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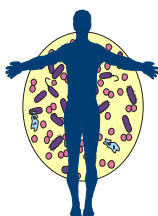


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## Next Meeting:

June 5, 2008

Dr. Steven Hosea, speaking on



### "Newer Developments in Infectious Diseases."

Dr. Hosea is Consultant in Infectious Diseases at Cottage Health Systems. His discussion is expected to cover the problems of antibiotic resistant infections, the current state of the AIDS epidemic, as well as new emerging virus infections such as Bird Flu, Ebola virus and others.

Introduced by Russ Tyler, M.D.

## Future Programs

June 19

The Cosmo Club will be fortunate to hear Sander Vanocur as our speaker.

His topic will be "Events of the Day." Mr. Vanocur is a veteran journalist and is a well known national correspondent. He will be introduced by Ben Walsh.

Note that the next meeting, June 5, will be Presidents' Day. All previous presidents will be honored and their lunch will be complimentary.

At the **Ladies Day meeting**, President Pete introduced the spouses of two of our Board members who have recently passed away – Ann Barnes, spouse of

General Jack Barnes, and Caryl Crahan, spouse of Marcus Crahan. The President noted that it was Marcus who brought Ladies Day to the Club. Also introduced was Ginger Puddicombe, spouse of Cosmo Past President Bob Puddicombe, who passed away last year. We all enjoyed a Ladies Day this year attended by about 180 persons. At the meeting, we were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by a group of young girls on videotape.



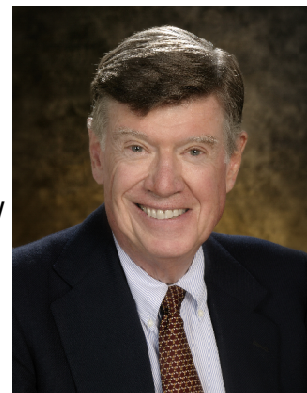
## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

### John H. Burgee

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Santa Barbara, CA 93108  
Phone: 969-5231

John did a stint in the U. S. Army before becoming an architect, which profession he followed for 45 years.

He retired from John Burgee Architects in 1999, at which time he and his wife Gwendolyn moved to Santa Barbara. John and Gwen have one son, and John's interests include music, art, travel and golf. His sponsor is Kent Cullen.



## PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP!

### **Derral Caswell**

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Derral was born in Santa Barbara on October 13. He served in the National Guard in 1949 and 1950. He was an Operator for 26 years and then owned the Knapp Nursery in Goleta for 3 years and retired in 1992. He and his wife Doris have two sons. His interests are reading American History.

Derral's sponsors are: Rex Brumbach, Chuck Owen, and Nelson Pfister.

### **Thaddeus Christopher Ross**

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Ted was born in Warsaw, Poland on October 25. He earned a Bachelor's degree at the University of Toronto and a Master's in Electrical Engineering from Northeastern University. Prior to retirement, he served as Chairman and Technical Director for Anarad, Inc, here in Santa Barbara. Ted and his wife Kathie have two sons and one daughter, and have resided in Santa Barbara since 1961. His interests are oil painting, reading, and building automation gadgets. His sports are tennis, hang gliding, and bicycling. Ted served as a 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. in the Canadian Army.

Ted's sponsors are: Bob Logan, Don Chalfant, and Ernest Bivans.

### **Russell Wayne Twedt**

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Russ was born in Beresford, South Dakota on October 1. He earned a Bachelor's and his major courses were biology and chemistry. He retired as a Senior Sales Representative of American Cyanamid (Now Wyeth). Russ and his wife Arleen have lived in Goleta since 1968, and have one son Paul and a daughter Sarah. His interests are gardening, travel, and church, and his sport is golf. Russ served as a Lieutenant in the U. S. Navy, serving as Communications Officer and Navigator.

Russ's sponsors are: Chuck Owen, Rex Brumbach, and Pres Gould.

### **Edward C. Vance**

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Ed was born on Feb 15 in Newark, New Jersey. He earned a Bachelor's degree in marketing, and has worked as a stock broker for 40 years. He retired in March 2008 as Senior Vice President and Portfolio Manager from Smith Barney here in Santa Barbara. Ed and his wife Carol have lived in Santa Barbara since 1966, and have two sons. His interests are investing, reading and travel, and his sport is golf. Ed served in the U. S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

Ed's sponsors are Mike Rodrigue, George Frakes, and Warren Elliott.

### **Hearing Challenged? Now Hear This!**

The Club has spent considerable money on the purchase of ten (count'em, 10) hearing devices. There are three different types. If you think they don't do any good, just ask Angie Crippa, Paul Blasingame, Bob Goeller, Dan Shields, or Jerry Freund if they help. All of them will give you a resounding YES!



Please take advantage of these lonely hearing aids at our future meetings. All you have to do is come over to any one of the Audio-Video Committee members and sign up. Plus, there is additional advantage to using these in that you can always turn off the person speaking if you don't like what they are saying. One more piece of information is that now your audio will be sent to your hearing aid via a transmitter the Elk's Club has the behind the stage.

Jim Belden, AV Chairman, 687-7430, [jpbkbb@aol.com](mailto:jpbkbb@aol.com)

### **And the Bridge Winners for May 15 were:**

#### **No Bridge on Ladies Day!**

Chairman: Pres Gould @ 964-6568 or  
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#### **Golf:**

Montecito Country Club. These are the member-guest days that offer great golf, food and friendly competition for a most reasonable price: Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. The sign up dates for these events will appear in Crackers and will be announced at future lunches. Any questions? Please contact Marty Tucker or Lynn Garten.



### Weekly Golf Outings:

More golfers needed – please join us for relaxed golf and greater camaraderie.

At Twin Lakes - Mondays at 9:00 A.M. (Tuesday when Monday is a holiday). \$9.00 for 9 holes (par 29).

At Ocean Meadows - Wednesdays at 8:30 A.M. \$14.00 for 9 holes (par 36) with play card. Improve your long shots. Open to all Cosmo members.

Golf Chair Lynn Garten: 969-2466, e-mail: [garten\\_sba@msn.com](mailto:garten_sba@msn.com)

### Tennis:

The Cosmo Tennis Group play doubles twice a week, and all tennis players are invited. We play at a private court in Shadow Hills starting at 8 A.M. Mondays and Thursdays. Contact Bruce Long, 692-4072 or Walter Mead, 682-3045.



### S.A.G.E. Investment Group:

Welcomes all Cosmo members to discuss economic trends & current issues. Next meeting: Elks Club, 2nd floor, Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10 A.M., followed by a no-host luncheon.



Mac McMillin, Chair, 969-9064.

### Cosmo Computer Society:

Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 17 at 10 A.M. We meet upstairs at the Elks Lodge on the third Tuesday of each month. Open discussion starts at 10 A.M. The feature presentation follows at 10:30, concluding with an optional no-host luncheon, with fellowship served with every meal.



Howard Glenn, Chairman: 967-2633, [hbglenn@cox.net](mailto:hbglenn@cox.net)

### Cosmo Special Event

Save August 14, 2008. Join fellow Cosmos for a great Theaterfest Event. Package includes an overnight stay at the Inn at Petersen Village, Solvang. Includes full buffet breakfast, and two reserved tickets to PCPA Show under the Stars production of RAGTIME. Also wine tasting and gourmet dinner for two in the Hotel restaurant, Cafe Provence. All inclusive cost of \$299.00 per couple. Sign up early – we have only 8 rooms reserved. Call Angelo Crippa 962-0843 for details.



### Last Meeting.

For Ladies Day, we heard an interesting and unique presentation by Dr. Derek Katz, speaking on Romance in Music. Dr. Katz is Assistant Professor of Music History at UCSB. What he told us was something we probably all need to learn, using music to woo a woman. Dr. Katz said he wanted to help us be romantic. And he gave his presentation with a difficult sound system. President Pete said they adjusted it a few days before the meeting, but the Elks Club folks changed it. At any rate, it kept making loud, sometimes piercing, sounds. Even so, Dr. Katz concluded a very complete presentation.

Warren Elliott introduced Dr. Katz as a real academic and author, his most recent work dealing with the reception of early jazz in Europe. Dr. Katz specializes in music from Mozart to Ellington. After a recent VISTAS seminar, many called him the best teacher ever.



Dr. Katz said that romantic music flourished in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and our impressions are of a man with a guitar under a balcony. He explained the romanticism in the music, and then played an excerpt from the piece and gave a critique after we listened to it.

He told us about the composers, what drove them, including information about their personal lives. Dr. Katz introduced us to Don Giovanni by Mozart written in 1787. Dr. Katz indicated that Mozart was a wonderful poet, but in Don Giovanni, he wrote intentionally bad poetry. Don Giovanni was not a nice person, he didn't sing nice music. He said that Don Giovanni was very insincere. He told us about one woman Elvira, who jilted the Don, and about Lepparello who was dressed up to woo.

He indicated that Schubert, Brahms and Schumann loved poetry and it came out in their music. Dr. Katz referred to the beginning of romanticism in 1830 by Berros, who set to music the humor and passion of Shakespeare. He said that Hamlet is the romantic spirit poem.

Dr. Katz gave us a lesson about Brahms and his relationship with a 19<sup>th</sup> Century power couple, Robert Schumann and his wife Clara. Brahms included Clara Schumann in some of his compositions, and there may have been a romantic relationship between the two. Dr. Katz urged us to learn more about music, and to be more romantic.

I told my tablemates that it was all very interesting and inspirational, but that I had to admit that Frank Sinatra was my wooing music in my wooing days.

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