

The Reminder

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PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER -- RICHARD E. HENNE, CHAIRMAN

- Dec. 4 Speaker: Stephen Kershner, Director, Baldwin Public Library
and Bloomfield Township Library
Subject: "Libraries are for Life":
- Dec: 11 HOSTESS DAY
Program: "A CHRISTMAS PROGRAM" by The Jills from
Bloomfield Hills, Bruce Snyder, Director

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY -- PAST PRESIDENTS' MONTH, BAYLOR SUTTON, CHAIRMAN

- Jan. 8 Speaker: Bob Hadley, SMC Member
Subject: "Awesome Alaska"

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS -- DECEMBER CHAIRMAN IS STAN SKAISTIS

- Dec. 4 "Who Hid The Orchids?" Carl Freeman, Leader
Dec. 11 "Lets Make Wine." Stan Skaistis, Leader

Discussion Group Chairman for January is James K. Flack

- Jan. 8 "The United States as a World Power, 1898 To Date."
Frank Angelo, Leader

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, December 8, 9:30 a.m.
Executive Board Meeting

NEXT REMINDER DEADLINE
December 18

Wednesday, December 9, 2:45 p.m.
Investment Study Group. See page 3

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1988 PREVIEW -- THE NEW OFFICERS

Our 1988 Officers were voted in by acclamation at the November 13 meeting. They are:

Paul Fitzpatrick	President
Bert Henderson	First Vice-President
Blaine Gordon	Second Vice-President
Charles Williams	Recording Secretary
Henry Dawkins	Corresponding Secretary
James Reeves	Treasurer
Ken Bertschy	Assistant Treasurer
Bill Barr	Officer at Large
Irwin Weiss	Officer at Large

OUTGOING PRESIDENT SETS NEW RECORD -- INCOMING PRES MAKES POINT

Soon-to-be Past President John Spomer was the first president in recent history to be absent from only two meetings during his year. This was emphasized by incoming President Paul Fitzpatrick, who points out that he as had only two meetings for practice in chairing our Friday sessions.

In view of this situation, Paul no doubt will be forgiven for any gaffs during his first Fridays at the helm.

Paul has come up with a simplified calendar of our Friday meetings for 1988. We don't really need a full page of dates, he says. So here is his schedule for our Friday Meetings:

Senior Men's Club Schedule, 1988

(Regular Friday meetings, including Discussion Group and Cards)
 EVERY FRIDAY, EXCEPT January 1, May 20, August (ALL), November 25, December 23, and December 30. A total of 44 meetings. Bridge every Tuesday.

Ed. Note: If you can find any errors please report to Paul or to the Editor.

CHRISTMAS PARTY NEWS -- Reported by MURRAY HAYWARD

Our annual Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, December 16, at The Community House. Happy Hour will commence at 6:00 p.m. and a fine Turkey Dinner served at 7:00 p.m. Ladies will be presented with a corsage by a special visitor from the North Pole. The Straw Hat Band will be the featured entertainment. Tickets are \$30 per couple.

GOLF DOME PRACTICE -- MARCEL DESMET, CHAIRMAN

The Golf Dome address is 29601 John R, just north of 12 Mile Road. Thursday, January 7, will start our 1988 practice, from 9 to 11 a.m. Our schedule is Thursday:

January 7	March 3
January 21	March 17
February 4	March 31
February 18	April 7
	April 21

The Pros will be available for lessons on the first Thursday of each month. EVERYONE is WELCOME !! This includes all Club applicants. This year the cost is \$6.00 per person, per day.

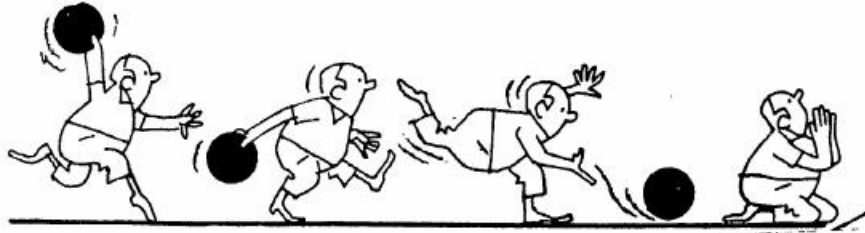
COME ONE -- COME ALL! SEE YOU AT THE GOLF DOME.

INVESTMENT STUDY GROUP -- BOB LOTZ, CHAIRMAN

The next Investment Study Group meeting will be Wednesday, DECEMBER 9, 2:45 p.m., at the Community House. The meeting chairman will be Fred Osann and the guest speaker will be Henry S. Woloson, 2nd V.P. NBD Investment Department. The subject will be Municipal Bonds and U.S. Government Obligations. The bond market is one that we have been slighting in favor of stocks, and this is an opportunity to get answers to some of the questions you have been asking.

The January meeting will be January 13, and the meeting chairman will be Murray Hayward. The guest speaker will be Jim Sansatara of Comerica Bank. The subject will be the Stock Market Outlook. Jim spoke to us last year and has been invited back by popular demand.

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.



THE BOWLING SCENE -- REPORTED BY RAY COMPTON

November bowlers ranged from 54 -59 each Monday, an excellent turnout.

Team #3, Marcel DeSmet, Bob Klein, Jim Hobin and Jack Howitt is in first place with a 2 1/2 point lead over Team #2; Bert Henderson, Lloyd Sturgeon, Bill Hassberger and Clarence Frahm.

Les Swanson continues to be the top gun with a 221 game and a 621 series and a 175 average.

High Bowlers:

	<u>GAME</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
Ray Swartz	220	527
Fran DeGranda	216	554
Harry Deem	212	545
Ed Hoagland	210	563
John Strange	208	503
Bert Henderson	206	582
Jim Reeves	204	535
Bob Klein	204	522
Bill Barr	203	530
Marcel DeSmet	201	526
Tom Bedford	201	511
Ross Wagner	200	555

Ten other bowlers have 190 plus games to their credit. The combined team bowler average is 142, ranging from a high of 175 to 103. All are not stars but all have fun. Some get a lot more exercise; the lower the score, the more balls you roll, a strange game.

The November mystery game winners were: Marcel DeSmet, Henry Sulewski, Bill Barr, Joe Chalmers, Bill Garrison, and Al Schmidt.

The Thanksgiving "Shoot-Out" winners were: Allston, Caputo, Cykowski, Garland, Hassberger, Hilton, Howitt, Kennedy, Kurche, Massey, Partridge, Quinlan, Swanson, and Swartz. On November 23, they had the highest pin fall over average on their team.

The first half of the season ends on December 14 with the Christmas "Shoot-Out" and position bowling to decide the team standings. The second half bowling starts on Monday, January 4, 1988.

All members and applicants are invited to bowl with us -- every Monday at 9:30 a.m. at the Birmingham Bowl.

HOLIDAY SALES SHOW

The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association is sponsoring a HOLIDAY SALES SHOW through December 12, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This show features "Professionally Crafted Gifts of Art" to give, to use, to wear. Unusual objects from Country to Contemporary arts are for sale.

This will be followed December 16 - 19 by a POTTERY SALE. The Pottery is crafted at the BBAA studios. Prices for this pottery quality and originality are remarkably reasonable. The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association is located at 1516 South Cranbrook Road, just north of 14 Mile Road. The phone # is 644-0866.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS -- HENRY DAWKINS, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Your Corresponding Secretary is ready and willing to accept any bits of news or gossip from Associated, especially those residing in warm climates, where they don't have to blow on their fingers to limber up for writing.

Birthdays in December are:

3rd: Ray Morgan. 4th: Tom Mitchell. 16th: Bill Pilditch.

23rd: Norm White. 24th: Burke Bartlett. Best birthday and holiday greetings from your old friends in Birmingham.

BASCC NEWS -- REPORTED BY BOB WATSON, SMC AMBASSADOR TO BASCC

BASCC (the Birmingham Area Senior Coordinating Council) is celebrating its 10th anniversary in its enlarged quarters at Pierce School. Their Hospitality Committee is preparing light refreshments to be served from 2 to 4 p.m. All members (and wives) of the Senior Men's Club are invited.

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During a power failure many people complained of having gotten stuck for hours on escalators.

HIGH AVERAGESHIGH SCORES

Marcel DeSmet	3350	Lloyd Sturgeon	4070
Roy Hawkinson	2860	Ken Bertsky	3620
Larry Van Tuyl	2770	Marcel DeSmet	3410
Phil Werner	2540	Roy Snypp	3370
Lloyd Sturgeon	2270	Walt Dryer	3250
Ken Bertschy	2210	Henry Dawkins	3170

There were 120 Rubber Bridge Players
Two small slams - one grand slam

For the Duplicate Players:
High for the month:

George Snider	6670
Jim Peters	6470
Jim Peters	6170

There were 6 small slams and one Grand slam
4 small slams by:

6H Carl Schorn - Henry Schlachter
6NT Kent Wonnell - Lee Reason
6NT Tommy Thompson - Chas. Renfrew
6NT Art Burgott - Jim Peters
7NT Art Bogue - Jim Tedesco

EXPLANATION OF "LEAVE OF ABSENCE" -- BY HENRY DAWKINS

When a member requests "Leave of Absence" status due to illness or other reason and it is approved by the Executive Board, his name goes on the list to receive a copy of the REMINDER by mail each month. When wishing to be reinstated as an active member he is to request this of the Executive Board, and he is to fill the first vacancy available.

-- Henry Dawkins, Corresponding Secretary

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN -- CHICK HOLMES REPORTING

AS SMC President John Spomer and I pointed out to you several weeks ago, SMC members have lagged in their pledging/giving to the Capital Campaign. An overwhelming majority of you voted about a year ago to actively support the drive for the renovation and expansion of the Community House. Now is the time to honor your promise.

Through November 24 only 174 SMC members have pledged/given \$64,035 for an average of \$368.00. 28 applicants have pledged/given \$3,530 for an average of \$126.00.

In order for the House to qualify for the Kresge Foundation Challenge grant of \$400,000, it must have pledged/gifts of \$2,200,000 by March 31, 1988, four short months away.

General Motors and the Ford Motor Company have recently given \$100,000 each to the Campaign and the Sloman Foundation has pledged \$25,000 for a Child Care Center which is in the plans. Thus the total pledged/given so far is approximately \$1,725,000. The GAP is \$475,000 which must be reached to meet the minimum goal of \$2,200,000.

Please get your pledge and/or gifts in promptly. This old house is vital to the continued existence of our Club. There is no other place capable of housing and feeding our regular meetings and all the other uses we make of the House. (WE, the SMC are not charged for our use of the Community House. Compare this with the normal charge of \$200 per hour for the use of the Auditorium, the Executive Lounge and the Ruth Shain Room. Just so you may appreciate what a great deal we have).

If you have any questions or need pledge cards, please call me at 646-3034

-- Chick Holmes

1988 ATTENDANCE SCHEDULE FOR APPLICANTS

<u>A THRU F</u>	<u>G THRU L</u>	<u>M THRU R</u>	<u>S THRU Z</u>
Jan. 8	Jan. 15	Jan. 22	Jan. 29
Feb. 5	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	Feb. 26
Mar. 4	Mar. 11	Mar. 18	Mar. 25
Apr. 1	Apr. 8	Apr. 15	Apr. 22
Apr. 29	May 6	May 13*	May 27
June 3	June 10	June 17	June 24
July 1	July 8	July 15	July 22
Sept. 2	Sept. 9	Sept. 16	Sept. 23
Sept. 30	Oct. 7	Oct. 14	Oct. 21
Oct. 28	Nov. 4	Nov. 11	Nov. 18*

* There are no meetings on May 20 or November 25
The Club does not meet in August.

Note: There are no meetings for Applicants in December

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATIONNEW MEMBERSSPONSOR

BONDY, NORMAN 263 Ravine	11/87 B	646-0055 48009	Clem Cykowski
PAULUS, JOSEPH F. 1111 Glengary Cir. W	11/87 B	644-8585 48010	Charles Richards
BARNES, HENRY 822 Shady Hollow Cir.	11/87 BH	647-3867	Jim Reeves
DALY, THOMAS F. 3873 Shellmarr Ln.	11/87 BH	647-2973 48013	Dick Jeffries
WATSON, D. JAMES JR. 1075 Canterbury	11/87 B	644-8798 48009	Bob Lotz
GASKIN, NED C. 17455 W. 14 Mile Rd.	11/87 B	540-7431 48009	Neil Warren
VOELKER, DONALD F. 2434 Mulberry Sq.	11/87 BH	644-1871 48013	Henry Merker

TOOK LEAVE OF ABSENCE: -- H. Milton Barrett, Colin H. John

RESIGNED: -- Edward F. Wallich, who joined in October, 1986