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PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: CARL SCHORN

- 4 Speaker: Jack Schram, World Traveler
Subject: "The Magic and Mystery of Morocco"
- 11 Speaker: Fr. Ed Belczak, Pastor of St. Thomas More
Subject: "Sutton's Law"
- 18 Performers: Bob Meyer, St. Thomas More Music Director
Kathy Parker, Key Choir Soloist
Paul Thomas, Key Choir Soloist
- 25 Performer: Marian Siatczynski
Piano Artistry

APRIL CHAIRMAN: NORRIS LEE

- 1 Speaker: Kenneth R. Smith
Subject: Health Care Reform Options

Discussion Group

GENERAL CHAIRMAN - H. JEAN BATTS
MARCH CHAIRMAN: WILLIAM M. MacLACHLAN

- Mar. 4 Norris Lee "The A.C.L.U. and You"
- Mar. 11 Norris ("Stormy") Wetters "The Weather"
- Mar. 18 John Spomer "Golf Clinic"
- Mar. 25 Richard Lhyle "Business Negotiations with the Japanese"

APRIL CHAIRMAN: EDWARD C. CONLEY

Bingo -- Maybe . . .

Anyone interested in Bingo, please contact Frannie Greenebaum, 644-5832, at The Community House. We're establishing a task force to investigate feasibility of **BINGO AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE.**

KEEPING UP WITH*THE SENIOR MEN

Save April 6 for Toledo Art Museum

The special Events Committee, in conjunction with BASCC, offers a trip to see the spectacular *AGE OF RUBENS* exhibit in Toledo on Wednesday, April 6th. The trip will include bus transportation, entry fee, tour tape, and a gourmet box lunch at the museum, for \$30 per person. The bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. from the Methodist Church, on West Maple. Parking is free. Please be there on time to avoid any delay.

The Free Press advises that this exhibit will be the most important in the area this year. Many prominent 17th century Flemish artists are included, and the 27 Rubens paintings highlight the exhibit. Don't miss this one!

Bridge Luncheon Drawing Well -- With Room for More

The popular Spring Bridge Luncheon is set for Wednesday, March 23 at The Community House. If you haven't already signed up, do so; there's still room for more.

Harry Cyphers reminds us that this is a social function, not championship bridge. That means that whatever your level of play, you'll have fun at the party. For instance, "rubber" bridge, not "duplicate" will be played. Playing partners remain the same throughout the playing period.

Grab a partner, invite friends, enjoy lunch and a sociable afternoon of bridge. \$25 per couple -- what a deal!



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Final Tally on 1993 Community House Fund Drive

Once again, Senior Men's Club members and applicants have played a strong supportive role in taking the Fund Drive over the top.

Here are the numbers:

- 355 members gave \$26,869, an average of \$75.
- 223 applicants gave \$12,310, an average of \$55.
- Total giving of \$39,179 was just over 17% of the overall Fund Drive total of \$227,491.
- What couldn't be counted -- but what cannot be ignored -- are the numbers of hours SMCB folks put in on mailings, classes, house tours, antique and art shows, etc. Congratulations and thanks to members, applicants and spouses who pitched in and helped us chalk up still another success!

**DAVE SAYLER AND
CHICK HOLMES
SPECIAL PROJECTS**

Dates to Remember

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|----------------|---|------------|
| Mar. 3 & 17 | Practice for golfers at The Dome at John R and 12 Mile Road. | |
| Mar. 8 | Executive Board Meeting | 9:30 a.m. |
| Mar. 8 | Camera Group Meeting | 2:00 p.m. |
| Mar. 9 | Investment Group Meeting | 2:45 p.m. |
| Mar. 16 | Computer Group Meeting | 2:30 p.m. |
| Mar. 23 | SPECIAL EVENT -- "Mark the Coming of Spring"
Luncheon/Bridge Party | 12:30 p.m. |
| Apr. 6 | SPECIAL EVENT -- Tour of Toledo Art Museum
Includes bus transportation and box lunch | 8:30 a.m. |
| BOWLING | Mondays at Thunderbird Lanes | 9 a.m. |
| BRIDGE | Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and Fridays after lunch | |

**ALL EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED**

THE REMINDER DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MAR. 18, 1994

Spoonerism, Freudian Slip or Hard Fact?

Our esteemed Secretary, King Ruhly, in describing Governor Engler's appearance at the club made what he called "an oral typo" when he said, "The Governor was pervasive," then quickly amended that to "I mean persuasive." The truth is that both apply in the Governor's current go-anywhere passion for passing Prop A. (Pardon the pun.)

That reminds us of a commentator's description of Ross Perot in the Presidential race. "Perot is ineluctable but unelectable." Nice play on words. ineluctable, says Webster, means "incapable of being evaded or ignored." Both turned out to be true.



Michigan Governor John Engler addresses the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham. The Governor has become the state's number one salesman for Prop A set for ballot March 15



A good crowd to hear the Governor and other official voices. What these political figures know is that the SMCB is not only a big group, but an influential one as well. The old Greek physicist, Archimedes, knew the power of the lever and fulcrum, and people who sponsor causes see SMCB as just that.

Bridge Players Deal Themselves (and Others) Winning Hands

The cards flew a bit since the last reporting period, and these are the results from Jan. 17 through Feb. 11:

Contract

Seventeen players with scores as follows:

Phil Werner	3330
Al Kelley	3100
Mary Lou Cooper	2950
Julius Falke	2890
Bert Henderson	2780
Lloyd Sturgeon	2530
Carl Schorn	2410
Baylor Sutton	2285
Paul Keener	2262
Chris Davenport	2225

There were four small slams.

Duplicate

Average of 45.8 players with percentage scores as follows:

King Ruhly	74.0%
Wilbur Wood	68.0%
Bob Acosta	66.3%
George Hilfinger	65.3%
Bill Hermann	64.6%

Joe Rattner and Tony Alic were tied in 6th place with 62.5%.

There were 12 small slams.

INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS

Assistance in preparing state and federal income tax forms will continue at BASCC from counselors trained and certified by the IRS and the Michigan Treasury Department. The hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesdays through April 4, 1994. No appointments needed.

Until the Season Opens

Until weather does allow us to play at Springfield, we can continue to practice at the Golf Dome -- John R about a quarter mile north of 12 Mile Road. (Opposite the entrance to the county's Red Oaks Golf Course.) Dates still open are: March 3, March 17 and April 7; Trevor Parkinson, the pro, will be on hand March 3 and April 7.

Teams No. 5 and 11 Lead the Pack

Leading Teams

Tied at 21 points each: Team No. 5 (DeGrande, Pearce, Boynton, Norm Clark) and Team No. 11 (Reilly, Fisher, Klein, Strang)

Individual High Games

Swanson	232
Henderson	226
Wetters	223
Jordan	223

Individual High Series

Jordan	591
Harper	580
Swartz	569

Computer Group To Hear Clements

Both practical and aesthetic uses for personal computers were presented at our February meeting.

Don Cox led the double header with a review of some of the financial record-keeping features of Quattro Pro spreadsheet program, very practical. Our aesthetic treat was an explanation by John Delos of some of the forms of computer generated "fractal" geometry which can be beautiful and "must be seen to be appreciated." At our March meeting applicant Bob Clements will lead the discussion on "Backing up Your Computer." An updated version of the members' Computer Inventory will be distributed. This meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 16 at 2:30 p.m. in The Community House.

JOHN PRIOR

(for the vacationing John Caldwell)

Investors to Hear Charles Stenbeck

The March meeting of the Investment Group will feature Mr. Charles Stenbeck, vice president of the private banking division of Comerica Bank. His topic will be "The Use of Wills and Trusts in Estate Planning." The talk will include the functions and responsibilities of a trustee and trusts as estate planning vehicles.

The meeting will be Wednesday, March 9 at 2:45. All members, applicants and guests are invited.

Estate planning thought--"He who gives while he lives, knows where it goes."

JOE MAERTENS

CHAIRMAN

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jim Peters has prepared the club's annual financial report as of December 31, 1993 as shown on page 5. SMC had net income of \$1,938 for the year 1993.

Team High Games

<u>No. 5</u>	688
<u>No. 12</u>	680
<u>No. 5</u>	678

Team High Series

No. 6	1,961
No. 9	1,920
No. 12	1,909

Highest Individual Averages

Wetters	168
Reilly	165
Harper	161
Swartz	161
Byington	161
Henderson	159
Hoagland	159

SENIOR MEN'S CLUB OF BIRMINGHAM
TREASURER'S REPORT -- YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1993

OPERATING FUND

<u>Income</u>		
Membership dues earned		\$12,600
Lunches - sales	\$21,520	
- costs	<u>20,896</u>	624
Interest		473
Special events - net		<u>646</u>
Total income		<u>\$14,343</u>

<u>Expenses</u>		
Community House		\$6,400
Donations		400
"Reminder"		1,958
Community House services		2,043
Operating expenses		205
Hostesses' Xmas lunch and gifts		1,258
Luncheon guests		<u>141</u>
Total expenses		<u>\$12,405</u>
Net income		<u>\$1,938</u>

Balance Sheet

<u>Assets</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$21,329	
Prepaid expense	<u>90</u>	
Total assets		<u>\$21,419</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Accounts payable	6,000	
Deferred 1994 membership dues	7,370	
Unredeemed meal tickets	<u>461</u>	
Total liabilities		\$13,831
<u>Equity</u>		
Balance, January 1, 1993	\$5,650	
Net income	<u>1,938</u>	7,588
Total liabilities and equity		<u>\$21,419</u>

MEMORIAL FUND

<u>Income</u>		
Gifts	\$ 46	
Interest	<u>697</u>	
Total income		743
<u>Expenses</u>		
Income (under) expenses		<u>813</u>
		<u>\$ (70)</u>

Balance Sheet

<u>Assets</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents		<u>\$18,262</u>
<u>Equity</u>		
Balance, January 1, 1993	18,332	
Net income/(loss)	<u>(70)</u>	
Total equity		<u>\$18,262</u>

Prepared by:
James F. Peters
Treasurer

Reviewed by:
Bernard W. Ziessow
Auditor

BASCC Happenings

We've been asked to pass along information on some of the events taking place at BASCC next month.

Monthly Gourmet Luncheon On March 31 at 1:00 a catered gourmet luncheon will be served at BASCC.

This is the third in a series of six and will feature an Irish menu complete with a luscious dessert! The cost is only \$5.00 per person.

Reservations by Friday, March 25 are a must! For more information call BASCC, 642-1040.

Dance of the Month -- So what if Torvill and Dean ice-danced their hearts out and had to settle for third. You can do your own tripping of the light fantastic one Thursday afternoon each month at a BASCC Matinee Dance. The next one is March 24 --- live band --- singles and couples --- \$2 will get you in, but you have to get yourself going. And the only ice involved will be in the soft drinks you buy!

Overheard in the Barber Shop ...

Customer: I'm going to Washington this week
 Barber: A terrible city. What airline?
 Customer: Delta
 Barber: Never on time...where are you staying?
 Customer: The Marriott
 Barber: The service is terrible there. Why are you going to Washington anyhow?
 Customer: To see the President.
 Barber: He'll never see you.

Two weeks later. Same customer, same barber.

Barber: Well, how was Washington?
 Customer: Terrific...flew Delta, got there on time. Stayed at the Marriott, had a great room.
 Barber: And what did the President have to say?
 Customer: He asked me, "Where did you get that awful haircut?"

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

DEATHS:

ROBERT BELLILE, Associate Member, who joined in Sept. 1978
 WILLIAM KOENEKE, who joined in May, 1982

NEW MEMBERS:

			Sponsor
WAGNER, ROBERT O.	1/94	862-2932	Durand Brown
1217 Timberview Tr.	BH	48304	
(Charlotte)			
GOLZE, RICHARD R.	1/94	647-3747	Al Roberts
637 Kingsley Tr.	BH	48304	
METZLER, PAUL D.	2/94	644-1067	Roy Wheatley
4455 Charing Cross	BH	48304	
(Dorothy)			
SCHERER, JOHN J.	2/94	433-3237	Gordon Henderson
23615 Overlook Circle	BF	48025	
(Donna)			
GATES, CHARLES R.	2/94	644-1446	Dick Sneed
864 Oakland	B	48009	
(Leona)			
ALIC, ANTHONY	2/94	433-0823	King Ruhly
680 Landon	B	48009	
(Louise)			

SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS:

CLEMENT REBB, Life Member, was 92 on Feb. 8
 ROY HANKINSON, Life Member, was 90 on Feb. 15
 ARTHUR UNDERWOOD, Life Member, was 95 on Feb. 18
 C. BRONSON ALLEN, Life Member was 93 on Feb. 18
 N. MURRAY KENNEDY, Life Member, was 95 on Feb. 21

ASSOCIATE MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

JAMES ISRAEL, Mar. 8

BECAME LIFE MEMBER:

BAYLOR F. SUTTON, who joined in Jan. 1972

ROSTER CORRECTION:

RICHARD POWERS, street is Kirkshire (P. 43)

RESIGNED:

EDWARD BARRETT, who joined in Dec. 1980

1994 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

<u>A - F</u>	<u>G - L</u>	<u>M - R</u>	<u>S - Z</u>
Mar. 4	Mar. 11	Mar. 18	Mar. 25
Apr. 1	Apr. 15	Apr. 22	Apr. 29
May 6	May 13	May 27	Jun. 3
Jun. 10	Jun. 17	Jun. 24	Jul. 1
Jul. 8	Jul. 15	Jul. 22	Jul. 29
Sept. 2	Sept. 9	Sept. 16	Sept. 23
Sept. 30	Oct. 7	Oct. 14	Oct. 28
Nov. 4	Nov. 11	Nov. 18	Nov. 18

No meeting April 8, May 20, during the month of August, Oct. 21, or Nov. 25.
 Applicants are not eligible to attend December meetings.