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Election of Officers

Congratulations to the 2010 - 2011 slate of COSMO Officers

President John MacKenzie
Vice President Arlie Skov
Secretary Mead Northrop
Treasurer Don Chalfant
Director Hank Pfister
Director Ron Singer

Ladies' Day Celebration

May 6th
Luncheon tickets are \$17 each for you and your guest, and must be purchased in advance. Tickets will be on sale through April 15th, or by mail to: Jim Shaw, 4650 Sierra Madre Rd, Santa Barbara 93110. Mail requests must be received no later than May 1st. No tickets will be available at the door

THANKS TO SUMMERLAND WINERY FOR THE WINE

Marty Tucker obtained wine for our door prizes from SUMMERLAND WINERY. When you stop at their store on Lillie Avenue, in Summerland, be sure to thank our benefactor, Shirley Starks.

Cosmo Member Ailing?

If you learn of one of our members suffering from illness or injury, please notify Don Terrell, 687-8481 or wtdt84@cox.net. Don will arrange to send a Cosmo 'Get Well' card wishing our member a quick rebound.

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Future Programs

April 15th Arlie Skov "Sustainability, Economics, Oil, & Lithium"

Arlie Skov is a long-term COSMO member, and has graciously agreed to pinch-hit in the "eleventh hour" for a previously scheduled speaker who developed a conflict. Arlie's professional career in petroleum began in 1956 after graduating from the University of Oklahoma. In 1966, he was named Manager Special Projects at BP. And in 1976, Arlie became BP's Manager Production Planning for development of BP's interests in Alaska's North Slope. He became Manager of Frontier Research in 1981 and Director Production Technology in 1983. Upon his retirement in 1992, he formed a consulting firm in Houston. Skov was active in the Society of Petroleum Engineers, elected President in 1991, and was awarded the Society's highest honors. He is on the Boards of AIME and the SPE Foundation, and has served on the National Petroleum Council at the invitation of the US Secretary of Energy.

Arlie's talk focuses on two issues: 1) reconciling wishes for a sustainable society with the need for economic growth, and 2) replacing oil for transportation fuel. The first problem is exacerbated by our inability to define "sustainability", and by the correlation between economic growth and increased energy needs. The second problem is worsened by concern that we are running out of oil, and by our inability to find viable substitutes for transportation fuel. Lithium ion batteries are state-of-the-art, but suffer from excess weight and recharge time. The world's lithium resources, compared to need, are far smaller than oil, and are mostly in unfriendly or unstable parts of the world.

May 6th Ladies Day

John Burgee

"The Buildings of John Burgee: Ideas, People and Results."

Wine Drawing

Bob Logan - Summerland 2007 Chardonnay

Chuck Curtis - Summerland 2007 Pinot Noir



Welcome Our Guests

Marty Tucker introduced

Manny Espig and his guest Marshall Sherrill

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Bill Kucera introduced Keith Perkins, a native Californian, who becomes our newest Cosmo member. We learned that Keith has remained true to the Marine motto, "Semper Fi", in that he participates in numerous ceremonies honoring area veterans. Keith and his wife Maria have lived in Santa Barbara since 1981. Keith is in remarkable physical shape, having survived six one-day Mt. Whitney ascents. Keith is interested in genealogy and, of course, running. Welcome, Keith.



PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

A Stevens Halstead

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Steve is sponsored by Mead Northrup, Harv Turner, and Mike Cribbs, Steve is a native Californian and retired from SBRC Hughes in 1997. His formal education includes the usual BS, MS and PhD in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University, a small school in the bay area. He served in the USNR as a Lieutenant from 1960 to 1962. His 30-year career at Hughes was, understandably, in Engineering and project management. Moving to Santa Barbara in 1986 with his wife, Carole, Steve enjoys a myriad of activities; among them: Bridge, gardening, projects, music, travel, walking and fishing. They have 3 daughters and a son. Steve holds membership in Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi, and Sigma Xi. And, he is active on the boards of: Music Academy of the West, Heal the Ocean, and Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara.

Marshall King Sherrill

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Sponsored by Manny Espig, Bob Hankins, and Pete Kruse, Marshall is a Santa Barbara native. He is retired from his long-time position as President/CEO of Skyland Orchids. He prepared for this career with a BS in sub-tropical horticulture. He and his wife Barbara enjoy real estate and travel, not necessarily in that order.

Jay D Smith

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Jay and his wife Sally located in Santa Barbara in 1971 with their son and daughter. He enjoyed a career with Santa Barbara Bank and Trust as General Counsel and corporate Secretary until his retirement in 2005. His interests include community nonprofits and a little golf. He is a member of Sigma Chi and was elected to the Santa Barbara Athletic Roundtable Hall of Fame. Jay is sponsored by Mead Northrup, Kent Cullen, and Bob Logan.

Michael Anthony Smith

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Born in Mansfield, England, Mike and his wife of 50+ years, Elisabeth have a son, 3 daughters, and 13 grandchildren. He gained a BS in Mechanical Engineering. Serving as president Mobil Oil of Norway and Canada in the 1980's, and more recently Mobil Oil Corp in Fairfax, VA, Mike retired in 1990. Moving to Santa Barbara in 1990, Mike has served as president of CALM and Alma Mater USA Foundation and he is a former Rotarian. He is a long-time member of Alberta Association of Professional Engineers and Society of Petroleum Engineers. His current interests include: oil and watercolor painting, photography, and genealogy. Activities have included tennis, golf, rugby, soccer, cricket, as well as track and field.

Regular Events

Bridge Winners:

April 1st

First	Mac McMillin	3230
Second	Ralph Edebo	3180
Third	Howard Glenn	3160

Join us for FUN bridge, upstairs at the Elks Club after all regular meetings and play until 3:30 PM. Contact Pres Gould at (805) 964-6568 or pwgould@cox.net.



Tennis

The tennis group plays doubles twice a week at a private court in Shadow Hills starting at 8:00 AM Mondays and Thursdays. All tennis players are invited to participate.

Contact Bruce Long (805) 692-4072 or bruce93103@cox.net.



Computer Society - Meets monthly at the Elks Club on the third Tuesday. Discussion starts at 10:00 AM. Feature presentation starts at 10:30 AM, concluding with a no-host luncheon in the Elks Grill. All COSMO members are welcome. Jim Stubchaer & Bob Gerity: Program Co-Chairs; Howard Glenn, Chair (805) 967-2633 or hbglennc@cox.net.



S.A.G.E. Investment Group

Meets monthly at 10 AM on the first Tuesday at the Elks Club, followed by a no-host lunch in the grill downstairs. S. A. G. E. does not select or buy stocks. Dick Evans, Chairman (805) 967- 6930 or dickevans@mac.com.

At the last S.A.G.E. meeting, Bill Sheehan shared what he has found out about preferred stocks.



S.A.G.E. is looking for a Chairman to succeed Dick for the 2010 – 2011 year. All interested, please contact either Dick Evans or John MacKenzie.

Golf

Mondays - Santa Barbara Golf Club (Muni).

Tee times from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM. Regular senior rate is \$25 for 18 holes, not including cart. Contact Ron Singer (805) 684-1355 or rsinger916@aol.com by Friday before the Monday for your tee time.

Mondays – Twin Lakes (Par 29) at 9:00 AM. Work on your short game.

Wednesdays – Ocean Meadows (Par 36) at 8:30 AM. Work on your long-ball skills.

Fridays at a variety of courses - Contact Ron Singer to get on the e-mail notification list for the next "Floating Friday Golf Game". Past locations have included La Purisma, Glen Annie, Soule Park, and Rancho San Marcos.

Montecito CC Golf Tournament: On May 12th the Golf Group will tee off again at MCC. Details will follow but it looks like another great golf event organized by Marty Tucker, under the gracious auspices of the Montecito Country Club.



Special Events

April 19th to 22nd (Monday to Thursday)

"WE'RE GOING TO VEGAS BABY!" The COSMO Las Vegas junket departs the Elks Club by bus on April 19th at 8:30 AM. Try to be there not later than 8:15 a.m. Baggage tags should be attached to each of your bags for delivery to your room at the Treasure Island Hotel. Checks for those going to the optional shows should be sent to Harry Stroud, 3778 W. Pacific Coast Highway, Ventura, CA 93001. Questions? Contact Harry Stroud, (805) 653-5117 or harrison_stroud@hotmail.com.



April 24th (Saturday) and May 22nd (Saturday)

Private Rail Car Trip: Santa Barbara to San Luis Obispo and Return

Day trip in restored 1949 Club Lounge Railway Car. Many of the scenic areas on this Coast Route can only be seen from the train. Guide/Interpreters will be on the trip to enhance the tour. Cost: \$50 per person. Both dates are currently fully booked. If you are already enrolled for this tour, make sure than Don knows your choice of depots, (SB or Goleta) If interested in getting on the Wait List, you may contact Don Chalfant, (805) 687- 3478 or dchalfant@cox.net.



May 29th (Saturday)

LA PHILHARMONIC Performance in the acoustically superb Disney Concert Hall at 2:00 PM. Cost is \$120/person. Bus departs the Elks Club at 11:00 AM with a stop in Carpinteria, and returns at 6:00 PM. Lunch is not included but is available at the Disney Hall Cafe. Lionel Bringuier is guest conductor. Contact Thore Edgren at (805) 967-4001 or theman3@cox.net with questions, or if you wish to be picked up in Carpinteria.



May 21st (Friday)

Anacapa Island Trip Cancelled, Not enough sign-ups for this one. Contact Bob Gerity (805) 963-9413 or robtgerity@cox.net.



Last Meeting April 1

Santa Barbara Mayor Helene Schneider

"The First 100 Days"

Mead Northrup introduced Santa Barbara Mayor, Helene Schneider who has served only about 3 months in that capacity. Prior to then, she had served two terms on the Santa Barbara City Council. In addition to serving as Mayor, she currently works as a trainer for HR xpress, a local human resources consulting firm.

Helene's background prepared her well for her new role as Mayor of Santa Barbara. She has been Director and President of several important organizations. She serves on the state-wide Environmental Quality Policy committee for the League of California Cities, and also serves on the Governing Board of the Santa Barbara Countywide 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness. As Mayor, Helene represents the city on the SB County Association of Governments (SBCAG), the Air Pollution Control District (APCD), the South Coast Gang Task Force, and the Joint City/County Affordable Housing Task Force, among other responsibilities.

Top priorities for this council and our mayor include housing, gangs and the homeless; sustainability and environmental challenges. Helene described the Santa Barbara community as an enlightened, involved people having high expectations of their local government. She has found that there are many like-minded organizations dedicated to improving the lives of the less fortunate among us. In order to strengthen these organizations results she is encouraging them to work in teams to enhance their individual results.

With 1000 city employees, she has asked each of them, and each of us, to come up with ideas to do things differently if it can make a positive difference. One example she mentioned was the replacement of light bulbs with low-energy types that will result in a direct energy savings of \$250,000 per year. Secondary savings from reduced staff hours required to change the bulbs less frequently will add additional savings.

With a total budget of \$250 million, one-half of this is designated for particular projects. Representing separate funding entities such as the airport, golf course and the port, function with relative autonomy and are self-supporting. The

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other half is primarily budgeted for staff payroll. This important slice of the budget is receiving a concerted effort on the part of our city council with the cooperation of the public employee unions.

Mayor Schneider addressed a myriad of other issues, such as what is being done about the homeless and gangs in the city. Many positive actions are being pursued in each of these areas; the attack seems to be using a rifle rather than a shotgun approach to these challenges. Of the crimes committed by the 100 or so homeless, 5 individuals were responsible for a large majority. By taking these individuals off the street and getting them in treatment programs we reduce the annual citations written by the SBPD by 1500/year. The plus side of this is obvious. In response to a question, Ms. Schneider informed us that the apparent increase in homeless in our city really consists of long-time area residents. These people may have been recently inducted into the homeless fraternity or relocated from a local "camp" which has been cleared.

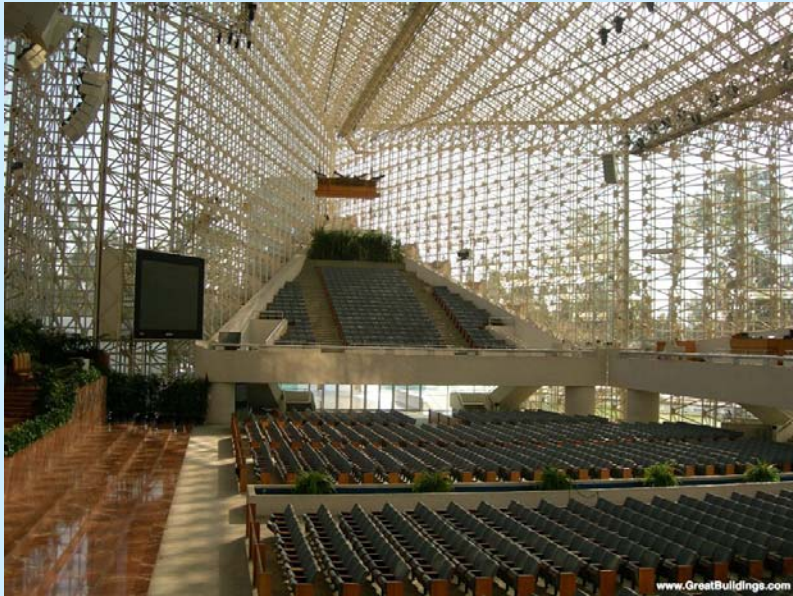
Our mayor appears to have confidence of the Council, the support of the city's voters, and her priorities well in order; and, she is an accomplished speaker. She stressed the importance of gaining the involvement of all parties concerned in any challenge in order to achieve a consensus solution.

Overview of 2010 Special Events:

Apr.19-22	Las Vegas, Treasure Island
Apr 24	Private Rail Car to SLO
May 6	Ladies Day Luncheon
May 29	LA Philharmonic at Disney Hall, LA.
June 4	Norton Simon Museum and Garden Cafe
July 1	July 4th Picnic Manning Park
July (?)	Circle Bar B Ranch dinner and show
Aug (?)	Solvang Theaterfest, West Side Story, dinner and lodging at Petersen Village Inn

President Ron White announced that the club is giving away two free lunch tickets to members who recommend and get new members to join COSMO. It appears that Ron Singer is leading the competition for the first prize in this category.

The Buildings of Architect John Burgee: Ideas, People, and Results



Ladies Day at the Cosmo Club

May 6, 2010

\$17 per person

Cash or Check