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PROGRAM FOR MARCH -- JAMES H. VAN DOREN, CHAIRMAN

Friday, March 2

Speaker: Joel Alderman, Executive Director, Birmingham Y.M.C.A.
Topic: "The Y.M.C.A. Today"

Friday, March 9

Speaker: Harold Gibson, Retired, The Ethyl Corporation
Topic: "The Science and Engineering Fair"

Friday, March 16

Speaker: L.L. "Bud" Angevine, member of S.M.C.
Topic: "China, The East is Red"

Friday, March 23

Speaker: Robert Bowen, Director, Cranbrook Institute of Science
Topic: "The Cranbrook Institute of Science"

Friday, March 30

Program Host: Victor Ulrich
Speaker: Dr. Timothy Hickey
Topic: "India"

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS -- BILL WILSON, CHAIRMAN

Friday, March 2: "Old Birmingham"
Merritt Olsen, Leader

Friday, March 9: "Up to Date Report on Space Activities"
Ray Agren, Leader

Friday, March 16: "China Today"
Bud Angevine, Leader

Friday, March 23: "The Fire Came By"
Murray Kennedy, Leader

Friday, March 30: "Drummond Island"
Howard Larick, Leader

Friday, April 6: "Travel Smorgasbord"
Carl Schorn, Leader

COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE: Members are now receiving, in the mail, the 1979 pledge cards. Chick Holmes, drive chairman for our club, will soon be on the phone. Meanwhile he suggests you send in your contribution or pledge now.

THE REMINDER

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ponding Secretary.

CAMERA GROUP - BOB BROWN, CHAIRMAN

The next meeting of the Camera Group will be at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 13, 1979 in Room 8 of St. James Episcopal Church. Enter the church from the covered parking area on Martin Street but please do not park in the church's lot. Room 8 is the first room on the right.

Phil Satterthwaite is going to share with us what he has learned about hyperfocal focusing. Then, after we have absorbed that, he will show his pictures of Hawaii. Guests are welcome.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The foregoing reminds us of the sign formerly on the wall in the St. James parking area: -

When Noah sailed the ocean blue
He had his troubles same as you.
For 40 days he sailed the ark
Before he found a place to park.

BOWLING REPORT -- BOB MASSEY, CHAIRMAN:

In spite of the exodus of many bowlers from our cold climate to the warmth of the South, we continue with good attendance and high scores. Jim Reeves had a recent high of 575 for three games -- second only to Ray Swartz's season high of 616. Guy Galyon had a 556 for three games. He's a newcomer to the "top five." Jack Siebert and Walt Dreyer are moving up fast with high performances during recent weeks. We will probably have additional high scores to report before the season ends.

CAR WANTED BY MEMBER:

Need a low cost used car in good condition for daughter. 1974 or later model preferred. Will pay book value plus for desirable car.
Carl Schorn, 646-3482.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE TALKS AT ICE ARENA:

Birmingham's Senior program at the Ice Arena is continuing a series of informational meetings and films on Wednesdays which are open to all seniors of the area. February 7 at 1:00 p.m., Oakland County Public Health Nurse, Doris Schuchter, will present "What Do You Do When You See a Blind Person?" On Feb. 14, Don Daller will show the Japanese art of paper folding. There is no charge for these informal meetings.. nor for the bridge games starting at 10:00 a.m., which are patronized by many SMC members.

A TRIBUTE TO KEN EYESTONE, RETIRING TREASURER OF THE CLUB

By Alger B. Crandell, Vice Chairman, Historical Committee

At a time when the United States boasted of an even exchange between Management and Labor of an honest dollar for an honest day's work, our honest friend and fellow member of the Old Men's Nostalgia Club - (whoops, I mean THE SENIOR MEN'S CLUB)- Kenneth W. Eyestone began his successful career as a manager, advisor and recorder of financial matters. It was at the turn of the century - "nineteen-nought-one" - as our folks said. They didn't live to see it, but we who were schoolmates then have seen the laborman droop into a dullard who does the bidding of union leaders and sometimes racketeers - and even coming to drag schoolteachers and other respected union members down with them. That's the bad news.

The good news is: what a grand opportunity Kenneth and the rest of us have been granted! We do not blush when we read and talk about the advancements that span our lifetimes. While I may claim that my term with old Henry Ford covered more new-fangled innovations, more raw courage in dropping the old and discovering the new -- Ken may make even greater claims for his many accomplishments. These include eleven youthful years at Reo Motors in his own home town, the next two years in the public accounting office at Grand Rapids that helped to boost him into his CPA bracket, his five years financial training under the City of Flint's William C. Durant - the free-wheeling king of them all - followed by the thirty-two relaxed years at Chrysler's Highland Park headquarters. These years gave him romance beyond mine and the other oldsters -- and balanced out his adventurous nature, leading to his being named Secretary of the Chrysler Corporation.

Looking back, that office seems to be the fulfillment of Brother Eyestone's dreams. It has made his eight years as Treasurer of our Senior Men's Club of Birmingham a master stroke for us. Our benefits have been: careful control of our money and even more careful control of our records.

Fellow member Vernon Bryant says he has marveled at the eight artistic annual reports - the best ever seen. Myself, the one year when I was Recording Secretary of Senior Men's Club, it was a pleasure to be able to read and understand such a document, for I'm neither a careful financier nor a good recorder.

My only excuse is given in a 1901 jingle:

The butterfly has golden wings,
The June bug, wings of flame;
The bedbug has no wings at all,
But he gets there just the same.

Alger B. Crandell

VITAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATIONNEW MEMBERS IN FEBRUARY:

Robert S. McKelvey 30245 Leemoor	2/79 B	646-0179 48010	(NOTE: Roster additions are typed in same format as handbook. For P.O. abbreviations see page 22 of 1979 handbook.)
Julius A. Falke 1195 Bates	2/79 B	646-2468 48009	
David A. Mutchler 16216 Wetherby	2/79 B	48009	
Norman E. Nobes 7449 Deep Run Rd.	2/79 B	642-3563 48010	
John MacLellen 1111 N. Woodward Apt. B-224	2/79 B	647-5996 48009	

NEW PHONE NUMBER: Charlie Heiney now has a new telephone number. Please insert his new number -- 649-3442 -- in your handbook, page 62.

IN MEMORY OF:

Lawrence S. Heintz. He joined the club in July, 1973; died January 29, 1979.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: John G. Slater is now working for The International Executive Service Corps at Nairobi, Kenya, East Africa, until the end of April.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: Chet Stokes celebrated his birthday on February 19th.

FEBRUARY BRIDGE REPORT:

There were 288 bridge players for the four weeks in February for an average of 72 players per week:

THE 10 HIGHEST SCORES FOR FEB. WERE: THE 10 HIGHEST AVERAGES WERE:

1 - Bob Baxter	5600	1 - Bob Varnum	4170
2 - Bob Varnum	5470	2 - Carl Schorn	3610
3 - Ted Harrington	5110	3 - Don Murray	3300
4 - Carl Schorn	5030	4 - Jack Decker	3270
5 - Frank Hanson	4990	5 - Ham Berger	3030
6 - Jack Decker	4250	6 - Otto Thomsen	2990
7 - Bob McKelvy	4190	7 - Les Wilder	2930
8 - Don Murray	4140	8 - Crys Hilliker	2880
9 - Bob Trees	4110	9 - Frank Hansen	2750
10 - Otto Thomsen	4070	10 - Bob Baxter	2730

Low Score for February was 460 by Rolli Webber.

There were 19 small slams bid and made during February.

Joseph R. Henninger
Bridge Chairman