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Take time to live;  
The world has much to give  
Of sweet content; of joy  
At duty bravely done;  
Of hope, that every sun  
Shall bring more fair employ.  
Take time to live,  
For life has much to give  
Despite the cynic's sneer  
That all's forever wrong;  
There's much that calls for song.  
To fate lend not your ear.  
Take the time to live;  
The world has much to give.

-Thomas Curtis Clark-

Sing me a song of a lad that is gone,  
Say, could that lad be I?  
Merry of soul he sailed on a day  
Over the sea to Skye.

Give me again all that was there,  
Give me the sun that shone!  
Give me the eyes, give me the soul,  
Give me the lad that's gone!

Billow and breeze, islands and seas,  
Mountains of rain and sun,  
All that was good, all that was fair,  
All that was me is gone.

-Robert Louis Stevenson-

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February is the month of Lincoln, who observed that "honest statesmanship is the wise employment of individual meannesses for the public good". Then we have Valentine's Day, and, as Longfellow expressed it, "Love gives itself; it is not bought--". Of course, we remember Washington and the cherry tree, as related by Parson Weems. "He bravely cried out, "I can't tell a lie. I did cut it with my hatchet."

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is usual for a few of the Past Presidents to take over as Program Committee Chairmen for the month of January. This takes a heavy load off the incoming officers and usually gets the Club off to a good start.

This year, our Vice-President, Ross Wagner, joined with Past Presidents, Harold Simms, Clarence Johnson and Verne Bryant, to give us interesting programs with good variety.

Our General Program Chairman and Vice-President, Jim Flack, joins me in saying "Thank You". As we have come to expect, the job was well handled.

Murray Kennedy

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KARL WERDER

Mr. Anonymous, as he was known to us. Karl died in December of 1973, and until shortly before his passing, he came to meetings at great physical and painful sacrifice, because he loved us.

When anything good happened to the Club, or for our lovely and gracious hostesses, in all probability the source was Mr. Anonymous. We shall miss him.

Truly, "he went about doing good"!

NEW MEMBERS - 1-11-74

Marsden R. Hubbard ----- Sponsored by James Greer  
 Lloyd R. Sturgeon ----- " " Murray Stuart  
 John B. Murphy ----- " " George Reed  
 Francis Wm. Morton ----- " " Wm. J. Kernan, Jr.  
 John H. MacGaw ----- " " Robert Benson

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Edward J. Furbacher ----- " " Elmer Bailey  
 Amos F. Gregory ----- " " Robert Gray  
 Warren H. Smith ----- " " Francis Shaw  
 Paul H. Mortimer ----- " " Grant Barber & James Flack  
 & Oscar Anderson

Dominic S. Caputo ----- Presented By Tony Spehar

GUESTS

1-11-74 --- Horace Retray ----- Sponsored by William Pilditch  
 1-18-74 --- Charles Gifford --- " " Larry Heintz

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PROGRAMS FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1974 - James K. Flack, Gen. Prog. Chmn.

February 1 - The Rt. Rev. R. F. Martin, Padre Martinez Mission  
 8 - Michigan Bell Telephone Company  
 15 - The Rev. Morgan Roberts, First Presbyterian Church-B'ham  
 22 - Dr. Vernon Oxender, Deputy Supt. Birmingham Public Schools  
 (Enrollment & Financial Concerns of The Birmingham Public  
 Schools)

March 1 - Germany & Switzerland - Film - 50 minutes  
 8 - Continuation, B'ham Police Dept. - Officer Chambers  
 15 - Masters Golf Tournament - Film - General Motors Corp.  
 22 - Evolution of Computers - Wm. B. Anderson, Burroughs Corp.  
 29 - Power & Fuel Economy - Charles Kass (Sr. Men's Club)

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DISCUSSION GROUPS FOR FEBRUARY - Bill Wilson, Chairman

February 1 - "Inflation or Gold Standard" - Seward Lawson, Leader  
 8 - "The Wives of Presidents" - Arno Hulet, Leader  
 15 - "Oil Crisis, Fact or Fiction" - Colin Grant-Watters, Leader  
 22 - "Owning vs. Renting of Living Quarters" - Bill Menewisch,  
 Leader

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January 24, 1974

"Dear Mr. Clark,

I've come on something that I believe will be of considerable interest to others in our membership who have the same hearing problem I have. I think it merits mention in the "Reminder".

My hearing deficiency is of the nerve type in that I have trouble understanding even when I hear. When my wife and I watch T.V., I need to turn it up quite loud and still have trouble understanding. I decided to try hooking up a set of ear phones to my T.V. After checking several

retailers, I bought a set of phones for \$14.95, a volume control for \$4.95 and a plug-in jack for \$1.19. I wired the jack to the speaker in the set myself in about an hour. A T.V. man would do it in less. To my surprise and pleasure, I can now understand every word with the T.V. speaker turned way down and adjusting the independent volume control to my liking. Now for the first time in some years, I'm enjoying watching and understanding programs.

I bought my parts at the Radio Shack in Southfield Plaza; however, Lafayette Radio, east of Woodward, one block north of Maple, has a better selection. Hudson's carry a small selection of the ear phones.

Call me if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Reinie Zeidler "  
642-4805

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CAMERA CLUB -- Philip C. Satterthwaite, Chairman

The February Meeting of the Camera Club will be held at 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, Feb. 12th, at the home of Owen Goodrich, 6971 Limerick Lane in Troy.

Owen Goodrich is in charge of this meeting. The subject for the month is the preparation of a show, either movie or slide. All techniques and considerations will be discussed.

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THINK CAP #10  
LITTLE

Little thoughts make great decisions possible.  
Little deeds build big friendships when used.  
Little boys are teachable and they need care.  
Little girls abide under mother's care and guidance.  
Little thinkers grow into great men when helped.  
Little diamonds become valuable when put to use.  
Little companies expand and grow as managed.  
Little clubs for men who are thinking into the future.  
Little humans need growing room and help.  
Little opportunities will become bigger and bigger.  
Little friends may need some help from you.  
Little workers should be praised and rewarded.  
Little families knit close together and grow.  
Little values can increase with timely care.  
Little acts of kindnesses are rewarded many times.  
Little children require your careful thought.  
Little needs are curable by careful thinking.  
Little forethought is better than none.  
Little problems need not grow; cure them.  
Little happiness spreads easily, try it.  
Little acorns grow into large oak trees.  
Little mustard seeds multiply many times.  
Little taxes get bigger and bigger and bigger.  
Little wheels with proper care will move big loads.  
Little ideas savor success.  
Little kindnesses are much appreciated. Use them.

-Charles F. Staples-

BEFORE THE BEGINNING

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM  
151 Martin St.  
Birmingham, Mich.

RECREATION BOARD

Written early in  
February of 1957

Dear Sir:

It has been suggested by a number of our retired men that we organize into a group or club to promote our cultural and recreational interests in Birmingham. Other cities are doing this; why not Birmingham?

The Community House will make available quarters where we may meet and enjoy games, reading matter, moving pictures, lectures and matters of general interest. If sufficient interest is shown, the Birmingham Department of Recreation would develop shuffleboard courts, horseshoe courts and possibly courts for bowling on the green. Other recreational activities would be up to the membership.

These are merely preliminary suggestions to get your reaction to this program.

The program would be co-sponsored by the Birmingham Department of Recreation and The Community House.

Please return the enclosed card to the Birmingham Department of Recreation, indicating your interests.

Yours truly,

John J. Gafill

(This letter was sent to over 600 and over 100 replies were received, 75% (or 68) of which were favorable.)

T. A. Henshaw, Historian  
January 18, 1974

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Many years ago, my Mother said to me -  
KEEP EVERYTHING ON THE GOOD SIDE!

Today, I say to you -  
KEEP EVERYTHING ON THE GOOD SIDE!

C. F. Staples

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HEALTH REPORT - 1-24-74 - R. F. Connors

Harry Rendell - Jennings Memorial Hospital - Room 409 - Recovering from operation.  
Fred Zimmerman - 740 St. Joseph's - Recovering from surgery 1/23.  
Ted Ivey - at home - little improvement.  
James Kelley - at home - no change.  
Ivan Graham - at home - better - will return next week.

Health Report (Cont'd)

Russell Riley - at home - better - would like visitors.  
Colin Campbell - surgery today in Traverse City - address Leland, Mich.  
Zip 49636.  
Ollie Hawkins - Flu - at home.

This week, less than 2% of our membership is either in a hospital or recovering at home, while over 98% are well and able to attend our meetings; consequently, we are concerned with visitation of this 98% of our membership.

We have suggested in the past that each meeting you change your location, that you vary each week those with whom you play cards, and that you know your neighbors.

Now we request that you make a belated New Year's resolution or pledge to become acquainted each week with one other member of the Club not known to you at present, and to remember his name.

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"You now have all heard the motion," said the chairman at a convention of throat specialists. "All in favor say 'ah'."

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A group of tourists from a Midwestern state was traveling in northwestern Canada, and stopped off at a village inn. A woman in the group noticed a moosehead on the wall and asked, "What in the world is that?" The proprietor said it was a moose. He added that it lived in the woods and seldom bothered the townsfolk except during mating season. "Then they sometimes get wild and charge furiously into town."

"Gracious!", she exclaimed in amazement, "Right through a wall like that?"

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BRIDGE - Carl Schorn

Top ten scores for January

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|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. John Maddox ----- 5630  | 6. Dan Watts ----- 4300      |
| 2. Charles Kass ----- 4780 | 7. Art Bergy ----- 4280      |
| 3. George Moughler - 4500  | 8. Charles Strelinger - 4160 |
| 4. Carl Schorn ----- 4390  | 9. Don Hunter ----- 4120     |
| 5. Ken Stevenson --- 4320  | 10. Bill Hanlon ----- 4030   |

Top five average scores for the four Fridays in January

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| 1. John Kinsel ----- 3293 | 4. Dan Watts ----- 2950    |
| 2. Joe Henninger --- 2978 | 5. Otto Thomsen ----- 2915 |
| 3. Bob Benson ----- 2953  |                            |

There were 360 Friday Bridge games played in January - an average of 90 each week.

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