

# Reminder

Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, Michigan



## JUNE PROGRAM SPEAKERS

JUNE CHAIRMAN: WILLIAM H. CORBA

- 2** Speaker: John Ciszewski, Executive Vice President  
Detroit Pistons/Palace Sports and Entertainment  
Subject: "Detroit Pistons/Palace Activities"  
*Applicants A—D invited to attend*
- 9** Speaker: Kenneth Corba, Managing Director, Chief Investment Officer  
PIMCO Equity Advisors  
Subject: "Five Myths About Investing"  
*Applicants E—K invited to attend*
- 16** Speaker: Neil DeKoker, Managing Director  
Original Equipment Suppliers Association  
Subject: "Rapidly Changing Automotive Industry: Operating at E-Speed"  
*Applicants L—P invited to attend*
- 23** Speaker: Jon Pepper, Associate Business Editor  
The Detroit News  
Subject: "Sticking My Nose in Other People's Business"  
*Applicants Q—Z invited to attend*
- 30** Speaker: Mark A. Farlow, Senior Associate  
Victor Saroki & Associates, Architects  
Subject: "Birmingham Architecture Today"  
*Applicants A—D invited to attend*
- July 7** Speaker: TBA  
Subject: TBA  
*Applicants E—K invited to attend*

## DISCUSSION GROUP SPEAKERS

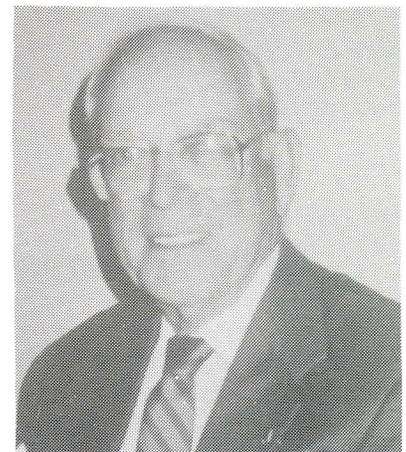
JUNE CHAIRMAN: AL WOOD

- June 2** Speaker: Darek Prisbylla, Security Specialist, Guardian Alarm  
Topic: "Are Your Home Valuables Secure?"
- June 9** Speaker: Renard Kolasa, Attorney and Principal  
Couzens, Lansky, Fealk, Ellis, Roeder & Lazar  
Topic: "Estate Planning, Wealth Transfer, Charitable Giving, Taxes"
- June 16** Speaker: Kevin Mills, Mills Pharmacy  
Topic: "You and Your Medication"
- June 23** Speaker: Mark Clemence, Detective Birmingham Police Dept.  
Topic: "Don't Fall Prey to Scams"
- June 30** Speaker: Kathy Wolf, Marnie Parrott and Tina Rowley  
Home Instead Senior Care  
Topic: "What is Available in Senior Home Care"
- July 7** Speaker: TBA  
Topic: TBA

## C'mon Guys, Dig Down and Help

It's Community House fund raising time, and the Senior Men's Club has a pretty big stake in the success of the House. We use it a lot, and we spend a few bucks here each week, but here is an opportunity to give it real support.

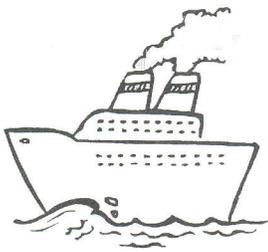
Contributions are averaging about \$86 but the number of contributors so far is down. It is extremely important that members and applicants support The Community House so that we may continue to have space for our numerous meetings. Last year our donations fell 10% short of our \$50,000 goal, so if we each kicked in another 10%, we could reach it this year. If you have been giving \$100, as many members do, this means an increase of only \$10, or less than 20 cents a week. Your help is needed!



Bob Pullar

Heading the SMC's part of the annual drive is our own Bob Pullar. Bob has been a member since 1996. A native of Buffalo, Bob moved to Detroit, graduated from the University of Michigan, became an architect, and spent many creative and productive years with Yamisaki.

## Detroit River Cruise



Due to the popularity of last year's River Cruise, it is being offered again on Tuesday, July 18, 2000.

This was a complete sell out on the first day that tickets went on sale. So, if you were unable to attend last year or would like to come again this year, you must attend the Friday, June 9 meeting to sign up and obtain your tickets. There will be NO telephone sales.

Bus boarding begins at 11:00 AM at the First United Methodist Church on Maple Road in Birmingham. The two hour narrated cruise starts at 1:00 PM. Dinner will be at Sinbad's Restaurant in Detroit immediately after the cruise. The meal includes one of three menu choices, a dessert and a beverage (coffee, tea or soda). There will be a cash bar. Total tickets available for this event are 55. The total cost for this event is \$41.

-Bob Gardner

*Grandson: "Grandpa, can you make a noise like a frog?"*

*Grandpa: "I probably can; why do you ask?"*

*Grandson: "Well, Grandma said 'As soon as you croak, we're all going to Hawaii.'"*

-Bill Corba

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

### Special Birthday Greetings:

Kenneth Van Allen will be 86 on June 5.  
Hol Mabley will be 91 on June 8.  
Bernie Ziessow will be 85 on June 9.  
John Delos will be 87 on June 11.  
Foster Williams will be 95 on June 11.  
Dr. Henry Dawkins will be 96 on June 13.  
Tony Spehar will be 90 on June 14.  
Clarence Hall will be 85 on June 15.  
Melvin Pillon will be 91 on June 24.  
Fletcher Street will be 92 on June 26.  
George Smith will be 86 on June 26.  
Roy Edwards will be 93 on June 26.

**Associate Member Birthdays:** Cliff Lundgren, June 25.

### Birthdays of Members on Leave of Absence:

Bob Obringer on June 5.  
Warner Canto on June 18.  
Dick Ruppel on June 19.  
Bob Cosner on June 21.  
James Florek on June 22.

**Deaths:** Anthony Spehar, Life Member, who joined in December 1971.  
Michael E. Best, who joined in February 1996.  
Donald F. Voelker, Life Member, who joined in November 1987.

**Address Change:** George R. Glass (Dick), RR2 49-21, Center Harbor, NH, 03226.  
David A. Schwartz, 2539 Essex Lane, Bloomfield Hills, MI, 48304.

### New Applicants:

Boeckl, William M., 1687 Hoit Tower Cr., Bloomfield Hills, 48302, 851-3759.  
Sponsor: Marion Ferszt.

### New Members:

William H. McGarrity, (Jane), 1310 Forestglen Ct., Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 299-5844.  
Sponsor: Harry Mitchell.  
Paul Cicchini, (Yvonne), 663 S. Spinning Wheel Lane, Bloomfield Hills, 48304, 335-7083.  
Sponsor: Bob Lyle.  
Fred M. Keidan, 200 S. Chester, Birmingham, 48009, 646-4376.  
Sponsor: Roy Wheatley.

**New Life Members:** Vincent F. Quinn, on leave, who joined in November, 1985.

-Bob Babcock and Jim D'Allemand

## SMC Goes International



Shown here is evidence that the Senior Men's Club recently went international; members and wives on tour in the Netherlands.

We'll forego all the cornball stuff about Holland, like the Amsterdam Dutch, the Potsdam Dutch, the Rotterdam Dutch, and the other #@\*& Dutch, and simply report that the SMC delegation saw the canals, the windmills, the dikes, the diamond cutters, and flower markets.

Betcha on Friday, they had a sandwich, piece of cake and a slab of tricolor ice cream.

Left to right: Bob and Sally Pullar, Ben and Judy Ewing and Bob and Sally Engel.

## 55 to See Park/Tigers

Detroit's new Comerica Park and its baseball team will be seen by 55 Senior Men's Club members on June 12. The Tigers play the Toronto Blue Jays that Monday night with the game time at 7:05 PM. Though tickets sold quickly, a "wait list" is available for those hoping for any cancellations. See or call either Larry Price (647-3676) or John Zabriskie (647-2455) of the Senior Men's Club Special Events Committee. Ticket and transportation are \$30.00 a person. A reminder for all those going to the game, a charter motorcoach will leave at 5:30 PM from the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, returning to the parking lot there at Maple and Pleasant immediately after the game.

## The Great Computer Myth-or-Mystery?

If you've ever believed that computers are the complete answer, think again. For instance, this business of the computer correcting spelling errors; think again. The computer will tell you whether the word is spelled correctly, but isn't particular about which word you've typed in. Alvie Smith, recently the editor of THE REMINDER, still thinks of us. He sent in this sample of how computers might "correct" your spelling.

*"I halve a spelling checker-it came with my pea sea. It plainly marks four my revue, mistakes I dew knot sea. I've scent this message threw it, and I'm shore pleased to no it's letter-perfect, in its weigh-my checker tolled me sew."*

Thanks Alvie, we kneaded a laugh.

## Bowling Report



Meet the top bowling team in the Senior Men's Club bowling league. Seated is Don Doty, captain. Standing are (left to right) Carl Neppach, Phil Strong and Ray Swartz. These high rollers scored best throughout the 1999-2000 season. Congratulations men!

-Dennis Kozak

## Applicant Activity

Applicants are reminded of the requirement to attend three (3) regular Friday Club meetings each year and to register for those attended. A number of name tags were found missing and are being reprinted. They will be available shortly and your patience is appreciated. Remember to complete the information on the reverse side of your card.

-Gordon Miller

*When I lost my rifle, the Army charged me \$85. That's why, in the Navy, the captain goes down with the ship.*

-Dick Gregory

## Group Meetings

### Camera Group

The Camera Group will meet at The Community House on Tuesday, June 13 at 2 PM. Robert Rooney will show slides of his recent trip to South Africa. He organized a safari and was able to take many photos of wild animals.

-Bill Gridley

### Investment Group

Chris Simutis, V.P. Michigan region, AIM Equity Funds will speak to the group on Wednesday, June 14 at 2:45 PM at The Community House. He will discuss "Demographics-Impact on Mutual Fund Investments." Last year's survey showed a strong interest in mutual funds. Plan to attend this special program. Bill Minard continues to lead the Stock Game with \$260,000.

-George Miller

### Computer Group

John Wigman of Birmingham Computer will make his annual visit to meet with the Computer Group on June 21 at 2:30 PM at The Community House. Among his subjects to be discussed will be viruses and voice activation. John visits us each year. He is very knowledgeable and can answer your questions and give you solutions to your computer problems. Come, listen and learn.

-John Slocum

### Bridge Report

Contract averaged seven players. High scorers from April 14 to May 12, were Russ Fisher, 3820 who played one day; Joe Kern, 3013 who played four days; Carl Schorn, 2428 who played four days; Jack Frailey, 2543 who played four days, Don McNair, 2260 who played three days. There was one grand slam by Kern and Schorn and one small slam. Duplicate averaged 36 players. High scorers were Ferd Doll with 67.50%, Warren Spatz with 66.18%, Ted Kokubo with 65.28%, Lloyd Sturgeon with 63.38%, Jim Tedesco with 62.50%. There were five small slams.

-Don McNair  
-Zack Endress

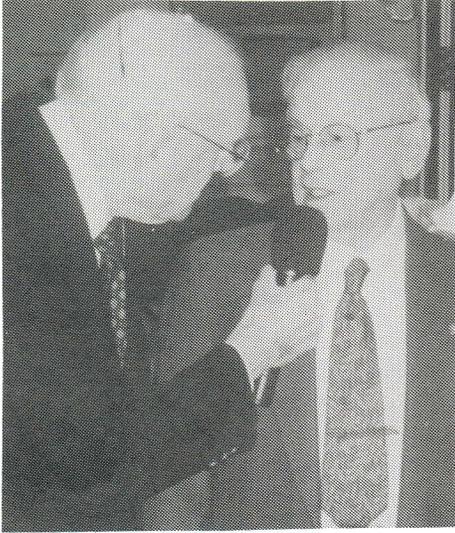
## THE REMINDER

A monthly publication of the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham, which meets on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. at The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, Michigan 48009.

Officers for 2000 are: William T. Reilly, president; Carver Wood, first vice president; Ray Latovick, treasurer; Ernie Bergan, second vice president; Ben Ewing, secretary; Dick Harper, corresponding secretary; Ed Neill and Frank Barnes, officers at large; Bill Crabtree, parliamentarian.

THE REMINDER includes: George Lumsden, editor; Dick Davis, Dick Harper, Paul Pentecost and Alvie Smith, associate editors; Bob Hadley and John Dudash, photography; Lee Trumbull, computer layout; Joe Kern, mailing.

## Joe Rattner becomes a Life Member



Art Burgott and Joe Rattner

Joe Rattner, SMC member since 1990, receives life membership from Art Burgott. Joe, a former Vice President of Fleet Carrier Corp., has been active in the club, calling, ticket sales, and bridge groups. Congratulations, Joe!

## A Turn of the Century Tale

A true story—one that is sure to turn up any time we enter a new century: A passenger ship headed to Australia from Vancouver on December 30, 1899 was so close to both the equator and the international date line that the captain decided to cross both at the same time—and at midnight. He adjusted course and speed and managed to do so.

At exactly midnight, the ship was at the equator at the point it intersected the date line. The consequences were: The bow of the ship was in the southern hemisphere, summertime, and the stern in the northern, winter. The date aft was 30 December 1899 and forward, it was 1 January 1900.

The ship was not only in two different days, two months, but in two centuries. The passengers were cheated of New Year's Eve, but also one whole day--31 December 1899 disappeared forever. Top that one!

## Does CPR Need a Resuscitation

WALL STREET JOURNAL, May 31, 2000--"Many people have an exaggerated idea of the lifesaving potential of CPR. In real life, CPR rarely works. Many people don't understand that CPR doesn't restart a heart. Blowing air into a person's mouth and pressing on their chest simply keeps oxygen flowing to the brain and blood circulating in the body until the victim can be shocked with a defibrillator.

In one of the largest studies of cardiac of cardiac arrests, just 3% of victims who received CPR from bystanders survived. That figure is better than the 1% survival rate for those victims who didn't receive CPR at all before paramedics arrived—but it's still quite low.

Such sobering statistics have caused a rethinking about the way CPR is portrayed and taught. The American Heart Association is considering whether to simplify traditional CPR in an effort to get more bystanders to perform the procedure and to do a better job of it.

The group is also looking to expand a two-year-old program called Heartsaver AED that trains people in the method proven to make the biggest difference in cardiac-arrest survival: shocking victims with a defibrillator.

CPR only buys the victim some time until a defibrillator can be used to shock the heart back into a normal rhythm. For every minute past the arrest that the victim isn't shocked, his chance of survival drops by about 10%.

Businesses and communities have been buying portable defibrillators and training police, security officers and other workers to use them.

Today, passengers passing through O'Hare or Midway airports in Chicago are never more than one minute from a defibrillator.

The American Heart Association now trains about 25,000 people a month to use defibrillators, primarily security guards and police officers, but also others who respond to workplace emergencies. The machines are simple: Diagrams show the rescuer where to place electrodes on the victim. The machine then assesses the patient, and a recorded voice tells whether to administer a shock.

American Airlines has already put the defibrillators on all of its flights, and Southwest Airlines is planning to do the same. Miller Brewing Co. has equipped its offices with the devices and trained its security guards to use them. Several Las Vegas casinos also now use the defibrillators."

## Other Club Dates To Remember

**Exec. Board:** 9:30 a.m. June 13.

**Golf:** 9:00 a.m. Thursdays at Springdale Golf Course.

**Reminder Deadline:** June 16.

**Bridge:** Tuesdays, 9 a.m. and Fridays after lunch.

*All events at The Community House unless otherwise stated.*

## The Reminder

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