



# The Reminder

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## A 1987 PREVIEW -- OUR NEW OFFICERS

Our 1987 officers were voted in by acclamation at the November 14 meeting.  
They are:

John Spomer	President
Paul Fitzpatrick	First Vice-President
Bert Henderson	Second Vice-President
Charles Williams	Recording Secretary
Bill Brown	Corresponding Secretary
Blaine Gordon	Treasurer
James Reeves	Assistant Treasurer
Dennis Sante	Officer at Large
Harold Nyberg	Officer at Large

These officers will appreciate your cooperation, your suggestions, and your participation in committee activities throughout the year.

## ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS --- BILL BROWN, Corresponding Secretary

Associates are invited to write Bill with news of interest to former bridge partners or golfers who are sticking it out up here in the nawth country. Y'all hear that?

Birthdays in December are: December 3, Ray Morgan; 16th Bill Pilditch; 23rd, Norm White; 24th, Burke Bartlett. Merry Christmas to all of you, even those not residing in the tropics.

## DUES -- A FINAL 'REMINDER'

According to our SMC Constitution:

"All dues are payable on January 1 of the current year". Those who have not paid have only two meetings to comply. Those who have paid will miss the rush to Treasurer Blaine Gordon. As a reminder, the dues structure is: Regular members, \$15/year; Associate members, \$6/year; Applicants, \$3/year and those on Leave of Absence, \$6/year.

SPECIAL EVENT: CHRISTMAS PARTY - ROBERT S. MCKELVEY REPORTING

Our annual Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 17, will be the last Special Event of the year. Happy hour will start at 6:00 p.m. and The Community House dinner served at 7. We have received confirmation from the North Pole that Santa will be here to greet the ladies and present them with a corsage. Entertainment will feature the Straw Hat Band as well as a barbershop quartet. Tickets are \$30 per couple.

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CHRISTMAS WALK AT MEADOWBROOK HALL IS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

The famous Meadowbrook Christmas Walk this year carries a Swedish theme in the decorations -- and, of course, the decorations are the whole thing for this occasion. SMC members and friends will join in taking this colorful walk on Thursday, December 11, at 10:30 a.m. Tickets may still be available at the ticket table in the Ruth Shain room at the Friday meeting, December 5. The price is \$4.00 per person.

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INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP -- BOB LOTZ, CHAIRMAN

The next Investment Study Group meeting will be Wednesday, December 10, 2:45 p.m., at The Community House. The meeting chairman will be Murray Hayward and the guest speaker will be Jim Sansatara, Vice President of Comerica Bank. The subject will be "The Stock Market Outlook". This is always a popular topic.

The January meeting will be held January 14. The meeting chairman will be Bob Lotz and the guest speaker will be Douglas Parrish of Private Ledger Financial Services. The topic will be "The Use of Limited Partnerships" in your financial plan.

The Investment Study Group meetings are held in The Community House on the second Wednesday of each month from September through June. The meetings start at 2:45 p.m. and end by 4:15 p.m.

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A REPEAT OF LAST YEAR'S SPRING GATHERING?

If you plan to be in Florida during mid-February to mid-April and would like to attend a luncheon meeting of members, associate members, applicants (and spouses, widows and friends thereof): supply Bruce Smith with one self-addressed stamped envelope so that he can reach you when plans are finalized in mid to late January. Bruce will pick the time, place and entertainment based on YOUR suggestions. Bruce will be in Sarasota after January 5; all first class mail will be forwarded to him there.

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### BOWLING REPORT -- JACK LORNE, CHAIRMAN

Attendance at our Monday outings has been very good, with a low of 51 on November 10 to 61 on November 3. The performances have not been as consistent, but we still managed some respectable numbers.

Single games over 200 were rolled by Bedford Reeves, Compton (2), and Breitmeyer.

Three games over 500 by individuals were Mitchell, Partridge, Compton (2), Hoagland, Reeves, Swartz, Breitmeyer, and Henderson.

Ray Compton took over individual high 3-game total with a 581, and Ray Swartz came close with 576. Bill Barr outshone everyone else when he converted the 7-10 split, and Jules Falke set a different example by rolling between the 4-7 baby split without touching either. Mystery game winners were Les Swanson, Harry Partridge, Marcel DeSmet, and Tom Mitchell. All winnings were contributed to the cause.

Team No. 6 with Heavenrich, Lytle, Wagner, and Reeves is in first place, followed by Team 1, 3 points back, with Teams 8, 10, and 2 breathing down their necks, all within 25 points as of November 17.

There is still space for more bowlers, should any of you feel you are missing out on a good thing.

### HOW TO GET THE REMINDER AT YOUR WINTER ADDRESS

Put your name and winter address on a No. 10 envelope and affix a first class stamp. Make out one envelope for each month you expect to be away. Give the envelopes to the Corresponding Secretary.

### "OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES' (From an anonymous member)

A farmer's wife told the town constable that a little five-year-old girl, who had just moved up from London, had been using profanity, and she feared the ill effects on her own children. The policeman went around to check up on the charge, and said to the youngster, "I've been hearing about a wee miss who's been using naughty language." "Who told you that?" she asked. "A little bird," said the constable. "Well, I like that," mused the little girl. "And to think I've been feeding the little S.O.B.s."

GOLF DOME - - MARCEL DeSMET, CHAIRMAN

Golf practice at the Dome starts Thursday, January 8. Everyone is welcome, members and applicants. The cost is the same as last year; \$5.00 per person per day. Bud Wingert is the new Manager and Pro; he welcomes us back for the 1987 season. There is a complete Pro Shop as well as a Club Repair Shop.

There is a free Junior Golf Clinic available at the Golf Dome and Mr. Wingert would like you to know of their program called "Clubs for Kids". Any old golf clubs you have to donate to this program will be more than welcome. Contact Marcel DeSmet for disposition of your old clubs.

Golf practice starts Thursday, January 8. All practices are on Thursdays, from 9 to 11 a.m. The schedule is:

January 8 and 22 - February 5 and 19

March 5 and 19 - April 2 and 16

The Pros will be available for lessons on the first Thursday of the month. The Golf Dome is at 29601 John R, just north of 12 Mile Road. Please notify Marcel if you are planning to attend any or all of the practice sessions.

BRIDGE REPORT - JOE HENNINGER, CHAIRMAN

There were 264 bridge players in the last week of October and three weeks in November. Ed Clarke and Henry Bardsley conducted 20 tables of Duplicate Bridge. For the 184 Contract Bridge players, the scores were:

<u>TEN HIGHEST SCORES</u>		<u>TEN HIGHEST AVERAGES</u>	
1. - Paul Fitzpatrick	- 6090	1. - Marcel DeSmet	- 3150
2. - Marcel DeSmet	- 4230	2. - Joe Kern	- 2680
3. - Howard Hoffman	- 3960	3. - John MacLellen	- 2620
4. - Joe Kern	- 3660	4. - Jerry Bartlam	- 2605
5. - Neil Van Haltern	- 3580	5. - Roy Snypp	- 2460
6. - Art Underwood	- 3550	6. - Elmer Bailey	- 2430
		7. - Baylor Sutton	- 2425
7. - John MacLellen	- 3510	8. - Joe Henninger	- 2420
8. - Baylor Sutton	- 3480	9. - Chas. Salley	- 2340
9. - Bert Henderson	- 3460	10. - Larry Keim	- 2175
10. - Chas. Salley	- 3450		

A total of 5 small slams were bid and made.

BULLETIN FROM OUR PERIPATETIC SCRIBE, Paul Carter

I.R.S. Advisory: Taxpayers claiming deductions for medical expenses for knee or hip operations should file "joint" returns.

1987 COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE

In 1986, 97% of the SMC members contributed to the Fund Drive. This continues our record of outstanding support of The Community House. Many of our new members may not know that The Community House is not aided by any Governmental agency such as the United Fund or other charitable organizations. It relies on contributions from individuals in the community and the clubs that use it. Additional revenue comes from classes, meetings, meals served, art shows, and weddings.

The House needs many items of renovation and restoration; after all, 63 years of wonderful operation has taken its toll in many areas. The goal for 1987 is \$165,000, up ten percent from 1986. Hopefully, you will all again support the House generously with a commensurate increase.

If you are leaving for warmer climes before the end of the year, please see us or the front desk for pledge cards and envelopes. Be sure to identify yourself as a Senior Men's Club member on your check.

A suggestion: - pay your contribution before December 31 and take advantage of a tax deduction.

- - Harold Nyberg and Chick Holmes, Special Projects.

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IF YOU EAT AT BILL KNAPP'S, YOU CAN HELP BASCC

BASCC is raising money to buy a commercial coffee maker for it's senior center in the Pierce School. Here's one way they are doing it and the way you can help. Any time you eat at a Bill Knapp's, when you pay your bill at the cashier's, ask for a Community Support certificate. Save these, and turn them over to our own Bob Watson, who will make sure they get to the BASCC office. There are several Bill Knapp restaurants in this area, the nearest on Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Hills.

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IN MEMORY

GROVER FAIRBANKS, who joined our Club in June 1977, died November 24. Funeral services were held at the Bell Chapel of William R. Hamilton Co. on Wednesday, November 26.

ALICE FLEMINGTON, the widow of our late Life Member Herbert D. Flemington, died November 27. Services were held at First United Methodist Church, Birmingham, December 1.

1987 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

<u>A thru F</u>	<u>G thru L</u>	<u>M thru R</u>	<u>S thru Z</u>
Jan. 2	Jan. 9	Jan. 16	Jan. 23
Feb. 6	Feb. 13	Feb. 20	Feb. 27
Mar. 6	Mar. 13	Mar. 20	Mar. 27
Apr. 3	Apr. 10	Apr. 17	Apr. 24
May 1	May 8	May 15	May 29 *
June 5	June 12	June 19	June 26
July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24
Sept. 4	Sept. 18 **	Sept. 18	Sept. 25
Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16	Oct. 23
Oct. 30	Nov. 6	Nov. 13	Nov. 20 ***

\* No meeting May 22, Michigan Week

\*\* No meeting Sept. 11, DAR Antique Show

\*\*\* No meeting Nov. 27, Thanksgiving Week

Note: There are no meetings for Applicants in December

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

NEW MEMBERS

SPONSOR

SCOTT, THOMAS M. 2880 Lanergan	11/86 TR	642-5439 48084	Bob Brown
ROOT, BENNETT W. 1741 Bradford Rd.	11/86 B	646-8663 48008	Charles Kass
CARROLL, THOMAS J. 963 Puritan	11/86 B	646-4433 48009	Milt Stuecheli
ALEXANDER, J. REED 5411 Lane Lake Rd.	11/86 BH	646-7213 48013	Walt Bromley
INGRAHAM, CARL F. 940 Harmon	11/86 B	644-7117 48009	Vern Bryant

Change of Address: LeRoy A. Snell  
115 Echo St., Apt. 308  
Mankato, MN. 56001

Transfer to Associate Member:

Joseph H. Landre 3430 Galt Ocean Dr. Apt. 1209 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308	Thomas J. Mitchell 3261 Thunder Bay Rd. Ridgeway, Ontario, Canada	Alister B. Brownlie 4050 Ocean Dr., Apt. 503 Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, FL. 33308
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Resigned: Harold Chappell who joined in May, 1985.