but after being rained out Oct 1, playing here Oct 2 in a very cold drizzle, and having the Oct 3 game postponed due to the cold, the two teams returned to Milwaukee for their final game of the season on Oct 4. Right field was so short that what would normally have been a single to right was often a ground-out to right field.

Anyone able to assist can contact Phil at 4323 Woodhill Road, Minnetonka, Minnesota 55345, 612-281-2713, plowry1176@aol.com.

## Name's the Same

Although the first names are different, this former Twins outfielder has the same nickname and last name as a Twins mound nemesis. Who are they?

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### Answer to Name's the Same

Greg "Boomer" Wells and David "Boomer" Wells

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## Calendar

*Saturday, April 16*

Book Club Meeting, 9:30 a.m.  
Barnes & Noble, Edina

*Rogers Hornsby* by Charles C. Alexander  
Tom Swift: 507-645-2280, [tomswift@nickelcurves.com](mailto:tomswift@nickelcurves.com)  
<http://halseyhall.org/bookclub.html>

*Saturday, March 12*

Hot Stove Saturday Morning, 9:00 a.m.  
Bakers Square, Richfield  
Mark Johnson: 612-822-9638, [mjohn@mr.net](mailto:mjohn@mr.net)

*Saturday, May 21*

Spring Chapter Meeting: Registration at 8:30 a.m.  
United Methodist Church, Columbia Heights  
Howard Luloff: 952-922-5036, [hfan77@webtv.net](mailto:hfan77@webtv.net)

### Cow Chips

**Jay Behrens** will be the official scorer for the Alexandria Beetles of the Northwoods League this season. . . . **Katie Wyman** (daughter of **Jim**) played for Anoka in the state high-school hockey tournament. . . . **Marc Hugunin**, who is co-authoring a book on Minnesota basketball, had a letter in the February 14, 2005 *St. Paul Pioneer Press* regarding the reaction to the record-setting basketball scoring performance by **Cash Eggleston** earlier in the month.