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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER -- BILL STOCKWELL, CHAIRMAN

- Friday, Dec. 4 Speaker: Ruth B. McNamee, State Representative
63rd District
Subject: "An Updated Report from a Troubled State"
- Friday, Dec. 11 Speaker: L. Brooks Patterson, Prosecutor, Oakland County
Subject: "Should Michigan Have Capital Punishment?"
- Tuesday, Dec. 15 Hostess Day, when we salute our lady volunteers
and others.

Entertainment: Kirsten Agresta, piano and harp soloist,
"In Preparation for Christmas"

Special Note: A return engagement of this talented
11-year-old Bloomfield Hills artist who has been winning
awards since she was five years old. She plays the
harp, piano, mirimba, harpsichord, flute, oboe--and
also composes music.

NO MEETINGS: December 18, 25, January 1.

Friday, Jan. 8 -- PROGRAM CHAIRMAN, VERNON C. BRYANT

Program: "Up With People" -- 40 voices from the
International musical group. (See Page 3)

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS -- BILL WILSON, CHAIRMAN

- Friday, Dec. 4 "The U.S. Constitution and the Declaration
of Independence"
Seward Lawson, Leader
- Friday, Dec. 11 "U.S. - Canada Relations"
Gordon Robertson, Leader
- Tuesday, Dec. 15 "Railroad Stocks and Bonds"
Jack Clemons, Leader
- Friday, Jan. 8 "Homework" (Charities and Taxes)
Felix Harrison, Leader

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Thursday, December 17: Christmas
Dinner Dance (See Page 3)
- Tuesday, December 8, Executive
Board, 10:30 a.m.

SPECIAL COLLECTION DECEMBER 4: It is our annual custom, at the first
meeting in December, to "pass the basket" to help bring a Merry Christmas
to the children of Oakland County Children's Village.

THE REMINDER

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RESULT OF NOVEMBER 13 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee having done its work well, the proposed slate was adopted by unanimous vote at the meeting of November 13. The following officers will serve on our Executive Board for 1982:

President	-	Thomas R. Kilgour
First Vice-President	-	Robert W. Watson
Second Vice-President	-	Arthur G. Burgott
Recording Secretary	-	Paul H. Mortimer
Corresponding Secretary	-	Mardy Polaner
Treasurer	-	Russell E. Smith
Assistant Treasurer	-	Robert J. Brown
Members at Large:	-	Lyman W. Jillson
	-	George W. Winborn

Members-at-Large are expected to give special attention to comments or suggestions from members. So--if you have a constructive suggestion (or even a gripe) and want to get it to the attention of the Board, just tackle the "At Large" gentlemen--Lyman Jillson or George Winborn.

READING FOR THE BLIND NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Readings for the Blind, headquartered in Southfield, tape records, textbooks, and many other types of printed materials for the benefit of the visually impaired of all ages. The work is done by a devoted group of eighteen to twenty volunteer readers and monitors who spend four hours a week or more in this worthwhile enterprise. Their work is supervised by Gloria Lewis, Executive Secretary, who is the only paid person on the staff. Located at 29451 Greenfield Road in Southfield, the organization is funded entirely by private contributions. It receives no support from the United Fund or any state or federal agency. Anyone who wishes to contribute or to receive further information about volunteering should call Mrs. Lewis at 557-7776.

HOW TO HAVE THE REMINDER MAILED TO YOU IN THE TROPICS

You fortunate snowbirds who are about to fly off into the warm places might like to receive THE REMINDER while resting on the beach. Simply address one No. 10 envelope for each issue you want, and, of course, affix that 20 cent stamp. Give it to the Corresponding Secretary (Paul Mortimer, or his successor for 1982; Mardy Polaner).

GM CHORUS TO SING AT CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

Art Burgott, Special Events Chairman

Our annual Christmas party will be held in The Community House on Thursday evening, December 17 starting at 6 p.m. This will be a candlelight, white tablecloth affair with Chef Jim Stawara preparing a real home-cooked dinner. This is our holiday dinner menu:

Red Jello with Fruit
 Roast Turkey (right out of The Community House Oven)
 Mashed Potatoes
 Turkey Gravy
 Jellied Cranberries
 Peas and Fresh Mushrooms
 Rolls baked at The Community House
 Creme deMenthe Parfaits
 Coffee, Tea, Sanka or Milk

There will be a cash bar. Dinner tickets are available from Russ Smith at \$11.00 per person, tax and tip included. You are invited to bring your spouse or a guest. Hosts will be on hand to help select and hold table places with reservation cards.

The General Motors Chorus will entertain us following the dinner. Commitment for this musical group had to be made a year in advance. We urge you to come and enjoy the melodies and harmony which have made this chorus famous. Narration will be given by our own Charlie Kass.

"UP WITH PEOPLE" YOUTHS NEED LOCAL ROOMS FOR THEIR VISIT HERE -- 450 TO SING AT SUPER BOWL -- 40 WILL SING FOR SMC JANUARY 8

Temporary rooms are needed for the 450 singers and musicians of the "Up With People" organization, who usually stay with local families, as the exchange students do. Their visit for one month includes appearances in the Detroit area and culminates with a big half-time entertainment at the Super Bowl.

While here, a selected group of 40 will entertain us at our January 8 meeting--our first meeting of 1982, and the last meeting of our 24th year. Anyone who has seen this group on TV knows that they are an international organization whose youthful members perform with great enthusiasm and fine musical training.

According to the November 26 edition of The Eccentric, the search for rooms continues, and the area is divided into several sections. If you know of a local family who would like to have one or two of these young people as house guests, have them call one of the following phone numbers:

Birmingham or Bloomfield Hills: Call 540-0141 and ask for either
 Kathy Arter, Karen Reed, or Magnus
 Damstedt.

Troy, Warren and Sterling Heights: Call 575-8326
 Rochester and Pontiac call: 857-1197.

The easiest way to find more time to do all the things you want to do is to turn off the television.

1982 COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE -- CHICK HOLMES, SMC DRIVE CHAIRMAN

The new tax laws make it advantageous for most of us to make our 1982 contributions in 1981. For this reason, I suggest that you obtain your 1982 pledge cards from me and turn them in with your checks to The Community House by December 31. It is important that all of us, particularly regular members, give generously. Our support is vital to The Community House and the Senior Men's Club. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

NOVEMBER BRIDGE REPORT -- CHARLES E. BLACK, CHAIRMAN

There were 324 Players for the 4 weeks in November for an average of 81 Players per week.

10 Highest Scores

1.	Roy Siegel	5050
2.	George Howell	4490
3.	Jim Beattie	4350
4.	Bob Lacy	4320
5.	Al Voss & Art Burgott	4310
6.	Tex Thorson	4300
7.	Ed Thorne	4260
8.	Walt Meyers	4200
8.	Jules Falke	4200
9.	Ray Pletcher	4190
10.	Russ Smith	4140

10 Highest Averages

1.	Art Burgott	3190
2.	Bob Trees	3000
3.	Vern Bryant	2990
4.	Jerry Bartlam	2880
5.	Bill Renton	2840
6.	Al Voss	2820
7.	Joe Henninger	2760
8.	Russ Smith	2690
9.	Bob Watson	2680
10.	George Howell	2610

There were 17 Small Slams.

KEEP UP THE GOOD ATTENDANCE, BOWLERS!

MARCEL DE SMET, CHAIRMAN

Ever since the new bowling ball was presented, attendance has soared over the 40 mark. Keep up the good work! Join us every Monday morning at 9:15 at the Birmingham Bowl - last session for the first half of the bowling season, December 21, 1981.

The CHEATERS are in first place with 29 points. Right behind are the GREYHEADS with 28 points.

Team High Single Game	SANDBAGGERS	713
Team High Three Games	GREYHEADS	1858
Individual High Single Game	BREITMEYER	218
Individual High Three Games	SWARTZ	585

Mystery game for November won by: Fisher, Steele, Barr, Bromley and Lakin, with all winnings donated to the Kitty.

TURKEY ROLL WINNERS: Falke (26) Massey (26) Hayward (41) Bryant (14)
Lytle (29) Swanson (28) Lakin (39) Swartz (123)
Watson(37) Sturgeon (62)

DON'T MISS THE CHRISTMAS CHEER ROLL ON DECEMBER 21 -- POSITION BOWLING!

Here's to holiday cheer! Statistics show that 30% of all accidents are caused by drunk drivers. So 70% are caused by drivers who are sober.

VITAL MEMBERSHIP INFORMATIONNEW MEMBERS

BEATTIE, JAMES 11/81 642-8478
31140 Huntley Sq. W B 48009

CLIP OR WRITE INTO YOUR ROSTER

EWELL, RAY 11/81 642-7338
6695 Lahser B 48010

ABBREVIATIONS ARE ON PAGE 15 OF
YOUR HANDBOOK.

KURCHE, GEORGE 11/81 644-8421
17136 Beverly Road B 48009

RESIGNATIONS

POTTER, WILLIAM M. (Joined November, 1980)

LACY, JOSEPH N. (Joined November, 1980)

1982 DUES ARE NOW PAYABLE

Treasurer Jack Decker reminds members that 1982 dues are now payable, and membership cards are ready. He'd like to collect as many as possible before the end of the year.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS -- PAUL MORTIMER, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Since this is the last issue of the REMINDER for 1981, and Mardy Polaner will be your Corresponding Secretary for the year ahead, I want to wish all our Associate and Life Members personally --

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

and continuing good health and happiness! To those of our members who have been unable to attend our regular meetings, may you soon join us in good health. and MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY to Oscar Anderson, Burke Bartlett, Raymond Morgan and William Pilditch, whose birthdays are in December. BEST WISHES TO ALL!

IN MEMORY

Robert M. VanDuzer died November 7. He joined the Club in 1971. In 1979 he retired from Detroit Edison as a Vice President and engineer, after 42 years with the company. In our Club Bob was an enthusiastic golfer, not only in our summer golf league but also at some of our Suncoast Chapter sessions in Sarasota, where he and Mrs. VanDuzer joined the snowbirds at the annual luncheon. He frequently played bridge at our meetings and occasionally was among the high scorers.

Edward J. Pintar died November 13. Ed joined the Club in 1974, and quickly became one of our more colorful members. Having lost money in the stock market after World War II, he started predicting the market trends by means of astrology. By the time he became a Club member he had gained a reputation as a predictor of weather as well as markets. According to the Detroit News, he accurately predicted the Mt. St. Helen eruptions. For this year he predicted a cool August and September, but a better than usual November and December. Ed led our Discussion Group on many occasions. When met with disbelief, his good humor always came to the fore.