

# The Reminder



Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan

## APRIL 1998

**PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: CARL R. FREEMAN**

<b>3</b>	Speaker: John Jamian, Executive Director of Detroit Wayne County Port Authority Subject: "Detroit Port Authority" <i>Applicants invited A - I</i>
<b>10</b>	Speaker: Carl Sams, Nature Photographer and Author Subject: "Images of Wildlife" <i>Applicants invited J - Q</i>
<b>17</b>	Speaker: Dr. Orin Gelderloos, Professor of Biology and Environmental Studies, U of M, Dearborn Subject: "Environmental Studies" <i>Applicants invited R - Z</i>
<b>24</b>	<b>NO MEETING - ANTIQUES FESTIVAL</b>

## Discussion Groups

**APRIL CHAIRMAN: JOE MAERTENS**

<b>Apr. 3</b>	Allan Sandy	"New Business Communication Products"
<b>Apr. 10</b>	John Spomer	"Get Ready to Golf"
<b>Apr. 17</b>	Jan McHale	"Selecting a Nursing Home"
<b>Apr. 24</b>	<b>NO MEETING</b>	<b>ANTIQUES FESTIVAL</b>

## Golf Season Opens Soon

Think Spring! Think golf! Get into the swing of things—with a golf club, that is. Here's how.

### Active Golf

Golf season begins for regular Club members at 9 a.m. Thursday, Apr. 9 at the Springdale Golf Course. Ray Swartz says a total of 84 members are

assigned to teams and 38 others have signed up as "walk ons." He explained that most foursomes are missing a player at tee-off time and encouraged others to sign up or just show up.

All Club golfers get one more chance to practice at the Golf Dome

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## Special Events Poll Shows Real Class

A survey of Senior Club members revealed what most of us have always known—that our members are a pretty arty, high-class group when it comes to entertainment.

Going to the theater is the top choice of Club members in a survey conducted by the Special Events Committee during February. A total of 99 survey forms were returned by both regular and applicant members who could list a number of choices, according to Gordon Miller.

Musical and dramatic theater combined got 73 votes, followed closely by the Blue Water Train Trip luncheon at Edison, with 69 votes.

Next in popularity were: Detroit River Tour, 52; Detroit Historical Tour, 49; Detroit Model Railroad with lunch, 46; Shipwreck Tour of Lake Erie, 46; Ford Fairlane with lunch, 46; a tour of Cranbrook, 44; Detroit Auto Show, 43 and Art Museum trip, 41.

Museums and other historical items, when viewed collectively, also ranked very high in the survey.

Bingo was at the bottom of the list with four votes and basketball games with seven.

## Tour of Detroit May 27

Frank Angelo has agreed to conduct his popular Tour of Detroit again this year and the event is scheduled on May 27. Dick Sneed said additional details will be in the May issue of The Reminder.



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lar Friday meetings.*

# Yes, Gale Colwell Will Be Missed

The *Birmingham Eccentric* recently printed a letter from SMC President King Ruhly about the May 1 retirement of Gale Colwell, who has directed the Community House for 15 years.

For those of you who missed it, here is the letter:

"As is typical for her, Gale Colwell attributed the pinnacle of success The Community House has achieved under her regime to others. But you don't get a great board, a great staff, great volunteers and contributions without great leadership. That is what Gale Colwell has provided for 15 years, for which the entire community is eternally grateful.

"Certainly the vigorous Senior Men's Club owes its growth and stability to the environment in which it operates. Other organizations no doubt feel the same debt. The unique organization that is The Community House itself stands as a lasting legacy to the leadership of Gale Colwell."

(GOLF, from page 1)

on Thursday, Apr. 2.

### Applicant Golf

Applicant golf starts with an 8:30 a.m. tee off time on Monday, Apr. 20 at the White Lake Oaks Golf Club. Fifty-six members have signed up.

Tee times were determined by a random drawing of all the foursomes and have been posted on the Club's bulletin board since Mar. 13. Anyone who does not know their starting time should contact Fran De Grande (489-1064). All players should plan on arriving 20-30 minutes prior to their starting times.

Any player who has to be absent for any round should contact De Grande.

### Membership at 719

The count of membership as of Mar. 10 was 719—423 active and 296 applicants—according to Bob Babcock, membership chairman.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

### Special Birthday Greetings:

Charles Latham will be 90 on Apr. 2.

### Associate Member Birthdays:

Richard Jefferies, Apr. 5.

### Change of Address:

Charles Henning, P.O. Box 960, Royal Oak, 48068.

### Deaths:

Wilfred G. Montgomery, on leave, who joined in May, 1985.

John Strang, who joined in Apr., 1987.

### Became Life Members:

Henry Merker, who joined in Apr., 1980.

George Ward, who joined in Oct., 1975.

### New Members:

Johnson, George R., (Mary), 19846 Beverly Rd., Beverly Hills, 48025, 646-8958. Sponsor: Jim Fonda.

Kneisler, Fred J., (Carol), 31553 Waltham, Beverly Hills, 48025, 647-5184. Sponsor: Frank Allen.

O'Callaghan, J. L., (Suzanne), 18832 Riverside, Beverly Hills, 48025, 644-1253. Sponsor: Pete Badalamenti.



## Down Birmingham's Memory Lane



Jack Kausch (right), noted Birmingham photographer, presented a videotape-talk entitled "Birmingham Not So Long Ago" at the Senior Men's Club on Mar. 20. He was introduced by Carl Freeman.

## Busy at 102 And Still Loving It!

The Associated Press recently carried a story about Milton Garland, who is 102 and still working about 20 hours a week at a Pennsylvania engineering firm where he has worked since 1920. Here are few tidbits from a talk he gave to the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

"I don't think age has anything to do with your desire to work," said the man who is believed to be the country's oldest worker (working at least 20 hours per week).

"I love the work I am doing," he said. "My advice is to go into something and stay with it until you like it. You can't like it until you obtain expertise in that work. And once you're an expert, it's a pleasure. And once you like what you do, you don't like to quit doing it."

Garland holds more than 40 patents, mostly involving inventions in various aspects of refrigeration technology.

When asked if he had a special diet, he responded with emphasis: "I eat anything but sauerkraut."

## Articles for Reminder Welcome!

From time to time, Club members have asked whether *The Reminder* is interested in having stories from members. The answer is "Yes, but...."

During the past year or so, *The Reminder* has used a number of article contributed by readers, including:

- o A picture and story about Chuck and Mary Helen Williams' hot-air balloon trip.

- o A hilarious picture of Paul Fitzpatrick in a genuine Viking helmet in Copenhagen.

- o John Dudash's five-year-old granddaughter Lisa learning to spell with the computer.

- o Harold and Joyce Stanton's African charity work.

- o Frank Barnes, SMC member who learned to bowl with his other hand after an injury.

So, the answer is: "Yes, please let the editor know about interesting, unusual or humorous things that have happened to you as well as special recognition, service or, even occasionally, memories of days of yore.

BUT the editor reserves the right to decide which stories would really be of interest to Club members.

So, if you believe you have a story, let us see what you got.

— Alvie Smith, Editor

## Applicant Directory

Copies of the new Applicant Director are available for all applicants at the Friday morning meetings and also at the monthly Applicant Activity meetings. Gordon Miller, chairman, said there is no charge.

Copies also will be available later for regular members.

Next meeting of the Applicant Activity will be 2:30 p.m. Apr. 18.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Apr. 2	Golf Practice at Golf Dome	9:00 a.m.
Apr. 8	Investment Study Group	2:45 p.m.
Apr. 9	Active Golf Begins, Springdale Golf Course	9:00 a.m.
Apr. 14	Executive Board Meeting	9:30 a.m.
Apr. 15	Computer Group	2:30 p.m.
Apr. 17	Deadline for April <i>Reminder</i>	
Apr. 18	Applicant Activity	2:30 p.m.
Apr. 20	Applicant Golf Begins, White Lake Oaks Club	8:30 a.m.

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

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

ALL EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE  
UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED



## "Bye Bye Birdie" Play Set for May 7

A special performance of "Bye Bye Birdie" will be staged by the Village Players for Senior Men's Club members on May 7.

This musical, co-sponsored by BASCC and SMC, will include grand old tunes in a bouncy style that will have you humming along with performers and for days afterwards. It will be a sample of nostalgia for those who remember when Elvis was "King."

Tickets will cost \$11 for a single and \$20 for a pair, and will go on sale Apr. 10. There are no reserved seats for this performance.

Theater-goers also will have the opportunity to see the extensively remodeled theater and to enjoy a fun evening of old times, sprinkled with happy memories. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

The Village Players Theater is conveniently located on the southeast corner of New Woodward Avenue and Chestnut Street. Ample parking is available nearby.

## Byington Continues To Lead Bowlers

It's so regular, it's almost boring to tell Senior Men's Club members that Art Byington is again sweeping most of the bowling honors.

After 26 weeks of competition, Art leads with highest individual average (175); high game (246) and high series (608). Boring but outstanding scores, anyway.

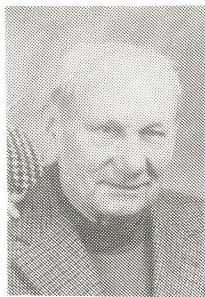
Other notable scores were as follows:

**Leading Team:** Murray Binkley, Paul McGovern, George Kurche and Ray Swartz.

**Team High Game:** (710) Harry Deem, Ray Latovick, Ed Neill and Stormy Wetters.

**Team High Series:** (2,032) Tom Bedford, Chuck Frederick, Bob Jordon and Don Upward.

## New Life Member



Ben Krause became a Life Member of the Senior Men's Club at the Mar. 6 meeting.

## Kern, Tedesco Get Top Bridge Scores

Joe Kern took top honors in contract bridge and Jim Tedesco was the high scorer in duplicate play for this period, as reported by Jac Endress and Al Wagner.

Here are the four top scorers in each category.

### Contract

Joe Kern	4110
Jack Frailey	3600
Carl Shorn	3390
Lloyd Sturgeon	3220

### Duplicate

Jim Tedesco	68%
Don Buchanan	65.5%
John Seely	64%
Jack Gates	62%

## Computer Group Talk On New Office Tools

SMC member Bob Engel will discuss new office computer technology at the Computer Group meeting at 2:30 p.m. Apr. 15.

Bob is taking a course on Office 97, and will share his old and new-found knowledge about using Word, Excel, Power Point and Access. He also will discuss how to work with a data base.

## New Tax Laws Impact On Financial Plans

"The Impact of New Tax Laws on Financial Planning" will be the subject of the Investment Study Group meeting Apr. 8 at 2:45 p.m.

Speaker will be Marilyn Gunther of the Center for Financial Planning Inc. She will discuss how new Federal tax laws enacted during 1997 will affect investing, estate planning and income taxes.

Dick Harper says this session should be of special interest to wives, who some day may have to assume sole responsibility for managing their own financial assets.

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