

Daffodils
That come before the swallow dares,
and take
The winds of March with beauty,

-Shakespeare

Tossing his mane of snow in wild-
est eddies and tangles,
Lion-like March cometh in, hoarse,
with tempestuous breath.

-William Dean Howells
"Earliest Spring" Stanza I.

If Spring came but once in a century, instead of once a year, or burst forth with the sound of an earthquake, and not in silence, what wonder and expectation there would be in all our hearts to behold the miraculous change! But now the silent successation suggests nothing but necessity. To most men, only the cessation of the miracle would be miraculous and the perpetual exercise of God's power seems less wonderful than its withdrawal would be.

-Longfellow

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A most hearty welcome to our new members. We hope you engage in the various activities and thoroughly enjoy it. (Be sure to attend at least ten (10) meetings per year.)

When three more approved candidates get back from Florida and are inducted, we shall have our membership limit of 325 - then 22 new members will have joined this year. We now have a waiting list of 16. The oldest application is dated 12-1-72. The sponsors of these applicants should tell them about our CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 3 - MEMBERSHIP, which states, "Any prospective member...on the waiting list may attend only one meeting a month and may not participate in any organized activities". This includes league bowling and golf.

My sincere thanks to all the officers and committee chairmen and all the Club members for their splendid cooperation.

Charlie Heiney

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One of our members has contributed an original poem:

WHAT MATTERS?

What matters malice, storm and strife
with dissapointments of this life
And hate and doubt and poverty
And all man's pangs of misery?
Eternity Goes On!
What matters loss and woes and fears
And hurts of heart and bitter tears
And war and fire and pestilence?
E'en death is of no consequence.
Eternity Goes On!

-Sidney Norwood

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DISCUSSION GROUP - UP-COMING IN MARCH

- March 2 - "As You Like It" by whom - Leader
9 - "Ecology and Economy" - a restudy - Phil Turner, Leader
16 - "Amnesty" - George King, Leader
23 - "Energy Crisis" - Selected
30 - "Birmingham Beautiful" - Paul Graham, Leader

Jim Pottinger, Chmn.

Gus Hoefer, Co-Chmn.

PROGRAMS FOR MARCH - Ross A. Wagner, Chmn. Program Committee

- March 2 Mr. Paul Warburton, District "Energy and Ecology"
Manager, American Oil Co.
- March 9 James L. Graham, Developer "Little Michigan,
Proposed 25 Million
Dollar Educational
and Entertainment
Park".
- March 16 Mr. Boyd Doty, Vice-President, Sales, "The Best Times,
U. S. Steel Corp. - Central Area Or the Worst?"
- March 23 Mr. Jay Hook, former major league "My Days With the
pitcher, and now Director of Business N. Y. Mets."
and Product Development, Automotive
Products Division, North American
Rockwell.
- March 30 Dr. Walter H. Eastwood, Interim "They Signed For Us"
Minister, First Presbyterian Church,
Birmingham.

Chairmen: March 2 - Chet Stokes March 16 - Murray Stewart
March 9 - Chet Stokes March 23 - Chet Stokes
March 30 - Murray Stewart

BRIDGE SCORES FOR FEB.

The three highest bridge scores made in the month of February (4 playing days) were:

Waino Ansama - 5190 Carl Schorn - 4750 Larry VanTuyt - 4750

Waino Ansama was the only player to make the 5,000 bracket.
Carl Schorn made the 4,000 bracket on three out of 4 playing days.
Don Murray made the 3,000-4,000 bracket on three out of 4 playing days.
Bob Benson made the 3,000 bracket on three out of 3 playing days.

-Art Underwood

CAMERA CLUB - Philip C. Satterthwaite, Chmn.

The March meeting of the Camera Club will be Tuesday, the 13th, at the home of Owen Goodrich, 6971 Limerick Lane in Troy. Earl Triplett is chairman for this meeting.

Chairman for April - Richard Kropf Chairman for May - Geof. Whittaker

The Club members are always delighted to hear about one of our members receiving an award. Thompson Darling was so honored and given a plaque, the reason for which is explained:

"I was appointed Chairman of the Deaf Senior Citizens Group by the Tri-County Community Council of the Deaf six years ago. I toured the Senior Centers all over the Detroit area, checking their programs. The results we hoped for were not achieved because most deaf citizens enjoy their own way of communication by sign language.

Mrs. Gormley, former Director of Detroit Senior Citizens, Mrs. May Booth, Interpreter, and I had a meeting about making better plans. We started our organization with 12 deaf members in 1969; then we grew gradually. We gather once every week at five various locations. Attendance averages about 75 at each meeting. We could have and should have more over the whole area, but the members live too far apart and transportation is a problem.

Deaf Senior Citizens enjoy their leisure programs, such as saluting U. S. Flag, praying, singing Star Spangled Banner and other songs by sign language, Happy Birthday, Anniversary Report, Newcomers, Sick List Report, etc. They then have a luncheon after which they play cards and various other games.

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CITIZEN AWARD
TO
THOMPSON DARLING

IN APPRECIATION FOR HIS MANY
SERVICES AND AS OUR
FIRST PRESIDENT

TRI-COUNTY DEAF
SENIOR CITIZENS
OF METROPOLITAN
DETROIT

1972

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The trouble with America's foreign relations is that so many of them are broke.

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It is amazing what progress the movies have made; first they moved, then they talked, now they smell!

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Teacher: "If you had seven pieces of candy, and I asked for four of them, how many would you have left?"

First Grader, matter of factly: "Seven".

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DEATHS

Tom McCall

NEW MEMBERS

The new members, who have joined in 1973, are listed below. Some of the Club members may wish to "cut and paste" this list in the new roster.

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