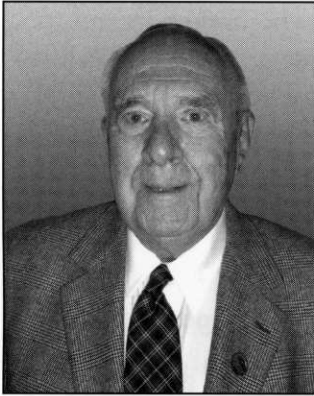


# An interview with Dr. Bill Quinlivan



Dr. Bill Quinlivan

Dr. Bill Quinlivan was the first general surgery resident at Grandview Hospital from 1949-52. He then went into practice of general surgery, took a fellowship in France in 1959-60, then specialized as a neurosurgeon. He holds a patent on a device that attaches to the skull to do cranial biopsies.

**Q: What brought you to the Engineers Club?**

**Bill:** A member of the Engineers Club had Parkinson's disease. He and I were introduced to each other because at that time I was treating Parkinson's disease, and he was interested in that. As a result of our association I became a member in 1979.

I was not a diligent member all those years. I used the Club occasionally, due to the fact that I was working. I was preoccupied with making a living and taking care of my patients.

**Q: When did you become more involved?**


**Bill:** When I retired from my practice in 1995 and had more time to devote to it.

I especially found the Barn Gang's Tuesday Luncheon Programs very interesting. It's a nice interesting group of guys. I was surprised originally that a lot of them weren't engineers, though in college I worked two years in an engineering program before I transferred to pre-med. So I always had a bent for engineering.

In the past I was a member of different civic clubs. The Club group was very kind and open and made me feel quite at home. It is a warm, accepting atmosphere.

I'm also impressed at how good some of the speakers at the luncheon program are. And some of the members are well qualified as speakers. They have tremendous backgrounds; they are so accomplished in their own ways. I feel pleasant in identifying with them.

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