

The Reminder

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PROGRAM FOR MAY, 1987 -- Ray Ewell, Chairman

- May 1 Speaker: Detective John VanGorder
Friday Birmingham Police Department
 Subject: "Law Day and the Birmingham Police Department"
- May 8 Speaker: James R. Krol, G. G. President of Birmingham
Friday Gemological Services, Inc.
 Subject: "Appraising Gems and Jewelry"
- May 15 Speaker: Tom Maloney and his Golden Sax
Friday Subject: "Songs of the Roaring 20's"
- May 22 NO MEETING
- May 29 Speaker: Hon. Eugene A. Moore,
Friday Oakland County Probate Judge
 Subject: "Assessment of the Juvenile Court System"

JUNE PROGRAM CHAIRMAN -- Irvin Weiss

- June 5 Speaker: John F. X. Browne, Consulting Firm of
Friday John F. X. Browne and Associates
 Subject: "Flying Over the Top and More Adventures
 in Light Aircraft"

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS

- May Chairman is Bill Gidley
- May 1 "Too Many Lawyers"
 Carl Ingraham, Leader
- May 8 "Dec. 7, 1941 Memorial"
 Dave Zimmer, Leader
- May 15 "Governmental Sanctions
 of Unemployment"
 Bill MacLachlan, Leader
- May 29 "Who's the Target?"
 Bill Gidley, Leader
- June Chairman is Durand Brown
- June 5 "Looking at US"
 Al Beauvais, Leader

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday, May 11
Applicants Golf P. 4
- Tuesday, May 12
9:30 a.m. Executive Board
2 p.m. Camera group P. 2
- Wednesday, May 13
2:45 p.m. Investment
Study Group P. 5
- Sunday, May 17, 2 p.m.
Orchestra Hall tour and
concert P. 3

NEXT REMINDER DEADLINE IS MAY 29

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A Pedestrian Ode to the Senior Men's Club

Let us praise the Senior Men,
 Not one is but an old has-been
 We meet on Friday full of zest
 All wide awake, and hear the best.

Attention must not ever lag.
 All pledge allegiance to our flag.
 We listen to an invocation
 And hear about a friend's vacation.

We get the news of games and sports
 And many marvelous reports.
 Some citizen is voted in
 To be with us through thick and thin.

Then there's a program full of meat,
 Much more so than our sandwich lunch.
 It's sure a Club you cannot beat:
 No doubt we are a lucky bunch.

-- Passed along by Paul Fitzpatrick, who
 states it's by good old ANONYMOUS

SENIOR MEN'S CLUB CAMERA GROUP - Bob Hadley, Chairman

"You be the judge" at the next Camera Group meeting, Tuesday, May 12, at 2 p.m. The meeting will be conducted by Bob Hadley. You will be asked to review and judge a slide contest from another camera group. Be there!

Save Sunday, May 17, for an enjoyable afternoon at Orchestra Hall. This annual event is given by the highly recommended Livonia Youth Symphony Orchestra. The program consists of symphonic favorites.

The price is only \$3.00, a special one-half price for Birmingham Seniors.

Come at 2 p.m. for a special tour of the renovation of Orchestra Hall given by Publicity Director, Jeffrey Montgomery. The program will start after the explanation tour.

Members, associates, wives, and friends are invited to this Special Event. Parking is available in the lot across the street. The Hall is located at 3711 Woodward, eight blocks south of Warren. Take the Warren/Forest exit from the Lodge. Get your tickets as you sign in or from Don Clark.

APRIL BRIDGE REPORT -- Joe Henninger, Chairman

(This report covers all 4 Fridays in April)

There were 272 Bridge players taking part in the four Friday sessions. Ed Clarke and Henry Bardsley conducted 25 tables of Duplicate Bridge. Of the 172 Contract Bridge players:

TEN HIGHEST SERIES

1.	Art Burgott	-	4990
2.	Reinie Zeidler	-	4340
3.	Herb Lugers	-	4110
4.	Bob Lotz	-	4080
5.	Hockey Melikian	-	3860
6.	Carl Schorn	-	3790
7.	Dick Beaubien	-	3640
8.	Jules Falke	-	3630
9.	Roy Hawkinson	-	3510
10.	Roy Snypp	-	3400

TEN HIGHEST AVERAGES

1.	Bill Hanlon	-	2975
2.	Hockey Melikian	-	2835
3.	Reinie Zeidler	-	2745
4.	Roy Hawkinson	-	2610
	Bob Lotz	-	
5.	Bert Henderson	-	2570
6.	Fred Patt	-	2515
7.	Jerry Bartlam	-	2410
8.	Joe Kern	-	2335
9.	Marty Hubbard	-	2325
10.	George Connely	-	2210

There were 9 small slams bid and made by the Contract players and none by the Duplicate players during these sessions.

GAWLPHING WITH THE SENIORS -- Reported by Ray Swartz

Two weeks into the 1987 golfing season and 110 Hardy Souls have braved the elements. We, the Committee, have the best weather as our tee-off time after 11:00 a.m. lets us finish in the sunshine! The scoring was better the second week, especially for those who play three or four times a week. Stolberg and Spomer both had 38's the second week with Stolberg having a Birdie on #2 hole, the only one in the two weeks play. Clark and Spomer had 42's and Craine a 43 the first week for the lowest scores. Rich Knudsen was closest to the pin on #6 the first week and Bill McLaren the second week with shots of 150 inches and 170 inches respectively.

UNTIL THE WEATHER GETS WARMER! You who have starting times later than 10:15 should start arriving at the Course sooner as the number of no-shows due to inclement weather makes it hard to fill foursomes and keep the starting tee filled. Last year we didn't have 20 foursomes until May 15, with the last starting time about 11:00 a.m. If any of you don't wish to start after 11:00 a.m., let any of the Committee know and we will put you down as Walk-Ons, which may get you out sooner, depending on your arrival time at the Course and the number of No-Shows.

Come on out and join in the fun and meet New Seniors! as our Scribe Hockey puts it: GOLFING: The WORST DAMN FUN any body ever had!

YOUR COMMITTEE: DON, MARC, HOCKEY and RAY.

APPLICANT GOLF LEAGUE -- Marcel DeSmet, Chairman

Golfers will meet at the White Lake Oaks Golf Course at 991 Williams Lake Road, Pontiac, on May 11, at 8:30 - 8:45 a.m. to start our League play. Please be on time.

See Marcel DeSmet on the first tee. There are eight foursomes.

There will be "closest to the pin" at the shortest hole. It will cost all of 10 cents or one dime. There will be a special prize for closest to the pin each week.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL! WILL SEE YOU AT THE FIRST TEE!

INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP -- Bob Lotz, Chairman

The next Investment Study Group meeting will be May 13, 2:45 p.m., at the Community House. The meeting chairman will be Bob Lotz and the guest speaker will be Ralph Seger, President and co-owner of Seger-Elvekrog Inc. of Birmingham. The subject will be What Makes Stocks Move? Mr. Seger has an excellent reputation as a financial analyst and authors several columns on the subject.

Those participating in the Capital Gains Stock Game be sure to bring in your update of your portfolio to the market close on April 30. This will be the end of the game and the winners recognized.

The Investment Study Group meetings are held in the Community House on the second Wednesday of each month from September through June. The meetings start at 2:45 p.m. and end at 4:15 p.m. All members and applicants are invited.

BOWLING REPORT -- Jack Lorne, Chairman

On March 30 there were 48 on hand. Among the high scores were Les Swanson 203, 225, 615; Jules Falke 211 & 540; Walt Heavenrich 210 & 530; Jim Reeves 202 & 560; Murray Kennedy 518; Ed Barrett 516; Harry Partridge 507; Vance Wagley won the mystery game.

On April 6 we had Les Swanson setting a year high for three games, rolling 203, 221, 196 for 620, bettering his mark from the previous week. Others who did well were Lloyd Sturgeon with a 240 (third high for the year), Jack Howitt 234, Gord Lamphere 211 & 548, Marcel DeSmet 516, Charles Breitmeyer 200 & 513, Bill Barr 509, Ed Hoagland and Jim Reeves 507, Jack Lorne 212. Bob Massey won the mystery game.

On April 13 the roll off between the winners of the first half and the second half took place between teams #6 & 8. Team #8 with help from DeGrande won the match and won the league title. Others on the team are Gord Lamphere, Clem Cykowski, Harry Mitchell and Charles Breitmeyer. High scores were also rolled by Barr 217 & 575, Swanson 546, DeGrande 535, Bedford 205 & 532, Henderson 531, Hoagland 212 & 523, Garrison 201 & 512, Wagner 510, Partridge 211 & 509, Strang 201. The mystery game winner was Murray Kennedy.

On April 20 we had a doubles tournament pairing the high and low average bowlers, adding a handicap for the difference between their combined scores and 300. The top five in this group were: Bill Hassberger and Norm Clark 1052, Jim Reeves and Ed Jositis 1038, DeGrande and Jack Howitt 979, Clem Cykowski and Bob Hadley 954, Hank Sulewski and George Kurche 940. Lloyd Sturgeon won the mystery game.

Wednesday, May 6 is the bowling banquet at the Community House. Cash bar at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7. Everyone is welcome. For tickets, contact Marcel DeSmet or myself.

COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVES, UPDATE, -- Reported by Chick HolmesThe 1987 Community House Annual Fund Drive

The Senior Men continue their traditional financial support of our Club home. Through mid-April individual members have contributed over \$21,000, an average of over \$60/member. However, about 100 members (regular, life and associates) still have not given or pledged. I'm hoping that many are "snow birds" who may have forgotten the annual drive.

Come on, guys, please help the Community House! Make out your check to the "Community House" and note that you are a SMC member.

Ninety super applicants have been most generous in donating over \$4,000.

Thank you fellows for your excellent support for this absolutely necessary campaign. The bills must be paid! If you have any questions, call me at 646-3034

The Community House Capital Campaign

You should have received by now the letter and pledge card from Bill and Bev Hoglund, Co-Chairs of the Campaign. If you have any questions regarding the Campaign or manner of pledging, please call Don Ingraham, Campaign Director at 644-5832 or call me.

The SMC has pledged \$3,000 per year for five years and has agreed to support the Campaign in any way possible. The Executive Board expects individual members and applicants to join in the effort and has suggested pledges of at least \$50.00 per year for 3-5 years. Pledges may be in cash, check, stock or other forms.

If you have not received your copy of the Campaign Brochure, please ask at the front desk or contact me.

Remember, the Community House is vital to the existence of the Senior Men's Club.

Chick Holmes, Chairman, Special Projects

Editor's note: For the attention of members not attending our meetings (Associate Members, those on leave of absence, or ill). You were not present at the meeting at which the Capital Campaign was explained, so you may not know its purpose. The purpose is to build a healthy addition to The Community House and to renovate its facilities. This is a long-needed objective, as you probably realize. Included are additional meeting rooms, lavatory facilities, a much bigger and better kitchen, and an elevator. If you aren't able to attend our meetings but are interested in the campaign, write to The Community House and ask for the brochure.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS -- Bill Brown, Corresponding Secretary

The hot news from the Associate front is that nobody has reported any new great-grandchildren, and Tex Thorson has not had his coat stolen.

Birthdays are only two in May. They are:

May 1: Austin T. Thorson

May 9: Lyman Jillson

Why don't you fellows get together? After all, from Pleasant Hill, Tennessee, to Lakeland, Florida, isn't so far. We make this suggestion because we need Associate Member news!

EAT AT BILL KNAPPP'S AND GIVE BOB WATSON YOUR CERTIFICATE

Bob Watson, who headed up the campaign to save Knapp Restaurant receipts, is given credit, along with SMC members, for the success of the project that has concluded with purchase of a new coffee urn for the BASCC Senior Center in Pierce School. So many certificates from Knapp's were obtained that a start has been made on winning a coffee table to complement the new urn. So if you eat at any Bill Knapp restaurant, ask for the community certificate when you check out. And save any of these papers for "Smiling Old Bob".

EMPLOYED YOUNG MAN NEEDS TRANSPORTATION - DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT HELP?

It's a remarkable story: Man has full time job -- eight years on the job -- but he's handicapped and can't drive. Gets around Birmingham on an adult tricycle.

Kevin Degen is a neighbor of our member Bob Brown. He lives with his mother near Adams and Maple. He works at Allied Automotive (formerly Bendix), near 11 1/2 Mile and Evergreen. The person who has been providing transportation is leaving town.

Now Kevin must find someone to drive him to work every morning and someone to bring him home. He could pay expenses. His hours are 8:15 to 5:00 p.m., five days a week.

Can you think of someone (or organization) who might be able to provide transportation for this young man? If so, or if you have any questions, you may call Kevin at 646-3807.

1987 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

<u>A thru F</u>		<u>G thru L</u>		<u>M thru R</u>		<u>S thru Z</u>	
May	1	May	8	May	15	May	29 *
June	5	June	12	June	19	June	26
July	3	July	10	July	17	July	24 ***
Sept.	4	Sept.	11	Sept.	18	Sept.	25
Oct.	2	Oct.	9	Oct.	16	Oct.	23
Oct.	30	Nov.	6	Nov.	13	Nov.	20 **

* No meeting May 22, Michigan Week

** No meeting Nov. 27, Thanksgiving Week

*** No meetings for applicants, July 31

Note: There are no meetings for Applicants in December

MEMBERSHIP CHANGESNEW MEMBERSSPONSOR

BOUCHER, Donald E. 4088 Waterwheel	4/87 BH	851-6939 48013	Ralph Smith
FRAHM, Clarence 2776 Juniper Ct.	4/87 TR	646-6842 48098	Henry Bardsley
STRANG, John R. 7395 Bingham	4/87 B	647-1781 48010	Bob Watson
GOWANS, Colin B. 1123 Davis St.	4/87 B	647-7179 48009	Jim Flack
HAWK, William F. 226 Marlborough Dr.	4/87 BH	335-7761 48013	Walt Dreyer
OBRINGER, Robert U. 3711 N. Darlington	4/87 B	647-5215 48010	Dick Jeffries
MARLIN, Thaddeus J. 2741 Derby Rd.	4/87 TR	649-6899 48084	Fred Meyer
HOLTZ, Charles L. 515 Oakland	4/87 B	646-6575 48008	Henry Bardsley

Became Life Member: Gordon H. Robertson, who joined in April, 1977

Reinstate as an Active Member: Wider, Martin F.

Reinstate as Leave of Absence: Minor, Lance C.

Place on Leave of Absence: Worthley, Leland N.

Roster Correction: Pg. 21, Davies, Russell C., should be 2975 N. Adams

Correction to last month's Reminder: Poole, James H., should be 2591 Covington Pl.