

The Reminder

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PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: DURAND BROWN

KEEPING UP WITH * THE SENIOR MEN

- 6** Speaker: Thomas Bray, Editorial Page Editor,
The Detroit News
Subject: "What Did It All Mean - The 1992 Election?"
- 13** Speaker: Joe Benich, President and Founder,
Nomads Inc.
Subject: "Past and Future of America's Only Private
Travel Club"
- 20** Speaker: Jim Hinkamp, SMC member
Subject: "Around the World On a Cargo Ship"
- 27** NO MEETING
- DECEMBER CHAIRMAN: BILL MENDENHALL
- 4** Speaker: Frank Angelo, Editor of the SMC *Reminder*
Subject: "What's Really Happening"

DISCUSSION GROUP

NOVEMBER CHAIRMAN: PAUL FITZPATRICK

- Nov. 6 Paul Fitzpatrick "Five to Four"
- Nov. 13 Ed Conley "What If?"
- Nov. 20 Jim Flack "The Library of Congress"
- Nov. 27 NO MEETING
- Dec. 4 Vince Gilleo "Government Spending: Is It
Out of Control?"

Speaking of Programs...

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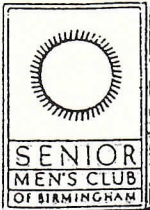
YOU HAVE A FRIEND -- You may have wondered as you looked at the roster of officers what the role of Officers at Large is. Well, Ed Howell and John Prior want you to know that they "serve as advocates for the general membership and they want to present to the Executive Board any requests for a hearing on what may be troubling you ... or good idea you may have to help the club. So don't hesitate to get something off your chest. Ed and John are good listeners.

KEEP IN TOUCH -- If you're heading South, remember to pay your dues before you leave, and you can keep in touch by giving Ben Root stamped, self-addressed envelopes so he can mail you *The Reminder*. Don't forget, you're off the club roster if your dues aren't paid by March 1.

AN EYE ON SCHOOLS -- Ken Nagley has really plunged into the work of the group studying Birmingham public school facilities. He's anxious to get any ideas you may want to pass along.

WORTH REPEATING -- Ed's Barbershop, frequented by many Senior Men's Club

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It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Time for a Xmas Party!

With those snowflakes beginning to pop up, it's time to think Christmas ... and the Senior Men's party.

Another memorable evening is planned for members, applicants, wives and guests on Wednesday evening, Dec. 9, at The Community House.

A cash bar will open at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. There will also be a non-alcoholic punch bowl for those so inclined. Dinner will include salad, rolls, turkey and all the fixin's, coffee, tea or milk and apple pie for dessert. All of this, including after-dinner entertainment, costs \$19 per person (same price as last year). Table decorations are being prepared by Lou Randall and his committee.

Tickets will be on sale in November and December to the extent they are still available. We anticipate this will be a sellout as is usual with Senior Men's Christmas parties. Yes, you can make special arrangements to be seated with your friends. Forms are available for this purpose, but please keep in mind that tables are limited to 12 and 16 people.

Entertainment this year will include memorable music of the 1940's era. This program specially for the Senior Men's Club is being arranged by Priscilla Benson, and sung by the Village Voices. There will be piano and percussion accompaniment.
BOB HAGEMAYER

DATES TO REMEMBER

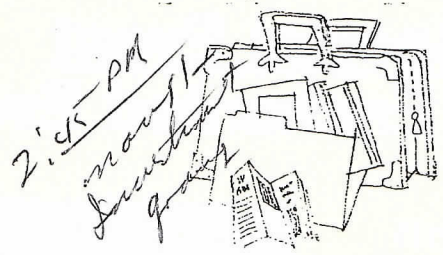
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| Nov. 10 | Executive Board Meeting | 9:30 a.m. |
| Nov. 10 | Camera Group Meeting | 2 p.m. |
| Nov. 11 | Investment Group Meeting | 3:45 p.m. |
| Nov. 18 | Computer Group Meeting | 2:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 24 | SPECIAL EVENT A theater party and afterglow at the Village Players, featuring a performance of "South Pacific" | |
| Dec. 9 | SPECIAL EVENT The annual Christmas Party, featuring dinner and entertainment by the Village Players Voices. Cash bar 6 p.m. Dinner 7 p.m. | |
| BOWLING | Mondays at Thunderbird Lanes | 9 a.m. |
| BRIDGE | Tuesday at 9 a.m. and Friday after lunch | |

ALL EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

THE REMINDER DEADLINE: FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 1992

Team No. 1 Leads Tempo of Bowling Picks Up With Links-to-Lanes Shift



Spares and strikes are replacing pars and birdies as the temperature drops and the golfers, using good judgment, turn to bowling. You need only one ball, and the higher your score the more points you win.

Currently, Team No. 1 with Walt Blanchard, Blaine Gordon, Joe Chalmers, and



This report covers the period of play Sept. 18 to Oct. 16.

CONTRACT BRIDGE averaged 16.8 players. High scorers were:

JACK FRAILEY	3465
BERT HENDERSON	3090
BOB LOTZ	2688
MARTY HUBBARD	2506
CARL SCHORN	2502
DON MCNAIR	2264
JOE KERN	2425
BAYLOR SUTTON	2413
ART UNDERWOOD	2295
RICH KNUDSEN	2230

Two slams were made by Marty Hubbard and also by Bob Lotz. Nine other players made one slam each.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE averaged 47 players.

High scorers for the Sept. 18 to Oct. 9 period were:

HENRY BARDSLEY	69%
KNG RUHLY	68%
BILL YORK	66%
HENRY BARDSLEY	65.6%
DON WAGNER	
DON MCNAIR	

Art Byington is leading with 15 points. In second place with 14 points is Team No. 5 with Norm Clark, Dick Beaubien, John Strang and Dick Rosenbaum.

Individual bowlers have been impressive early. Single game leaders are: Ray Latovick 256, Jack Trudell 222, Joe Maertens 215, and Joe leads high series with 567. Herb Lugers 559, and Art Byington 556 are other top series players.

Chairman Fran DeGrande wants to thank Bert Henderson, Don Upward, and Jim Reeves for giving the weekly bowling reports at our meetings. This format will be followed throughout the season, with several bowlers reporting on a weekly basis.

Members and applicants, come out and join us, whether you have a bowling average or not.

Call Fran DeGrande (489-1064) or just show up at Thunderbird Lanes on East Maple Road between Crooks and Livernois on Mondays at 9 a.m.

Covered lanes, indoor bowling only, and no payment until you start to bowl. (We need subs.)

TOM BEDFORD
VICE CHAIRMAN

Taxes Topic Of Investment Group Meeting

With one of the largest turnouts of members and friends ever...72... for its October meeting, the Investment Group looks for another good response in November when the topic is TAXES!

The October look at how to make money through mutual fund investment was led by Kenneth W. Corba, who manages the Stein Rose Stock Fund in Chicago. He provided an insiders look at how he buys and sells stocks which compose the fund.

Now, on Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 2:45 p.m. in The Community House, Robert N. Aginian, senior manager, KPMJG Peat-Marwick, Detroit, will discuss "What Is New In State and Federal Taxes."

Aginian will also touch on how taxes may be affected by the results of the election. He returns by popular demand.

Winners of the first month's Stock Game will be announced, and Jim Reeves will provide each contestant with a copy of the portfolio submitted by other entrants.

SOFTWARE OR HARDWARE?

Joe Maertens, program chairman for the next Computer Group meeting, says there'll be a software presentation and/or a laptop computer demonstration. Come to The Community House Nov. 18 at 2:30 and find out. Joe doesn't fool around!

A Special Event An Enchanted Evening Planned for Nov. 24

It will be an "Enchanted Evening" on Tuesday, Nov. 24, when the Senior Men's Club joins forces with BASCC for a performance of that glorious musical, *South Pacific*. Curtain time is 8 p.m. at the Village Players of Birmingham.

South Pacific is a real American

classic that takes place on a Pacific Island during World War II. It's a wartime love story that includes such songs as "Some Enchanted Evening", "There is Nothing Like a Dame", "Younger Than Springtime", "A Wonderful Guy", "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair", and many others. You gotta see this sparkling show to see a backyard shower designed and built by our own Cliff Lundgren.

Tickets are \$10 and are now on sale at Senior Men's Club meetings. All members, applicants, wives and guests are cordially invited. The price includes refreshments during intermission and an afterglow.

The curtain rises at 8 p.m. and there is open



Patty Ward plays the part of Nellie Forbush who is in love with Emile DeBeque, played by Pat

Lynch, who sang "Some Enchanted Evening" at the Senior Men's Club meeting Oct. 16.

seating. If you have a preference on where you sit, it is suggested you get there at least one half hour early.

The Village Players

theater in Birmingham is on the corner of Chestnut Street and Hunter Blvd. There is free parking in the lot next to the theater and directly across the street.

Lumsden's Latest Book Gives Tips to Managers

The list of Senior Men's Club authors is growing.

Latest to join the list is George Lumsden, who became a member in September, and on Nov. 1 had a book published.

Last year, Walter Murphy joined the ranks with his "Toot! Toot!" volume.

Lumsden's book was published by the American Management Association.

It's a paperback and includes 115 short essays on management for new managers. It will be available at bookstores.

Lumsden, who spoke to the club last February on life in the Twenties and Thirties, is the author of nine books, worked for Chrysler for 17 years in communications and management training.

It Happens Every Year Spomer Readies "The Jug" to Help Oakland Kids

If John Spomer's eyes seem to be gleaming more brightly these days, you can be sure that the Christmas season ... and his annual "jug" collection ... are approaching.

In other words, it's near time for Spomer to be gathering funds for his beloved Oakland County Children's Village.

That will happen on Friday, Nov. 20. In the meantime, you can think about slipping a check to John personally or by mail.

Last year, the Senior Men's Club passed the \$2,000 mark for the first time ... by \$87.25, and now Spomer has his eyes set on the next level ... \$2,500.

The way he figures, last year there were about 200 members at the "collection meeting" with another 25 sending checks.

"But you have to understand that we have 844 potential contributors," he said. He based that on the fact that SMC has 400 active members, 58 life members, 19 associates, 14 on leave of absence, and 353 applicants.

In addition, Spomer points out that more than 1,300 youngsters were cared for at the Village during the past year, all of them being wards of the county probate court. Most children are released to the custody of their families, grandparents, or foster home quickly, the children ranging in age from infant to 17. A nurse-staffed infirmary takes care of sick children.

The children come from all areas of Birmingham, Bloomfield Township and

Bloomfield Hills, with drug-related problems being a factor in about 50 percent of the cases. The care facility, which is tax



Tender loving care is the rule at Oakland County Children's Village, for which John Spomer will be "passing the jug" on Nov. 20.

Meet: A New Member: **Francis E. Cogsdill**

FRANCIS E. COGSDILL

BACKGROUND -- A native Detroit who at one time or another worked for General Motors, Ford, and Chrysler. Graduated from U. of M. with a bachelor's degree in business administration and engineering. Served in World War II U. S. Army Corps of Engineers and attained the rank of major. Longest stint was with Chrysler Corp. which he joined in 1955. Eventually became Director of Administrative Services. Retired 1981 and became President and Executive

supported, also cares for many abused, neglected, and in-trouble-with-the-law children.

"Our contributions, like those of other organizations, provide funds for Christmas parties and gifts, and for year-round athletic and recreational equipment and activities," explained Spomer.

So remember Nov. 20, but in the meantime, if you can't make that meeting, and obviously several hundred won't be on hand, send a check made out to Oakland County Children's Village to Senior Men's Club, Attn: Gordon Henderson, Treasurer, c/o The Community House, 380 Bates Street, Birmingham, MI 48009.

The contribution is tax deductible and, Spomer emphasizes, "One hundred percent of all the money goes to take care of the kids."

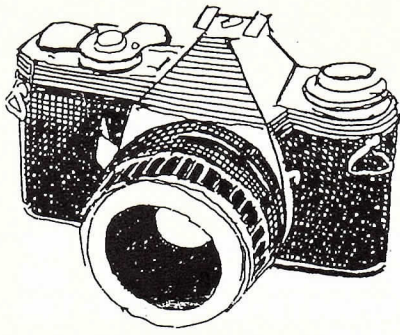
How can you resist that plea?

Director of the Detroit Science Center.

FAMILY -- He and wife Marian spend seven months in the Detroit area, five around Tucson, Arizona. They have two children, a son in St. Louis and a daughter in this area, and two grandchildren.

HOBBIES -- Fran's creativity is expressed in the metal and decorative silver pieces he makes, along with beautifully carved walking sticks. He enjoys golf, bowling and pinochle and backgammon.

SPONSOR: Henry M. Merker



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

1992 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

A - F G - L M - R S - Z
 Nov. 6 Nov. 13 Nov. 20

The Club does not meet Nov. 27. Applicants cannot attend any December meetings.

Brown to Take Camera Group On Slide Tour

Harold Brown, a Senior Men's Club member, will take the Camera Group on a "Tour de France" at the group's next meeting ... Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 2:30 pm in The Community House.

Brown's effort will consist of a slide show with views of France from Paris to Monaco and stops at Giverny, Normandy, chateau country and the Riviera.

Brown has traveled extensively throughout Europe and has presented many programs of his photographic works at libraries, schools, camera groups, and on television. He is a member of the Photographic Guild of Detroit and Michigan Friends of Photography.

All members, applicants, wives and friends are invited to attend.

H. J. BATTS
 CHAIRMAN

DEATHS:

Donald Morse, who joined in Jan. 1979

ASSOCIATE MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Bob Schwab - November 25

TRANSFERRED TO ASSOCIATE MEMBER:

William Mendenhall, 145 Columbia, Apt. 715
 Holland, MI 49423

TOOK LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Roy Hawkinson, Robert Partlan, Donald Richards, Raymond Green, and James Corwin

RESIGNED:

Donald Remp, who joined in Nov. 1978

NEW MEMBERS:

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CUMMINGS, RICHARD H.	9/92	540-2178		Jim Fonda
22010 Village Pines Dr.	BVH	48025		
(Cynthia)				
COGSDILL, FRANCIS E.	9/92	642-3433		Henry Merker
5131 Woodlands Dr.	BH	48302		
(Marian)				
MCGUIRE, JAMES E.	10/92	646-4443		Henry Bardsley
792 Fairfax	B	48009		
(Ginny)				
CHALMERS, JOSEPH	10/92	646-6290		Bob Watson
1424 Fairway	B	48009		
(Elsie)				
WAGNER, LOUIS A.	10/92	643-6099		Carl Schorn
3847 Boulder Dr.	TR	48084		
(Edna)				

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 Troy, MI 48084 637-9879

More Keeping Up

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members, wants to emphasize that there's room for more at the one-chair emporium. It's located in the building on the corner of North Maple just west of Adams. You can park in the rear. He's on the lower level, Room B-5. Those who get a little off

the top from Ed say that somehow you get the feeling Ed's your personal barber.

IT WAS A BALL -- Ninety-three golfers showed up for their annual dinner, drank some, ate a lot, and shared plenty of prizes.

REMINDER!!

No meeting
 on Nov. 27,
 day after
 Thanksgiving