

# The Reminder

Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan



## PROGRAM SPEAKERS MARCH 2000

### MARCH CHAIRMAN: CARL F. SCHORN

**3** Performer: Kathy Parker and Debi Green direct the  
Seaholm High School Singers  
"Music Man Selections"

*Applicants A - D*

*Good*  
**10** Speaker: Edward C. Conley  
SMC Member  
Subject: "The Presidency"

*Applicants E - K*

### **17 NO MEETING**

**24** Speaker: The Reverend Edward Belczak  
St. Thomas More Church  
Subject: To Be Announced

*Applicants L - P*

*Excellent*  
**31** Performer: Marian Siatczynski  
"21st Piano Recital for the Senior Men's Club"

*Applicants Q - Z*

*Very good*  
**Apr. 7** Speaker: David Bostwick  
Director Corporate Market Research DaimlerChrysler Corp.  
Subject: "The Miracle of Market Research"

*Applicants A - D*

## DISCUSSION GROUP SPEAKERS

### MARCH CHAIRMAN: JOHN ELLIS

**Mar. 3** Speaker: Peter Dawson, Successful Entrepreneur  
Topic: "Skates for Your Car"

**Mar. 10** Speaker: John Ellis  
Topic: "The Forgotten War-US/Mexico 1846-1848"

### **Mar. 17 NO MEETING**

**Mar. 24** Speaker: Robert Eccles  
Topic: "Adventures in Restoring a Chrysler WWII Multibank  
Tank Engine"

**Mar. 31** Speaker: Ben Porter  
Topic: "Missiliers and Other Warriors"

**Apr. 7** Speaker: Bill Tiuckett, retired President American Motors Canada  
Topic: "Economic Outlook 2000/2007"

## House Calls



Dr. Jack McLaughlin

We've always had good reporting on the health of members, but Dr. Jack McLaughlin adds that bit of professional analysis to many of the illness reports. What is also nice is that he may use a few medical terms, but he makes them quite clear in laymen language. Now we know that "old Charlie" is not only in the hospital, but why he's there in the first place. Hey, Doc, that's as good for all of us as a house call. Thanks a bunch!

## You Might Like to Know

A lot of things happen in the Senior Men's Club that don't get any publicity. Thought you might like to know that whenever anyone is listed on the health report, Sherwin Vine drops that person a get-well card. We hope not to get such a card from Sherwin, but we thank him for taking care of a fine gesture on our behalf.

**Used to be:** Going out to a new hip joint

**Now:** Getting a new hip joint

**Used to be:** Paar

**Now:** AARP

**Used to be:** Keg

**Now:** EKG

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## Special Birthday Greetings:

Paul Grandolph, 85 on March 5.  
Bill Cooper, 85 on March 8.  
Lloyd Miller, 92 on March 8.  
Paul Fisher, 93 on March 12.  
George Ward, 87 on March 29.  
Bob Massey, 91 on March 31.

## Associate Member Birthdays:

Jim Hinkamp, March 18.  
Clyde Simpson, March 19.

## Birthdays of Members on Leave of Absence:

Wilbur Wood, March 5.  
Ed Stokel, March 8.  
William Bones, March 13.

## Deaths:

James Beattie, Life Member, who joined in November, 1981.  
Bernard W. Crandell, who joined in November, 1997.  
Edgar H. Krainer, leave of absence, who joined in April, 1992.  
Joseph H. Landre, Life Member, who joined in June, 1974.  
T. Hollister Mabley, Life Member, who joined in October, 1978.

## New Applicants:

Berman, Seymour, (Rose), 6251 Dakota Circle, Bloomfield Hills, 48301, 851-8288. Sponsor: Durand Brown.  
Clapp, Thomas H., (Ruth), 700 Wimpleton, Birmingham, 48009, 646-4991. Sponsor: Dick Anderson.  
Dewey, William R., (Marilyn), 537 Pleasant, Birmingham, 48009, 644-1492.  
Mail: P.O. Box 413, Birmingham, 48012-0413. Sponsor: Jack McLaughlin.  
Flintosh, John S., 5539 Raven Road, Bloomfield Hills, 48301, 626-0910. Sponsor: Bill Corba.  
Karalash, Donald J., (Emily), 1632 Spotswood Drive, Bloomfield Hills, 48302, 855-2835. Sponsor: John Rosso.  
Kirsammer, Robert E., 1104 Hillpointe Circle, Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 852-5693. Sponsor: Bob Hagemeyer.  
Ksoll, Dieter S., (Katharina), 1946 Shore Hill Drive, Bloomfield Hills, 48302, 335-3513. Sponsor: Don Cox.  
Scivoletti, Michael J., (Jean), 821 Westchester Way, Birmingham, 48009, 642-0495. Sponsor: Bob Hagemeyer.  
White, James D., (Joann), 1693 South Hill Blvd., Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 853-7343. Sponsor: George Lumsden.

## New Members:

Albert, Roy I., (Marianne), 19341 Devonshire Road, Beverly Hills, 48025, 647-6982. Sponsor: Ted Orlicki.  
Baughman, E. Lewis, (Joann), 117 Arlington, Birmingham, 48009, 642-8720. Sponsor: Ben Smith.  
Collins, James A., (Nancy), 341 Wimpleton, Birmingham, 48009, 644-6929. Sponsor: Arnie Carlson.  
Johnson, Marquis S., (Fran), 1735 Villa, Birmingham, 48009, 646-5855. Sponsor: Frank Garland.  
Merz, Robert A., (Florence), 6383 Dakota Circle, Bloomfield Hills, 48301, 626-2795. Sponsor: Durand Brown.  
Michel, Richard E., (Martha), 453 Kimberly, Birmingham, 48009, 646-2186. Sponsor: Harry Orton.  
Miller, George D., (Prue), 320 Dunston, Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 646-8471. Sponsor: Ben Smith.  
Nordenholt, George C., (Gladys), 31479 Bellvine Trail, Beverly Hills, 48025, 646-7299. Sponsor: Ted Kokubo.  
Porter, Benjamin K., (Jean), 20169 Evans Court, Beverly Hills, 48025, 642-5751. Sponsor: Jack Greening.  
Sullivan, Richard J., (Donna), 1509 Dorchester, Birmingham, 48009, 644-8267. Sponsor: Bill Bratton.  
VanDeusen, Bruce D., (Ann), 1492 West Lincoln, Birmingham, 48009, 646-8239. Sponsor: King Ruhly.  
Wargelin, John H., (Altha), 6288 Hills Drive, Bloomfield Hills, 48301, 645-5497. Sponsor: Don McNair.

## New Life Members:

Edward C. Conley, who joined in October, 1977.  
John Lavrakas, who joined in September, 1987.  
Edward C. (Cliff) McClew, who joined in July, 1981.  
Joseph C. Sackerson, who joined in October, 1977.

## We lost a friend

For as long as some of us can remember, the cartoon Peanuts got us up and going each and every morning. Unfortunately this tradition will no longer continue. Charles Schultz's death marked the end of an enjoyable friendship. We were pals for a long time, weren't we Charlie Brown?



## Applicant Activity

A special meeting is planned for Applicants on Tuesday, March 21, 2000 at 2:00 PM at The Community House. Those accepted for the waiting list since September 1999 will be called to learn of their decision to attend. Others interested may call Chuck Kirkpatrick at 646-8850 or Jim Schaefer at 647-5208. Frank Garland, club historian will offer a video presentation of the Senior Men's Club 40th Anniversary. This is a great opportunity to learn the history and background of the club. Following the presentation, there will be a discussion concerning club organization, membership groups, area boundaries, waiting list information, sponsor relationships, and details of club procedures and activities.

- Gordon Miller

## Serious/Funny Stuff

Odd how serious talks can get one thinking about funny stuff: our February 18th speaker told us how important it was to get people "economics literate." That brings back the old line that said our public officials should meet two requirements: The first was to take a course in economics. The second was to pass it.

## Did you know?

The amount of information generated in the 20th Century equals the information produced in all of human history before that. Human knowledge does not automatically translate into human wisdom.

L. Westfall

## Bowling Report

After 22 weeks of bowling the second half leading team is team #1 (Ray Latovick, M. Binkley, D. Hameister, P. Martz). Individual statistics are: High average is A. Byington with 177; high single game is A. Byington with 238; high series is A. Byington with 650. Team statistics are: High team game is Team #4 (J. Chalmers, E. Neill, D. Kozak, D. Harper) with 740 pins. High team series is Team #13 (D. Clark, B. Hadley, S. Vine, V. Caputo) with 2012 pins. Outstanding achievement to Art Byington with three 200 games (212, 238, 200) totaling 650 pin series which is 128 pins over average. Carl Neppach is bowling two games over average. His January 17 game of 204 was 73 pins over average and his February 14 game of 196 was 63 pins over average. Each game was a super jackpot winner of \$30.

-Dennis Kozak

## Bridge Report

Contract averaged 8 players. Highest average was Jack Frailey with 3253, followed by Carl Schorn, 2450, Chris Davenport, 2435, Joe Kern, 2410 and Don McNair with 2338. There were no slams. Duplicate averaged 36 players. Highest scorer was Dennis Fitzpatrick with 68.06%, followed by George Hilfinger 66%, Kirby Callam 65.28%, Kirby Callam (again) 64.44% and King Ruhly with 61.11%. There were two small slams.

-Don McNair

-Zack Endress

## Group Meetings

### Camera Group

No meeting in March.

-Bill Gridley

### Computer Group

There will be NO meeting in March because of the Antiques Show at The Community House. The next meeting on April 19 will be a combined Computer/Camera group meeting. The program will be announced in the April Reminder.

-John Slocum

### Investment Group

David Sowerby, Senior Portfolio Manager and Economist with Loomis Sayles will address the Investment Study Group on Wednesday, March 8 at 2:45 PM at The Community House. He will discuss "Value Style Investing" which has been unpopular for several years. Mr. Sowerby is a frequent spokesman on financial issues on both national and local media.

-George Miller

### Have you heard?

There was a notice in a paper recently about a class action settlement about SYNTHROID. If you used it between 1/1/90 and 10/21/99, call 1-800-853-4853 to file a claim.

### Statistics You Can Use

U.S. Population:

1900 75,994,575

2000 273,482,000 (estimated)

Median Age:

1900 22.9

2000 35.7

Average Income:

1900 \$8,620

2000 \$23,812

Miles of Paved Road:

1900 10

2000 4,000,000

U.S. Autos Registered:

1900 8,000

2000 130,000,000

Dow Jones Industrial Average:

1900 68.13

2000 11,000

### THE REMINDER

A monthly publication of the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, which meets on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. at The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, Michigan 48009.

Officers for 2000 are: William T. Reilly, president; Carver Wood, first vice president; Ray Latovick, treasurer; Ernie Bergan, second vice president; Ben Ewing, secretary; Dick Harper, corresponding secretary; Ed Neill and Frank Barnes, officers at large. Bill Crabtree, parliamentarian.

THE REMINDER includes: George Lumsden, editor; Dick Davis, Dick Harper, Paul Pentecost and Alvie Smith, associate editors; Bob Hadley and John Dudash, photography; Lee Trumbull, computer layout; Joe Kern, mailing.

## **The Fabulous 40's by the Symphony Pops**

Take a musical journey back to the golden age of radio featuring classic songs of the 1940's as well as the musical and humorous commercials of the era and authentic news bulletins, all heard in live broadcast on WDSO. The Pops Concert program highlights "On the Air Music of the Fabulous 40's." Jack Everly is the conductor. Tickets go on sale for this trip to the Detroit Symphony on Friday, March 10. The event will include a bus trip from Birmingham to Orchestra Hall and seating in the Dress Circle. Tickets for the April 13 event at 10:45 AM are \$35 each, which includes bus transportation as well as admission to the concert. The bus will leave at 9:30 AM from the parking lot of the First United Methodist Church at Maple and Pleasant Street in Birmingham.

-Tom McVetty  
-John Ellis

## **Van Gogh Tickets Still Available!**

Though selling well, some tickets for the "Van Gogh: Face to Face" exhibit are surprisingly still available for our special event March 15. Senior Men's Club members will be among the first groups to see the artist's paintings and drawings at the Detroit Institute of Arts. And our Wednesday morning viewing time is very desirable.

A ticket and charter bus transportation out of Birmingham to and from the DIA are only \$27. We will leave the First Presbyterian Church parking lot (1669 West Maple) at 9:45 AM and return about 1:00 PM. Bob Hadley, SMC Life Member, is commended for his creative and colorful poster seen next to the Van Gogh sales table at our Friday programs.

-Larry Price  
-John Zabriskie

*Turn trouble into victory...  
Don't let your courage fade...  
If you get a lemon...  
Just make lemonade.*

## **Help Wanted**

While a longstanding policy of the Reminder frowns on advertising, we think that an exception can be made for this announcement.

The 2000 Census is about to begin, and volunteers are needed to handle the various responsibilities of getting and reporting an accurate count of the population.

However, unlike many volunteer jobs, this one has a benefit that may be interesting to some people: \$13.75 per hour for making field calls to verify that individuals have completed and returned the questionnaires which they should have received in the mail.

The census will take place March through June of this year, and census takers can choose full or part time work.

There are good reasons for making sure the head count is accurate: our representation, federal and state, is based on the count and allocation of funds depends on it also.

If you or any member of your family would like to participate and earn a few bucks in the process, please call 248-288-4300 to get complete information.

## **Lost and Found**

Bill Johnson asks members to look in their closets to see if the coat they wore home January 14 is really theirs. It's a front button khaki raincoat with lined black gloves in the right pocket and blue plaid cap in the left pocket. If you find it, please return it to The Community House front desk or call Bill at (248)646-5538.

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Senior Men's Club of Birmingham  
380 S. Bates St. Birmingham, MI 48009

Mr Frank W. Garland  
1427 Villa Rd.  
Birmingham, MI 48009

## **Speakers from Our Own Ranks**



**Leon Hart**

When Leon Hart spoke to the Senior Men's Club on February 4, it raised a most interesting point: We can often draw from our own membership for very fine programs. Leon is an applicant, and we look forward to his becoming a member.

*Be thankful for fools; without them, the rest of us wouldn't look so good.*

## **Other Club Dates To Remember**

**Exec. Board:** 9:30 a.m. March 14.

**Bowling:** 9:30 a.m. Mondays at Thunderbird Lanes, Troy.

**Reminder Deadline:** March 17.

**Bridge:** Tuesdays, 9 a.m. and Fridays after lunch.

*All events at The Community House unless otherwise stated.*

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TREASURER'S REPORT - - YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

**OPERATING FUND**

<u>Income</u>		
Membership dues earned		\$ 18,365
Lunches-sales	32,062	
-costs	<u>32,062</u>	- 0 -
Interest		989
Special Events-net		<u>150</u>
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$ 19,504</b>

<u>Expenses</u>		
Community House donation	\$ 6,000	
"Reminder"	6,384	
Community House services	3,410	
Operating expenses	3,144	
Hostesses' Xmas lunch & gifts	1,140	
Other contributions	<u>450</u>	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 20,528</b>
<b>Income over Expenses</b>		<b><u>1,024</u></b>

Balance Sheet

<u>Assets</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 30,341	
Prepaid expense	1,657	
Equipment-projector, VCR-at cost	<u>5,198</u>	<u>\$ 37,196</u>

<u>Liabilities</u>		
Accounts payable	\$ 8,404	
Deferred 2000 membership dues	9,955	
Meal tickets outstanding	<u>395</u>	\$ 18,754

<u>Members' Equity</u>		
Balance, January 1, 1999	\$ 18,691	
Income over Expenses	(1,024)	
Contribution from Memorial Fund	<u>775</u>	<u>18,442</u>
		<u>\$ 37,196</u>

Memorial Fund

Gifts	\$ 150	
Interest	<u>843</u>	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b><u>\$ 993</u></b>

Balance Sheet

<u>Assets</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents		<u>\$ 19,047</u>

<u>Members' Equity</u>		
Balance, January 1, 1999	\$ 18,829	
Income to date	993	
Contribution to operating fund	<u>(775)</u>	
Balance, December 31, 1999		<u>\$ 19,047</u>

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