

# The Reminder

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## CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS



### MARCH

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**PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: CHARLES HOLTZ**

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**1** Speaker: Ron Spitler, Fisheries Biologist  
Michigan Dept. Natural Resources  
Subject: Fishing-Zebra Mussels and Other  
Marine Happenings

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**8** Speaker: Stephen J. Markman, U.S. Attorney  
Eastern District of Michigan  
Subject: Crime in Detroit and Michigan

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**15** Speaker: Dr. Daniel Heffernan, Physician  
and Founder - Hope Clinic  
Ypsilanti, Michigan  
Subject: Service to the Poor

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**22** Speaker: Mrs. Cynthia Holt Cummings  
Poet and Publisher  
Subject: Labor of Love Which Has Turned  
Into Quite an Adventure

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**29** Speaker: Ms. Mary O'Kray, Kelly Girls, Inc.  
Subject: Kelly-Assisted Living

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**APRIL PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: CARL SCHORN**

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**5** Speaker: Fr. Ed Belczak, Pastor  
St. Thomas Moore  
Subject: An Awakened Spirit

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THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(as reviewed by Red Skelton on his CBS TV-show 1/14/69)

"I" ... Me. An individual. A committee of one.

"Pledge" ... Dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self-pity

"Allegiance" ... My love and my devotion

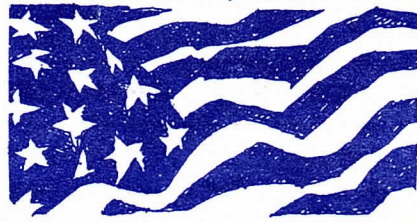
"To the flag" ... Our standard. Old Glory. A symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there's respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts 'Freedom is everybody's job.'

"Of the United" ... That means that we have all come together

"States" ... Individual communities that have united into 48 great states. 48 individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose. All divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose:

"Of America" ... And that's love of country.

"And to the Republic" ... Republic. A state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people, and it's from the people to the leaders. Not from the leaders to the people.



"For which it stands / One nation" ... meaning 'so blessed' by God

"Indivisible" ... Incapable of being divided.

"With liberty" ... which is freedom. The right of power to live one's own life without threats, fear, or some sort of retaliation.

"And justice" ... The principle or qualities of dealing fairly with others.

"For all" ... which means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

**DISCUSSION GROUP**

MARCH CHAIRMAN: PAUL FITZPATRICK

- Mar. 1 Paul Fitzpatrick: "Your Favorite Magazine, and Why"
- Mar. 8 Edward Conley: "Shopping Mall Industry"
- Mar. 15 William Gidley: "Let's Pay Reparation to the Blacks"
- Mar. 22 Donald Jensen: "Oakland County Gov't"
- Mar. 29 Jerome Fitzsimmons: "Advertising in the U.S.: Is It Out of Control?"

DATES TO REMEMBER: SEE PAGE 6

**MEMO FROM BASCC:**

Come "bask" in the Sound of Music with Tommy and Jimmy Dorsey, Glenn Miller, Wayne King, Benny Goodman, Lawrence Welk to name a few. They'll be here "live" in your imagination, Thursday matinee March 7, 2 to 4 p.m. (You can just sense the magic touch of Walt Meyers.) So, step back in time, choose your partner (singles encouraged), close your eyes and glide into the golden era of the greatest and sweetest music ever written.

If you doubt such a program is possible for only two dollars, be assured by calling:

BASCC Evergreen Center  
30800 Evergreen Road  
S.E. corner of 13 Mile  
and Evergreen Road  
or call

Betty Merritt, 646-7158  
June Lynch, 932-2133  
BASCC Senior Center  
(B'ham) 642-1040

Oh, yes -- bring a snack. Thirst quencher provided. Come, dream a little.

**INTRODUCING NEW MEMBER.....**

Charles R. Sorber, retired from Quaker Chemical Corp. where he worked as a salesman for 28 years.

Charles was born and raised in Pennsylvania. He attended Penn State and served in the navy in WWII on a minesweeper in the Pacific. After the war he married Betty Blake and they raised two daughters.

Charles was widowed in 1986 and in 1987 married Mildred Sirwaitis who brought into their family circle three children and five grandchildren.

The Sorbers are avid tennis players, travelers and gardeners.

Welcome.

**CAMERA GROUP GOES UNDERWATER**

Meet with us on Tuesday, March 12, at 2:00 p.m. when we will see beautiful and unusual slides taken in the underwater world off the coast of Australia by scuba and photography experts Ron and Jackie Polomski. Ron and Jackie are the son and daughter-in-law of one of our more recent members, John Polomski, who, with his wife Caroline and family, has traveled extensively.

Using a professional dual projector setup with dissolve and sound track supplement, Jackie will represent her husband and show us selected slides featuring the underwater life and beauty of the Great Barrier Reef and the lesser known but unique reefs off the Sydney coast. She will include selected slides of Australia's coastal land areas as well.

So, come on "down under" with us and see Australia's underwater world from the bottom up. All members, applicants, wives and friends are welcome.

Remember, JACKIE POLOMSKI'S special camera showing for us --  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2:00 PM**  
**AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE.**

**ROBERT HERMANN**  
**CHAIRMAN**

**KEEPING UP WITH \* THE SENIOR MEN**

**INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP TO DISCUSS MUTUAL FUNDS**

The March meeting of the Investment Study Group of the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham will be held at The Community House on Wednesday, March 13, at 2:45 p.m.

Our speaker will be Mr. James Allen who will be talking about mutual funds.

This is a good time to get your questions answered without going to your broker!!

All members, applicants, guests and their wives and invited and welcome!!

**BILL MACLACHLAN**  
**CHAIRMAN**



From Chick Holmes to the President . . . .

"It is with the utmost regret that I resign as recording secretary of the Club. However, the physical problems I have make it impossible for me to continue.

"Thank you and the Nominating Committee for providing me with the opportunity to serve. I just wish I could continue. If I may be of service in any other way, please call on me."



**THEATER AND AFTERGLOW WITH THE VILLAGE PLAYERS**

On March 26, Special Events will join with BASCC at the Village Players to see "Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?"

There will be an afterglow

with light refreshments following the performance. This delightful comedy is a must see. At \$10, you can't lose.

**BEN ROOT**



Duplicate Bridge averaged 47.5 players for the four week period of 1/18/91-2/5/91. Nine small slams and one grand slam were made. The small slam players were Lee Busch with two on the same day-his partners were Gene Thomas and Clare Charron; Mike Best and Bill Pfeifer; Bob Smith and John Steele; Henry Bardsley and Bill Allshouse; Bob Davis and Bob Hebert; Wilbur Wood and Dick Powers; Chase Cooper and Wally Templemayer; King Ruhly and Jim Tedesco. The grand slam of 7 no trump was played by Ben Ewing and Dick Heldt.

Harry Cyphers had the distinction of obtaining the highest percentage of 76.4% on Jan. 18. Our records do not reveal a higher percentage achieved in the last eighteen months of play. Other high scorers were Ben Root, 68%; Jim Tedesco, 64.9%; and Jim Crabb with 64.9%. The combined groups of 68 averaged bridge players each Friday speaks highly of the interest in bridge of the Senior Men's Club.

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 NOTICE: The Community House will not be available for bridge on Tuesday, April 9, or Friday, April 12. However, arrangements have been made to play on Tuesday, April 9, at St. James Episcopal Church located at Chester and Maple Road. We will play from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Enter the church through the rear door, just off the parking lot.

April 12 play will be at the Unitarian Church, Woodward Ave. at Lone Pine Road, from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Place and times apply to both contract and duplicate group players.

**DON WAGNER, CHAIRMAN**

#### APPLICANT'S GOLF LEAGUE PLAY BEGINS

League play will start on May 6, 1991. We will be playing at the White Lakes Oaks County Course located on Williams Lake Road just south of M-59.

The roster of players and assigned foursomes are posted on the bulletin board.

We will rotate the tee times each week. The first group will tee off at 9:00 a.m. Please arrive at least ½ hour before starting time and be sure to check in with Joe Steele.

We can usually accommodate a few walk-ons to fill in for members who are absent.

The rate for nine holes has been raised to \$4.75.

THINK SPRING AND GOLF!

**JOE STEELE**

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

The 1990 Annual Operating Fund Campaign was quite successful. Many thanks to all who contributed money and time to make it happen. The statistics are as follows:

	1990 No. of Gifts	Total	Avg. Gift
Members	361	\$27,309	\$76
Applicants	167	8,041	\$48
TOTAL	528	\$35,350	

#### COMPUTER GROUP MEETS

The March meeting of the Computer Group will be 2:30 Wednesday, March 20, at The Community House.

**CLIFF LUNDGREN**

As Mark Twain once observed, "...it could probably be shown by facts and figures that there is no distinctly native American criminal class except Congress."

Contract Bridge for the five-week period of 1/18/91-2/15/91 averaged 20.8 players.

High scorers, based on five sessions during the period, were:

1. Bob Lotz averaged 3,186 points for first place;
2. Herb Lugers came in second with an average score of 2,740;
3. Bill Hanlon averaged 2,256 for third place;
4. Other players over 2,000 were Dick Beaubien, Julius Falke, Bert Henderson, Joe Kern, Don McNair, Don Murray, Carl Schorn, Lloyd Sturgeon, and Ross Wagner.

Bob Lotz had three consecutive weeks over the five weeks of play.

We would like to have more of our members and applicants join us on both Tuesdays and Fridays. We play from 9:00-noon on Tuesdays and from 12:45-3:00 or 3:30 p.m. on Fridays.

The highlight of this report deserves the opening paragraph---special recognition. This pertains to one of our bowlers who accomplished a rarity, so rare that I personally checked it out by calling the office of the "Bowling Proprietors Association" who informed me that the odds against performing this feat are at least 750 to 1.

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*Well, it happened to Jules Falke. He rolled a triplicate -- all his games were 168.*

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The date of Jules' feat was February 4, 1991.

# BOWLING

Our bowling attendance thus far this season has been far beyond our expectations. The only reason I can find for this enthusiasm is the change of bowling lanes -- much closer to our bowlers. As chairman, I want to thank all of you for your constant attendance.

Ray Swartz's team #3 is still holding onto first place by a thin margin with a total of 15 points compared to 14 points for second place team #8. The members of Team #3 are Jack Howitt, Jules Falke, Norm Clark and Ray Swartz.

Since the last "Reminder" report, we have had a few changes for top honors in some of the categories. Norris Wetters is now in third place in individual



hi-series with a 602 rolled on 1-28-91. Team #10 moved into a tie for 2nd place with Team #6. Members of Team #10 are Ed Hufnagle, Joe Maertens, Bill Reilly and Fran DeGrande. There were two other changes in the standings for high honors, and they were both accomplished by Team #1. On 2-11-91 Team #1 valuted into 1st place in two categories. For Team Hi-Game they toppled the pins for a 737 and rolled a Team Hi-Series of 2059. Members of Team #1 are Norm Allston, Bob Erban, Bob Klein and Bert Henderson.

Our 1st position round for the 2nd half of the season will be on Feb. 25.

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I would like to remind all regular bowlers of our ruling on absenteeism. Regular bowlers who are absent are required to pay \$1.00 for each day that they are absent. These monies will go into our league funds. Please pay this \$1.00 to Fran DeGrande.

Co-Chairman Tom Bedford is in the process of finalizing the plans for our bowling banquet. The banquet will take place at The Community House on Tuesday May 7. Cash bar at 6:00 p.m. and gourmet (prime rib) dinner at 7:00 p.m. The cost will be \$16.00 per person. All Senior Club members are invited. Tickets will be available from Tom about the middle of March.

**THINK BOWLING.**

**FRAN DEGRANDE  
CHAIRMAN**

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER

- 12 Senior Men's Club Board Meeting 9:30 a.m.
- 12 Camera Group Meeting 2:00 p.m.
- 13 Investment Study Group Meeting 2:45 p.m.
- 20 Computer Group Meeting 2:30 p.m.
- 14 Golf for members and applicants at Golf & Dome, 9:00 a.m. Dome is located on John R north of 12 Mile Road

**BOWLING** Mondays at 9:30 a.m. - Thunderbird Lanes

**BRIDGE** Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. and Fridays after lunch

All events at The Community House unless otherwise indicated

### SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS FOR THE 90 PLUS



- Jan. 17-Dave Stamy was 94
- Jan. 22-Charley Richards was 90
- Jan. 27-Don Murray was 91
- Jan. 27-Merlyn Smiley was 90
- Feb. 4-Bill Schelawski was 91
- Feb. 18-Art Underwood was 92
- Feb. 18-Bronson Allen was 90
- Feb. 21-Murray Kennedy was 92
- Feb. 25-Matt Cammarerie was 95
- Mar. 14-Joe Shaffer will be 90



#### NEW MEMBERS

NAME	DATE	PHONE	SPONSOR
Ayers, Ruston	2/91	626-7748	Roy Allemeier
4115 Pamaona Colony	B	48010	
Pridmore, Howard J.	2/91	644-6063	Baylor Sutton
4415 Far Hill Dr.	BH	48304	
Orlicki, Theodore	1/91	647-1634	Joe Sackerson
1576 Fairway Dr.	B	48009	

#### DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

Pg. 8, "Life Members," add Kaegi, Edward E.  
Pg. 30, add \*Kaegi, Edward A. Jun 79 647-2044  
30 Nantucket Dr. BH 48304

#### RESIGNATIONS

Richard Alexander, associate member, who joined July 1988  
Newell McCuen, Associate Member, who joined November 1984  
Alfred Palmer, Regular Member, who joined in June 1985

#### DEATHS

John D. Rumsey, who joined in July 1979  
C. Dean Brown, Associate Member, who joined in July 1988  
Harold J. Simms, Life Member and Past President, who joined in April 1969



REMINDER  
DEADLINE  
FRIDAY  
MARCH 15



#### 1991 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

A - F	G - L	M - R	S - Z
Mar. 1	Mar. 8	Mar. 15	Mar. 22
Mar. 29*	Apr. 5*	Apr. 19	Apr. 26
May 3	May 10	May 24*	May 31
June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26
Sept. 6	Sept. 13	Sept. 20	Sept. 27
Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 25*	Oct. 25
Nov. 1	Nov. 8	Nov. 15	Nov. 22

The Club does not meet in August or April 12, May 17 or Oct. 18. Applicants are not invited for December meetings.