

# Applications To Be Limited To 25 a Year

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A plan aimed at reducing the waiting period for membership now being experienced by applicants to the Senior Men's Club was approved by the club's Executive Board at its meeting on Jan. 14.

The new policy, to be enforced by the Membership Committee, provides that

- (1) A limit of 25 applicants will be accepted during the year beginning in 1992. The 25 acceptances will be based on first applied, first accepted until the minimum is reached.
- (2) Hereafter, no one club member can sponsor or co-sponsor more than one applicant every three years.

In addition, the policy of one-a-month attendance at meetings by applicants will be continued.

The Board acted on the recommendations of the Policy Committee, headed by former president Blaine Gordon. In its report, the Policy group pointed out that "the long waiting period is occasioned by the fact that the applicant list has grown substantially in recent years."

It added:

"In 1991, 69 applicants were accepted...while some applicants were dropped...currently there are 387 applicants for

admission to a club with 400 regular members and about 60 life members...In 1991 only 26 new members could be admitted...to replace those resigning, dying or becoming life members.

"...Various alternatives have been explored to meet this problem. However, all of them face the physical limitations of The Community House facilities which restrict safe and comfortable attendance at any one meeting to about 265...The consensus judgment was to limit total applicants accepted for possible membership to 25 in any one year, or about the number of deaths and resignations encountered in recent years.

## FEBRUARY 1992

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN: Jim Flack

**7** Speaker: George Lumsden  
Subject: "We've Come a Long Way .. Maybe"

**14** Speaker: SMC Member John Prior  
Subject: "Do You See What I See?"

**21** Speaker: SMC Member Ed. Conley  
Subject: "Washington and Lincoln"

**28** Speaker: Harry Wylie  
Subject: "O.E. Sales - 1945...1990"

MARCH CHAIRMAN: Carl Schorn

**6** Speaker: Mrs. Erna Gorman  
Subject: "Little Girl in Hiding -- Holocaust Survivor"

## DISCUSSION

FEBRUARY CHAIRMAN:  
BLAINE GORDON

February 7  
Jim Bostwick  
"The Bug and the Beetle"

February 14  
Jim Flack  
"Japan, New Strategies"

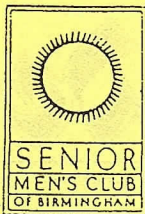
February 21  
Bill MacLachlan  
"Confessions of a Contractor"

February 28  
Gordon Henderson  
"The Club Treasurer's Job"

MARCH CHAIRMAN:  
BLAINE GORDON

March 6  
Stan Skaistis  
"Alsace"





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# Dues Deadline Is at Hand

DUES ARE DUE --February 1 was the deadline for payment of 1992 dues by members and applicants. Delinquents face the prospect of losing out on all the great activities the Senior Men's Club offers.

OF SPECIAL NOTE -- Ed Stokel was the first new member of 1992 ...Sidney Miller has been named Parliamentarian...President Dawkins announced at the Jan. 24 meeting that auditors had found "all in order" after a look at our books...Those who attended the Jan. 17 meeting shared in a birthday cake provided by The Community House to celebrate the club's 36th birthday.

KEEPING POSTED -- Want to keep getting the Reminder while you're basking in the sun? Simply provide Ben Root with the appropriate number of self-addressed, stamped envelopes. That's

what your editor is going to do to keep up on what's happening in February and March. Walter Murphy will be keeping an eye on things in the meantime.

## Panel Session Is Next for The Investors

Investment Study Group attendees will find they'll be part of the program at the Wednesday, Feb. 12, meeting at The Community House at 2:45 p.m.

The session will differ from the usual format since there will be no speaker -- just a good old-fashioned panel discussion among ourselves. Bob Fregolle will chair the event.

Members suggested such a program to ask questions, make suggestions and bring out latent talent that lies dormant among them.

RICH KNUDSEN  
CHAIRMAN

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb. 5 Valentine Bridge Luncheon 12:30 p.m.
- Feb. 6 Golf at the Golf Dome on John R north of 12 Mile Road - 9 a.m.
- Feb. 11 Executive Board Meeting 9:30 a.m.
- Feb. 11 Camera Group Meeting 2 p.m.
- Feb. 12 Investment Study Meeting 2:45 p.m.
- Feb. 19 Computer Group Meeting 2:30 p.m.
- Feb. 20 Golf at Golf Dome 9 a.m.
- BRIDGE Tuesday at 9 a.m. and Fridays after lunch
- BOWLING Every Monday at Thunderbird Lanes. 9 a.m.

ALL EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE  
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

THE REMINDER DEADLINE: FRIDAY, FEB. 21, 1992



# Battle for Bowling Title Is 'Cliff Hanger'

It was a great way to end the year and the first half of the bowling season, with Teams No. 13 and No. 4 involved in a very close battle for the championship.

It was the highlight of a five-week period.

## Golfers Keep Swinging; Make Season Plans

No matter the weather, golfers manage to keep active. Herewith a rundown on the latest from that front:

**SPRINGDALE GOLF**--Sign-up sheet will be on bulletin board. All foursomes from 1991 will be posted. Make any deletions or additions or add foursomes. If you want to be a walk-on, put your name in walk-on column. Drawing for starting times will be in March. No money needed until first day you play. \$3.00 entry fee plus green fee which is still unknown.

**GOLF DOME** -- Thursdays Feb. 6 and 20; March 5 and 19. Pro will be present Feb. 6 and March 5...9 a.m. to 11 a.m., fee \$8.00. Pay your fee at Snack Bar.

For further information call A. Ray Swartz (646-3129).

**APPLICANT LEAGUE** -- Signup deadline was Feb. 1 and any regular members who send in their \$95 checks will be entered on a first paid basis. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board. Checks should be made out to Senior Men's Club and mailed to Jim Peters, 19800 Beverly Road, Birmingham, MI 48025.

There was only a one-pin difference in their scores going into the third and final game, and Team No. 4 pulled out the victory with

some steady bowling to post a title-winning 37 points for the first half.

Members of the winning team are Dick Beaubien, Jack Wearne, Charlie Breitmeyer, and Les Swanson. At the end of the full season, they will bowl the winners of the second half for the league championship.

The last five weeks produced some good bowling. Art Byington moved into first place for high series with a 581. John Strang took second place for high game with 236. Bert Henderson had a 223 game and 567 series; Don Upward 214-534; Vince Caputo 216-528; Norris Wetters 214-547; Bill Quinlan 202-548; Ray Swartz, 206-513; Dick

Rosenbaum, 210-565; Jim Reeves, 200-517; Bill Reilly a 533 series, Harry Deem a 520 and Bob Klein 512.

Best over average were Bob Hadley 92 pins over, Norm Allston +82, Jack Wearne +88, Jim Hobin +63, Paul Fisher +58, Dick Beaubien +57, and Murray Kennedy +43.

Some games are below 100, but take heart. On Jan 20 Bob Pearce had an opening game of 83, then bowled 172 and helped his team to a 705 that put them in third place for league high game.

Blaine Gordon had a 93 in his first game but went on to bowl 57 pins over his average to help his team #1 sweep four points.

So bowling can be rewarding, and fun. There are many ways to be a winner. Come out and join us on Mondays at 9:15 at Thunderbird Lanes.

**TOM BEDFORD**  
Vice Chairman

## Pfeiffer, Henderson Boast Big Hands Among Bridgers

Bill Pfeifer and Bert Henderson came up with the big hands during the first three weeks of bridge play in January.

An average of 49 members and applicants played duplicate during the period.

High percentage scorers were:

77.1% Bill Pfeifer  
74.7% Wilbur Wood  
65.3% Bob Smith

Two Grand Slams were made: Kirb Callam/John Williams; Walt Meisner/Jack Gates; and there were 21 small slams.

Rubber bridge during the

period averaged 21 players. High individual scores were:

4570	Bert Henderson
4050	Bert Henderson
3790	Don Murray
3560	Joe Kern
3540	Julius Falke
3380	Lloyd Sturgeon
3350	Ray Pletcher
3300	Art Underwood
3250	Bert Van Kempen
3140	Don Wagner
3130	Rich Knudsen
3080	Hockey Melikian
3050	Frank Hanson

One small slam was made by Don Wagner/Ray Pletcher

**DON McNAIR**  
**AND DON WAGNER**



# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## Camera Group Up in Air for Next Meeting

"A View From On High" will be offered at the Camera Group meeting Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 2 p.m. at The Community House.

The show is composed of slides taken from an aircraft. All of the pictures are of subjects with which we are all familiar. These shots will provide a different perspective.

The problems encountered while simultaneously photographing and flying a fast-moving platform with normal vibration and subject to movement from air currents will be discussed and explained.

To add to the interest, viewers will be asked to identify or locate specific subjects.

The presenter will be Richard R. Golze. He had operated his own design service company and has held developmental engineering positions at Vickers and Rockwell. He is also an applicant of the Senior Men's Club.

All members, applicants, wives and guests are invited to attend this exciting program.

H. JEAN BATTS  
CHAIRMAN

### 1992 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

A - F	G - L	M - R	S - Z
Jan. 31	Feb. 7	Feb. 14	Feb. 21
Feb. 28	Mar. 6	Mar. 13	Mar. 20
Mar. 27	Apr. 3	Apr. 17	Apr. 24
May 1	May 8	May 22	May 29
June 5	June 12	June 19	June 26
July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24
July 31	Sept. 4	Sept. 11	Sept. 18
Sept. 25	Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16
Oct. 30	Nov. 6	Nov. 13	Nov. 20

The Club does not meet April 10, May 15, Oct. 23, Nov. 27, or the month of August. Applicants cannot attend any December meetings.

#### SPECIAL BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:

- On Feb. 4, Bill Schelawski will be 92 years old
- On Feb. 7, Clem Rebb will be 90 years old
- On Feb. 18, Art Underwood will be 93 years old
- On Feb. 18, Bronson Allen will be 91 years old
- On Feb. 21, Murray Kennedy will be 93 years old
- On Feb. 25, Matt Cammarerie will be 96 years old

#### 1992 DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS:

- Page 1 under *Attendance Committee* and Page 2 under *Chaplains*, Atlinson should be Atkinson
- Page 10 under *Associate Members*, Brownlie address should be Apt. 506, Pompano Beach, FL 33062

#### NEW MEMBERS:

		SPONSOR
STOKEL, EDWARD	1/92 642-6952	John Leonard
1295 Lakeside (Barbara)	B 48009	
WALDON, ROBERT E.	1/92 642-9542	Jim Cameron
22045 W. Valleywoods (Allana)	BVH 48025	

#### DEATHS:

- Neil Van Halteren, who joined in Oct. 1989
- Harold Hickman, who joined in Jan. 1987. Was on leave of absence

#### RESIGNATIONS:

- Charles Breitmeyer, who joined in Feb. 1980

## BASCC, Senior Men to Co-Sponsor Theater Party March 24

The Senior Men's Club and BASCC are combining forces for a special Theater Party at the Village Players on Tuesday, March 24.

Featured will be the Noel Coward comedy, *Present Laughter*, and tickets will be selling for \$9.50 and

include an afterglow. Tickets will go on sale at the Feb. 14 Senior Men's meetings.