

# The Reminder

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## PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER, 1988 -- JACK H. CARR, CHAIRMAN

- Dec. 2 Speaker: Eleanor Siewert, Mayor of Birmingham  
Subject: "Current Events in Birmingham"
- Dec. 9 Speaker: Jack Ryan, M.D. FACPE - President & C.E.O.  
Detroit-Macomb Hospital Corp.  
Subject: "A Laugh a Day Beats an Apple"
- Dec. 16 Program: HOSTESS DAY  
"Christmas Music by the Seaholm High School  
Madrigal Choral, directed by Thomas Weessies"

NO MEETINGS ON DECEMBER 23 AND 30

## PROGRAM FOR JANUARY -- PAST PRESIDENTS' MONTH, ARTHUR BURGOTT (1984)

- Jan. 6 CHAIRMAN -- ROSS A WAGNER (1975)  
Speaker: Carol L. Marsh, Mgr. American House, Adams Road  
Subject: "Good News About Aging"

### DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS

- Dec. 2 "The Future for BASCC"  
Walter Meyers, Leader
- Dec. 9 "Christmas Memories"  
Richard Henne, Leader
- Dec. 16 "Whither Detroit?"  
Frank Angelo, Leader
- James K. Flack, Chairman
- Jan. 6 "What's That Funny  
Sparrow?"  
Carl Freeman, Leader
- Al Beauvais, January Chairman

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, Dec. 6: "Christmas Hand-  
In-Hand". See page 3.

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Executive Board.  
9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Investment  
Study Group 2:45 p.m. Page 6  
6 p.m.: Annual Christmas Party  
See page 3.

NEXT REMINDER DEADLINE: DEC. 16



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### CLUB ELECTS 1989 OFFICERS IT'S UNANIMOUS

The slate of nominees recommended by the Nominating Committee after two months of deliberation was unanimously voted into office at the Senior Men's Club meeting of November 11. Leading us in the Club's activities for 1989 will be:

President: M. Bert Henderson  
 1st Vice Pres.: Blaine M. Gordon  
 2nd Vice Pres.: Charles W. Williams  
 Secretary: Robert W. Lotz  
 Corres. Secy.: Henry E. Dawkins  
 Treasurer: James J. Reeves  
 Ass't Treas.: Kenneth H. Bertschy  
 Rep. At Large: Clifford I. Lundgren  
 Rep. At Large: Richard L. Knudsen

### THE REMINDER, TOO, WILL HAVE NEW BLOOD IN '89

Beginning early in the new year there will be some changes in the editorial staff of your favorite publication, due largely to the need for more heads in writing and editing. And new titles to go with them. Albert L. Beauvais becomes Managing Editor, and John H. Harwood, News Editor. As most of you know, Al Beauvais has worked on The REMINDER since 1982. He started by gathering the news - which often meant digging for the facts from various committees, urging them on,

and working long hours on weekends. Recently he has taken much of the load off Al Riebling, seeing to all kinds of production matters. The new face on our staff, John Harwood, has a long background in matters relating to news writing. For a few years before World War II he was editor of the Birmingham Eccentric.

During the war he was a Navy officer. Released in 1946, he returned to this area and joined General Motors. His career covered 28 years. He was National Customer Relations Manager of the Pontiac Motor Division when he retired. John is going to Florida in January, and will join us for active work on his return in February. Al Riebling will remain on the staff as an advisor of sorts, but is likely to rattle his typewriter occasionally to add to our fun.

### WANTED BY THE REMINDER: MEN WHO CAN TYPE

We need help in typing the rough pencil notes which many contributors give us. We have to edit these masterpieces, but need a readable typed script. We have some help now, but much of this help will be gone to the south until spring. And who can blame them? So if you could spare a few hours once a month, see or call Al Beauvais.





**DECEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS INCLUDE OUR  
PARTY AND THE TOUR AT FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

As reported in our last issue, there is a special tour of the "Christmas Hand-in-Hand" production at First Presbyterian Church for our members Tuesday, December 6. This is a walking tour, but wheelchairs are welcome. Contact Bruce Smith to find out if any tickets are still available.

Our annual Christmas party here in The Community House is a dinner and entertainment, Wednesday, December 14, starting with cocktails at 6 p.m. The entertainment is rumored to be quite different from anything we've had in the past. Ask Bob Watson if any tickets are left. Price is \$16.50 per person.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS**

Norman White has sent his 1989 dues, and along with the check he sent a welcome letter, bringing us up to date on his affairs. He is quite well, and is re-adjusting himself since the death of his wife last year. He has been enjoying golf and swimming in warm sunny Florida -- but he still misses his old friends in our Club. He says, "I don't see many of our members since we dropped the Florida get-together meetings. Tell the members I miss them and our

good times during the golf and bowling seasons. I appreciate your sending me the Reminder every month".

For those who may want to communicate with Norm, his address is in the Associate Member list in our roster-handbook.

**MEMBER WHO HAS OLD HANDBALL GLOVES:  
WHERE ARE YOU?**

In the last REMINDER we told of a restaurant soon to open which will have a sports theme. One of our members spoke to Al Riebling about this, and asked Al if they would accept handball gloves. Al has now asked the restaurant man who says "yes, by all means. Handball gloves are fine." But Al can't remember who it was that asked him. If you are that member, get in touch with Al. To all other members: they are still looking for old sports equipment, to be used to decorate the restaurant. Old, well beat-up stuff, is just fine.

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There is no plateau from which Nature rests at mid-summer, but she instantly commences the descent to winter.

BRIDGE REPORT - HENRY DAWKINS, CHAIRMAN, EDWIN CLARKE, DUPLICATE CHAIRMAN

This Report covers 3 Friday Meetings: October 28, Nov. 4 and 11. There were 188 Bridge Players (104 Contract and 84 Duplicate)

## CONTRACT BRIDGE

FOURTEEN HIGHEST SCORES

Bob Surridge	3910
Dick Beaubien	3880
Joe Kern	3880
Martin Wider	3820
Bob Gray	3820
Larry Keim	3770
Marcel DeSmet	3760
Frank Hanson	3510
Don McNair	3440
Henry Dawkins	3410
Larry VanTuyl	3290
George Winborn	3180
Frank Graham	3090
Art Ackerman	3010

ELEVEN HIGHEST AVERAGES

Marcel DeSmet	2833
Joe Kern	2760
Henry Dawkins	2723
Murray Kennedy	2620
Carl Schorn	2550
Larry Keim	2436
Dick Beaubien	2366
Gerry Bartlam	2340
George Winborn	2186
Larry VanTuyl	2056
Frank Hanson	2056

Two Small Slams were made by Contract Players:

- 6S Murray Kennedy and Carl Schorn  
6H Joe Kern and Carl Schorn

There were no Grand Slams.

## DUPLICATE BRIDGE

## Highest Duplicate Scores:

- |    |             |                 |
|----|-------------|-----------------|
| 1. | Lee Busch   | 66.0%           |
| 2. | Omer Petti  | 62.2%           |
| 3. | Jim Crabb   | 57.0% tied with |
|    | Ted Schmidt | 57.0%           |

Eleven Small Slams were made by Duplicate Players:

- 6S Kent Wonnell & Chase Cooper  
6N Jim Peters & Jim Fonda  
6D Harry Cyphers & Joe Rattner  
6D Tony Alic & George Schubering  
6S Kent Wonnell & Ed Moore  
6C George Snider & Ed Chambliss  
6D Kent Wonnell & Jim Tedesco  
6S Jim Brown & Dick Heldt

One Grand Slam was made:

- 7N Henry Schlacter & Lee Busch





### BOWLING REPORT - TOM BEDFORD, CHAIRMAN

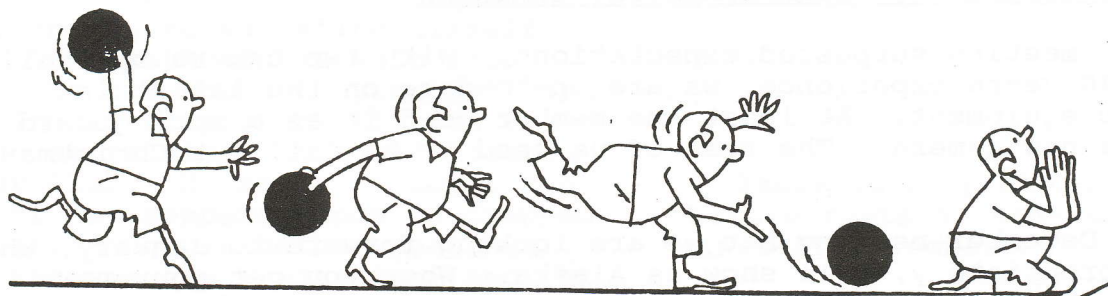
This report covers bowling from October 24 through November 14. It is continuing to be a close race to determine the winner of the first half of the bowling season. Team No. 1 with Bert Henderson, Norm Clark, Harry Partridge, and Murray Hayward, are leading the pack with 25 points. Team No. 10 is next with 22 points. Teams No. 5, No. 4 and No. 2 are tied with 21 points. Four others are bunched up with 20 points, so it looks like a CAVALRY CHARGE right down to the finish line.

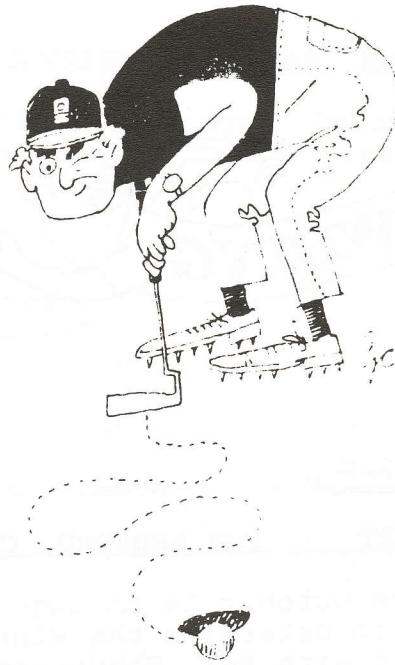
The top scorers for this month with 200 games or 500 series were Bill Barr with a 202 and a fine league-leading 579 series. Others are Les Swanson 202-533, Joe Chalmers 202-537, Ray Swartz 201-537, Bert Henderson 200-526, Bill Quinlan 548, Charlie Breitmeyer 521, Ed Barrett 518, Don Upward 516, Ed Hoagland 508, Henry Sulewski 503, and Joe Maertens 503.

TEAM HIGH GAME No. 8 - 676, TEAM HIGH SERIES No. 11 - 1886, Highest over average bowler, Bill Barr 111 pins.

MYSTERY GAME WINNERS: Harry Partridge and Lloyd Sturgeon - 138, Ray Swartz - 201, Bob Hadley - 141, Ed Hoagland - 128. All winnings were donated to the Bowling Fund "KITTY".

BOWLING ON MONDAYS IS A GOOD WAY TO WORK OFF ANY WEEKEND FRUSTRATIONS!! TAKE THEM OUT ON THE PINS. KNOCK DOWN AS MANY AS YOU CAN. IT'S WORTH A TRY. COME OUT TO STRIKE-N-SPARE MONDAYS AT 9:00 a.m.





APPLICANTS GOLF LEAGUE -- JOE STEELE, CHAIRMAN

Give yourself an early Christmas present. Pay your membership dues before the first snow and assure yourself a place among the select thirty-six golfers. Membership costs \$75 and covers your green fees for the entire season.

Applicants will be given preference in filling the roster. Regular members of the SMC will be used to fill in any remaining openings. First come, first served.

Any checks in excess of thirty-six will be refunded and if for any reason you decide to withdraw before the season starts, your money will be returned. Fair is fair.

Checks should be made out to Senior Men's Club Applicants Golf and sent to Ira Steele or Marcel DeSmet.

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CAMERA GROUP UPDATE -- STAN SKAISTIS, CHAIRMAN

The November meeting surpassed expectations. With two camera specialists, one having 30 years experience, we are up-to-date on the latest in photographic equipment. At least one member used it as a springboard for purchasing a new camera. The rest of us used it to fill out Christmas Wish lists.

There is no December meeting but we are looking forward to January, when Al Roberts, appropriately, will show us Alaska. When you get your new calendar, be sure to mark the second Tuesday in January (the 10th) so you won't miss it.



### MORE ABOUT THOSE ANTIQUE SPORTS ITEMS

As explained in our November issue, a new restaurant being prepared in this area is going to have a sports theme. They are planning to decorate the interior with exhibits of old sport goods, such as baseball bats, gloves, masks, football regalia, tennis rackets, balls, nets, and other tools or dress items from any sport. The items do not have to be in working order. If you have such an old thing kicking around the house, here's a nice way to dispose of it. Contact Al Riebling for more information.

### INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP BILL MacLACHLAN, CHAIRMAN

The Investment Study Group will meet on Wednesday, December 14 at 2:45 p.m. at The Community House. The program Chairman is Bob Hermann. Donald Richardson of Roney & Company will be the Speaker; his subject: "Post Election Predictions".

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TV appraisal: It's not the picture which calls for adjustment, it's the total image of man that it projects.

### IN MEMORY

ROBERT S. McKELVEY, joined our Club in 1979, died October 26. In his nine years in our Club he served on several committees, and was Chairman of Special Events in 1985. In his business career he was a financial analyst for Ford Motor Company. Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, October 27.

CLARENCE W. KRAFT, Life Member, who joined our club in 1971, died October 31. Clarence established himself as a perpetual friend of all Birmingham youth when he started the municipal Halloween party, which supplied hot dogs and soft drinks to the kids every year. It helped to keep many kids off the streets. And it resulted, later, in the organization of the annual parade. Clarence often not only arranged all the events and the food, but frequently paid for it himself.

In our Club he was a quiet but friendly man who had a good sense of humor. He regularly contributed funny stories to the Reminder. He was an agent of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance company of New Jersey. He was a past president of the Rotary and an active member of First Presbyterian Church. Memorial services were held at the church November 3.

CAROL GREEN, wife of member Howard Green, died November 7. She had been prominent in educational and art circles, serving as state president of the AAUW, and holding several county and state offices. Services were held November 10 in the Chapel of the Psalms at White Chapel Cemetery.

J. REED ALEXANDER, who joined our Club in 1986, died November 9. Services were at St. James Church, Birmingham, November 14.

1989 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

<u>A THRU F</u>	<u>G THRU L</u>	<u>M THRU R</u>	<u>S THRU Z</u>
Jan. 6	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 27
Feb. 3	Feb. 10	Feb. 17	Feb. 24
Mar. 3	Mar. 10	Mar. 17	Mar. 24
Apr. 7	Apr. 14	Apr. 21	Apr. 28
May 5	May 12	May 26*	June 2
June 9	June 16	June 23	June 30
July 7	July 14	July 21	July 28
Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 15	Sept. 22
Sept. 29	Oct. 6	Oct. 13	Oct. 20
Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	Nov. 17

\* No meeting on May 19. No meetings in August.

Note: There are no meetings for Applicants in December

Special Birthday Greetings (90 and over)

Lee Durham, Life Member, will be 90 years old on Dec. 27.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGESNEW MEMBERS

COSNER, ROBERT R.	10/88	644-7150	Durand Brown
685 Fairfax	B	48009	
DOTY, DONALD R.	11/88	644-2381	Darrell Mould
998 S. Glenhurst	B	48009	
HUFNAGEL, EDWARD W.	11/88	626-1852	Larry Keim
7075 Meadowlake Rd.	B	48020	

SPONSORBECAME LIFE MEMBER

Raymond W. Morgan, Associate Member, who joined in Sept., 1971  
 Harold J. Simms, who joined in April, 1969

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Trescott A. Henshaw  
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 Ballwin, MO 63011

Clare Charron 2/86 559-5025  
 2157 Colony Club Ct., WB 48322

Add Postal Code: Thomas Mitchell, Associate Member  
 Ridgeway, Ontario, Canada, LOS INO

ASSOCIATE MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 2 - Ray Morgan  
 Dec. 10 - Ron Blanchard  
 Dec. 23 - Norm White

Dec. 4 - Tom Mitchell  
 Dec. 16 - Bill Pilditch  
 Dec. 24 - Burke Bartlett