

# The Reminder

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PROGRAM FOR APRIL, 1987 -- John H. King, Chairman

- April 3      Speaker: Ms. Joan Young, Oakland County  
Friday      Court Administrator  
                 Subject: "Some New Ideas on Administration of Justice  
   in Oakland County"
- April 10     Speaker: Jeff Montgomery, Director of Public Relations,  
Friday      Orchestra Hall  
                 Subject: "Renovation of Orchestra Hall"
- April 17     Speaker: George Schutte, Director Solid Waste,  
Friday      Oakland County  
                 Subject: "Update on County Incinerator and Handling  
   of Solid Waste"
- April 24     Speaker: Douglas MacDonald M.D., President of Oxford  
Friday      Institute  
                 Subject: "Work of the Oxford Institute"

MAY PROGRAM CHAIRMAN - Ray Ewell

- May 1        Speaker: Detective John Van Gorder,  
                 Birmingham Police Department  
                 Subject: "Law Day and the Birmingham Police"

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS

DATES TO REMEMBER

April Chairman is John Harwood

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| April 3  | "Sensible Help for Senior Citizens"<br>Roy Wheatley, Leader   | Wednesday, April 8<br>2:45 p.m. Investment Study Group. See page 3                            |
| April 10 | "One view of China and Japan"<br>Richard Sneed, Leader  | Tuesday, April 14<br>9:30 a.m. Executive Board<br>2 p.m. Camera Group page 4                  |
| April 17 | "In One Lifetime, Starting Point, Birmingham, 1911"<br>Al Beauvais, Leader                                  | Thursday, April 16<br>9 a.m. Golf season opens at Springdale. Page 5<br>Golf Dome. See page 6 |
| April 24 | "What's Ahead for Birmingham?"<br>Robert Kelly, former City Commissioner, Leader<br><i>Schorn on Russia</i> | -----   |

May Chairman is Bill Gidley

NEXT REMINDER DEADLINE:  
Friday, April 24

- May 1        "Too Many Lawyers"  
                 Carl Ingraham, Leader

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## 1987 COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE Reported by Chick Homes, Special Projects

The 1987 Community House Fund Drive is well under way and has produced \$21,000 from about 340 SMC members (regular, life and associate) for an average of nearly \$63.00 per giver. However, this means that approximately 110 other members have not given. I'm trusting that many of our returning "snowbirds" will now join the rest of us in support of our House.

75 of our applicants have given a total of \$3900 for an average of \$52.00 per giver. We do appreciate their fine help.

Turn in your checks or pledges soon, please. Make out checks to "The Community House" and note that you are an SMC member or applicant.

Will the gentleman who submitted a check for \$50.00 on Friday, March 13, please identify himself at the front desk so that he and the Club will be given credit.

Thanks much to all of you who have given already. We appreciate your support to help keep The Community House going.

## FLORIDA MEETING SCRUBBED -- BRUCE SMITH REPORTS

Bruce Smith reports that he cancelled the March 10 Senior Men's Club luncheon meeting when "last minute" reservations ceased to keep pace with cancellations which reduced the total count to 8!! He will recommend at the June meeting of the Executive Board that this activity be discontinued -- unless a substantial number of members submit written requests for a continuation with suggestions for attracting adequate attendance.

INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP -- Bob Lotz, Chairman

The next Investment Study Group meeting will be April 8, 2:45 p.m., at The Community House. The meeting chairman will be Bill MacLachlan and the guest speaker will be Bill Halbert, a vice president of E. F. Hutton. The subject will be "Financial Survival in Retirement".

The May meeting will be held on May 13. The meeting chairman will be Bob Lotz and the guest speaker Ralph Seger of Seger-Elvekrog Inc. of Birmingham. The subject will be "What Makes Stocks Move?"

The Investment Study Group meetings are held in The Community House on the second Wednesday of each month from September through June. The meetings start at 2:45 p.m. and end at 4:15 p.m.

March Bridge Report -- Joe Henninger, Chairman

(This report covers last Friday in February and all 4 Fridays in March)

There were 366 Bridge Players taking part in the five Friday sessions. Ed Clarke and Henry Bardsley conducted 30 tables of Duplicate Bridge. Of the 244 Contract Bridge Players:

TEN HIGHEST SCORES

1.	George Winborn	4600
2.	Art Ackerman	4290
	Roy Hawkinson	
3.	Bob Gray	4240
4.	Carl Schorn	4210
5.	Don Murray	4110
6.	Bill Hanlon	4050
7.	Art Burgott	3930
8.	John Bickel	3770
9.	C. Breitmeyer	3690
	Don McNair	
10.	Joe Henninger	3540

TEN HIGHEST AVERAGES

1.	Don Murray	2545
2.	Jerry Bartlam	2430
3.	Carl Schorn	2400
4.	Murray Kennedy	2350
5.	Bill Losie	2350
6.	Joe Henninger	2310
7.	Marcel DeSmet	2305
	Joe Kern	
8.	Bob Gray	2295
9.	George Connely	2205
	Roy Hawkinson	
10.	Larry Keim	2150

There were 7 small slams bid and made by both the Contract and Duplicate Bridge Players during these sessions.



### BOWLING REPORT -- Jack Lorne, Chairman

On March 2 there were only 44 bowlers at the alley. Despite this there were some good scores as follows: Bert Henderson 586, 225; Gord Lamphere 563, 213; Ed Hoagland 516, 213; Ray Compton 509, 225; H. Mitchell 203; L. Swanson 504; J. Trudell 503; J. Hobin 501; H. Lugers 500. Bob Massey rolled 86 pins over his average. Lee Lytle won the Mystery Game.

On March 9 we had 48 on hand and awarded .25 for each split converted. Winners in this category were Dick Beaubien, H. Partridge, W. Karber, 2 each. Hoagland, Reeves, DeGrande, Lamphere, Swanson, Barrett and DeSmet all had 3 game totals over 500. Ray Compton won the Mystery Game with a 132.

On March 16 we had 50 bowlers and Team #12 made up of J. Chalmers, J. Falke 532, N. Clarke 508, and W. Barr 560, 236 Stole the show with a high single game of 713 and high 3-game total of 2061. They were bowling against team #5 made up of Garrison who had 491, 86 over his average, J. Howitt, T. Bedford 212, 201, & 587, and J. Strang 204. Art Underwood was the day's star with a 472, 109 pins over his average. DeSmet and Strang split the Mystery Game with 151.

On March 23 we had 50 turn out. Highlights were another spectacular 2019 by team #12 which is second high for the season but they only get credit for their high 3-game series. At the other end of the spectrum anonymous team X replaced anonymous team Y for low single and 3-games with a 431 and 1428.

We will be having the roll-off for the '86-'87 league champ on April 13 and the doubles tournament on April 20. If anyone knows he will be away on the 20th please let me know since we will be making up 2-man teams for this event.

The Bowling Banquet will be Wednesday, May 6 at The Community House. Cash Bar at 6:30, Dinner about 7:30.

### LATEST CAMERA GROUP NEWS -- Bulletin by Bob Hadley, Chairman

Club member Henry Bardlsey will present "Animals Do Talk" at our next meeting, Tuesday, April 14. Henry is an accomplished photographer and can always be counted on for a sterling performance. SEE YOU THERE.



GAWLPHING WITH THE SENIORS: By our fearless reporter, Ray Swartz

GOLFERS, would you believe it is almost that time again? The weather the past week says it is so! April 16th is the day. Springdale Golf Course is the place. 9:01 am to 12:06 pm is the time. Weather permitting.

Twenty-five foursomes have been made up. Drawing for Tee Times will be held April 3rd by immediate Past President Dick Jeffries. May all get the starting time they wanted???!.

Four foursomes were made up by the Committee; if there are any objections please tell any of the Committee. All kinds of changes can be made.

Format and Fees are the same as for 1986: \$3.00 Registration, \$3.00 Green Fee each week, \$.10 for closest to the pin on #6 hole. Arrive at Course at least fifteen minutes before your starting time unless you notify the Committee or one from your foursome that you will not be there.

For the golfers who are not in a foursome, come out to the Course and you will be assigned a number in the order you arrive and you will be assigned to a foursome as a vacancy occurs (and there are enough each week to take care of everyone). Check in with the Committee as soon as you arrive at the Course. SEE YOU THERE APRIL 16th.

THE COMMITTEE: A. RAY SWARTZ, HOCKEY MELIKIAN, MARCEL DESMET, DON CLARK



GOLF DOME -- MARCEL DeSMET, CHAIRMAN

Forty-four golfers came to the Dome on March 5 for practice, and on March 19 forty-nine appeared.

The last golf lesson this season will be given by only one Pro, and that is on April 2, 1987.

With the possibility of bad weather, then and only then, we will meet at the Dome Thursday, April 16, without the help of a Pro.

Practice time is from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and the cost is still the same: \$5.00/person/week.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!            THINK GOLF!!!

Marcel DeSmet

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ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS -- Bill Brown, Corresponding Secretary

Burke Bartlett writes us from his Venice, Florida home and reports that they have a similar club in the subdivision where he lives. He says, "Membership is restricted to 65 years or older, retired and a property owner in our subdivision, which has about 600 homes. The club is known as the Jacaranda Mens Club and has about 150 members and meets twice a month. It was started by Glenn Clark, formerly of Grosse Pointe Senior Mens Club.

"Our programs are less formal and attire completely informal. We meet at the Venice Elks Club. We are served a hot lunch, have the usual reports, a speaker, but no bridge. We pay \$5 each meeting. Dues are \$10 per year."

It's always interesting to us, up here in the north, to hear from our Associates, and we thank Burke for his newsy letter. He joined our Club in 1971, and moved to Florida in 1977.

Associate Members with birthdays in April are: Howard Larick, April 16 and recently named a Life Member, Lemore Clark, April 9. Now that he's a Life Member he is listed in our active member roster and not among the Associates. Congratulations, in any case.

SCULPT IN CLAY THIS SPRING SESSION

At the Mature Minglers, Fox Hills Center, six weeks starting April 29 through June 17; hours 1 to 3 p.m. The cost is \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members plus a nominal materials fee. The instructor is Kay Harding.

Kay has taught classes for beginners as well as accomplished students for over ten years in all age brackets. Under her direction, students have learned to progress from simple torso forms to complete works of figures as well as animals.

Classes are at Fox Hills Center, 1662 Hunter Ridge Road. Call 332-6094 or 540-5296.

BASCC GETS ITS COFFEE URN, AND THANKS SMC MEMBERS

Bob Watson, who headed up the campaign to save Knapp Restaurant receipts, is given credit, along with SMC members, for the success of the project that has concluded with purchase of a new coffee urn for the BASCC Senior Center in Pierce School. So many certificates from Knapp's were obtained that a start has been made on winning a coffee table to complement the new urn. So if you eat at any Bill Knapp restaurant, ask for the community certificate when you check out. And save any of these papers for "Smiling Old Bob".

THE WORLD CHANGES WHEN YOU GET OLDER -- HAVE YOU NOTICED?

Everything is farther away than it used to be. It is even twice as far to the corner, and they have added a hill.

I have given up running for the bus; it leaves earlier than it used to. It seems to me they are making the stairs steeper than in the old days. And, have you noticed the smaller print in the newspapers? There is no sense in asking anyone to read aloud anymore, as everyone speaks in such a low voice.

The material in trousers is so skimpy, especially around the hips and waist; it is almost impossible to reach one's shoelaces.

Even people are changing. They are so much younger than they used to be when I was their age. On the other hand, people my own age are so much older than I am.

I ran into an old classmate the other day and he had aged so much that he didn't recognize me.

I got to thinking about my friend while I was combing my hair this morning, I noticed my reflection in the mirror...They don't even make good mirrors like they used to.

(Apologies to a friend of Ann Landers.)

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IN MEMORY

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HARRY LUNN, Life Member, who joined the Club in 1970, died January 22 in San Diego, California, where he has lived since he moved west from Birmingham in 1980. His wife, Flora, survives him. Funeral services were held January 27 at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, San Diego. Harry, a civil engineer, served as a Captain in World War One. After that war he joined the Wisconsin Bridge and Iron Company in field construction work. Then he came to Detroit and was a structural engineer with Detroit Edison for 36 years. Memorial contributions may be sent to Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham.

WILLIAM J. KERNAN, JR., who joined the Club in 1972, died March 3. He was the owner of William J. Kernan and Son, a firm producing printed and engraved office and industrial stationery. When he retired in 1969 he was awarded honorary membership in the Engraved Stationery Manufacturers Association. He was a member of the Wayne County Sportsmen's Club and the Michigan United Conservation Clubs. Funeral services were held March 7 at Hamilton's Bell Chapel, and burial was at Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit. Memorials may be sent to First United Methodist Church, Birmingham.

THOMAS WARD, who joined our Club in 1982, died March 17. He was a native of Indiana and had lived in Birmingham for 43 years, most of which were devoted to the real estate business. He was a member of Optimist International, and a deacon of First Presbyterian Church where he was a member for 40 years. Funeral services were held March 20 at First Presbyterian Church.

ROBERT SERGESON, Life Member, who joined the Club in 1970, died March 20. He was a metallurgical engineer, serving for 42 years in technical capacities for steel companies. He retired from Jones and Laughlin Steel Company's Detroit plant as Chief Metallurgical Engineer. He was a member of the American Society for Metals, the American Society for Testing and Materials, and the Society of Automotive Engineers. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham. Services were in Massilon, Ohio.

WALTER T. BROMLEY, a member since 1972, died March 27. He was the President of F. T. Bromley Properties, an organization specializing in Detroit industrial land and structures, founded by his father early in the century. He was active in our Club until a few weeks ago. He often flew his own airplane on trips to the family lodge on the Au Sable River. Club activities in which he participated were golf, bowling, and duplicate bridge. He was a member of Christ Church Cranbrook and the Orchard Lake Country Club. Services were held at Hamilton's Bell Chapel March 30.



1987 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

<u>A thru F</u>	<u>G thru L</u>	<u>M thru R</u>	<u>S thru Z</u>
Apr. 3	Apr. 10	Apr. 17	Apr. 24
May 1	May 8	May 15	May 29 *
June 5	June 12	June 19	June 26
July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24 ***
Sept. 4	Sept. 11	Sept. 18	Sept. 25
Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16	Oct. 23
Oct. 30	Nov. 6	Nov. 13	Nov. 20 **

\* No meeting May 22, Michigan Week

\*\* No meeting Nov. 27, Thanksgiving Week

\*\*\* No meetings for applicants, July 31

Note: There are no meetings for Applicants in December

MEMBERSHIP CHANGESNEW MEMBERSPONSOR

GRAHAM, Thomas C. 925 Dursley Rd.	3/87 BH	647-3817 48013	Art Burgott
KUTOSH, Stephen 1599 Shipman	3/87 B	647-8136 48009	Paul Mortimer
RUHLY, King 17395 Locherbie	3/87 B	646-1789 48009	Bob Trees
HINKAMP, James B. 1444 S. Bates St.	3/87 B	644-2712 48009	Bob Watson
POOLE, James H. 2592 Covington Pl.	3/87 B	646-9590 48010	Bill Barr

Became Life Members: Victor L. Peck, who joined in July, 1973  
Orville V. Vaughn, Associate Member, who joined in Sept. 1974  
Took Leave of Absence: Charles A. Salley

Change of Address: Life Member - William Schelawske  
8338 Windridge Way, Brooksville, Fla. 33512

Resignations: Ed Callahan, who joined in January, 1986

Resignations: (Dropped for non-payment of dues)

Chester W. Kay who joined in May, 1986

Martin F. Wider who joined in April, 1982

David L. Kaplan, Associate Member, who joined in May, 1979

Edward S. Walicke, Associate Member, who joined in October, 1981

Claude E. Walker, Associate Member, who joined in September, 1978

Edgar Ferguson, on leave of absence, who joined in January, 1983

C. Dean Mock, on leave of absence, who joined in April, 1982