**Senior Men’s Club of Birmingham**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting – January 24, 2020**

**WELCOME:** President Stribbell welcomed Members and then led the Club in the *Pledge of Allegiance*, Ty Perkins, accompanied by Bruce Snyder, led the Club in *God Bless America*, Maynard Timm offered the invocation. There was a Moment of Silence for Life Member Harold Brown, Margaret Ann Good - wife of Peter Good and Natalie Jane Wright – Granddaughter of Frank Schmid.

**CLUB BUSINESS:**

**Minutes**: Minutes of the January 17, 2020 meeting have been posted both on the bulletin board and on the Club’s website.

**Guests:** We had four guests: Lyle Beadle introduced David Potts former VP and General Counsel for the Detroit Lions. Swarn Rajpal introduced Dr. Kirit Tolia an endocrinologist at Providence Hospital. Swarn also introduced Vic Chopra, who recently relocated to Troy, and also attended last week’s meeting. Harry Bloom’s guest was Michael Morin, Chairman Emeritus of the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** President Stribbell called for the committee reports.

**Visitation and Health:** Subhash Gulati reported on the deaths of Life Member Harold Brown, Margaret Good – wife of Peter Good, George Mosher, Jr., and Natalie Jane Wright – granddaughter of Frank Schmid, and Dave Zimmer’s brother. We also received an update on the health information for Jay Kafarski and Chuck Moss. Jerry Stribbell reported that Dick Bradley is progressing and hopes to join us in March.

**Genealogy**: Dave Bakos reported that the next meeting will be on Monday February 3rd at 2:00 PM at TCH. Discussion will suggest ways to capture your family history. Two helpful sites are **Fold3.com** and **Newspapers.com** and can be accessed free of charge.

**Special Events:** Mike Clement reported the trip to the Stahl Auto Museum was a success. Tickets for the Quicken Loans/ Ford Dearborn tours on Tuesday February 25th continue to be on sale at $40 and are limited to 40 persons.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**:

* President Stribbell announced the Club is trying to fill the Chairman position for the Audio, Table Setting and Ticket Committees due to recent resignations.
* Today’s speaker is Mari Manoogian, State Representative 40th District. Her topic will be *Michigan State House Perspectives*
* Next week’s speaker will be Mark Dziatczak – Birmingham Public Schools Superintendent. His topic will be *Birmingham Public Schools Update*.
* The March Reminder deadline is February 7th.
* The Executive Board meeting is Tuesday, February 11 at 9:30 AM.
* The 2020 Directory is available in the Wilson Room.
* Jerry also recited some “Words of Wisdom” from Winston Churchill and Dr. Martin Luther King.

**RECESS UNTIL**: 11:00 AM.

### PROGRAM: Mari Manoogian was first recognized by Maynard Timm as the youngest (27 years old) ever speaker to address our Club. Mari informed us that she is the youngest female currently serving in both the House or Senate. She is also the first Armenian-American woman to serve in the legislature. She spoke on her background and attainment of her elected position as a State Representative for our district and conducted a lively question and answer session.

**ATTENDANCE:** 137

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Kovceses

Recording Secretary

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