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February is the month of Lincoln, who observed that "honest statesmanship is the wise employment of individual meannesses for the public good". Then we have Valentine's Day, and, as Longfellow expressed it, "Love gives itself; it is not bought--". Of course, we remember Washington and the cherry tree, as related by Parson Weems. "He bravely cried out, "I can't tell a lie. I did cut it with my hatchet."

A friend is a person with whom I may think aloud--A friend may well be reckoned the masterpiece of nature--I do then with my friends as I do with my books. I would have them where I can find them, but I seldom use them--Happy is the house that shelters a friend.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Sing me a song of a lad that is gone,
Say, could that lad be I?
Merry of soul he sailed on a day
Over the sea to Skye.

Give me again all that was there,
Give me the sun that shone!
Give me the eyes, give me the soul,
Give me the lad that's gone!

Billow and breeze, islands and seas,
Mountains of rain and sun,
All that was good, all that was fair,
All that was me is gone.

- Robert Louis Stevenson -

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

I want to express my sincere thanks to Jim Flack, 1st Vice-President, and to Past Presidents, Murray Kennedy, Harold Simms and Clarence Johnson, for providing excellent programs for the month of January. I am sure that Walter Meyers, 2nd Vice-President, joins me in appreciating the lead time that this has provided in getting his Program Committee organized for the 1975 year.

Also, I want to express my appreciation to the many men who have accepted committee assignments for the year. It is this outstanding, enthusiastic support that makes this a Great Club.

A big welcome to the new members who have recently joined our club. We urge you to be regular in attendance and to become involved in the activities of the organization. Your ideas and suggestions for the good of the club are welcome. Contact the various Committee Chairmen and indicate your willingness to participate.

Ross A. Wagner

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CLUB OFFICERS FOR 1975

At our January 3rd meeting, the following officers were installed for the 1975 year:

President-----Ross A. Wagner
 1st Vice-President-----James K. Flack
 2nd Vice-President-----Walter S. Meyers
 Recording Secretary-----Bernard L. Hundley
 Corresponding Secretary-----D. Paul Fisher
 Treasurer-----Kenneth Eyestone
 Assistant Treasurer-----Francis Shaw
 Elected to Executive Board----Chester Stokes
 Earl Triplett

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PROGRAMS FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1975 - Walter S. Meyers, Gen. Prog. Chmn.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Speaker and Subject</u>
Feb. 7	Jim Flack	The Detroit Concert Band, Inc. - Talk by Dr. Leonard B. Smith, Music Director.
Feb. 14	Jim Flack	Jervis B. McMechan, Bi-Centennial Plans for Birmingham, Chairman Bi-Centennial Committee, and Chairman of the Birmingham Historical Board, Ford Motor Company.
Feb. 21	Jim Flack	"Lady With a Torch"
Feb. 28	Jim Flack	George R. Hodgson, Urban Manager, Consumers Power Co., "The Big Dig". Movie - 300 million dollar construction of the Ludington Pumped Storage Generating Plant.
Mar. 7	Chet Stokes	Movie - "1974 World Series"
Mar. 14	Chet Stokes	Presentation by U. S. Steel Co.
Mar. 21	Walt Meyers	Talk by Mr. Al Dobbs, Corporate Services Personnel Manager, Michigan Bell Telephone
Mar. 25	Walt Meyers	Movie - "Golf High in the Canadian Rockies", featuring Susie Maxwell Berning, Professional Golf Star.

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DISCUSSION GROUP FOR FEBRUARY - Bill Wilson, Chairman

Feb. 7 - "Free for All" - Clarence Kraft, Leader
 Feb. 14 - "Interesting Travel Experiences" - Milo Bostwick, Leader
 Feb. 21 - "Solar Energy" - Jim Pottinger, Leader
 Feb. 28 - "Israelis vs. Arabs" - What's the Problem? - Jim McCubbrey, Leader.

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NEW MEMBERS DURING JANUARY

During the Month of January, the following new members were added to our roster of active members:

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| 1. Matthew Cammareri - Inducted 1/10/75
312 S. Adams
Birmingham, Mich. 48008
Phone - 644-6311 | 5. Joseph F. Bachman-Ind. 1/17/75
950 D Trailwood Path
Birmingham, Mich. 48010
Phone - 851-8255 |
| 2. Emmett P. Feely -- Inducted 1/10/75
455 Overhill
Birmingham, Mich. 48010
Phone - 647-0122 | 6. Fletcher D. Street, Jr. -
Ind. 1/31/75
1492 Yorkshire
Birmingham, Mich. 48008
Phone - 644-5207 |
| 3. Robert S. Owen - Inducted 1/17/75
4298 Meadow Lane
Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48013
Phone - 646-8478 | 7. Palmer E. Bollinger -
Inc. 1/31/75
30 Nantucket
Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48013
Phone - 646-5128 |
| 4. Thomas R. Kilgour - Inducted 1/17/75
72 Lone Pine Rd., Box 57
Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48013
Phone - 644-8852 | |

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HOT LUNCHES AVAILABLE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

The Birmingham School District's five junior high schools have opened their cafeterias to the senior citizens of the community every day that the schools are in session. This program started Monday, January 20, 1975. The hours in which lunches will be served are between 11:30 and 12:30. The price is 70¢.

A hot school lunch provides one-third of the recommended daily dietary needs. It includes:

- 2 ounces of protein
 - 1 slice of bread with enriched flour
 - 3/4 cup of 2 or more servings of fruit or vegetables
 - 1 teaspoon of butter
 - 1/2 pint of whole milk
 - Coffee or Tea
- Desserts and salads are available for a small extra charge.

Parking and access to the schools is easy.

The five Junior High Schools and their locations are:

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| Barnum Junior High School
746 Purdy Street
Birmingham | Derby Junior High School
1300 Derby Road
Troy |
| Berkshire Junior High School
21707 W. 14 Mile Road
Birmingham | West Maple Junior High School
6275 Inkster Road
Birmingham |
| Covington Junior High School
1525 Covington
Birmingham | |

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SENIOR MEN AND WIVES ENJOY BUFFET LUNCHEON AT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

The South East Vocational Educational Center in Royal Oak was the site of the first Special Event of the 1975 year for the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham. Under the leadership of Clarence Kraft, Special Events Chairman, approximately 120 men and their wives enjoyed a delightful buffet luncheon on Tuesday, January 14.

This luncheon, under the tutelage of Chef Ben Pearlman, was prepared by the students in the Cooking School at the Vocational High School. All of the students in this program come from the various local high schools in South East Oakland County. They spend one-half a day in vocational training and the other half day in their local high school for the academic program.

The Cooking School is only one of many vocational programs provided by the South East Vocational Educational Center. Following the buffet luncheon, many of the men and their wives were treated to a guided tour of the school.

The dining room of this school is open to the public for meals according to the following schedule:

Tuesday through Thursday - 11:30 - 1:30
for a menu lunch
Friday - 11:15 - 1:00 for a Buffet Lunch

Many thanks to Clarence Kraft for this delightful Special Event!

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ROBERT F. CONNOR
June 20, 1895 - December 4, 1974

In this club, we have so many men who are dedicated to their tasks that we accept this characteristic as a common attribute, but Bob had something more. He brought to his Chairmanship of the Visitation Committee a compassion for those who were ill. Can you remember the times when he would gently chide us for not sending, in his opinion, enough "Get Well" cards to those who were confined to their homes or in the hospital.

It was in Florida that he was born and raised. After attending Florida State and Tennessee University, he taught mathematics and coached athletics at Ocala and Sanford High Schools in Florida. He was a very good swimmer. In W.W.I, he was a 1st Lt. in Intelligence. After the war, he came to Michigan, in 1919, to work at Maxwell Motor Car Co. and Chrysler Corp. for 44 years. He was active in the Masonic Order and Visitation Chairman for Hi-Twelve.

For most of us, our greatest regret is that we knew this man for so few years.

Murray Kennedy

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TRAVEL NOTE FROM HARRY RENDELL TO KENNETH CLARK:

"Quite a few of the members of the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham have asked the name and telephone number of Day Inns on the way to Florida by the way of route #75. Bill Losie, of the club, recommended these inns to me when my wife and myself drove to Florida last November.

They are mostly new with two double beds, colored T.V., with bath, very nice with good free parking near your room. I don't own any stock in these Inns but wanted to pass this information to anyone who is planning to drive South this coming Winter. The prices are very reasonable compared to Holiday Inns, around 12 dollars for two with twin beds.

Anyone interested can call toll free for reservations by calling 800-241-7111. They will also send you a copy of all of their Inns in the country.

Bill Losie also told me about the Auto-Train from Louisville, Ky. By taking the Auto-Train, you can save about 1000 miles driving. The train was very good; also, the meals which were included in the cost of the trip. Reservations should be made in advance of at least three weeks. You can get all the information by writing Auto-Train, or call Toll-Free 800-424-8670.

I hope that this information will make it easier to plan your trip to Florida. If there is any more you would like, please contact me."

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THE FOUNDING OF THE DISCUSSION GROUP:

"The Senior Men's Club is planning a Discussion Group to meet in a separate room of The Community House, at 1 P.M., after the Club's weekly lunch. G. A. Ziegler is Chairman of the Committee planning the activity, which is in addition to the Club's usual activities.

Entertainment for tomorrow's meeting will be the showing of slides taken in the Scandinavian Countries by Mrs. Carl (Mary) Binkle, who is well-known for her Poetry."

The above article appeared in the Eccentric the last of January, 1958, under the heading "Recreation Round-Up". Publishing "The Recreation Round-Up" was a "Must" for the Eccentric because it was the publicity of "The Birmingham Recreation Department", headed by Mr. Girardin, who added our publicity to that of his department.

Typed on January 9, 1975 by our Historian

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The REMINDER for FRIENDS - Charles Staples

To every member, try this. Every time you come to a meeting, come with a free smile, extend a glad hand of "friendship" to at least 10 fellow members, display an interest in your community, your county, your State and our Country. You will be glad to know that you renewed old friends and made new friends. You will enjoy our meetings more.

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NOTICE RE: BI-CENTENNIAL - Philip C. Satterthwaite, Chairman

Many of our members are getting involved in our Bi-Centennial Project and are finding it very interesting. There is still a lot of work to do over the next several months, which means that there is a part for everyone. Come to the next meeting and give us a hand. The meeting will be at Owen Goodrich's home, 6971 Limerick Lane in Troy, at 2:00 P.M., on Tuesday, February 11, 1975.

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CONGRATULATIONS CAMERA CLUB!

Our Camera Club is to be congratulated on being selected to do the photography for the Birmingham Bi-Centennial. Phil Satterthwaite, Chairman, reports that this project is off to a good start. New members interested in photography are urged to join the Camera Club and participate in this project.

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SIGN UP FOR GOLF

Baylor Sutton, Golf Vice-Chairman, has issued a call for golfers. All members interested in playing are requested to sign up now in order that a schedule can be worked out for this Spring and Summer. Indicate your foursomes and also those who wish to play individually.

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The Annual Meeting of the Sun Coast Chapter of the Senior Men's Club will meet Friday, Mar. 14, 1975, at the Holiday Inn, about 3 miles North of Venice, Florida. For reservations, contact Burke Bartlett, 710 Golden Beach Blvd., Venice, Florida 33595.

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JANUARY CARD REPORT

There were 420 Bridge players during the month of January for an average of 84 players per session. The top 10 scores for the month were:

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| 1. Francis Morton - 5980 | 5. Bob Benson ----- 4600 | 9. Charlie Stre- |
| 2. Joe Schulteis -- 5820 | 6. Roger Ingalls --- 4570 | linger - 4430 |
| 3. Waino Ansama --- 5310 | 7. Charlie Heiney -- 4450 | 10. Les Wilder - |
| 4. Ollie Hawkins -- 5140 | 8. Hiram Broadwell - 4430 | 4330 |

The top 5 averages for 5 games played in January were:

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| 1. George Johnston - 3174 | 4. Charlie Strelinger - 2972 |
| 2. Joe Schulteis --- 3130 | 5. Russ Smith ----- 2926 |
| 3. Waino Ansama ---- 3118 | |

The high Pinochle score for the month was 635 by Francis Drittler.

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When the baby sardine Spied its first submarine It swam to its mother, fearful But fear soon waned When mother explained "It's only a can of people". (Mildred N. Hoyer-Sat.Eve.Post-12-74)	"Has your tooth stopped aching?" "Don't know - the dentist kept it."
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