

# The Reminder

A Publication of the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan

PROGRAMS FOR OCTOBER, 1989 -- TED OLSON, CHAIRMAN	
Oct. 6	Speaker: DR. DANIEL LEB, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Subject: "Facts and Myths of Aging"
Oct. 13	Speaker: DR. PAUL W. McCracken, distinguished Professor Emeritus, U. of M. Subject: "Prosperity Forever?"
Oct. 20	(No club meeting) Art Show at Community House
Oct. 27	Speaker: RICHARD H. HEADLEE, President, Alexander Hamilton Insurance Co. Subject: "School Tax Proposals"
Nov. 3	Speaker: DR. PHILIP LETT Subject: "U.S. M-1 Tank Program and Allied Country Collaboration"
<b>NOVEMBER PROGRAM CHAIRMAN IS DICK JEFFRIES</b>	

## DISCUSSION GROUP SCHEDULE

Oct. 6 "Highlights of My  
Years in the  
Building Business"

Walter Dreyer, Leader

Oct. 13 "Waste Ye Not"  
Clifford Lundgren, Leader

Oct. 20 No Meeting

Oct. 27 "You Can't Fool  
Mother Nature"

Paul Carter, Leader

Nov. 3 "Nuremberg Re-  
visited"  
Vincent Gilleo, Leader

Paul Carter is Chairman  
for October

Dick Henne is Chairman for  
November.

Paul Fitzpatrick is General  
Chairman, Discussion Group

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, Oct. 10  
Camera Group 2 p.m.  
Golf Banquet 6:15 p.m.  
Executive Board 9:30 a.m.

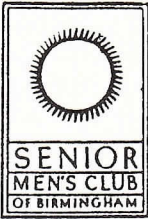
Wednesday, Oct. 11  
Investment Study Group,  
2:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 18  
Art Show dinner  
Flu shots, BASCC  
1-3 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 20  
Art Show Community House

Sunday, Nov. 19  
Special Event, "Hello  
Dolly" at Redford  
Theatre

**NEXT REMINDER DEADLINE FRIDAY, OCT. 20**



## EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

THANKS for the numerous favorable comments about our first issue, that of September. Clem and I were not too happy with certain items of appearance, but that will improve. Actually, we are in a period of experimentation to see what we can do in the way of progress.

I would also like to salute ANN DAVEY, Director of Office Services operation, Community House. Ann types our material, getting it ready for the printer, and has done an able job for several years. Further, let me compliment JOE KERN and his staff who collate and distribute The Reminder the morning of every first Friday of each month.

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ONE OF THE NICE things about Senior Men's Club is that we often sit next to different people and thus gain new friends. Recently I visited with TOM MALONEY, and mentioned that I recently was remarried, at age 76. Tom said: "I was married the FIRST TIME at age 75." I wonder if anyone can top that record! BILL ISHERWOOD remarked that when he lived in Calgary, Alberta, the coldest temperature he could remember was 54 below!...It was nice to visit again with DON UPWARD. His parents and mine became friends 72 years ago (1917) when we lived in Detroit.

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FREE FLU SHOTS will be available at the new BASCC headquarters, Evergreen School (Evergreen and 13 Mile) on Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 18, from 1 to 3 p.m. For more info, call 642-1040....

A NEW BATCH of 500 club lapel pins has arrived. Treasurer JIM REEVES will be custodian. New members get a pin, which are for sale to other members....A collection of club memorabilia left by the late VERN BRYANT has been turned over to BOB BROWN, chairman of the History committee. Bob is looking for a place to store the material....Attendance at the meeting at which CARDINAL SZOKA was the speaker hit 250....A nice group of members and wives attended the "Fiddler on the Roof" show at the opulent Fox Theatre. Some of us had trouble hearing the spoken words in that huge place....We worried about CHICK HOLMES the night his beloved U. of M. team beat UCLA in the final minutes.



# COMMUNITY HOUSE THANKS US

BY GENE HESS AND  
CHICK HOLMES

We have been very mindful of the fact that only a handful of SMC members and applicants respond to Community House requests for volunteers to perform various tasks to economize on host or office service costs.

We realize that your time is valuable to you. However, it is also valuable to the Community House if you will volunteer to act as a host for some travel series sections, certain classes, short trips, etc.

A small group of us, perhaps six or eight out of 200-plus, are always available, along with more ladies, to attach labels, stuff envelopes, address envelopes and several other "braintaxing jobs". We have a lot of friendly chatter, coffee and general good feelings. Please raise your hand or sign up the next time your help is requested! Thank you!

The Community House thanks all who have helped with the two mailings and the rummage sale earlier this past summer.

While construction work is progressing, some activities have been curtailed resulting in a drop in income. Consequently, contributions are still needed for the 1989 Annual Fund. Please note that the fund drive ends with the calendar year. If you have not yet contributed for 1989, please try to do so now.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"...  
When we were living "those  
good old days"  
They read by light of  
kerosene lamps,  
And heated our homes with  
wood.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"...  
We carried water up the  
hill,  
To wash, cook and scrub.  
And we took our baths  
behind the stove,  
In a galvanized laundry  
tub.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"...  
I still can feel the old  
lye soap,  
And feel the sting and  
hurt,  
When some if it got in your  
eyes,  
But it really got the dirt.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"...  
We slept on cornhusk  
mattresses,  
Sometimes three in a bed.  
If you were late, you got  
the foot;  
The early ones got the  
head.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"...  
We waded snow, and ice  
and mud,  
To get to the seat of  
learning.  
With a pot-bellied stove  
that froze our backs,  
While our fronts were  
really burning.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"...  
We drank from a cup by a  
water pail  
On a bench where the  
teacher put it,  
And whatever ailment any  
kid had  
The rest were sure to get  
it.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"...  
In winter, we milked in  
drafty barns,  
While the wind did whistle  
through the cracks,  
And the swirling snow,  
while we were inside,  
Filled up our fresh-made  
tracks.

IN THE "GOOD OLD DAYS"  
Now you may look with  
envious eyes,  
At old times if you are  
twenty,  
But I've been through,  
those "good old days",  
And once, my friend, is  
plenty.





# GAMMIES

MARCEL DE SMET  
GENERAL CHAIRMAN



## BRIDGE

HENRY DAWKINS, CHAIRMAN  
EDWIN CLARKE, DUPLICATE  
CHAIRMAN

This report covers 3 Friday meetings: Sept. 1, 8 and 15. There were 187 Bridge Players (88 Contract and 99 Duplicate).

### CONTRACT BRIDGE

13 Highest Scores	
Howard Hoffman.....	4270
Bill Hanlon.....	3940
Marcel DeSmet.....	3460
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Marsden Hubbard.....	3270
Frank Hanson.....	3110
Jim Florek.....	3110
Ray Pletcher.....	3050
Herb Lugers.....	3040
Bert VanKempen.....	3040
Jerry Bartlam.....	3020
Earl Triplett.....	3010

### 13 Highest Averages

Bill Hanlon.....	2973
Marcel DeSmet.....	2790
Jerry Bartlam.....	2723
Marsden Hubbard.....	2550
Howard Hoffman.....	2423
Bert VanKempen.....	2380
Earl Triplett.....	2370
Bob Surridge.....	2326
Dick Beaubien.....	2246
Amos Gregory.....	2060
Don Wagner.....	1823
Carl Schorn.....	1816
Bert Henderson.....	1806

Small Slams: 6N - Don Murray and Howard Hoffman;  
6N - Earl Triplett and Jim Florek

### DUPLICATE BRIDGE

#### First Place Scores

Kent Wonnell.....	72.0%
Harry Orton.....	64.3%
Henry Bardsley.....	64.0%

#### Small Slams:

6N L. Busch & H. Twietmeyer
6N Z. Endress & J. Peters
6N Z. Endress & J. Tedesco
6N H. Merkel & A. Conat
6N G. Snider & J. Steele
6S J. Peters & D. Powers
6D G. Snider & B. Bentz
6D B. Ewing & B. Allshouse
6D C. Hollingshead & J. Brown
6C H. Merkel & B. Root
6C D. Doty & T. Schmidt
6C J. Landre & R. Herbst

## GOLF

SMC GOLF LEAGUE ENDS ITS SEASON; BANQUET OCT. 10

Hail to the Champs! Our season ended Sept. 21 after a one-week delay due to a rain-out Sept. 7. Ed Hoagland ended with the lowest handicap with a nice 10. Don Clark took low gross and low net in the tournament play with a gross of 70 and a net of 53. He was first in the championship flight. Bill Quinlan was second with a 60 net and Kent Wonnell third with a 63.

First flight Jim Hobin and Vince Gilleo tied for first with 66s for net and Bob Holm was third with a 69 net. Second flight Frank Fisher first with a 61 net, Bill Isherwood and Dennis Sante tied for second with 65s. Third was Larry Marchetti with 68. Third flight Bob Massey was first with a 63, Ray Green second with 66 and Paul Fisher and Norm Alston tied for third with 71s.

For low gross: championship flight, Don Clark 70. first flight Jim Hobin 90. Second flight Frank Fisher 91. Third flight Paul Fisher and Ray Green tied with 108. Sixty Senior Men's Club golfers along with a number of them who are members of Stonycroft Golf Club enjoyed a great outing at Stonycroft Club on Sept. 20. Starting with rolls and coffee, nine holes of golf, a great buffet lunch and prizes for the best golfers. Many thanks again to the members



and their club for their hospitality!

Highlights for golf from Aug. 17 through Sept. 21: closest to the hole #6 V. Smith, 3'6"; F. Fisher 7'3"; B. Hassberger, 8'2"; K. Wonnell 10'6"; J. Spomer 11'7". Birdies still very few. #1 V. Caputo and D. Clark (2); #6 Voelker, D. Clark, J. Spomer, C. Williams; #8 Mitzelfeld and B. Barr. Scores under 44: 34 - D. Clark; 36 E. Hoagland, D. Clark; 37 - D. Clark; 38 - D. Clark, Hoagland; 39 - Quinlan; 40 - Gertz, Becker, Zeissow, Caputo, Spomer and Hoagland; 41 - Zimmer and Quinlan; 42 - Barr (2), Howell, Wonnell, Mills (2), Caputo, Hayward, D. Clark, Spomer (2) and Cameron; 43 - Barr, Spomer (2), DeSmet (3), Voelker (2), Quinlan, Swartz (2), Becker, Mills, Hobin, Gertz and Fregolle.

Don't forget the GOLF BANQUET! Tuesday Oct. 10.

Tickets \$15, Members of Springdale and White Lake leagues. Menu - Prime rib, browned potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, home baked rolls, coffee, tea, milk and decaf and cherry pie. PRIZES. Cash bar 6:15, dinner 7:00 p.m. SEE YOU THERE. THE COMMITTEE: Clark, Melikian, Lowman, Swartz and Marcel DeSmet, general chairman.

### APPLICANTS' GOLF LEAGUE HAS MORE OPENINGS NEXT YEAR BY JOE STEELE

Our season and tournament ended on Sept. 11. the championship flight was won by Vince Caputo; the runner-up was Fran De Grande. First flight winner was Marcel DeSmet; there was a tie for runner-up between John Wendstrand and Earl Meyer. The second flight also resulted in a tie for first, between H. Wolker and

# BOWLING

FRAN De GRANDE, CHAIRMAN



## 47 BOWLERS TURN OUT AS SEASON OPENS

The 89-90 bowling season got underway on Monday, Sept. 18 with a turnout of 47 bowlers, which included 5 subs.

There were a few bowlers already in mid-season form. Bowlers who had 500 series were: Corey - 575, Byington - 562, Trudell - 531, Chalmers - 522, Breitmeyer - 518, De Grande - 514, Deem - 503, and Partridge - 500. There was one bowler who must have been practicing or tak-

ing lessons; he had a tremendous game of 244, his name: Jim Corey.

There were also other 200 game bowlers: Byington - 200 and De Grande - 211. Don't forget: this league is for regular members and applicants, so make your appearance at Plum Hollow Lanes. Substitutes are in great demand. Bowl, get acquainted and have fun! FRAN De GRANDE, Chairman

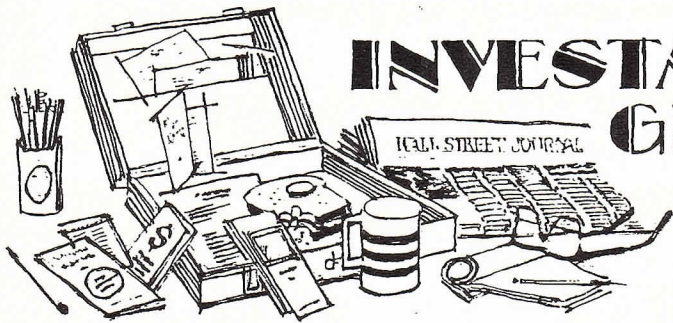
Bill Kelleher. Runner-up was Jim Schneider.

I want to thank Bob Klein for tracking the scores all year for us. Vince Caputo had the low member score for the year, a 36. Walk-on Ed Hoagland turned in a great 35 card on Aug. 22. Marcel DeSmet rolled the ball closest to the pin for the year at 26 inches.

GOOD NEWS: We play same time, same place next year, and we will have 12 MORE OPENINGS, increasing our group to 48 next year.

BAD NEWS: The price of having fun will be increased to \$85 for the season. Applicants and members interested in playing next year: please advise Marcel DeSmet, or check your name and mark "yes" on the roster posted on the bulletin board. If your name is not listed, please add it. Preference will be given to applicants; regular members will fill any open slots. Please sign up before heading for your winter playground. Thanks for all your cooperation in making this a successful year!





# INVESTMENT GROUP

## INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP LAST CALL FOR BIG GAME

The next meeting of the Investment Study Group will be held at the Community House on Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1989 at 2:45 p.m. The program chairman will be Gene Sparrow. The speaker will be Phil Dunham, of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith; his topic will be

"The Market Outlook in These Uncertain Times".

This is an important meeting because entries in the "stock game" cannot be accepted after this date. Entry forms with instructions will be available at our regular club meeting Oct. 6, or talk to Murray Hayward.

"Have some fun, get in the run."

BILL MacLACHLAN, Chairman

1989 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS			
<u>A THRU F</u>	<u>G THRU L</u>	<u>M THRU R</u>	<u>S THRU Z</u>
3502 Oct. 27	Oct. 6 Nov. 3	Oct. 13 Nov. 10	No Mtg. <i>Oct 27</i> Nov. 17

*ALSO S THRU Z, ON OCT 27*

## CAMERA GROUP TO SEE JOHN CALDWELL'S BEST PIX

Dr. John Caldwell has been going through his extensive travel slide file and thinking about the events associated with many of his pictures. John has picked the best of his collection and will share them with the camera group in his presentation, "Moments to Remember", at the October meeting.

The election of next year's officers will be held prior to John's presentation. Remember, Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2 p.m. at the Community House.  
STAN SKAISTIS





# FOUNDATION HELPS LOCAL SENIORS

## HELP FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

One of the great programs in Birmingham is one which can provide special help for Birmingham senior citizens who may be in need. Handling this worthy activity is the Foundation for Birmingham Senior Residents, incorporated in 1983 by members of the Birmingham City Commission acting in a private capacity to form a non-profit corporation. Roy Wheatley, a member of the Senior Men's Club, has been especially active in this program.

Initial funds were given by private sources as seed money for this unique Foundation. Additional funds were provided by the City of Birmingham, local service clubs, community groups and private citizens. The Foundation is a tax-exempt organization.

Donations are welcomed from any source, and it is said that a number of senior citizens have remembered the Foundation in their wills. Often the Foundation merely gives advice to a needy applicant. But help may consist of things like door locks, hot water heaters, roof repairs, sewer cleaning, house repairs of various kinds, downspouts and gutters, weather stripping and insulation. Senior residents make the initial contact through the Birmingham Area Seniors Coordinating Council, 642-1040. A Foundation member will return the call and arrange an appointment to meet the applicant and discuss the applicant's

grant needs. All information regarding the grant application will be kept strictly confidential. Applications are reviewed by the Trustees and recipients are notified of approval and the terms of the grant or loan. The Foundation's mailing address is 1829 Pierce St., Birmingham, 48009

## "HELLO DOLLY" MUSICAL TO BE SPECIAL EVENT FOR NOV. 19

A special event for the month of November will be the famous musical, "Hello Dolly". The date is Sunday, Nov. 19 at the Redford Theatre. This will be a matinee performance followed by dinner at the well-known Botsford Inn. Lloyd Sturgeon is chairman for this event. More details will be given in the November issue of the Reminder.

## COMMUNITY HOUSE ART PREVUE SET FOR OCT. 18

The Community House is having its "Our Town" art exhibition and sale in October, with a gala preview evening Oct. 18 at the Community House. Cocktails at 6:30 p.m., supper at 7:30 p.m. Patron tickets are \$175 per person; regular tickets, \$125 per person, with the contributions thus made going to benefit the Community House.

## CHARLES H. HUNTOON III

A former member of the Senior Men's Club who resigned because of poor health, Charles H. Huntoon III, died Sept. 6 at the Franklin Manor nursing home. He was 78 years old. Mr. Huntoon was a graduate of Cornell University and served during World War II as a major of artillery. Besides membership in Senior Men's, he belonged to Orchard Lake Country Club and Christ Church Cranbrook. Surviving are his wife, two daughters, a son, three grandchildren and one sister. Funeral services were held Sept. 9 followed by interment at Christ Church Columberia.

## "FIRST CITIZEN" AWARD HAS GONE TO MANY MEMBERS OF CLUB

The "First Citizen" award, sponsored by The Eccentric and the Birmingham-Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce again this year, will honor a prominent citizen of the community. An award dinner was scheduled for Oct. 4, but of course, when this piece was written, the winner's identity was unknown.

In past years, numerous members of the Senior Men's Club have been given this prestigious award. Included in the list have been Roy Wheatley, 1988; Richard Sneed, 1985; Merritt Olsen, 1979; Ross Wagner, 1978; James Flack, 1973; and Charles Kass, 1972.



# MEMBERSHIP FACTS & FIGURES

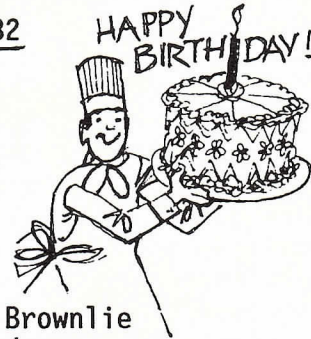
## MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Apologies are made to all members for the page with all membership information being left out of the September issue of the Reminder. This issue carries both the August and September changes.

Deaths: Howard French, Life Member, who joined in Jan., 1978  
 Willis Losie, Life Member, who joined in July, 1967  
 Albert Beauvais, who joined in Sept. 1978.  
 Reginald Nicholas, Life Member, who joined in Jan., 1972  
 Vernon Bryant, Life Member, who joined in Feb., 1967  
 Fred DeWitt, Associate Member, who joined in July, 1975  
 Howard Shout, who joined in Jan., 1980  
Charles Salley, who joined in Mar., 1982

## Special Birthday Greetings (90 and over)

Russ Davies, Life Member, turned 95 on Sept. 13.  
 Jim Beattie turned 95 on Sept. 15.  
 LeRoy Snell, Life Member, will be 93 on Oct. 1.  
Eldred Fish, Life Member, will be 90 on Oct. 8.



Associate Member Birthdays: Sept. 10 - Alister Brownlie  
 Oct. 16 - Frank Hudson  
 Oct. 22 - Bob Bensen

Became Life Members: Leslie W. Wilder, who joined in Feb., 1969.  
Robert Larzalere, who joined in Mar., 1969.

## Change of Address:

NEWCOMBE, JACK	6/89	335-2642
2945 Woodward, #345	BH	48013
RALEIGH, THOMAS W.	1/85	333-1778
2093 Eagle Pointe	BH	48013
* DAVIES, RUSSELL C. (Post Office Change, was BH 48013, now B 48009)		

## NEW MEMBERS

## SPONSOR

McEACHERN, DONALD K.	6/89	646-2717	Tom Bedford
17230 Locherbie	B	48009	
BLACK, JOHN S.	7/89	626-7122	Don Clark
4137 Tanglewood Ct.	B	48010	
PETERS, HERMAN W.	7/89	644-2685	Bob Lorenzen
1699 Maryland	B	48009	
BLESSED, CHARLES W.	9/89	646-4491	Bob Lotz
323 Wimbleton	B	48009	

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