

THE REMINDER

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NEW MASTHEAD DESIGNED AND EXECUTED BY CLEM CYKOWSKI

You couldn't miss the handsome new masthead on top of Page One of this issue, which is the work of member Clem Cykowski. Clem also designed the fine 50th Anniversary handbook cover. The REMINDER staff thanks Clem for his contributions.

ARBON DENNIS' 100TH BIRTHDAY TO BE CELEBRATED AT MARCH 18 MEETING

On March 20, Arbon Dennis will reach his 100th birthday. So, at our regular meeting Friday, March 18, we will salute him in fitting fashion. As we meet on the 18th, every member -- present or basking in some warm climate -- will salute Arbon, and wish him continued good health far into the future.

CAMERA GROUP -- PAUL FITZPATRICK, CHAIRMAN

Bob Steere will present his slide show on Australia and New Zealand at the Camera Group Meeting, 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 8, at The Community House. All SMC members and applicants are welcome. The program includes a general discussion.

LUNCH TICKET DEADLINE: APPLICANTS ON WAITING LIST PLEASE NOTE

Because we must advise the kitchen in ample time for their job of preparing our lunch, it's necessary to stop issuing any lunch tickets after the meeting opens. So a deadline of 10:45 A.M. has been established. If you want to have lunch with us, get here on time. (The meeting starts at 10:30 A.M., as everyone knows.)

GETTING "THE REMINDER" TO SHUT-INS? WE DO IT!

If you know of a member who is laid up and unable to attend meetings for some time, you can arrange to have THE REMINDER mailed to him. Here's how: Give his name to Marty Hubbard of our Health Committee, and request that the publication be mailed. Marty can certify that the member is indeed eligible and Mardy Polaner will see that it's mailed.



WE'RE OFF TO THE ICE CAPADES -- AL KILLEEN, SPECIAL EVENTS CHAIRMAN
Two bus loads of members, applicants, and wives are scheduled to enjoy the 1983 Ice Capades at Joe Louis Arena Thursday evening, March 17.

New theme for the brilliant show is "Skates Alive." It features popular television characters, the "Smurfs," plus world and national champion skaters Tai Babilonia and Randy Gardner. New costumes, lighting and routines provide enchanting entertainment.

Tickets are on sale now through March 11, and 90 seats are available at \$11.50 each, including bus fare. Busses leave The Community House at 6:00 P.M. and park close to the Arena for easy entrance and exit. Busses return immediately after the performance.

COMING IN APRIL -- THEATER PARTY

Wednesday, April 20, is the date for dinner at The Community House followed by a show at the Birmingham Theater. It's a musical comedy, "I'm Getting My Act Together." More later.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS -- MARDY POLANER, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Grant Barber writes from Seven Springs, Florida and states that they had visits from Paul and Eleanor Carter -- and later on, from Herb and Jean Lagers. He says, "So you see, we even get to hear some of Clarence Johnson's jokes." He also sent along his dues, which are hereby acknowledged.

Burke Bartlett sends "Open Letter to Bill Renton" --

Dear Bill. Just read the February REMINDER and note that you have "levelled charges." That should shake them up, but don't be surprised. They missed my birthday last December, too. They also failed to mention that I attended the last meeting in July -- my first in three years. Bill, it's that smog back there. It dulls them! By the way, what are you doing in Duluth? This is where the action is."

-- Burke Bartlett (Venice, Florida)



Burke Bartlett's letter goes on to suggest that "a little banter or communication between Associates, friends of the past, could add to the enjoyment we outlanders get from the REMINDER."

So, Associate Members, let's hear from you. Serious facts are welcome as well as funny stuff. Send it either to Mardy Polaner or to the editor.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS among Associate members are: March 3, James L. McCubbrey; 18th, Orville Vaughan; 20th, Eugene Hubbard; 22nd, H. LeRoy Cornfoot; 25th, William Smith; 29th, Claude E. Walker. Many happy returns.

FLASH! BAR OPENS 11:30 A.M. AT SUNCOAST CHAPTER LUNCHEON

Last minute news from the Sarasota reporter is that the annual SMC luncheon meeting will take place, as announced, at the Crown House Restaurant on Highway 301 at the north end of Sarasota, just south of the airport, Friday, March 11. Lunch itself starts at 12 noon, bar opens at 11:30.

FEBRUARY BRIDGE REPORT - CHARLES E. BLACK, CHAIRMAN

For the month of February, there were 252 bridge players for an average of 63 per week. There were 34 Duplicate players.

10 Highest Scores		10 Highest Averages		
1.	George Howell	4450	1. George Howell	3050
2.	Bob Trees	4260	2. Howard Hoffman	3000
3.	Thompson Darling	4140	3. Bob Benson	2860
4.	Bob Watson	4100	4. Bert Henderson	2710
5.	Art Underwood	4040	5. Jack Decker	2610
6.	Ray Pletcher	3920	6. Harry Calvert	2600
7.	Charlie Richards	3860	7. Frank Hanson	2570
8.	Russ Smith	3850	8. Art Underwood	2560
9.	Dean Mock	3830	9. Les Wilder	2550
10.	Bob Benson	3820	10. Thompson Darling	2460

Low score for this period -- 410 - LeRoy Snell
There were eight Small Slams and one Grand Slam.

BOWLING ROLLING ALONG, APPLICANTS WELCOME TO PLAY

We are mid-way through the second half of the bowling season and everyone seems to be relaxed and having a good time. Attendance has remained steady with a high of 42 and low of 39.

The Politicians remain in first place with a lead of four games over the second place Top Dogs. The Gay Blades are in third with a three-way tie between the Clod Hoppers, Holy Rollers and Cow Boys for fourth. None of the teams are out of the running and we expect a lot of changes in the weeks to come.

Individual high scores for February were: (Games) Bill Barr - 223, Bert Henderson - 215, and Marcel DeSmet - 209; and (Series) Bert Henderson 551, Bill Hassberger - 534, and Marcel DeSmet - 528. A season high team game of 669 was rolled by the Top Dogs.

Seven bowlers from the prospective members waiting list have joined in the bowling to date. -- This is a good start, but there should be more bowlers out there and you are welcome to come out and join in the fun. Bowling is at the Birmingham Bowl every Monday starting at 9:30 A.M.

WE NEED MORE BOWLERS !!

-- Jim Reeves, Bowling Chairman

SMC GOLF LEAGUE HOPES TO TEE OFF APRIL 14 -- RAY SWARTZ, CHAIRMAN

Depending on the weather, the Senior Men's Club golf league is scheduling its opening round for Thursday, April 14. Due to the popularity of this league it will be impossible to invite any of the waiting list gentlemen. There just isn't the capacity.



GOLF AT DOME IN MARCH -- MARCEL DeSMET, GAMES CHAIRMAN

Forty-eight golfers attended our golf session on February 10, with two pro's on hand. We had fourteen golfers February 24 for the 8:00 A.M. practice and twenty golfers for the 9:30 period. This totalled thirty-four men; and we have ample accommodation for a total of sixty men - thirty at 8:00 A.M. and thirty at 9:30. So, don't hesitate -- COME ON OUT!!

On March 10 there will be two sessions -- one at 8:00 A.M. and one at 9:30, with the two pro's in attendance. March 24 will have the same schedule; however, it will be just practice.

All who are on the SMC waiting list are welcome to attend at the Golf Dome, on John R just north of 12 Mile Road. Please contact Marcel DeSmet, phone 644-3458 or Bob Hadley, phone 646-2162.

1983 COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE -- A. C. HOLMES, CHAIRMAN FOR SMC

A pledge card for the 1983 fund drive should be in your hands by now. The accompanying letter informs us the goal has been raised 40% over the 1983 goal.

Like many of us, The Community House has suffered in the economic downturn. Expenses have exceeded annual income from fund drive revenue and modest fees. Consequently, capital funds have been used to operate and maintain the aging building.

Now we need to raise \$160,000.00 in the fund drive to balance the operating budget and to rebuild depleted capital reserves. Capital funds are needed to bring The Community House facilities up to date.

We have an excellent giving record. In 1983 over 98% of our SMC membership contributed an average of over \$35.00. I trust that all of you will once again want to help in this drive, increasing your gift if you can.

I invite all members on our waiting list to share in our Community House gift giving and will see to it that you receive pledge cards and envelopes.

Should you receive duplicate pledge cards, please let The Community House know. It helps them clear their files and cuts costs of printing and postage.

-- Chick Holmes

"Progress always involves risks. You can't steal second base and keep your foot on first."

-- Frederick Wilcox

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETING

Arbon Dennis, Life Member, will be 100 years old March 20, 1983.

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS ON WAITING LIST

Prospective members on our waiting list may attend one meeting a month on dates set up in the following schedule:

Last Names A thru F:	Mar. 4,	Mar. 29 (Tues),	Apr. 29,	June 3,	July 1.
" " G thru L:	Mar. 11,	Apr. 8,	May 6,	June 10,	July 8.
" " M thru R:	Mar. 18,	Apr. 15,	May 13,	June 17,	July 15.
" " S thru Z:	Mar. 25,	Apr. 22,	May 27,	June 24,	July 22.

1983 ROSTER CORRECTIONS:

Pg. 33, under Morse, Donald G., should be 2945 Woodward

Pg. 11, under Clark, Lemore W., should be Zip Code 85741

CHANGE OF ADDRESS, ASSOCIATE MEMBER:

Pilditch, William V., 13010 B. Wedgewood Way, Bayonet Point, FL 33567

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES FOR FEBRUARY 1983:

Resignations: David W. Williams, who joined in September, 1979.

Irwin W. Martin, Associate Member, who joined in Dec. 1975.

Became a Life Member: Howard V. Hoffman, who joined in February, 1973.

NEW MEMBERS:

- SANTE, DENNIS E.	2/83	642-7548
3011 Middlebury Ln.	B	48010
- GRIFFITH, BAIN	2/83	644-6294
483 Suffield Rd.	B	48009
- RICHARDS, JAMES H.	2/83	647-1581
1777 Norfolk	B	48009

IN MEMORY

T. George King, who joined in 1959, died February 9. After practicing law for several years, he joined the S.S. Kresge Company. He retired in 1954 as vice president and director of the Real Estate Department after 32 years with the company.

Corliss Watson, a member since 1966, died February 20. He had served on our Hospitality Committee. He retired after 43 years as an automotive engineer and engineering executive with General Motors. He resigned from our Club last summer.

Raymond A. Roberts, a member of the Senior Men's Club since 1972, died on February 24 at the age of 84 after a brief illness. His forty-year business career was spent entirely in stock brokerage from cashier to office manager and to Registered Representative.