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PROGRAM FOR JULY -- EUGENE L. SPARROW - CHAIRMAN

Friday, July 6

Speaker: Bradley Brewer, Director General
Detroit Science Center
Topic: "The New Science Center"

Friday, July 13

Speaker: Miss Sue Cherry, Manager, Money Museum,
Renaissance Center
Topic: "The Stories Money Can Tell"

Friday, July 20

Speaker: Jerry Sullivan, Director Public Relations,
Ford Tractor Division, Ford Motor Company
Topic: "The World of Ford"

Friday, July 27

Speaker: Michael Best, Supervisor, Halfway Houses in
Oakland County, Michigan Department of Corrections
Topic: "Prisons - Standing Room Only"

-- NO MEETINGS IN AUGUST --

Friday, Sept. 7

To be announced.

DISCUSSION GROUP SUBJECTS -- BILL WILSON - CHAIRMAN

Friday, July 6: "Byways of England and Wales"
Fred Finkenauer, Leader

Friday, July 13: "History of Medicine, with Pictures"
Bud Angevine, Leader

Friday, July 20: "Nuclear Energy -- Friend or Foe?"
Art Newman, Leader

Friday, July 27: "Travel Smorgasbord"
Carl Schorn, Leader

Friday, Sept. 7: "Copenhagen"
Murray Stewart, Leader

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, August 4 --- Tiger Game - Details on another page.
Friday, August 17 --- Annual Picnic - See another page.
REMEMBER --- NO MEETING IN AUGUST.
Advance notice --- Bowling starts Monday, September 10.

THE REMINDER

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BALL GAME - SATURDAY, AUGUST 4 - TIGERS vs. KANSAS CITY - Paul Fisher - Special Events Chairman

Mark the date! Russ Smith will have tickets available at \$5.00 each starting Friday, July 13. Since bus capacity is 46 passengers, get your tickets early, so we'll know whether we'll have one or two bus loads. These tickets will be exchanged for Tiger Stadium tickets on Friday, July 27. Bus will leave The Community House at 12:00 noon sharp and return to The Community House about 5:30 P.M.

NOTE: There is no Saturday "Tiger Day" (Senior Citizen Discount) in July.

REMEMBER: No club meetings in August. Don't forget the game on August 4, after getting your stadium ticket on July 27.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE QUESTIONS FOR THE BOARD -- HERE'S HOW

At a recent Executive Board meeting, it was decided that the two "At Large" board members can serve a valuable liaison function between members and the board. From now on, members should feel free to talk to these men with questions, gripes, suggestions, or (maybe) compliments! The present "At Large" Board members are Ed Bloss and Walt Dreyer. These are the gentlemen who will welcome your comments and carry the message to the next board meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED

In accordance with our constitution, our President has appointed a nominating committee of five men, three of whom are past Presidents. They will prepare a slate which will be posted one week in advance of the November election. Here's the Committee:

Ross Wagner, Chairman; Jim Flack, ~~Murray Kennedy~~, *Marty Hubbard*
Walt Meyers, and Bob Gray.

SPONSORS OF NEW MEMBERS -- TAKE NOTE

At the May 8 meeting of the Executive Board, it was decided to ask sponsors of new members to sit with the prospective member near the front of the room -- close to the microphone and the fireplace, where it will be easy for the sponsor to address the club and for the new member to talk to the President for his induction.

ANNUAL PICNIC SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

ART BURGOTT AND JULIUS FALKE, CO-CHAIRMAN

Through the courtesy of Gene MacCracken, our annual picnic will again be held at the Pontiac Yacht Club, Friday, August 17. Festivities start at 10a.m. and lunch is served at noon. Here is more information:

CARDS Arrange your own bridge game. Bring tables and chairs. Cards and score pads will be furnished. Chairs and tables available for those who don't wish to play cards.

MENU Hot dog or grilled cheese sandwich -- buttered sweet corn -- potato chips -- coffee or milk -- pie or doughnut -- ice cream. All for \$1.75. Russ Smith will have the tickets.

PLACE Pontiac Yacht Club is on Cass Lake. Take Long Lake Road west to Orchard Lake Road. Turn right to Keego Harbor. There is an A. & P. store on the west side of the road. Turn left just beyond the store turn right just beyond entrance. You can see the Club from the road.

NEW MEMBERS Sponsors should see that every new member is invited to this occasion. It's a great time to get acquainted.

ANY NEW IDEAS? If you have ideas on how to improve the picnic, pass them along to Art or Julius.

GOLF LEAGUE -- CHICK HOLMES - CHAIRMAN

The highlight of our golf season so far has, of course, been Charlie Heiney's hole-in-one at the seventh hole on June 14. Congratulations, Charlie!

We have had eight league sessions, beginning April 19, and have averaged 70 golfers daily. The star of the "Closest-to-the-Pin" contest at the sixth hole has been John Taylor at 38 inches on the first day of play.

Low scores to date: 38 - Marcel DeSmet; 39 - "Hockey" Melikian, Ed Norris and John Spomer; 40 - Bob Bellile, Dean Brown, Chick Holmes and John O'Brien; 41 - Murray Kennedy, Leon Lytle, Tony Spehar, Ray Swartz and "Tex" Thorson.

High Score to date is 77. High average is 71 (he shot a 55 his last time out -- he shall be nameless).

CAMERA GROUP CONTEST IS ON - BOB BROWN - CHAIRMAN

With June gone by, there are only two months left for capturing prize winning pictures for the Camera Group's photographic contest. If you haven't started yet, better get clicking while the days are long and the light is good! See June issue of the Reminder for details, or ask any Camera Group member.

MEMBERS WHO MISS WILSON DRUGS OR THE REVCO STORE -- TAKE NOTE

Hunter-Maple Pharmacy, on East Maple between Englander's and the Chatham Market, now offers a 10 percent senior discount on all health care items in addition to prescriptions. That includes vitamins, first-aid products, toothpaste, etc. All Birmingham drug stores offer 10 percent senior discount on prescriptions.

COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE - CHICK HOLMES - CHAIRMAN

At the end of June, only six of our members had not given or pledged on behalf of The Community House Fund Drive for 1979. I have not been able to contact the six, most of whom have not returned from their winter homes. This means that over 98% of us have chipped in to help this worthy--and necessary--cause. Directly or indirectly, through our help in the public phone campaign, we have raised over \$12,800 toward the fund drive. Congratulations!

JUNE BRIDGE REPORT - JOSEPH R. HENNINGER - CHAIRMAN

There were 424 bridge players for the five weeks in June, for an average of 84 players per week.

<u>10 HIGHEST SCORES DURING THIS TIME</u>		<u>10 HIGHEST AVERAGES DURING THIS TIME</u>	
1 - Lorin Vollmer	5980	1 - Nelson Jones	3620
2 - Russ Smith	5270	2 - Lorin Vollmer	3520
3 - Chris Hilliker	5150	3 - Bob Benson	3410
4 - Bill Losie	4970	4 - Chris Hilliker	3240
5 - Bob Baxter	4620	5 - Russ Smith	3090
6 - Bob Trees	4600	6 - Bill Renton	2990
7 - Frank Hanson	4520	7 - Frank Hanson	2820
8 - Lee Durham	4510	8 - Carl Schorn	2800
9 - Nelson Jones	4400	9 - Bill Hanlon	2750
10 - Nelson Jones	4380	10 - Pete Shryock	2700

Low Score during this period was 390 by Guy Galyon

There were 4 Grand Slams and 11 Small Slams bid and made during this period.

ADVANCE NOTICE 1979-1980 BOWLING SEASON -- J. C. SACKERSON - CHAIRMAN

Our Bowling Program is scheduled to begin on Monday, September 10, at Birmingham Bowl, 1000 Webster, Birmingham, and continue on every Monday, with the exception of December 24 and December 31, through April 21. Bowling begins at 9:30 A.M.

We will again schedule ten (10) four (4) men teams. Because there are no Friday meetings during August, we must know your interest so that we can form our teams based on last year's averages.

We ask that you indicate your intention by signing the sheet posted on the bulletin board. Note that you may elect to become a regular member or a substitute. PLEASE NOTE THE NEW LOCATION.

To those who did not bowl with our group last year, indicate your approximate average based on your previous experience.

MEMBERSHIP VITAL STATISTICS

NEW MEMBER IN JUNE

Edward A. Kaegi	June, 1979	647-2044
30 Nantucket Drive	Bloomfield Hills	48013

TO ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Elroy Sandberg
1 Westwood Avenue
Tequesta, Florida 33458

RESIGNED

Charles D. Dameron

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Edward P. Sammut - new address: 267 Westbourne,
Birmingham, 48010

ASSOCIATE MEMBER NEWS

Herman W. Bogin, of Scottsdale, Arizona, celebrated his birthday June 8.

ANNIVERSARIES

In addition to the seven members who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries in June, here are two whose anniversaries had not been previously published (Young "50th" couples take note).

Dave Stamy -- 61st anniversary -- May 25
Mel Colville -- 62nd anniversary -- June 17

A MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO FORMER MEMBER JAMES POTTINGER

By Alger Crandell - Vice Chairman - History

James Pottinger became a member of the Senior Men's Club in June, 1969. That was 13 months before I was admitted, but it took only a couple of meetings to learn that Jim was an outstanding member. In the general meetings and on the Executive Board, Jim was never hesitant to stand up and be counted. He was especially influential in the Discussion Group, which he chaired for years.

During his business career, he became an accountant for the D. M. Ferry Seed Company (later Ferry-Morse), rising to the presidency in the 1950's. When Ferry-Morse outgrew the seed farms near Rochester, Jim was instrumental in moving the whole thing, bag and baggage, to California.

After his retirement, Jim and his family came back here and he became a member of our club. In 1975 he had to resign because of ill health. He died June 5, 1979.

To Jim Pottinger -- one of nature's noblemen!