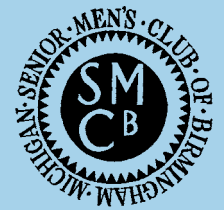


The Reminder

September 2010

Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan



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Augie Perrotta Honored

Member Augie Perrotta recently received a most prestigious honor for his many and long standing contributions to the osteopathic medical profession.

The American Osteopathic Association recognized Augie as a "Great Pioneer in Osteopathic Medicine." The award

specifically noted that he is the first fellowship-trained and board-certified hematologist in this profession and recognized him for sharing his medical knowledge and clinical skills. Congratulations, Augie!



—Dick Harper



SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

SEPTEMBER CHAIRMAN: Jack McLaughlin

- 3 John Ziraldo, CEO, Lighthouse *Oakland Lighthouse Programs*
- 10 Nancy Gioia, Director, Global Electrification, Ford Motor Co. *Ford's Electrification Strategy & Plans*
- 17 David Brandon, Athletic Director, U of M *U of M Football*
- 24 Deborah Hopkins, Chief Innovation Officer and Chairman, Venture Capital Initiatives, Citigroup *Designing the Future of Money*

OCTOBER PROGRAMS

OCTOBER CHAIRMAN: Dick Lindgren

- 1 Lewis Walker, PhD, President, Lawrence Technical University *Lawrence Tech*

SEPTEMBER DISCUSSIONS

SEPTEMBER CHAIRMAN: Ken Urwiller

- 3 Harold D. Portnoy, MD, Director, the Hydrocephalus Clinic, St. Joseph Mercy Oakland..... *Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus: A Curable Form of Dementia and Gait Disturbance*
- 10 Tom Rogala, Rogala Benefits, LLC *Medicare-The Past, Present and Future*
- 17 Tom Rifai, MD, Medical Director, Metabolic Nutrition and Weight Management Program, St. Joseph Mercy Oakland *Eating Healthy + Watching Your Weight = A Healthy You*
- 24 Michael Stafford, PhD, Director, Cranbrook Institute of Science..... *The World's Loss of Coral Reefs—Cause and Effect*

OCTOBER DISCUSSIONS

OCTOBER CHAIRMAN: Augie Perrotta

- 1 TBD..... *TBD*

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Deaths:

George M. Cleland, (LOA), joined Nov. 2001

Stanley J. Fiol, (Life), joined January 1984

John J. McCuen, joined January 2006

Robert A. Merz, joined January 2000

Gordon Poor, (Life), joined January 1983

—Pete Kass, Membership Chairman

—John M. Steele, Database Chairman

—Bill Shaffmaster and Tom Booth, Photography

Games

Monday Golf League

We have been averaging 38 players - down a bit, but providing room for more golfers. So please come out and join us in the fun and friendship. July 26 was led by John Perryman with a 39. Pete Good was closest to the pin at 3'2". Birdies were scored by Bill Duncan on #2, Don Foehr on #7 and Bob Hinytzke on #3 and #6. Nine players were at 45 and under.

On August 2, Ted Chapekis and Jim Doyle scored 39. Les Lessenthien was closest to the pin with 5' 1/2". Don Foehr birdied #1. Eight players made the Honor Roll.

On August 9 we had our best scoring day ever. Jim Doyle led at 35 followed closely by Pete Kass at 36. Thirteen golfers were at 45 or better. Pete Kass birdied #2 and #5 and was closest to the pin at 3'4". Pete Good birdied #4 and Jim Doyle birdied three holes -- #4, #8 and #9. WOW!

Due to rainouts early in the season our last play date will be Monday, September 20. The weather should be gorgeous.

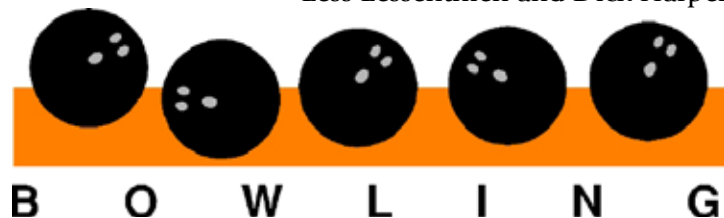
—Bill Spreitzer

Monday Bowling

Wow! Where did summer go? It's time to pull that old dusty bowling ball out of the closet and get ready for action. Bowling starts Monday, September 13 at Thunderbird Lanes on Maple Road, east of Crooks - practice at 9:00AM, scoring starts at 9:15AM, with a modest price increase to \$10. Wednesday practice will return to a 9:30AM start in September.

We are always looking for new bowlers to join a team or serve as a sub - we don't care if you haven't bowled for years - maybe never. We bowl for fun, and not for highly competitive scoring. Call Les Lessenthien (248.879.1127) or Tom Venier (248.642.2386) to learn more, or just show up at Thunderbird Lanes Monday AM to experience the great camaraderie of the bowling group.

—Less Lessenthien and Dick Harper



Thursday Golf

The race for the Thursday Golf lowest gross score continues to heat up. As of week 17 Jim Doyle leads with a 39.1 average followed closely by Bob Hinytzke at 40.1 and Kirby Callam at 40.4. Perry Driggs at 35.7 has yet to play the four (4) minimum rounds to qualify.

The annual Stonycroft Scrambles outing has been set. Details are:

Date: Wednesday, September 15. (Please note the change from previous years.)

Cost: \$40 per person. (Price reflects large food service increase.) Price includes prizes, continental breakfast, lunch, green fees, and gratuities.

Time: 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
9:00 AM Shotgun start
Noon Lunch

Power Carts are available from the Pro for \$10. No walking hand carts are available so feel free to bring your own.

To insure a fair and competitive scramble, the Committee will select the team members based on individual averages. If you wish to be teamed with someone specific, let the Committee know and it will be considered - but no promises, as the need for competition trumps all. Make your reservation with any committee member with either check or cash.

Remember we are guests of Stonycroft and are expected to abide by their rules of dress and decorum. No short shorts, jeans, or shirts without sleeves and collars please.

Hit them long, hit them straight, & hit them high.

—Chuck Travers

Bowlers—Try a Roll

We meet every Monday at Thunderbird Bowl,
They serve us hot coffee while we play and roll,
What could be better for body and soul
Than bowling with friends, and for such a low toll?
It matters not the score that you roll,
For having some fun is our primary goal!

—Art Byington

Attendance Requirements

As specified in our By-Laws, active members are required to attend a minimum of 10 meetings each calendar year or membership may be terminated. The Executive Board may overrule this requirement at its discretion based on extenuating circumstances. New members admitted during the year are required to attend the equivalent of one meeting per month for the remainder of the year.

Attendance requirements for Associate members are established by the Executive Board. Active members unable to attend required meetings may apply for Leave of Absence status.

The Attendance Committee recommends that Active and Associate members review their current attendance status to ensure they have an opportunity to meet their minimum meeting requirements for 2010.

—Dale Parker
Chairman, Attendance Committee

Endowment Fund

A 50/50 raffle for the benefit of the SMC Endowment Fund was held at the SMC Picnic. Bob Jordan was the lucky winner of \$125. A fantastic investment return!

—George Miller

Dress Code



President Irv Poston has announced that our normal dress code for Friday meetings - coat and tie - will be reinstated starting September 3. Our "fashion police" will be watching to insure that we maintain our reputation as the best dressed men in Birmingham.

Go Blue!

How would you like to:

—win two tickets to the Michigan-Iowa game at the newly renovated stadium

—attend a fabulous pre-game tailgate party featuring President Mary Sue Coleman

—be driven to and from Ann Arbor on game day?

Stand by for the next Endowment Fund Lottery in October - you could be the lucky winner!



—Dick Harper and George Miller

Club Notes

- Our first fall meeting is on Friday, September 3
- Revised member application forms are on the SMC and TCH websites
- Make sure John Steele has correct home and email addresses for you
- Ford's CEO -Alan Mulally, will be our speaker on November 12
- Member Bob Seeley - our boogie virtuoso - will perform in East Lansing on October 1
- Only one member showed up for a non-meeting on August 13

—Dick Harper

Free Lunch for Guests

During the month of September (September 3, 10, 17 and 24), SMC will offer a free lunch to prospective members, i.e., your guests. Here are the details:



- Open to guests of Members or Associates
- A maximum of 25 free lunches offered at each September meeting
- Sponsors must register each guest in advance with the Associates Committee by Thursday preceding the meeting at which the guest will be present

Register with Associates Committee Chairman John Klein at 248-363-3020 or klein60@yahoo.com.

Nominating Committee

President Irv Poston has appointed the following members of the SMC nominating committee responsible for selecting Club officer candidates for 2011 - Past President Bill Johnson, Chairman; Past Presidents Frank Barnes and Bob Pullar, plus members Bob Bannon and Don Upward.

The committee will initiate deliberations in September. Per our constitution, the nomination and election of officers for 2011 will take place during the first two weeks of November. Chairman Johnson indicates the committee will accept member suggestions as to officer candidates.

—Dick Harper

SMC 2011 Dues Coupon

2011 Dues are payable before January 1, 2011. A \$10 late fee **must** be added for dues paid after January 1, 2011. Make checks payable to SMC and pay at the meeting or by mail. Please use the coupon if paying by mail.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

If paying by mail, send to:
Senior Men's Club - Dues
The Community House
380 South Bates Street
Birmingham, MI 48009

Dues:

- \$40 Active Member
- \$40 Associate Member
- \$20 Member on Leave

Life Members pay no dues, but may use the coupon to make a voluntary contribution for financial support of our Club.



Dues Increase

SMC membership approved a proposed \$5 dues increase in all member categories at the Club meeting held on July 23, 2010. Accordingly, dues for calendar year 2011 will be \$40 for active and associate members and \$20 for leave of absence members. It was noted that this action represents the first increase in dues for active members since 2003.

The dues coupon above reflects these decisions. Dues are payable at meetings or by mail through December 31. After that date, a late payment fee of \$10 will be required.

—Bill Sprague, Treasurer

No Hard Copy

We continue to make significant progress in motivating our members to discontinue receipt of *The Reminder* by conventional mail. Congratulations to Jack Shea, Ralph Bowen, Bill Duncan, Len Terry, Gary Williams, Bill Schwartz, Jim Slosberg, Fred Hagen, Jim Nordlie, Lou Baughman, Frank Auld, Clarence Cheff and Bob Klein for saving your club development expenses - printing and postage. Any more out there? Tell John Steele.

Groups



Classic Movie Group

Irv Poston will present the SMC premiere of "An American in Paris," a classic 1951 Hollywood musical featuring, exclusively, the music of George Gershwin and the lyrics of his brother Ira. Under the brilliant direction of Vincente Minnelli, we will enjoy a plot that is an excuse to enjoy the artistic design, choreography, sets, great dancers and dance scenes that are even more poignant thanks to digital remastering. Starring Gene Kelly, Leslie Caron and Oscar Levant, the film won six academy awards including Best Picture. The highlight of the film is the ballet based on the title music with sets and costumes in the style of the great French impressionist painters that will never be duplicated. This is a feel-good musical that is set in the most romantic city in the world about a starving artist who stayed in Paris after WW II and falls in love with a French dancer. Oscar Levant plays his true self as the morose, sarcastic hypochondriac pianist, this time as Kelly's friend who discourages the struggling artist in his profession and his love life. A great date movie. Please join Irv on Monday, September 13 at 1:00PM.



—Augie Perrotta



Camera Group

A few years ago, SMC Member Dr. John Stunz visited Normandy and Brittany. He will show great slide pictures of that trip on Tuesday, September 14 at 2:00PM. Two months ago I invited SMC members in *The Reminder* to come forward to show their travel pictures and stories at the Camera Group this fall or next spring. No one responded! I do have some interesting video to show to fill the gap, but I am certain that there are more travelers in the SMC. Please come forward!

—Jaap B. Delevie



Investment Group

On Wednesday, September 8 at 2:45PM, Shawn Burr, Senior VP, Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney and former Red Wing (14 seasons) will share insights on the global economic recovery. Shawn and John Hoagland (son of the late SMC member Ed Hoagland) are members of the Troy branch. They will also examine the state of the states with a particular focus on Michigan. Hopefully, they will show us how to "score" in the future. The Stock Game will begin on October 8 - get your picks ready!

—George Miller



Computer Group

The Computer Group will meet on Wednesday, September 15 at 3:00PM. Richard Billington will lead a discussion of computers and the market.

—Bob Chandler



Book Reading Groups

On Wednesday September 1 at 10:30AM, we will be discussing "Invention of Air" by Steven Johnson. The author recounts in dazzling, multidisciplinary fashion the story of the brilliant man who embodied the relationship between science, religion, and politics for America's Founding Fathers. It is the story of Joseph Priestley - scientist and theologian, protégé of Benjamin Franklin, friend of Thomas Jefferson, an eighteenth-century radical thinker who played pivotal roles in the invention of ecosystem science, the discovery of oxygen, the founding of the Unitarian Church, and the intellectual development of the United States.

On Monday, September 20 at 3:00PM, we will be discussing "Before the Dawn" by N. Wade. Based on a groundbreaking synthesis of recent scientific findings, critically acclaimed *New York Times* science reporter Nicholas Wade tells a bold and provocative new story of the history of our ancient ancestors and the evolution of human nature. In wonderfully lively and lucid prose, Wade reveals the answers that researchers have ingeniously developed to so many puzzles.

—Ted Chapekis

Senior Health Matters—

Investment Fraud and Financial Exploitation

According to a Duke University study, about 35% of the 25 million people in the US who are 71 or older have either mild cognitive impairment or dementia. They are at greater risk for investment fraud and financial exploitation. Red flags are:

- Social isolation
- Bereavement
- Dependence on another to provide care
- Financially responsible for adult child or spouse
- Alcohol/drug abuse, depression or mental illness
- Fearful, emotionally pliable, distressed
- Cognitive problems, suspicious, delusional
- Change in appearance, poor hygiene
- Accompanied by a caregiver who is overly protective, domineering
- Change in ability to perform activities of daily living including self-care, daily finances, medication management

The Baylor College of Medicine in Houston developed a Financial Concerns Checklist to train health professionals to identify those at risk by asking:

1. Who manages your money from day to day?
How is that going?
2. Do you run out of money at the end of the month?
3. Do you regret or worry about financial decisions you have recently made?
4. Have you given power of attorney to another person?
5. Do you have a will? Has anyone asked you to change it?

Are you having any of the following common concerns?

- I have trouble paying bills because the bills are confusing to me.
- I do not feel confident making big financial decisions alone.
- I do not understand financial decisions that someone else is making for me.
- I give loans or gifts more than I can afford.
- My children are pressuring me to give them money.
- People are calling me or mailing me asking for money, lotteries.
- Someone is accessing my accounts or money seems to be disappearing.

Resources for social services and investor protection and legal advice or protection are available on the SMC website.

—Augustine L. Perrotta, D.O.

Stratford in October

Join us on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 for our annual pilgrimage to the Stratford Music Festival to enjoy the smash hit musical, "Evita."



Arguably this is Andrew Lloyd Webber's best work. "Evita" recounts the rise of Eva Duarte from rural poverty in Argentina – through successful careers as mistress, film actress, model and radio personality – to become the influential wife of President Juan Peron and the adored goddess of the Argentine masses. Evita's rise is superbly narrated by "Che," an advocate of the people, who believes her motives are not to improve the conditions of the working class but are strictly for the cash and prestige.

Expect a quick sellout of this event. Friends who have seen the Stratford production rate it outstanding. The music is memorable and the dancing is spectacular. You will love it – guaranteed! A full but memorable day has been arranged.

- Depart the First Presbyterian Church at 8:15AM via luxury coach. The early start is due to road construction delays along our route.
- Lunch at the Stratford Country Club. Lunch will be buffet style with two warm entrees, sides and plenty of desserts. A cash bar is available.
- Evita will begin at 2:00PM at the Avon Theatre. You will have ample time prior to the show to browse the theatre area and gift shop.
- Following the play, you can satisfy your sweet tooth with a quick stop at the Stratford Rheo Thompson Candy Shop. A light snack, including a sandwich and cookie, will be served on the return trip. We should arrive back home about 8:30PM.

The price for this special event is \$110 per person. The price includes transportation, lunch, the play, post theatre snack and all gratuities. The \$10.00 price increase from last year is due to a small increase in the price of the theatre ticket, but primarily to the increase in the value of the Canadian dollar. Tickets will go on sale at 9:00AM on Friday, September 17, 2010.

Please note: U.S. Immigration Law now requires that visitors to Canada have a valid passport or Enhanced Drivers License. Conventional licenses are not acceptable ID. To ensure we do not jeopardize our crossing, we will check ID's prior to boarding the bus.

—Bob Gualdoni, Riggs Miller and John Ellis, Co-Chairs

Mystery Lyrics

From one extreme to the other. Our musical challenges for June proved to be quite difficult, with only one reader identifying the mystery lyrics song. So we decided to ease up a little in July - and we went too far! No fewer than 17 recognized the mystery lyrics, remembering that these lines:

*It's not the pale moon that excites me
That thrills and delights me*

are from the Hoagy Carmichael tune, "The Nearness of You."

In addition, 12 readers remembered that Louis Prima wrote the jazz classic and Benny Goodman hit "Sing, Sing, Sing". About half told us they got this because we noted that the composer was once married to Keely Smith - several indicated they saw Prima/Smith in Las Vegas in the 50's.

We would like to recognize less frequent contributors who had both answers correct, so congratulations to Dick Halstead, John Parker, Dick Secrest, Tom McNally, Fred Leydorf and Jim Judge. In addition, Ben Ewing and Chuck Himelhoch knew the mystery tune, while Pete Kass remembered Prima.

Reader Clay Gordon suggested musical challenges focusing on the Ted Weems big band. Weems had a somewhat obscure theme song, but he did have one big hit, which as Clay reports, "made him famous." Can you remember this one? Lastly, the Weems band often featured something unusual on some songs - a whistler. Can you name him? Finally, answers to these musical challenges can be submitted in many ways - email, phone, regular mail or just see me at TCH.

—Dick Harper



CLUB DATES TO REMEMBER

Executive Board Meeting: Tuesday, September 14, 9:30AM

Reminder Deadline: Friday, September 17

Games

Bowling: Monday, 9:00AM at Thunderbird Lanes (beg. Sept. 13)
Wednesday, 9:30AM at Thunderbird Lanes (practice)

Bridge: Tuesday, 9:00AM and Friday after lunch

Golf: Monday, 7:30AM at Lincoln Hills (through Sept. 20)
Thursday, 9:00AM at Springdale

Special Events

"To Hell and Back," Wednesday, September 22, 9:45AM

"Evita" at Stratford, Wednesday, October 6, 8:15AM

Group Meetings

Book Reading Groups: Group A: Wednesday, September 1, 10:30AM
Group B: Monday, September 20, 3:00PM

Classic Movie Group: Monday, September 13, 1:00PM

Camera Group: Tuesday, September 14, 2:00PM

Investment Group: Wednesday, September 8, 2:45PM

Computer Group: Wednesday, September 15, 3:00PM

All events at The Community House unless otherwise stated.

SMC on the Web:

<http://www.communityhouse.com/getInvolved/interestGroups/SeniorMensClub.html>

Google Group: <http://groups.google.com/group/SMCBirmingham>

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