

# The Reminder



Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan

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## FEBRUARY 1998

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### PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: DICK HARPER

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- 6** Speaker: Charlie Vincent, Detroit Free Press  
Subject: "I Have the Best Job in the World"  
*Applicants invited A - D*
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- 13** Speakers: Arthur Liebler, Vice President of Marketing, Chrysler  
Subject: "What a Difference a Year Makes"  
*Applicants invited E - K*
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- 20** Speaker: James Holden, Executive Vice President of Sales, Chrysler  
Subject: "The Retail Revolution"  
*Applicants invited L - Q*
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- 27** Bob Seeley  
Boogie Woogie Piano Artist  
*Applicants invited R - Z*
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## Discussion Groups

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### FEBRUARY CHAIRMAN: DON COX

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- Feb. 6** Capt. Sam Buchanan "The J. W. Wescott, The Only Mail Boat on the Great Lakes"
- Feb. 13** C. Robert Snider "World War II in the North Pacific"
- Feb. 20** Don Cox "All You Ever Wanted to Know About Lamp Bulbs, and Then Some"
- Feb. 27** Dr. E. G. Pear "Circumnavigating Vancouver Island in a Sail Boat"
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## Final Warning on Payment of Dues

As of Jan. 16, a total of 30 Senior Men's Club members had not paid their 1998 dues according to Walt Meyers.

One warning letter will be sent and, if dues are not paid by Mar. 1, non-paying members will be dropped from the roster.

Active member dues are \$30; Applicants, Associates and On-Leave members, \$10.

Naughty active members should send their checks made out to Senior Men's Club of Birmingham to Walt Meyers and applicant dues should be sent to Joe Kern.

## Passing the Gavel



Phil Werner passes the Men's Club gavel to 1998 president King Ruhly with a smile of pride and relief.

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## Reservations Open For Applicant Golf

The 1998 golf contract with the White Lake Oaks Golf Club has two major changes.

One is that steel spike golf shoes will not be allowed and the second is that the cost is being increased, the exact amount has not been determined although it will be minimal, according to Fran De Grande.

Applicants interested in playing in the league should contact De Grande (489-1064) so their names can be included in the 15 foursomes which will be allowed.

For now, checks for \$148, made out to Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, should be mailed to Virgil Smith, 1815 Long Lake Shores, Bloomfield Hills, 48302. Participants will be advised later of the amount of the price increase.



## Bridge Players Enjoy a Round of Fun & Skill



Men's Club members find twice-weekly bridge sessions at the Community House both challenging and fun. The average number of players for contract bridge is about a dozen and 45 for duplicate, but there's always room for a few more.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

### Special Birthday Greetings for Life Members:

John Spomer, 90 on Jan. 13. Art Conat, 90 on Jan. 14. Clare Charron, 92 on Feb. 5. Roy Hawkinson, 94 on Feb. 15. Bronson Allen, 97 on Feb. 18. and Murray Kennedy, 99 on Feb. 21.

### Associate Member Birthday:

Thomas Stolberg, Feb 24.

### Transferred to Associate Member:

Jim Hinkamp, 145 Columbia #325, Holland, MI, 49423

### Deaths: Henry T. Schlachter, Life Member, who joined in Feb. 1987.

James Shank, Associate Member, who joined in Feb. 1986.

### Became Life Member:

John McKinnie, who joined in Mar. 1980.

### New Members:

Baker, Frederick C., (Barbara), 6781 Inkster, Bloomfield Hills, 48301, 851-3096. Sponsor: Lloyd Sturgeon.  
 DiGiovanni, Michael, (Agatha), 30220 Stellamar, Beverly Hills, 48025, 642-0047. Sponsor: Jim Peters.  
 McCleary, John F., (Patricia), 110 Hamilton, Bloomfield Hills, 48301, 540-7043. Sponsor: Pete Zemnickas.  
 Richards, Mark A., (Barbara), 1310 Sandringham, Bloomfield Hills, 48301, 646-3582. Sponsor: Jim Cameron.  
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-- Walt Meyers

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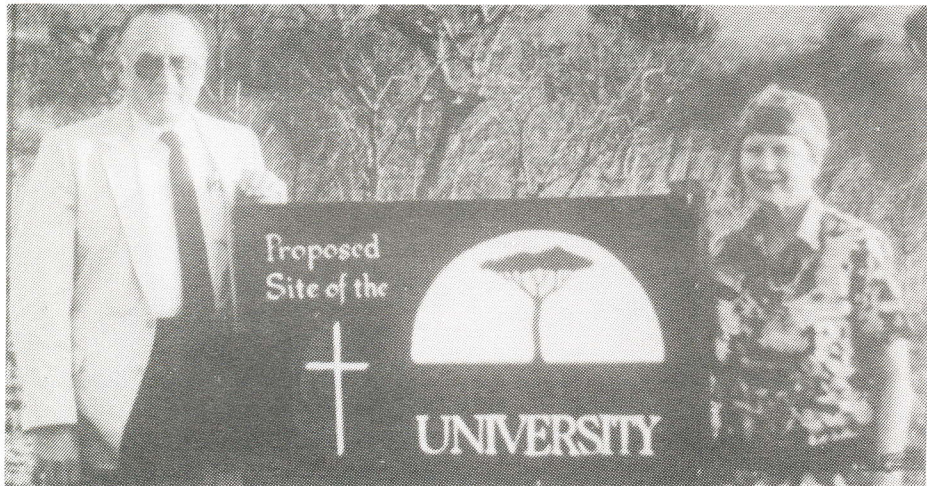
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## Stantons Show Pride in African University



## Stantons Work for Education, Hunger Goals in Africa

By Paul Pentecost

From a 2,000-acre wheat and cattle farm in Southwestern Kansas to missionary work in six African countries is SMC member Harold Stanton's unique story.

A member of the Senior Men's Club since 1994, Stanton capped off a 30-year career with Ford Motor Company when he retired in 1987 as product manager of business and strategic planning for the Tractor Division. He then became a volunteer and consultant for missionary work of the Global United Methodist Church, specifically aimed at attacking the root causes of hunger in Africa which has an extremely high rate of malnutrition and starvation.

### Graduate of Kansas State

Stanton graduated from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in agricultural engineering. He also served as a faculty member at the University of Arkansas where he received a master's degree in agricultural engineering.

Later, he served at the University of California-Davis in agricultural engineering research and joined Ford in 1956. He continued his education and received a second master's at Wayne State University, this time in management and behavioral science.

Senior Men's Club member Harold Stanton poses with his wife Joyce in front of African University which he helped to establish.

A member of the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, Stanton was made aware of the Global Mission program following a discussion with the director. His background matched the requirement for missions and he was appointed as a hunger consultant in sub-Saharan Africa.

Between consultant mission assignments, he worked as a volunteer on the planning committee of the Agricultural and Natural Resource College to help develop the Africa University located in Zimbabwe. Today, there are four colleges in operation: Agriculture and Natural Resources, Theology, Education and Business Administration/Management. The University requires the permanent faculty to be African, but non-Africans are used as visiting professors.

Currently, Stanton serves as the United Methodist Conference Chairperson of Hunger and is a consultant for the Haiti Task Force in Michigan United Methodism.

His wife, Joyce, has been active in Global Mission work for a number of years and served on the Michigan United Methodist Bishop's staff as an associate council director.

The Stantons have three children and six grandchildren.

## Art Byington's 173 Tops Club Bowlers

After 17 weeks of play, Art Byington leads SMC bowlers with a 173 average and also recorded the high series of 602 according to Ray Latovick.

Vince Caputo has the individual high game of 244.

Winning team for the first half of the season was made up of Walt Blanchard, Don Clark, Bob Klein and John McDonnell.

After two weeks of the second half of the season:

Leading Team: Fran De Grande, Jules Falke, Bob Hadley, John Wargelin.

Team High Game (710): Harry Deem, Ray Latovick, Ed Neill, Stormy Wetters.

Team High Series (2,032): Tom Bedford, Chuck Frederick, Bob Jordon, Don Upward.

## Valentine Bridge/Lunch Scheduled for Feb. 11

If you want an advance Valentine's treat for your wife, plan to bring her to the Valentine Bridge/Luncheon of the Men's Club on Feb. 11 — and promise not to criticize any of her mistakes.

A few tickets remain for this event, which will begin with lunch at 12:30 p.m. in the Community House ballroom, followed by party bridge. Playing partners will remain the same throughout the session and prizes will be awarded, according to Harry Cyphers.

Tickets are \$32 per couple. Club Bridge Director Dick Heldt will supervise play.

## European Trip for Camera Group

Harold Brown will take Camera Group members and guests on a motor tour of Bavaria, Austria, Switzerland and northern France at their Feb. 10 meeting. The session will begin at 2 p.m. in the Club Room.



## Computer Use for Investing Featured

A joint meeting of the Investment and Computer Groups on Feb. 18 will explore what kind of investment information is available through a computer and how to access it. The meeting will be held at 2:30 p.m. in the Rotary Room of the Baldwin Library.

Don Cox says "Investors who do not have a computer can still learn a lot about what's out there in cyberspace and how to get on the Internet even without a computer."

## Top Bridge Scores For Schorn, Callam

Carl Schorn and Kirb Callam had the highest bridge scores for the period ending Jan. 9, as reported by Zac Endress and Al Wagner.

### Contract

Carl Shorn	3460
Carol Hollingshead	3450
Lloyd Sturgeon 3300	
Herb Lugers	3170

### Duplicate

Kirb Callam	71%
Bob Hebert	68%

## Applicant Attendance

Applicants are asked to confine their luncheon attendance to dates shown in the monthly calendar in *THE REMINDER*. However, if you should note a meeting of specific interest not on your assigned day, you can attend providing seating is available. The occasional need for applicants to make reservations for certain luncheons will be announced in advance.

## Chuckle for the Day

"If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted; coyboys deranged; models deposed, foresters debarked and dry cleaners depressed?"

-- Virginia Ostman

## Have You Had a Bad Day Bunkie?

Have you had a really rotten day Bunkie?

In a recent Ann Landers column, a letter writer from St. Clair, raised some questions about why most of us should smile and consider how lucky we are.

Today...

o Did a family member or dear friend die?

o Did your child or grandchild get hit by a car?

o Did a tornado, hurricane or flood hit your home?

o Did you or your spouse suffer a

heart attack or stroke?

o Did one of your beloved grandchildren run away from home and couldn't be found?

o Did a bomb explode in your area?

o Did somebody break into your home last night?

If you answered yes to one of these questions, you have a right to complain that you really had a bad day. If not, as Ann Landers would say "Quitcheer beefin' and count your blessings."

Amen!

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 10	Executive Board Meeting	9:30 a.m.
	Camera Group	2:00 p.m.
Feb. 11	Valentine Bridge Luncheon	12:30 p.m.
Feb. 17	Applicant Activity	2:30 p.m.
Feb. 18	Joint Computer/Investment Study Groups in Rotary Room, Baldwin Library	2:30 p.m.
Feb. 20	Deadline for March Reminder	

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

**Golf:** First and Third Thursdays at Golf Dome on John R. north of 12 Mile Road 9:00 a.m.

**Bowling:** Mondays at Thunderbird Lanes 9:15 a.m.

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