

The Reminder

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PROGRAM FOR JULY -- JOHN H. KING, CHAIRMAN.

- Friday, July 1 Speaker: George W. Kuhn, Oakland County Drain Commissioner
 Subject: "Water and Sewer Problems in Oakland County
 and the Metropolitan Area"
- Friday, July 8 Speaker: James Helmrich, Vice President Corporate Affairs,
 Michigan Bell Telephone Company
 Subject: "Recent Telephone Developments"
- Friday, July 15 Speaker: Norman Saari, Consumers Power Company
 attached to Midland Atomic Power Plant
 Subject: "Delayed Construction of the Midland Atomic
 Power Plant"
- Friday, July 22 Speaker: Richard R. Wilcox, Chairman, Oakland County Board
 of Commissioners
 Subject: "Political Problems in Oakland County"
- Friday, July 29 Speaker: Joan Young, Court Administrator, Oakland County
 Circuit Court
 Subject: "The Administrative Workings of the Oakland
 County Circuit Court"

NO MEETINGS IN AUGUST

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN FOR SEPTEMBER -- MURRAY HAYWARD

- Friday, Sept. 2 Speaker: James K. Flack of SMC
 Subject: "Presidents"

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS -- BILL WILSON, CHAIRMAN

- July 1 "Review of Politics"
 John King, Leader
- July 8 "On a More Positive Note" (What do you like?)
 Bruce Smith, Leader
- July 15 "Our Most Urgent Problem - A Second Look"
 Muir Frey, Leader
- July 22 "Should we or Shouldn't We?"
 Tom Kilgour, Leader
- July 29 "Agriculture Today and Tomorrow"
 Gene Sparrow, Leader
- Sept. 2 "The Great Lakes"
 Clyde Tyndall, Leader

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday, July 12
10:30 a.m.
Executive Board
- Wednesday, July 13
Belle Isle Event
See Page 3
- Friday, August 12
Picnic, See Page 4
- September 2
First Meeting after
vacation
- Sept. 12: Bowling
Sept. 14: Investment
Group

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HAIL AND "SO LONG" TO ERNIE NATHAN AS HE MOVES SOUTHWARD

Ernest D. Nathan, our Assistant Editor, is about to roar off to the city of Indianapolis, where he and Carolyn will move into a new retirement complex known as Westside Christian Village. His change of address is on page 7. They chose this residence because it is only a few minutes from the home of their daughter, Carol Duke Nathan, Assistant Dean of Faculty, Indiana University/Purdue University Indianapolis.

Ernie joined our Club in January, 1980. He has been Assistant Editor of the REMINDER since October, 1980, Vice Chairman of Publicity, 1982 and 1983, and a member of the Chaplain and Legislative committees. Ernie's parents were Christian missionaries in Tangier, Morocco, when little Ernest was born, in 1903. The family moved back to the U.S. in 1905, and the Rev. Nathan (senior) continued his career as a minister. But Ernie didn't follow in his father's footsteps. After getting his Master's degree at Lafayette College he entered the field of communications. At one time he was in charge of training programs for the B. F. Goodrich Company. During World War II he directed production of training aids for the armed forces. He came to the Detroit area in 1953 as Vice President of Florez, Inc., a training film producer. He is the author of two books, "24 Questions in Group Leadership" and "Starting Right in Real Estate."

Since retirement in 1972 he has (as a licensed Associate Realtor) divided his time between real estate management counseling for Michigan companies, teaching of the Bible, and making recordings for the blind.

The editor will miss Ernie, and so will all the others with whom he has been associated. All of us wish Ernie and Carolyn many years of happiness in their new home.

"IN THE PARK" PROGRAMS FOR JULY - AUGUST

Here are the attractions for the next two months at the 7:30 p.m. Thursday night concerts in Shain Park. Don't forget your folding chairs. The Community House is serving a light dinner before the concerts on the north lawn. Inquire about it at the desk.

July 7 -- Phantom Regiment Drum and Bugle Corps
 July 14 -- St. Aubin Street Ramblers
 July 21 -- Birmingham Community Band
 July 28 -- Panchito and Orchestra - LaFiesta Mexicana Dancers
 Aug. 4 -- Saxophone Symphony (Salute to Seniors Night)
 (Sponsored by Senior Men's Club of Birmingham)
 Aug. 11 -- The Larados
 Aug. 18 -- First Marine Band
 Aug. 25 -- Macomers
 Sept. 1 -- Austin-Moro Big Band

TRIPLE PLAY! JULY SPECIAL EVENT HAS 3 FEATURES - AL KILLEEN, CHAIRMAN
A triple event is scheduled for Wednesday, July 13, on Belle Isle, and it's open to members, applicants, and their spouses. Here are the three events: (1) A trip through the Dossin Great Lakes Museum -- or, at your choice, a visit to the nearby Aquarium and/or the Terrarium. This is at 10:00 a.m. (2) Free cocktails at Reine Zeidler's boat and boatwell at 11:30. (3) At 12:30 lunch will be served at the Detroit Yacht Club's Sweepstakes Room. The lunch cost is \$10 per person. Many of us have not been on Belle Isle in years. Now is the time to get reacquainted, enjoy SMC fellowship and relive previous Belle Isle visits.

The Dossin Museum has hundreds of models of Great Lake vessels, from early schooners to modern bulk carriers. They will enchant old timers and newcomers. The museum contains a replica of a modern bulk carrier pilot house, which commands a view of the River and its traffic. This alone is worth the visit. Dossin's will appreciate any donation, on entering or leaving, to help defray costs.

Each is to provide his own transportation, or form a share-a-ride group. Our host, Reine Zeidler, will provide each ticket purchaser with a map of places to visit. At the Yacht Club, your purchased ticket will get you past the gate guard. He will direct you to Reine's boat well where the cocktails will be served. It is suggested that each person bring a folding chair for the 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. cocktail hour. After the 12:30 lunch at the Sweepstakes Room, guides are available to show interested parties the Club and boat docks; a must for sailors and would-be sailors.

This well-planned event is co-chaired by Barry Ketchum and Carl Schorn, with a thank you to host Reine Zeidler.

RETURNEES AND APPLICANTS, HERE'S A REMINDER OF OUR CUSTOMS

At our SMC meetings it is a custom to practice courtesy to our speakers, whether they are committee chairmen making a report or a famous guest speaker. Please confine personal chit-chat to moments between talks or to break periods.

CHECK-IN STOPS AT 10:45. If you've forgotten to pick up a lunch ticket before the meeting, you have 15 minutes in which to check in. But 10:45 a.m. is the deadline. We have to notify the kitchen as to how many of us are eating which type of sandwich.

ED'S BARBER SHOP STAYING OPEN THROUGH SUMMER -- HERE ARE NEW HOURS

That barbershop chapter of SMC will not be closing during August, according to Ed, the proprietor. Senior men are always welcome, and seem to be in the majority there. Ed's hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Closed Monday. Special discount rate to seniors. Location is the "Real Estate One" building, 1025 E. Maple, just west of Adams. Park in the rear and use the rear entrance which is right at the stairway down to the lower level, where Ed holds forth.

COME ONE! COME ALL! GOOD FOOD! GREAT FELLOWSHIP! WOTTA BARGAIN! --
IT'S OUR ANNUAL PICNIC, FRIDAY, AUGUST 12. AL KILLEEN, CHAIRMAN

Step right up to whoever is selling the tickets at our Friday meetings in July and get your \$2.75 ducats for the annual picnic August 12 at the Pontiac Yacht Club on Cass Lake. The Club is at the edge of Keego Harbor. Go north on Orchard Lake Road to the point where it does a 90-degree turn to the east. There's a big A&P store there on your left. Jog left there and you'll see the PYC sign.

Fun starts at 10:00 a.m. and we may stay until 3:30. Your ticket is good for gourmet food prepared by Chef John King and his staff. Bruce Smith, who did the job so beautifully last year, is in charge. Charlie Black is arranging the bridge games (there's more about this in the Bridge Report) and Gene Sparrow leads the Discussion Group in a mystery subject. Marcel DeSmet will arrange other games for those who don't play bridge. Members and applicants are invited, but this is one event where ladies are excluded. Tickets go on sale July 8 through our last before-vacation meeting July 29.

JUNE BRIDGE REPORT - CHARLES E. BLACK, CHAIRMAN

For the 4 weeks in June, there were 272 Contract Bridge Players for an average of 68 players per week. There were 12 tables of Duplicate Bridge.

10 Highest Scores

1. Les Wilder	5100
2. Vern Bryant	4730
3. Lloyd Sturgeon	4630
4. Henry Krigner	4540
4. Ray Pletcher	4540
5. Norm Schmitt	4490
6. Bob Benson	4380
7. Russ Davies	4300
8. Ed Brophy	4230
9. Walt Meyers	4110
10. Art Lane	4050

10 Highest Averages

1. Les Wilder	3890
2. Bob Benson	3050
3. John MacLellan	2990
4. Charlie Black	2840
5. Frank Hanson	2770
6. Elmer Bailey	2710
7. Carl Schorn	2670
8. Norm Schmitt	2660
9. Vern Bryant	2640
10. Joe Henninger	2580

Low score for the period: 400 - Emmet Feely

There were 14 Small Slams

High Duplicate:

- N - S Bob McKelvey and Henry Bardsley
 E - W Kent Wonnell and Jim Fonda

BRIDGE REMINDERS FOR THE PICNIC, AUGUST 12TH

1. Foursomes to furnish their table and chairs.
2. Foursomes to be arranged prior to picnic.
3. If player needs a game or if player or players are needed, see Charlie Black or call 647-5189
4. Contract Bridge will be played.
5. Cards, scoresheets and pencils will be furnished.

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BOWLING -- RING OUT THE OLD: RING IN THE NEW JIM REEVES, CHAIRMAN

Ring in the new! The SMC Bowling League will start at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, September 12, at the Birmingham Bowl. Since we have no Men's Club meetings in August and the teams have to be organized, scheduled and ready to go on the starting date, all men interested in bowling must sign up in July.

A bowling Sign-Up Sheet, with columns for REGULAR or SUBSTITUTE will be placed on the bulletin board at the rear of the meeting room during our July meetings. The list will remain before and after the meetings. The modest fees for this year are the same as last, namely \$2.25 per week. The bowling alley can accommodate as many as wish to bowl. So, whether or not you have previously participated in the league is of no consequence. Applicants are urged to join. July is sign-up month - do it!

Ring out the old! The 43 members who attended the June 1 bowling banquet enjoyed themselves. Everyone received a prize, plus a share of the prize money. Trophies went to the members of the first place "Politicians"; Bill Hassberger, Bob Hadley, Bob Larzelere and Jim Reeves; High Series to Bert Henderson, and High Game to Charlie Breitmeyer. The travelling trophy for Most Improved Bowler went to Tom Kilgour.

1983 COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE -- CHICK HOLMES, CHAIRMAN FOR SMC

As I reported on June 24, the total Fund Drive has reached \$121,000, or 76 percent of the \$160,000 goal. SMC members and applicants have given about \$15,000, although 42 regular members are still non-givers. Take another look at your check register to see if you have given -- and if not, please get your check in as soon as possible. To new members: Gifts to The Community House are tax deductible.

We would like to keep intact our nearly 100 percent gift-giving record. When I return from vacation in mid-July, I plan to call all of you who still have not made your donations.

Thanks to all of you who have given so generously.

--Chick Holmes

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:

Life Members who celebrated birthdays in June are Harry Lunn (91 on June 21) and Hiram Broadwell (90 on June 23). Congratulations!

Associate Members' Birthdays: Hollister Mabley, June 8, and coming up in July are Howard Hoffman, July 8; Bob Montgomery, July 16; Grant Barber, July 17 and Ken Forston, July 18. The only August birthday is Bob Bellile on August 14. A happy time to all of you distant cousins.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

APPLICANTS ON WAITING LIST: Approval has been given by the membership to extend for three more months the period during which applicants may attend one meeting a month. Here is the schedule:

Last Names A through F:	July 1, Sept. 2, Oct. 7, Nov. 4
" " G through L:	July 8, Sept. 16, Oct. 14, Nov. 11
" " M through R:	July 15, Sept. 23, Oct. 21, Nov. 18
" " S through Z:	July 22, Sept. 30, Oct. 28, Nov. 22 (Tuesday)

NEW MEMBERS

DOWLER, WILLIAM S.	5/83	646-5570
444 Chester, Apt. 52	B	48009

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

TRIPLETT, EARL D.	4/71	540-6308
23700 Ravineview Ct.	B	48010

NATHAN, ERNEST D.	1/80	After	CLIP OR COPY AND
8616 W. 10th St.		Aug. 1	PUT IN YOUR HANDBOOK
Apt. 403			
Indianapolis, Indiana		46234	

(Associate Member)

MANGE, RICHARD D.	7/75	
718 Bayside Ave.		
P.O. Box 1188		
Bay View, MI		49770

TRANSFERRED TO ASSOCIATE MEMBER:

SCHMITT, NORMAN L.	5/20	
133 Sailfish Lane, S.E.		
Stuart, Florida		33494

IN MEMORY

ERWIN E. DARLING, Life Member, who joined the Senior Men's Club in 1970, died June 9, at the age of 86. A resident of Birmingham, he was born in Lake Orion and lived his entire life in Michigan. For 37 years he was a plant engineer with the Chrysler Corporation. He was a regular attendant and active participant in the discussion group.

HARRY W. REED, Life Member, joined our Club when it was just two years old, in January 1959. He died in June, 1983. Harry moved from Birmingham to North Carolina in 1976. In 1979 he moved to Meriden, Connecticut, taking up residence in a retirement apartment not far from his son's home. Harry wrote us a few weeks ago, as reported in our last issue. A recent fall is said to have contributed to his death at the age of 96.