



THE CITY SALESMEN'S CLUB

SELEGRAM



Meeting Date: October 24, 2023
Location: Hoover Country Club
Presiding: Joe Daniel
Prayer, Pledge & Creed: Darrel Arnold – Heritage Lawn & Tree Care

GUEST (HOST): John Herr, Best Vision Media (David Pearce); Col. Jim Davis, USMC Ret. (Ken Wilder)

APPROVAL OF LAST WEEK'S MINUTES: Approved as submitted.

THANK YOU'S: Started by Clayton Dorough

MEMBER HEALTH REPORT:

- Tom Meter has been diagnosed with esophageal cancer and has started getting treatment at UAB.
- Sam Mosolino's father is having open heart surgery in Chicago on Monday, October 30th.
- Mike Seals is recovering from surgery at home. Reach out to check on him.

ATTENDANCE REPORT: 55 Active. 4 Associates. 7 Retired. 2 Guests. **68 Total.**

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Birthday: 10/23 John Wolsoncroft

TREASURER'S REPORT: No Report.

SOCIAL REPORT: No Report.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- CSC golf tournament will take place on October 30th at Highland Park Golf Club. All team slots are full, but there are a handful of openings for golfers. See Alex Lott for more information.
- We will still have a regular Club meeting next Tuesday.
- The Christmas Party will be on Tuesday, December 19th. More details to follow later.

PROGRAM: Ted Springer & Tommy DeRamus – "History of the Club" (formerly presented by Keith Williams)

Ted started with Vic Nigri's quote, "We are a very unique fraternity of brothers."

The Birmingham City Salesmen's Club was founded in 1937 (86 years ago) and is the 2nd oldest club of its kind in the U.S. Cy Thaxton used to say "As a man sows, so shall he reap. Treat others as you wish to be treated."

Weekly meetings have been held at many different places, including Michael's Steakhouse, The Downtown Club, Ox Restaurant, Steak & Ale, Pinetree CC, Hoover CC, Quality Restaurant Concepts, and again at Hoover CC.

Bull Conner once presented to the Club. Keith Williams said he was the most egotistical person he had ever met.

There have been many prominent members through the years. Some of the names he mentioned were Charlie, Paul & Mike Bruno, Jim Lunceford, Vaughn Burrell, Fred Gustin, Fred Johnston, Joseph Habshey, Gene Whitley, Ken Graves, Ernie Daw, Tim Hightower, John Rogers, Tommy Heard, Mike Seals, Jim Kline, Vic Nigri, Dick Coffee, Mike Lorino, Matt Gray, Darrel Arnold, Kevin Barber, Michel Weber, and Austin Johnson. He also gave a special thanks to members who are veterans.

Club activities have been held at Zamora Temple, baseball games, gold tournaments, and a casino on Michael Jordan's bus. Outside speakers have included Pat Dye, Pat Sullivan, Kay Ivey, among many others.

He also ran through some fun categories represented and listed many of the legacies.

Tommy first met with Keith Williams at Channel 6 on August 15, 1985. Keith showed him what it looked like to "help the other fellow". Tommy's first club meeting was at Ox Restaurant at Brookwood Village and he immediately wanted to join when steak was served. Keith later invited him to join as an Associated Member. Keith was the gold standard as a member for 63 years. What mattered most to Keith was: 1) attendance – meetings are a priority; 2) relationships among club members – business relationships and friendships; 3) our Creed defines our values – Keith exemplified it. Keith passed away December 26, 2019, but his memory lives on.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Alan Smith told a funny story of cleaning out Ted Springer's mailbox but imposed no fines.

GREETERS & PRIZES:

Richard Dixon (Cumulus Media) – won by Cody Burns

Britton Eveland (Tom James Clothiers) – won by Fred Johnston

JACKPOT: \$? – Won by Gus Hogue

MEETING ADJOURNED: 1:07 PM

NEXT MEETING: October 31, 2023

SPEAKER: Business Meeting

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Second Vice President _____ Alex Lott
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