

## Entertainment Report

I would like to start by saying it feels great that everything is slowly getting back to normal. We finally had our first club activity on Sunday June 13th at the Timberwood golf course. We had a great day at a nice course. Special Thank you to my wife Suzy for all her support and running the refreshment cart around the course. Our picnic is set for July 11th starting at noon with a performance by our band, food, drinks, card games and kid's games. Hope to see everyone there. I would like everyone to know that gambling will be back soon, stay tuned. Future plans include Beer tour, Total Sports, Golf outing. If you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me.

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## Recreation Report

<b>Winners</b>		<b>Leaders</b>	
<b>Bien</b>		<b>Bien</b>	
Don VanDenBerghe	52	Roger Omeye	294
Paul Joye	52	Paul Joye	279
<b>Darts</b>		<b>Darts</b>	
Pat Rice	613		
<b>Pinochle</b>		<b>Pinochle</b>	
Mike Gray	256	Mike Huyghe	1266
Gary Huyghe	219	Gary Huyghe	1167
<b>31</b>		<b>31</b>	
Mike Aluia	2	Tim Merryman	7
		Brian Hilliwere	6
<b>Euchre</b>		<b>Euchre</b>	
No Game		John Vanek	78
		Andre Reytiens	77
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## Presidents Report

Finally, there is a light at the end of the tunnel for us to return to normal activities. The restrictions have been reduced and with July most will be removed.

Our BAA general meetings have had various restrictions but each month we have been taking safe steps to provide some activities like cards and darts. So please consider attending and help us return to normal.

Sunday, June 13th the BAA golf outing was our first event this year. A huge thank you to Butch and Susie DeSmet for organizing and coordinating a great outing. Also, for all that attended to make it a success.

Our next event is the BAA/BACC joint picnic on Sunday, July 11, 2021 at Blossom Heath Park in St. Clair Shores. The picnic starts at noon, the BAA Band will play from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. We will eat from 1:30 to 3:00 pm and at 3:00 pm the cards and games will begin. So, save the date for you and your family to enjoy a great time.

We are also planning many more events this year, for details see articles from Butch DeSmet and Larry Mahieu.

Please save the date for the annual Installation Dinner scheduled for Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the Assumption Cultural Center. Bob Grant will be sending a letter for your reservation and coordinating the seating.

Please continue to review our website at [www.theBAA.us](http://www.theBAA.us) to keep you informed about our current and future events and information.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please contact me at [r.hison@att.net](mailto:r.hison@att.net) or (586)772-9027

Bob Hison  
President

## Membership

Hello Fellow Members,

Things are looking up on the membership front. June's meeting, we had a new member Charles Ludwig inducted. We also had two guests and received an application. At May's meeting we welcomed back Jeff Horan.

Seems as the Covid and restrictions are subsiding more folks are feeling comfortable to getting back to socializing. Let's get the word out about membership and keep the heard healthy. Remember membership matters.

Yours Sincerely,  
Ken DeWolf  
Membership Chairman

## Sick & Visting

Norm Kay had bypass surgery and Richard Dauw had a kidney stone removed. They have been at the meeting and are doing fine after their operations. It takes time to heal completely. The latest person on the sick list is Don O'Malley who was doing voluntary work cleaning up debris on the expressway and when he went to enter the truck he twisted his ankle, fell down and broke a hip. He is home now recuperating and taking it easy probably for several weeks. We wish them all well and stay healthy.

Etienne Elskens  
Sick & Visiting Chairman  
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## Obituary Report

Remember in your prayers.

JoEllen Danckaert, wife of member Tom Danckaert.

Nancy Merryman, Mother of Ron Nyboer and Tim Merryman and Mother-in-law of Mike Huyghe.

Allen Pittoors, son of deceased member John Pittoors and Marge Pittoors.

May they rest in peace.

Michael Gray  
Obituary Chairman

## Scholarship Report

There is still time to get a scholarship application if your child graduated from high school this year or in the previous two years.

One of our scholarship recipients from 2017, Cheyenne DeWolf, has graduated from Cal State of Los Angeles this year. She completed a Bachelor of Arts in Television, Film and Media Studies; Magna Cum Laude with a 3.8 GPA. Our scholarship winners succeed. Congratulations from the B.A.A.

Al VanDenBergh  
Scholarship Chairman

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## Band Report

Brother Members,

As luck would have it, the situation has improved, just in time for us to take our summer break from practices in July and August!

However, we were able to get in 2 outdoor practices at Blossom Heath Pavilion before our next 2 events:

We do look forward to entertaining the membership on the following 2 Dates & Times:

Sunday Afternoon - July 11TH – BAA Club Picnic. Downbeat 12:30 PM until 1:30, behind Blossom Heath.

Monday Evening – August 2ND, 7 PM, at Wahby Park, in front of Blossom Heath. St. Clair Shores, Chamber Music Concert Series.

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See you then and there?

Larry Mahieu  
Band Chairman