

B Soccer Single loss matches last year's achievement

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As freshmen on the C soccer team last year, the class of 2014 lost just once. As sophomores on the B team this year, the team matched that feat, having just wrapped up a 17-1 season with a 4-1 victory over Vianney earlier this month. Their only bump in the road was a 2-1 loss to Chaminade, whom they had easily beaten in their first game of the season 4-0.

"(This is) a great group of guys, a group that had a lot of success. I told them from the beginning, 'Winning isn't a primary concern,'" said coach Bob O'Connell, who emphasized that improvement was the team's focus this year.

"We did have a loss, but everyone worked well together and it was a lot of fun. And Mr. O'Connell was a good coach," said forward Ed Howe.

"No regrets. I try to get a lot of the guys into a lot of the games.

I think we trained hard. The goal was never to be undefeated, said O'Connell.

The team went 6-0 in tournament play and 9-1 versus MCC teams. The team also had 11 shutouts, and their biggest win was a 10-0 shutout against Francis Howell North.

"We won both our tournaments, so we're happy with the way we played," said goalkeeper Ben Tarter, who added that the defense was very strong thanks to experience.

"I was really proud of how they ended the year. They had three good games against three tough teams; they played well. I think what's special for them is that they had so much success for two years, and hopefully that success will continue at the varsity level," said O'Connell.

He added, "They've won a lot of games together. It was a neat group."

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Sophomore Louis Goedecker splits two defenders en route to the goal.



Future looks bright, as the C team continues to fight for St. Louis soccer supremacy.

C Soccer Strong defense leads team to 16-1 finish

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The C soccer team's defense was one of the best in the area this season, as the team didn't allow a single goal during regulation in any of its 17 games.

However, the team's record was 16-1—the only loss came in the semifinals of the CBC Tournament against Vianney, when they ended up losing in penalty kicks.

The team played consistently well throughout the season and functioned well together as a team.

"I remembered our first practice—we were really sloppy with the ball and weren't able to pass the ball the right way, but in just a week, we fixed most of that," said

freshman goalkeeper Greg Niven.

Many players agreed that the unity of the team was crucial to their success and added that coach Tom Zinselmeyer's commitment was what helped them to be so successful.

"The dedication of Mr. Zinselmeyer and the team helped propel us to fulfill our potential," said freshman forward John Rattermann.

The team had big wins against all of the MCC schools, including a 2-0 win against Vianney eight days after their loss to them. The team also got big wins against non-conference teams such as St. Dominic.

"I think they've done a great job of taking what the program has tried to instruct in terms of

how to play strategically," said Zinselmeyer.

Zinselmeyer said that, despite the loss to Vianney, he didn't have any regrets about the season.

Most of the C soccer players said they had no regrets about that one minor loss in a season of high points.

"Our team had a very strong and productive season. It would have been nice to be undefeated, but we played excellent as a team and that's what matters, said freshman goalkeeper Albert Reinwart.

Zinselmeyer is looking forward to next year and said that the team should "maintain and try to build upon its defensive abilities."

XC continued traditions, has bright future

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Despite the palpable air of disappointment at the State meet last week, the Saint Louis U. High cross country team's 2011 season is still very impressive on paper and on the course. After getting to race among the top-ranked teams in the nation last Saturday at the Nike Cross National Meet in Terre Haute Indiana, SLUH cross country officially wrapped up its 2011 season on a bittersweet but resolutely hopeful note.

SLUH placed fifth in the State meet two weeks ago and therefore did not get a trophy to accompany those from the last six years. The team raced well and many runners shone, but the other Missouri teams just raced a little better on that particular day. Many felt as though SLUH could have raced better, or that this season ended on a disappointing note, but head coach Joe Porter said differently.

"Looking at trophies misrepresents our season," he said. "If you look at our group, I think we've accomplished our goal, which is to develop young athletes." He mentioned the quote on the back of the team shirt from John Wooden, which says that you can only be better than yourself, a guiding principle for the team's attitude this year.

Porter highlighted the significance of SLUH being Conference champs this year, which required

the team to conquer and dismiss the strong rivalries and traditions of competition among St. Louis' biggest Catholic boys' schools.

"Our conference is historically good at cross country, and to win the championship so easily shows how great our program is," said Porter.

Aside from being the best team in Saint Louis at the State meet, SLUH also got a taste of national competition by racing in the Nike Cross National Midwestern meet in Indiana on Saturday.

"The regional meet is the eventual aim of our program. It's a good way to see where the bar is set," said Porter.

The Midwest region that SLUH raced in includes Missouri, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan. SLUH finished 17th among all the states' teams, and third from Missouri in the meet. It is worth noting that the 11th to 17th place finishing teams all finished within a few points of each other, so SLUH was close to placing much higher.

The weather in Terre Haute the day of the race was very windy, and as a result most of the finishing times were up to 50 seconds slower.

MSSHAA rules do not allow SLUH to send a team to this particular race, so the runners from the U. High ran under the pseudonym "The Saint Louis Cross Country Club," led by their temporary coach Rich Esswein,

Track and Field pole vault coach and SLUH parent.

The NXN race was indeed the last race for the seniors who took part, and looking back, their last season has been one of growth but also disappointment.

"It was definitely a tougher year," said senior Joe Esswein. "Missouri has been a lot more competitive this season, and it didn't quite turn out how we wanted it to. But we did have a lot of fun and kept our traditions strong, such as picking the Cutest Freshman, and we introduced the now-popular Song of the Week. I think we guided the freshmen well and ushered them into SLUH cross country."

"The team this season had a lot of personality and it was a lot of fun, but also a little disappointing, and sometimes we wish it had turned out better," said senior and All-State finisher Michael McLaughlin.

"This was an important year for the program," continued Esswein. "We showed the younger runners how they can be the best runner they could be. With six freshmen earning varsity letters and a sophomore running at State (Tom Rubio), we built a good foundation of runners for the future."

Porter mentioned junior Matt Nicholson as a standout runner of the year.

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"Easy Ed" Macauley, 1928-2011

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the 10 o'clock news.

"He always made that time with us at dinner and after dinner very important and very special to us. We never felt like we were being shortchanged for time. Now I will say also that my mom was really a hero in that because she was taking care of the kids for the better part of the day and then in the evening."

Cusamano noted that Macauley's loving personality was especially incredible given Macauley's star status as an athlete.

"Almost every case of sports legend, if you dig real deep you will find some skeletons in the closet, whether it's alcohol, drugs, women, or just not leading an exemplary lifestyle. Ed Macauley talked the talk and he walked the walk."

This past Tuesday was Macauley's funeral, celebrated by SLUH's priest Ralph Houlihan, S.J. Mike said that the family did its best to pay homage to Macauley's Irish roots, and "Danny Boy"

was the recessional song at the well-attended service.

The support of Macauley by those in the community stayed strong through his last days, especially after he was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease in 2008. Mike mentioned that at the funeral, many people came up to the family to give their last regards to Ed.

"They all just talked about what a great guy he was, his humility, his dedication to his family his love of life and passing it on to those around him," said Macauley.

It is those very characteristics that came to define Macauley, long after his playing days. And while that green and white number 22 will always hang, representing the outstanding career Macauley had, his mark will be more widely left on the hearts of those he loved and the lives he touched of those around him.

Friday, November 18		Schedule R
AP	Sophomore Class Mass Snack—Pepperoni Boscò	
7PM	V Football vs. CBC	
9:45PM	V Hockey vs. Chaminade @ Affton Ice Rink	
LUNCH	Special—Chicken Nuggets Healthy—Grilled Chicken Dippers	
Saturday, November 19		
7:30PM	Dauphin Players Production	
Sunday, November 20		
	Senior Kairos Retreat Thanksgiving Baskets	
1:30PM	Dauphin Players Production	
7:45PM	JV Hockey vs. Lafayette @ Affton Ice Rink	
Monday, November 21		Schedule R
	Senior Kairos Retreat Junior White House Retreat	
AP	Freshman Class Mass Snack—Biscuits and Gravy	
LUNCH	Special—Lil Charlie's Pizza Healthy—Slow Roasted Turkey	
Tuesday, November 22		Schedule R
	Senior Kairos Retreat Junior White House Retreat Picture Retake Day	
AP	Freshman Tutorial Sustainability Committee Meeting United States Military Academy—M115 Snack—Waffle Fries	
6PM	C/JV/V Wrestling @ Hazelwood West	
9PM	V Hockey vs. DeSmet @ Queeny Rec Plex	
LUNCH	Special—Toasted Ravioli Healthy—Baked Mostacioli	

Wednesday, November 23		No Classes
	Senior Kairos Retreat Junior White House Retreat Thanksgiving Break	
Thursday, November 24		No Classes
	Thanksgiving No Classes	
Friday, November 25		No Classes
	Classes of '96, '01, and '06 Reunions No Classes	
7:30	Show-Me-Bowl @ Edward Jones Dome	
Saturday, November 26		
	Classes of '96, '01, and '06 Reunions	
9:30PM	V Hockey vs. Lindbergh @ Affton Ice Rink	
Sunday, November 27		
6:30PM	JV Hockey vs. Ft. Zumwalt West @ St. Peters Rec Plex	
Monday, November 28		Schedule R
	Southside Classic (through December 2nd)	
AP	Advent Prayer Service Snack—Mini Cinnis	
5:45PM	C Basketball (White) vs. Pacific @ St. Mary's Tournament	
9:05PM	V Hockey vs. CBC @ Affton Ice Rink	
LUNCH	Regular—Chicken Wraps Healthy—Lemon Pepper Chicken	
Tuesday, November 29		Schedule R
	Football Banquet (Tentative)	
AP	Sustainability Committee Meeting Snack—Chili Cheese Nachos	
7:30PM	C Basketball (Blue) @ Webster Groves @ Webster Tournament	
LUNCH	Regular—Redi Ribs Healthy—Bacon Wrapped Filet of Pork	

Wednesday, November 30		Schedule R
AP	Freshman Tutorial Snack—Apple Strudel Sticks	
5:45PM	C Basketball (White) vs. Bishop DuBourg @ St. Mary's Tournament	
LUNCH	Regular—Meatball Sandwiches Healthy—Tempura Chicken Nuggets	
Thursday, December 1		Schedule R
	Mix-It-Up Lunch	
8:15AM	Advent Adoration	
AP	Snack—Bosco Sticks	
4:30PM	C Basketball (White) @ St. Mary's @ St. Mary's Tournament	
6PM	C Basketball (Blue) vs. TBA @ Webster Tournament C/JV/V Wrestling vs. Windsor	
LUNCH	Regular—Papa John's Pizza Healthy—Chicken Parmesan	
Friday, December 2		Schedule R
8:15AM	Advent Adoration	
AP	Senior Class Mass Snack—Mozz Sticks	
4PM	JV/V Wrestling @ Parkway South Tournament C Basketball (Blue) @ CBC	
7PM	Circus Club Performance	
LUNCH	Regular—Chicken Rings Healthy—Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla	

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XC continued traditions

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Senior Nathan Rubbelke has unheralded, but he had an outstanding season," said Porter, praising his dedication.

Nicholson ran varsity nearly all year, and was SLUH's top runner at Districts this year, and the team's second finisher at State.

(Nicholson) had a great track season and ran a lot of miles this summer. He lived what we tell our runners: the more you run, the better runner you become," said Porter.

SLUH cross country loses, with another year, a core group of senior runners who guide younger runners and provide role models for the next generation.

"The seniors this year were great leaders. They made sure all the runners were a part of the team and a part of the process," said Porter.

Senior Nathan Rubbelke has seen a lot as a four-year runner for SLUH XC. He was a varsity runner for most of those, and a captain this year.

"It felt pretty awesome to be a senior and captain this year, it was a good way to top it all off," said Rubbelke. "I know it was not the year I wanted personally, but I'm not letting that take away from how special the season was."

Rubbelke said of the team as a whole that they competed quite well.

"I know we didn't get the trophy, which was our goal, but it's not about that," said Rubbelke. "Our team has a lot of potential. Varsity really went after it this year, and I think the younger runners saw (our effort), they know it, and I believe they can win a trophy next year."

Mass changes spur assembly

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Allen Boedeker is impressed with the new missal's greater attention to drawing the language from the scripture.

"I think one thing that will be helpful is that we're getting back to more scripture-based prayers in the Mass," said Boedeker. "There's always been a criticism of Catholics that we don't know our scripture as well as our Protestant brothers and sisters. I think getting back to the closer translations from the scriptures will be a good thing for us, just for no other reason than we'll have that greater reliance on the scriptures."

Freshmen and sophomores went to the presentation on Monday and juniors and seniors went on Thursday. A small change Gilmore added to the junior and senior presentation was the addition of student testimonies on

why they thought Mass was valuable.

Boedeker and Heumann both believe that the new changes to the creeds and the Gloria will be the hardest to get used to because of the frequency of when both are used.

"Most of the changes are going to be repeated so often that you'll remember it quickly," said Heumann. "Anytime I say, 'The Lord be with you,' the answer is going to be, 'And with your spirit.' That one they'll quickly get. But the Gloria we only say on Sundays. It's not something you're going to hear all of the time."

The more complex changes to the Mass will actually take place to the priest's prayers. In addition to the rearranging of words, completely new passages will be added during some saint's feast days.

To prepare for the changes

Heumann has practiced reading the text beforehand, but expects it will be a few years before he can say the Mass without looking down at the Missal book too much.

"I'm sure it will take people a while to get used to," said Heumann. "It will take priests a while to get used to."

The Second Edition of the Roman Missal, the missal currently in use, came out in 1975. The effects of that transition may be a good way to predict the reaction to the new changes.

"It wasn't that big of a deal," said Boedeker of the 1975 change. "People thought it was going to be, but after a few months they got used to it. Now, people don't even remember that those changes came about."

The Odd Couple on display this weekend, under Pagano's direction

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"I thought (the casting) was a mistake at first, but then I thought that it would be a cool acting challenge, trying to find the slob in me," Probst said. "It's been a really amazing and really fulfilling acting experience having to play my

exact opposite."

"It's easier to play someone similar to you, but it's a lot more fun to play someone different from you," said Bollwerk.

In addition to the two main characters, there are six other members of the cast: seniors Dan-

ny Meehan (Speed), Ben Hilker (Roy), Nick Sykora (Vinny) and sophomore Sam Krausz (Murray) and two students from Nerinx Hall, Jenna Burgess and Maggie Hogan, who play the Pigeon sisters, Gwen and Cicely.

For Sykora and Meehan, this is their first experience on stage at SLUH. Sykora, who said that the play is his first time on stage since a school play in fifth grade, said that he has really enjoyed being in the *Odd Couple*.

"It's been awesome; I'm really glad I did it," Sykora said. "I just wish I had done it before so I could have done more (plays) throughout my time at SLUH."

In terms of the actual play, the cast has enjoyed the comedy of the play. Probst said that while rehearsing, it was initially hard for him to say his lines because the content of the play is so hilarious.

Bollwerk also said that he enjoys the humor in the play.

"The sheer comedy of the

show is just great," Bollwerk said. "It's really a feel-good show."

According to Pagano, there's also a message to the comedy.

"The main message of the play is that while we may think we have it figured out, there's always room for change or improvement," Pagano said.

Even though *The Odd Couple* is a comedy, there was some drama involved with the scheduling, courtesy of the success of the football team. Originally, there was going to be a showing of the play tonight at 7:30 p.m. However, the showing was moved to last night at the same time (because of the semifinals football game tonight).

The primary concerns, according to Principal John Moran, were the noise and the crowds, because attendance projections for the football game range from four to five thousand people.

"Because of the location of the theater and the football field, and the timing being the same,

you can wind up with some pretty loud cheers inappropriately timed for the play," Moran said.

Moran also said that the decision to move it either to Thursday night or Saturday afternoon was left to Pagano. Pagano, with the help of Tim Moore, the technical director, decided to move the performance up to Thursday, which would have been the dress rehearsal, because he felt that the cast and crew would be ready on Thursday.

"Kids that are in the show can go enjoy the football game, have a good time, and then are able to rest on Saturday and be rejuvenated on Saturday night," Pagano said.

There are two more performances for *The Odd Couple*, this Saturday at 7:30 p.m., and this Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Soccer wraps up season

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SLUH finally scored plenty of goals to win, but they uncharacteristically collapsed on defense.

"We got the lead on Chaminade twice, and I was really excited about that, but we lost the lead twice, which was very disappointing, especially with our veteran backfield," said Martel.

"I think it was a talented and hardworking team that simply didn't get the breaks necessary to go far in the postseason," said psychology teacher Tom Kickham.

Throughout the season, SLUH did catch many tough

breaks, and lost many close games that could've changed the course of the season had they gone differently.

"I enjoyed coming to practice everyday and playing with a good group of guys," senior Dan Gorla said about the season.

"I was proud to be a part of the team, I just wished we could've won more of those close games," said senior Joey Ferber.

"I'll remember the guys, especially the seniors, and Joe Jed's house, and all the off-the-field chemistry we had," junior Tony Bright said to sum up his year.