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PROGRAM FOR APRIL -- CHARLES WILLIAMS, CHAIRMAN

April 2 - Speaker: Vince Desmond, Director of Community Affairs
Tuesday Detroit Tigers Baseball Club
Subject: "Can The Tigers Do It Again In '85?"

NO MEETING FRIDAY, APRIL 5 -- GOOD FRIDAY

April 12 - Speaker: Senator C. Douglas Cruce, Member of Michigan
Friday Legislature, 16th Senate District
Subject: "Legislative Outlook for 1985"

April 19 - Speaker: James Clark, Director of Security
Friday William Beaumont Hospital
Subject: "Hospital Security Challenges"

April 26 - Speaker: Justice Dorothy Comstock Riley,
Friday Michigan Supreme Court
Subject: To be Announced

MAY PROGRAM CHAIRMAN -- DICK HENNE

May 3 - Speaker: Stephen Kershner, Director Baldwin Public
Friday Library, Bloomfield Township Public Library
Subject: "Libraries -- Tomorrow's Information Place Today"

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS

John Harwood, April Chairman

April 2 "Generics, Geriatrics,
Etcetera"
Bud Angevine, Leader

April 12 "Should Hospitals Spend
Money for Advertising?"
Clem Ludden, Leader

April 19 "Star Wars"
Ray Agren, Leader

April 26 "Better Golf in '85"
John Spomer, Leader

May 3 "Gems from the 'Public
Letter Box' and other
Trivia"
Al Beauvais, Leader

May Chairman is Art Newman

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, April 9, 10:30 a.m.
Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 9, 2:00 p.m.
Camera Group

Wednesday, April 17
Horse Races at DRC, See Page 3

Thursday, April 18
Golf season opens, See Page 4

NEXT REMINDER DEADLINE:
Friday, April 26

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NOW YOU CAN GET YOUR REMINDER AT ANY REGULAR MEETING

Active members and applicants alike have been asking where to get a REMINDER if they are not present on the day copies are distributed. Extra copies are available at the table where guests and returnees are registered - just west of the sandwich ticket table. If they are not available, see Bill Brown, Corresponding Secretary, at the speaker's table.

BLOOD TEST SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE IN YOUR HOME BY A PHLEBOTOMIST

Here's an answer to a problem, if you or someone in your home is sick; the doctor needs blood tests, but you can't get to the doctor's office. Member Ed Clarke had that problem. After a lot of checking with doctors, hospitals, and other sources, he finally located a qualified person who comes to the home with her equipment. She is Tina Jablynski; phone (residence) 494-4157; (office) 1-682-6742. You will have to make your own arrangements for her fee, since Medicare does not cover it. Before engaging her you need your doctor's order for the blood samples needed. The Phlebotomist puts the blood samples in vials, labels them, and delivers them to a lab.

FROM THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S INCOMING MAIL

Life Member LeRoy Braisted has written the Club as follows:

"Dear Bill Brown -

I greatly appreciate your letter of January 28 extending condolences to me on the death of my wife, Neenah. I also read the notice in the Memory section of the February issue of The Reminder, which I also greatly appreciate.

Although I am physically unable to attend the meetings, I follow the 'goings-on' and keep abreast of everything. I'm proud to be a Life Member, and congratulate Al Riebling and his cohorts for the fine job they are doing.

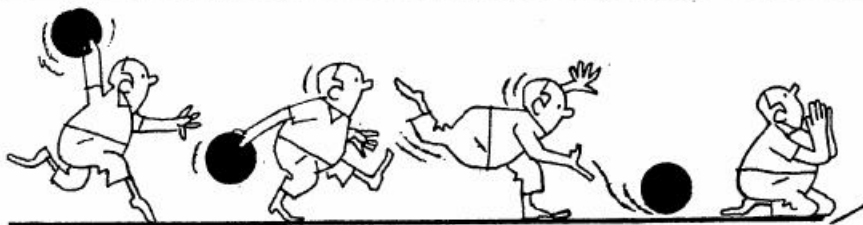
Sincerely, LeRoy Braisted"

APRIL SPECIAL EVENT -- "THE SPORT OF KINGS" -- BOB MCKELVEY, CHAIRMAN

The Detroit Racing Club is the locale for the SMC April Special Event on Wednesday, April 17. This "package deal" includes: admission to the club house, reserved tables in the dining room, a sumptuous lunch, parking, tips, and taxes. Cost, only \$12.50. Lunch starts at 12:30 p.m. and races at 2 p.m. One race will be named in honor of the SMC. Cash bar and betting is your responsibility. Members, applicants and wives are invited. Only 100 tickets are available; they are sold before and after our meeting, or call Bob McKelvey.

FUND-A-CHAIR PROGRAM -- ROY HAWKINSON AND CHICK HOLMES, CO-CHMN.

Things are going fine, and you'll be sitting pretty when those new chairs arrive. The campaign-up-to-March 25 reports: 237 chairs and \$9,506.00. To join your fellow members in this important program, make out a check to The Community House, noting on it "Chair Program." Turn it in at the office or mail it to The Community House. Indicate "Chair Program" on the envelope. It's tax deductible. Endow a chair for 40 dollars -- or any part of a chair, or 10 chairs if you like. Do it now!

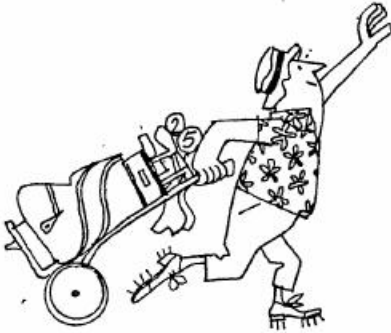
BOWLING -- INTO THE HOME STRETCH -- BY JIM REEVES, CHAIRMAN

Average attendance for the month was 48; right on the numbers for the twelve teams. We had one new bowler for the month, Jack Trudell. Welcome to the league, Jack.

The battle for the second-half title is still up for grabs. Team Seven has held the lead for the past four weeks, but hasn't been able to distance the competition. Teams Three and Eight are tied for second, only 1-1/2 games behind. All the teams -- well almost all -- are still very much in the race. Only 4-1/2 games separate the top ten teams.

The high individual game bowling scores were: Ray Swartz, 231; Tom Mitchell, 225; and Bert Henderson, 222. For series: Bert Henderson, 596; Ray Swartz, 560; and Les Swanson, 548.

Only five regular bowling sessions remain, plus the Championship "Roll-Off" before we ring down the curtain on a very successful bowling season. The March 4th "snow-out" will be made up on Thursday, April 11, at the usual time (9:30 a.m.). The bowling banquet is scheduled for May 1 at The Community House, with a cash bar at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00. We always have a good time and everyone goes home with a prize. So mark your calendar and plan to attend.



**GAWLPHINE WITH THE SENIORS: SEASON OPENS
APRIL 18 -- BY A. RAY SWARTZ**

Seniors are you ready? The 1985 golf season starts Thursday, April 18 at Springdale Golf Course at 9:01 a.m. The city informs me the course will be ready (weather permitting). Will you be ready? With only 26 showing up at the Golf Dome March 21, most of you must be ready! The last session at the Dome is April 4 with the Pro's in attendance. The price is right, \$5.00 for two hours of swinging.

The fee for golf is the same as for 1984: \$3.00 for 9 holes of golf (\$2.50 for greens fees and \$.50 towards prizes and incidentals). Electric carts are rented for \$8.00 for nine holes (two to a cart), \$11.00 for 18 holes. Seniors (residents of Birmingham) may play all weekdays for \$2.50 for nine holes, \$5.00 on weekends. Non-residents may play as a guest for \$6.00 weekdays and \$6.50 weekends. ALL RESIDENTS MUST HAVE A LEISURE ACTIVITY PASS! These are available at the office at 851 South Eton; \$5.00 for new passes, \$3.00 for renewal.

The Golf League has 26 starting times at Springdale Golf Course for the 1985 season, beginning at 9:01 a.m. and ending at 11:56 a.m. These starting times will accommodate 104 golfers.

In 1984, 103 golfers signed up. An average of 72, or 70% played in the summer months. The Golf Committee anticipates an additional 30 to 35 golfers from the new members inducted in late 1984 and those inducted in 1985 before the season begins.

At the same rate of play, the additional golfers will fill up the available starting times. The Committee urges golfers not listed in regular starting times to sign up to play in foursomes at the regular starting times still available.

Golfers who choose not to play in Regular starting time foursomes, are given a number at the sign-in table and are filled into foursomes as openings occur each week. Lengthy waits will sometimes occur.

Players in foursomes must sign in at least 15 minutes before their starting time. If a player is late signing in, his spot will be filled from the individual waiting list. The late player will be given a number and take his turn on the individual list.

A Preliminary Schedule is posted on the bulletin board. Add your name, either to the Foursome List or the Individual List.

With your cooperation, we (the Committee) can eliminate some of the trying times we had in previous years and make golfing more pleasant for all.

Contact Ray Swartz or Marcel DeSmet if you have a question.

CAMERA GROUP TO VIEW HAITI'S CULTURE -- BY BOB HADLEY, CHAIRMAN

Next Camera Group presentation will be Tuesday, April 9. Bob Hermann, one of our member applicants, will show "A Glimpse of Haiti." This one should indeed be of cultural interest. The Camera Group thanks Bob for becoming involved. An added attraction will be one of our "Mini Forums" on how to use polarizers.

GOLF DOME -- MARCEL DeSMET, CHAIRMAN

(The Golf Dome is located at 29601 John R, just north of 12 Mile Road)

Twenty-two golfers attended the Dome on March 7 for lessons and practice. On March 21, 26 golfers came out for practice. This was certainly a big letdown from the month of February.

There is one session left -- April 4. Two Pro's will be in attendance. Let's have a good showing to finish up the season!! Those who are on the Waiting List are very welcome. Please contact Marcel DeSmet, 644-3458, if you are planning to be present. The cost per day is \$5.00/person.

INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP -- MURRAY HAYWARD, CHAIRMAN

Approximately 50 members and applicants of the Senior Men's Club attended the March 13 session of the Investment Study Group. Amelia Turcotte of Kidder, Peabody and Company spoke on "Bonds and Other Fixed Income Investments." Paul Hosman was program chairman.

Richard Henne, Senior Men's Club Member, will speak at the Wednesday, April 10 meeting. His subject: "Technical Analysis -- Black Magic or Science?" All members and applicants are invited. The meeting will start at 2:45 p.m.

At the May 8 meeting the speaker will be Gregory J. Schwartz, Chief Executive Officer, Gregory J. Schwartz Company. His topic will be "Mutual Funds."

BRIDGE REPORT

Our apologies to the membership. We were unable to publish a Bridge Report this month.

* * * FREE INCOME TAX SERVICE continues through the first * * * week of April -- 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. -- In Birmingham, Tuesdays at BASCC (Pierce School), Thursdays at Baldwin Library, Fridays at First Methodist Church.

SENIORS WILL SWING AT BASCC SPRING FLING

Repeating its surprising success of last year, BASCC is sponsoring a Spring Dance for senior citizens of the area in the Pierce School gym Thursday, May 9, from 1 to 3 p.m. Senior Men's Club members, alone or with spouses or friends, are welcome. Some of our members attended last year and enjoyed the fox trots and waltzes. It's live music again. And refreshments are included. Price is \$3 per person. Tickets are available at the door or at the BASCC office, Room 2 of Pierce School.

HOW COME ALL THIS PUBLICITY? SOMEBODY TAKE A BOW

In the past few weeks, members of SMC have been delighted to see feature stories about their club or its members in the Eccentric and in the Detroit News. Here's the recap:

February 25. Front Page of Section B of The Eccentric with information about the workings of a newspaper. The illustration was a 1982 picture of one of our meetings, with Tom Kilgour seen as President.

March 10. Detroit News four-column picture and story about our hostesses. In the picture is Byra Stinson serving Ed Sammut and Dick Sneed.

March 14. Eccentric story, one of Betty Angelo's series about Birmingham old timers. This one is about Elizabeth and Dick Sneed.

Our thanks should go to Jeanne Whitaker of The Eccentric, and Alicia Gillette, who got her story in The Detroit News.

EDITOR CONFESSES CONCLUSION-JUMPING

Our apologies to Mardy Polaner, who last month contributed the following special article. Here is the correct version, copied from Mardy's original.

Former President Bob Watson has persuaded Mardy Polaner to repeat the two programs he gave on the "Ward Line Disasters" on the 100th Anniversary. The programs are to be given on the last two Fridays of January, 2035. All members, present and future, are urged to be sure to attend.

The editor thought Mardy meant the Club's 100th Anniversary. Sorry about that.

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Man to assemble Nuclear Fissionable Isotopes,
Molecular Reactive Counters, and Three-Phase
Cyclotronic Uranium Photosynthesisers.

No experience necessary.

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MEETING SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

| <u>A Thru F</u> | <u>G thru L</u> | <u>M thru R</u> | <u>S thru Z</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Apr. 2 | Apr. 12 | Apr. 19 | Apr. 26 |
| May 3 | May 10 | May 17 | May 31 |
| June 7 | June 14 | June 21 | June 28 |
| July 5 | July 12 | July 19 | July 26 |
| Sept. 6 | Sept. 20 | Sept. 20 | Sept. 27 |
| Oct. 4 | Oct. 11 | Oct. 18 | Oct. 25 |
| Nov. 1 | Nov. 8 | Nov. 15 | Nov. 22 |

Note: There is no meeting on April 5 or May 24. There are no meetings in August. In September there is no meeting on the 13th, so G thru L will double up with M thru R on the 20th. There are only two meetings in December; for which applicants are not scheduled.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Lee Clark whose birthday is April 9
 Howard Larick whose birthday is April 16

IN MEMORY

WILLIAM S. T. RENTON, who joined our Club in 1972, died February 2 (see the article in the March REMINDER). During his ten years as an active member, Bill worked diligently on several committees, including: Attendance (Chairman), Callers, Table Setting, Bridge (Vice-Chairman) 1979-80, and the REMINDER Circulation Staff, 1980-82. Bill's ready smile and firm handshake has been missed since he moved to Cloquet, Minnesota, and transferred to Associate Member. In his business career, Bill was employed for 48 years with Detroit Edison, retiring on November 30, 1971, as New Business Co-ordinator For Oakland County. His family suggests that any memorials be sent to the Senior Men's Club.

GEORGE HENRY BUCHANAN who died March 5, joined the Club in June, 1980. He was born June 1, 1897 in Thamesville, Ontario, and served in WW I. George was in the Rotary Club for fifty years and retired as President of Buchanan, Diamond Coal and Coke Company.

DARREL P. SNYDER who died March 10 joined the Club in April, 1984. He retired from the Chevrolet Motor Division in 1978, working in the Financial Department as Statistician, and in Cost and Pricing.

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MEMBERSHIP CHANGES DURING MARCHRESIGNATIONS

Charles L. O'Neil who joined in December, 1974
 William Smith, Associate Member, who joined in April, 1975
 John J. Dyer, Associate Member, who joined in March, 1976
 John C. Bates, who joined in November, 1979
 John P. Schneider, who joined in March, 1983
 Stanley J. Fiol, who joined in January, 1984
 Harold G. Warner, who joined in February, 1984

NEW MEMBERSSPONSOR

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|--|-----------|-------------------|--------------|
| KNUDSEN, RICHARD L. 2744 Teynham Pl. | 3/85 B | 646-6183 48010 | Walt Dreyer |
| FREMUTH, KARL M. 592 Woodland | 3/85 B | 644-1710 48009 | Bob Massey |
| SNELLING, WILLIAM L. 3541 W. Bradford Dr. | 3/85 B | 642-7966 48010 | Ray Green |
| BURNS, GEORGE R. 221 Westbourne Dr. | 3/85 B | 647-1228 48010 | Ed Sammut |
| FARKAS, STEPHEN R. 1111 N. Woodward Apt. A-205 | 3/85 B | 646-2308 48009 | Frank Fisher |
| ROOSA, MAX B. 18686 Chelton Dr. | 3/85 B | 647-1036 48009 | Fred DeWitt |
| KENDALL, JAMES M. 2350 Derby | 3/85 B | 649-2388 48008 | Joe Beckley |
| MacLachlan, William M. 17830 Buckingham Rd. | 3/85 B | 644-1003 48009 | John Rumsey |

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Reginald Nicholas, Donald Morse, Harold Simms, George Howell

CHANGE OF ADDRESS, ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Dave Kaplan, 1004 S.W. 15th St., Boynton Beach, FL 33435