

# The Reminder

January 2002

Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan



## Continuing A Tradition



To the strains of "We Wish you a Merry Christmas," the annual tradition of serving the servers was continued. Members ushered the ladies in, a special program of music was enjoyed, and gifts to the ladies were presented. And a good time was had by all! Happy Holidays!

## Next Stop, The Methodist Church

Don't forget...starting January 4, 2002, the First United Methodist Church will be home to the SMC each Friday morning until renovations of the ballroom of The Community House are completed. These arrangements are most likely to continue through mid-February.

The church is located at 1589 W. Maple Rd. Convenient parking in rear. Lunch will be catered by The Community House. Discussion group meetings and Friday bridge will also be held at the church, but all other club events will continue at The Community House.

Don't forget, Friday's at the Methodist Church!

**SEE YOU AT THE METHODIST CHURCH ON  
FRIDAY!**

## JANUARY PROGRAMS

JANUARY CHAIRMAN: KEN URWILLER

- 4 Dr. Orin Gilderlose ..... Chairman, Dept. of Biology, U of M Dearborn  
"Educating for a Healthier River Rouge Watershed"
- 11 Joan Trusty Moore ..... Regional Director, Global Government Affairs  
"Protecting your Privacy"
- 18 Jeffery A. Hobden, Ph.D. .... Asst. Professor Wayne St. Dept. of Immunology  
"Bioterrorism"
- 25 John Cotant, M.D. .... St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Dept. of Cardiology  
"A Cardiologist's Twenty Most Commonly asked Questions"

## JANUARY DISCUSSIONS

JANUARY CHAIRMAN: NORRIS F. LEE

- 4 Paul Fitzpatrick ..... Senior Men's Club Member  
"The Impossibility of Motoring in Birmingham"
- 11 Osama Siblani ..... Publisher, Arab-American News  
"What You May Not Know About the Middle East"
- 18 John J. Villa ..... Senior Men's Club Member  
"Community Service - Volunteerism"
- 25 Michael J. Steinberg ..... Legal Director, ACLU of Michigan  
"Terrorism and Civil Liberties"

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## Special Birthday Greetings:

Russell Shy will be 85 on Jan. 2  
John McKinnie, life member, will be 89 on Jan. 5  
Bob Boynton, life member, will be 86 on Jan. 8  
Ben Krause, life member, will be 89 on Jan. 10  
Past Pres. John Spomer, life member, will be 94 on Jan. 13  
Jack Carr, life member, will be 95 on Jan. 14  
Herm Netter will be 85 on Jan. 14  
Cliff McClew, life member, will be 87 on Jan. 15  
John Lavrakas, life member, will be 87 on Jan 17  
Ed Conley, life member, will be 87 on Jan 27  
John Erhardt, life member, will be 86 on Jan. 30

## Birthdays of Associate Members:

Dick Straight will be 80 on Jan. 15

## Birthdays of Members on Leave of Absence:

Stewart Edgerton will be 83 on Jan. 4  
Art Conat will be 94 on Jan. 14

## Deaths:

Blaine M. Gordon, Past President, who joined in February 1984  
Ross A. Wagner, Past President and life member, who joined in September 1971  
Robert A. Massey, life member, who joined in January 1977  
Jerome Fitzsimmons, on leave, who joined in October 1990

## New Applicants:

David H. Dinger, (Sue), 1794 Lone Pine Rd., Bloomfield Hills, 48302, 851-6620  
Sponsor: Tom Noakes  
James J. Gibbs, 4384 Charing Cross, Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 642-5663  
Sponsor: Andy Spencer  
Charles G. Kass, (Mary Ellen), 324 Eileen Dr., Bloomfield Hills, 48302, 335-5472  
Sponsor: Frank Barnes  
Alan W. Nealley, (Lena), 17453 Dunblaine Ave., Beverly Hills, 48025, 644-8554  
Sponsor: Chuck Frederick  
Charles G. O'Connell, (Joyce), 3688 Estates Dr., Troy, 48084, 643-7255  
Sponsor: Bill Reilly  
Walter T. Schrift, (Diane), 24119 Yorkshire, Birmingham, 48009, 649-6161  
Sponsor: Leon Snapp

## New Members:

James A. Schaefer, (Nancy), 30099 Fox Run, Beverly Hills, 48025, 647-5208  
Sponsor: Jim Colville  
Jack V. Walker, (Marilyn), 3381 Newgate Rd., Troy, 48084, 644-1909  
Sponsor: Ken Urwiller

## New Life Member:

David H. Dobson, who joined in May, 1985  
Edwin H. Hoagland, who joined in November, 1984  
Bill Isherwood, who joined in May, 1987

**Leave of Absence:** Charles W. Blessed, Chuck R. Sober, Elbert Van Kempen

**Resigned:** Clyde Simpson

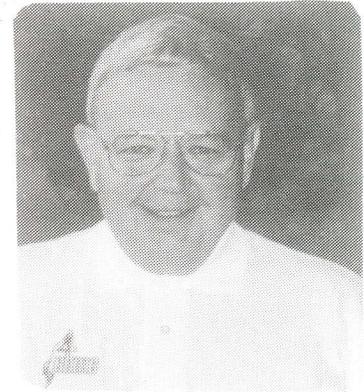
**Dropped:** David Waring

## Address Changes:

Milton B. Henderson, 6257 Telegraph Road #221, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301-1659

—Bob Babcock and Jim D'Allemand

## From Our New President



To paraphrase Abraham Lincoln:  
*"God must love our Senior Men's Club for He has put so many great men in it."*

I am highly appreciative of what an honor and privilege it is to be your president this year. I hope to get to know each of you better. My thanks to all of you officers and men who have accepted the duties and responsibilities that go with being chairmen or members of one of the many Club committees. You will always have my support, best wishes and appreciation. Let's all work together to make 2002 another great year for our Club. Thank you.

—Ernie Bergan

## A Job Well Done

Thanks for a BIG job...well done. Carver Wood has presided over SMC in a busy year. He was a leader - a mover and shaker - and he leaves his mark on the club.

Thanks and congratulations, Carver. Have a pleasant retirement!

UNTIL FEBRUARY, WE MEET AT  
THE METHODIST CHURCH!

## Bridge Report

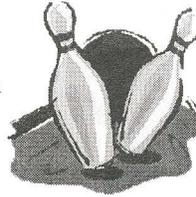
Contract averaged seven players. High average scorers for this period were Chris Davenport (5040), Henry Dawkins (2857), Bob Eidson (2710) and Don McNair (2225). There were 11 small slams.

Duplicate averaged 33 players. High scorers were Steve Vandebrook (65%), Dan Dahl (63%) and Jack Saylor (60%). There were 11 small slams and one grand slam.

—Zack Endress & Don McNair

## Bowling

Thirteen weeks of bowling were completed and team #5 (Latovick, Minard, Tabor and Marty) led all teams by four points with two weeks remaining in the first half and teams #8 and #7 closely behind.



**Individual Stats:** High Average - Joe Maertens, 170; High Single - Dick Harper, 234; High Series - Dick Harper, 606.

**Team Stats:** Team #6 High Single game (Reilly, Case, Smith and Kozak) rolled a 728 game high and Team #2 (Hoagland, Trudell, Clark and Jordan) rolled a 1966 series.

All bowlers are asked to be at the alleys before 9:05 AM on Monday mornings. If you will not be attending, please notify your Team Captain in advance, to enable us to assign substitutes. Thank you for your assistance.

—D. J. Kozak

## Dues Due — Please

Walt Meyers reminds us that many members have not paid their annual dues. A check for \$30, will make Walt happy.

## Shh!

It's nice to visit with friends, but keep it low during meetings. The chair reminds us that one meeting at a time is plenty. Your cooperation is appreciated.

## 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 2002 are: Ernest Bergan, president; Benjamin Ewing, first vice president; Richard Harper, second vice president; John McLaughlin, recording secretary; Frank Barnes, corresponding secretary; Raymond Latovick, treasurer; William F. Minard, assistant treasurer; Robert Bannon and Don Cox, officers at large.

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

## Investment Group

The Group will meet on Wednesday January 9, 2002 at 2:45 PM at The Community House.

Bill Halbert, Senior VP, PaineWebber will again share his market experience with an informative and entertaining talk. The title of his talk will be "Uncommon Values in Financial Assets: Common stocks - yes, Bonds - no."

Plan to attend this very popular meeting and bring a friend or spouse.

—George Miller

## Computer Group

The January meeting of the SMC Computer Group will be held at The Community House on Wednesday, January 16, 2002 at 2:30 PM. The subject will be Computer Virus prevention, and the speaker will be Computer Group Chairman Chuck Kirkpatrick. Questions and personal experiences of Computer Group members, are welcome.

—Chuck Kirkpatrick

## Camera Group

The Camera Group will meet on Tuesday, January 8, 2002 at 2:00 PM at The Community House. Bill Gridley will show slides of a 9 day visit to the countries of Iceland and Greenland. Iceland is the USA's closest European neighbor. Unusual features are its temperate climate, midnight sun, geothermal steam for heat and electrical power, glaciers, steam geysers and an extremely variable landscape. All of this is packed into a country no larger than our state of Ohio and bordering the Arctic Circle.

**REMEMBER - ON FRIDAYS,  
YOU'RE METHODISTS!**

## Maize & Blue Equals Golden Oldie



Ed Hoagland the latest member to become a life member, graduated from the University of Michigan in 1939. Ed won his first golf Championship at the age of sixteen. After the war where he served in all three branches of the service, Army, Navy and the Air Corps, Ed won twelve more championships.

While on the U of M Golf team, qualified for the Big Ten Championship. Ed is very fortunate to be around and still walking the golf courses.

—Bill Reilly

## Golfers

Start the new year hitting a few at the Golf Dome on Opdyke Road north of South Boulevard, south of Auburn Road. January 3, 2002 at 9:00 AM



—Ray Swartz

## Tour Set

Senior Men are in for a treat when we tour the new NWA Midfield Terminal January 23, 2002. Here are the details: Northwest VP Customer Services, Robert Ball will give us a brief overview presentation of the facility. We will then tour the terminal and see firsthand the many customer conveniences of the newest terminal in North America, scheduled to open February 24, 2002. Customer conveyance features are not always available, so prepare to walk and climb stairs.

The bus leaves First Presbyterian Church, Maple Rd. at 9:00 AM, returns no later than 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$10 and go on sale starting January 11, 2002. Please park in the back of the church parking lot.

—Hudson Scheifele

## Last Call — Auto Show

The Special Events committee has reserved a 55 passenger bus for our annual visit to the International Auto Show at Cobo Hall on Thursday, January 17, 2002. This is a very popular annual event and has sold out every year. Tickets will be sold at the January 4 and 11 meetings. Price is \$10.00 per person and is for bus transportation only. The price for Senior admission to the show is \$5.00 at the door or maybe your friendly dealer has given you a complimentary ticket. Join us and forget your driving and parking worries with door-to-door service. We meet at the rear of the First Presbyterian Church parking lot. Bus will leave at 9:45 AM Promptly and return approximately 4:00 PM.

—Roger Struck

*THE METHODIST CHURCH IS OUR HOME NEXT MONTH!*

## Club Dates to Remember

**Executive Board Meeting:** 9:30 a.m. January 8, 2002.

**Reminder Deadline:** January 18, 2002.

**Bridge:** Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m. and Fridays after lunch.

**Bowling:** Mondays, 9:00 a.m., Thunderbird Lanes, Troy.

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

## Christmas Party

A great dinner coupled with fine entertainment plus SMC members and guests' usual warm camaraderie made for an exceptional evening. The Madison Chorale, a singing group from 12 different communities, directed by Maureen Kennedy. The Chorale sang several Christmas numbers and also led the audience in a sing-along.

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