

The Reminder

Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan



SEPTEMBER 1998

SEPTEMBER CHAIRMAN: RICHARD GOLZE

4 Speaker: Mayor Dennis Archer
Subject: "Detroit!"
Applicants by reservation

11 Speaker: Commander Gary Dye, U. S. Navy
Subject: "Today's Navy"
Applicants invited A - J

18 Speaker: Richard Patterson, Birmingham Deputy Chief of Police
Subject: "Police Department Update"
Applicants invited K - R

25 Speaker: Gary Kohs, President, Scale Models
Subject: "Fine Art Models"
Applicants invited S - Z

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2 Speaker: Dr. Robert Gavin, Jr., President, Cranbrook Educational Community
Subject: "Cranbrook Today and Tomorrow"
Applicants invited A - D

Discussion Groups

SEPTEMBER CHAIRMAN: CARL FREEMAN

Sept. 4 Speaker: Dr. John Caldwell, M.D.
Topic: "Man-Made Environmental Hazards"

Sept. 11 Speaker: George Lumsden
Topic: "Why We Do What We Do." A Look at Motivation

Sept. 18 Speaker: Carl Freeman
Topic: "Rambling with a Stump Jumper"
(Birds may be mentioned)

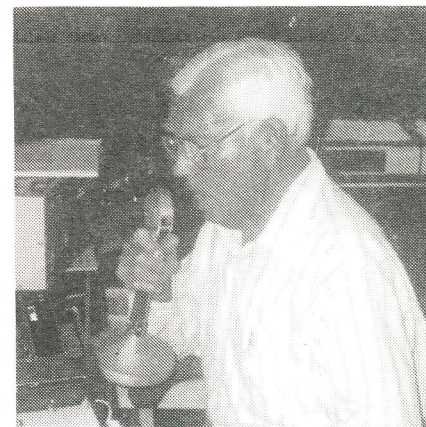
Sept. 25 Speaker: Dr. Orin Gelderloos, Professor of Biology and Environmental Science
Topic: "An Expert Looks at Conservation"

Oct. 2 Speaker: Walter Newgeon, Chrysler electric vehicle expert
Topic: "Electric Vehicle Today - Is It for You?"

Weston's Hobby Saves Four Men Marooned on Island

Senior Men's Club member Earl "Doc" Weston recently helped rescue four men from a deserted island thanks to his hobby as a ham radio operator.

While on the radio talking to his friends, he heard a distress call from a sailboat skipper who had seen the men marooned on a tiny island in the Bahamas and was calling for help. Getting no response from his regular communications system, the skipper went to his ham radio for help.



Hearing the call, Weston contacted police in Florida, who called the U.S. Coast Guard in Miami. About 45 minutes later, a helicopter reached the island, described by the Coast Guard as "a regular pickup spot for Cuban refugees waiting for family or friends to come and get them."

Weston has enjoyed amateur radio for well over 50 years. He says, "I have always encouraged people to have hobbies. People with hobbies usually are more relaxed, have fewer personal problems and enjoy better health."



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Anderson, Zimmer, Clark Pace Golfers

Golfers were in full swing during August.

REGULAR GOLF

Dave Zimmer was the winner of the "3-Club Shootout" of regular Club golfers at Springdale Aug. 13. He did it by shaving five strokes off his 13-game average.

Zimmer used a 7 metal-wood, a 9 iron and a putter.

Ray Latovick was 4.5 strokes under average, and Bob Hadley and Herb Lagers tied for third with 3.9 strokes under average.

Low scorers in the competition were Don Clark with 39, Jim Cameron, 43; Phil Bloyer, Fran De Grande Ed Hoagland, 44 and Dave Zimmer, 45.

APPLICANT GOLF

Results of Aug. 15 and 17 outings, as reported by John Dudash. (Walk-ons in parenthesis)

Low scorers: Dick Anderson scored 37 and 38 rounds; Murray Binkley, 39; Dick Wehling, 40 and Jim Schaefer, 41 and 42.

Birdies: Dick Anderson, Ed Butler, Dennis Kozak, Larry Halloran and Marquis Johnson.

Here are the first place winners of the Aug. 10 scramble:

First Flight, (Bob Babcock), Clarence Cheff, (Carl Neppach), Hunter Pickens.

Second Flight, Bill Bettisworth, William Dean, Dennis Kozak, John Wargelin.



A scary swamp-like monster emerged from the woods on the 11th hole at White Lake Oaks Golf Club in July. However, a closer look revealed it was not a monster, but John Wargelin, who had sunk hip-deep trying to save himself a stroke. (Computer-generated picture by John Dudash.)

Third Flight, (Bill Denyes), Bill Isherwood, Bill Minard.

ALL GOLFERS

Stoneycroft Outing set for Sept. 15, with maximum of 50 slots available, first come, first served.

Starts with breakfast at 8 a.m., shotgun start at 9 a.m., lunch about noon. Cost \$30, golf carts extra.

Tickets now on sale: see Jim Lowman, Jim Clark or Ray Swartz.

Golf Banquet to be held Oct. 6; more details to be announced later according to Ray Swartz.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 6	Executive Board Meeting	9:30 a.m.
Sept. 9	Investment Study Group	2:45 p.m.
Sept. 15	Camera Group	2:00 p.m.
Sept. 18	Deadline for October <i>Reminder</i>	
Sept. 22	Applicant Group Meeting	2:30 p.m.

Golf: Regular Members at Springdale 9 a.m. Thursdays
Applicants at White Lake Oaks 8:30 a.m. Mondays

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

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

ALL EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE
UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

Corn-Schuckers Star at Annual Picnic August 7



Here's one team of the large contingent of SMC members who helped stage the Club's annual picnic. Getting on with some corny business are: from left to right are Carl Thomas, John Horiszgny, John MacDonald and Ernie Bergan.

SMC Annual Picnic A Huge Success

A total of 331 paying members attended the annual SMC picnic Aug. 7 at the Pontiac Yacht Club.

Co-chairmen Roger Struck and Bill Corba declared this year's event "a huge success." They had enthusiastic praise for the 30 plus regular and applicant members who served on committees.

30% Graduation Rate In Detroit Schools

Only about 30 percent of Detroit students graduated after just four years of high school, according to 1996-97 school year data from the Michigan Department of Education.

The Detroit Free Press said it is "appalling ... when a high school diploma is a bare minimum needed for make-a-living work."

This was 10 percent lower than in the previous year.

The statewide average was 76 percent, Wayne County 53.5 percent and Oakland and Macomb counties, both 86 percent.

Bowling Starts Sept. 21

Sept. 21 is starting date for a 30-game season for SMC bowlers at Thunderbird Lanes—and following Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m.

A sign-up sheet for new members is posted on the Club bulletin board. Or call Ray Latovick at 852-7672.

For Distinguished Service

Nominations for the Club's Distinguished Service Award are open until Sept. 15.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Special Birthday Greetings:

Gordon Lamphere, 92 on Sept. 3. James Beattie, 104 on Sept. 15.

Associate Member Birthday:

Alister Brownlie on Sept. 10.

Became Life Member:

Paul Cusick, who joined in April, 1988.

Went on Leave of Absence:

Robert Obringer.

Death:

Fred Finkenauer, Life Member, who joined in Nov., 1976.

New Members:

Amann, Charles A., (Marilynn), 984 Satterlee Rd., Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 646-0198. Sponsor: Bob Lotz.

Jackson, Harold C. L., Jr., (Sally), 2960 N. Westview Ct., Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 644-5990. Sponsor: Andy O'Keefe.

New Applicants:

Huberty, Alan L., (Kathryn), 6216 Hills Drive, Bloomfield Hills, 49301, 643-9622. Sponsor: Bill Gidley.

Jessup, Richard J., (Involut), 4015 W. Orchard Hills Dr., Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 642-8816. Sponsor: King Ruhly.

Muller, Walter, 761 Southfield Rd., Birmingham, 48009, 644-4259. Sponsor: Gene Hess.

Petherick, Keith R., (Wendy), 215 Berwyn, Birmingham, 48009, 644-0489. Sponsor: John Leonard.

Saltsman, Robert R., (Candy), 4384 Sunningdale, Bloomfield Hills, 48302, 540-7382. Sponsor: Dick Harper.

Smith, Roger F., (Margaret), 2530 Wildbrook Run, Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 334-9098. Sponsor: Dick Hameister.

--Walt Meyers & Bob Babcock

Registered Citizens Too Busy to Vote

Why did only five million people—a little over half of registered voters fail to vote in the 1996 U.S. elections?

The Congressional Research Service reported that 4.6 million (90 percent) said they were too busy to vote.

Other reasons in a multiple answer survey were: 4.2 million blamed illness, disability or emergency and 2.6 million didn't like any of the candidates.

Applicants for Archer

Advance registration required for applicants to attend the Sept. 4 lunch featuring Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer. Only 35 places available. Call Tony Zar at 647-2274.

Werner Asks Club Support of Oakland's Children's Village

The summer is winding down and the busy fall season is just around the corner.

"As we look ahead to upcoming activities, we should consider our only charitable solicitation is the Oakland County Children's Village," says Phil Werner.

The Village provides living accommodations for about 200 infants and children up to 18 years of age who have been abused, neglected or are in trouble with the law. Nearly 2,000 pass through the village each year.

On Oct. 30, Greg Alessi, Village programs director, will address the Club about Village operations and how the money received from contributors is used to help the children.

"Unfortunately, many of our members will have already left for their winter haunts and will miss the Alessi message. We want those members to know that we need their support to meet our 1998 goal of \$6,000," Werner said.

So if you won't be here for our 'Pass the Jug' days in October and November, please send a substantial check to Phil Werner, 6810 Orinoco Circle, Bloomfield Township, 48301. Make checks payable to Oakland County Children's Village. Gifts are tax deductible.

"And thank you for your support!," says Werner.

Richardson, Cooper Top Bridge Scorers

Jack Richardson was high in contract bridge and Chase Cooper was tops in duplicate play for July.

Contract

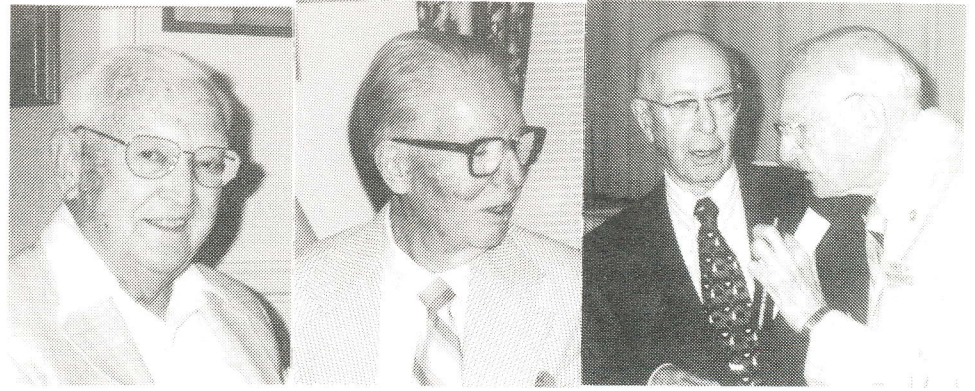
Jack Richardson	4090
Chris Davenport	3710
Herb Lugers	3570
Al Wagner	3490

Duplicate

Chase Cooper	68%
Mike Best	67.1%
Bob Elliott	67
Jim Johnson	66

—Jac Endress, Al Wagner

Three New Life Members Honored



Jim Williams Talks to Investment Group

The Investment Study group will launch its fall schedule at 2:45 p.m. Sept. 9 with a very strong and attractive program, according to Dick Harper.

Jim Williams—senior attorney with the Bloomfield Hills law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone—will speak on "Recent Updates in Estate Planning."

Delegates at Large

If you've been wondering what the two SMC "Delegates-At-Large," do, here are the facts.

These positions were established to provide a special method for members to communicate with the Club's Executive Board. To voice your concerns, suggestions, observations and complaints, contact Bill Beck at 646-9003 or Tom Roberts at 646-5193.

July was a banner month for new Life Members - three in all, who were welcomed into the Club by master toastmaster Art Burgott, far right. From left to right: Ed Howell, Nathan Mills and Dr. Paul Cusick.

Digital Photography For Camera Group

James L. Wesley of Eastman Kodak, will speak on digital photography at the 2 p.m. Sept. 15 meeting of the Camera Group, according to Dick Golze.

His discussion will cover many aspects of digital photography, suggested software, changing and printing images, and transferring images via Internet.

Because of the technical nature of the meeting, members of the Computer Group also are invited to attend this session..

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