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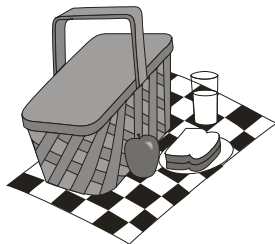


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Next Program:

July 3rd

Cosmo Club Annual Picnic



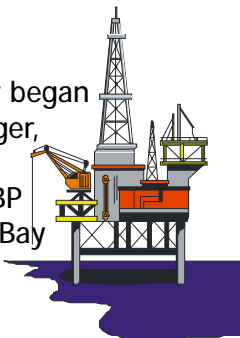
Location Manning Park
 \$15:00 per person – b.o.b.
 11:00 A.M.....Social Hour
 12-12:30 P.M..... Pledge & Invocation
 12:30-2:00 P.M..... Barbecue (always tops)
 Musical entertainment and great socializing!
 Directions: San Ysidro exit off 101; drive toward mountains; park is oceanside of E. Valley Rd.
 Mail checks to: John Bracken, 2525 Calle Galicia, S.B. 93109
 Info: Bob Zimels – 962-3211

Future Programs:

July 17, 2008

Arlie M. Skov - "U.S. Energy Needs: Fossil Fuels or Renewables?"

Cosmo Arlie Skov's professional career began in 1956 in Oklahoma City. From Manager, Special Products, he moved on to San Francisco as production manager for BP in Alaska. Following the giant Prudhoe Bay development project, Arlie settled in Dallas as BP's Director of Production Technology.



In 1991 he served as International President of the Society of Petroleum Engineers, as well as President of

its Foundation. Awarded the Society's highest honors, he still serves on the Board of Trustees for AIME (American Institute of Mining, Metallurgy & Petroleum) and the SPE foundation. Skov retired to Santa Barbara in 1995, where he continues to write and speak on energy matters.

August 7

Jeffrey O. Henley: Rules of the Game Have Changed

August 21

Julian Nott: Ballooning



September 4

Eduardo Cue: Teen Court



September 18

open

October 2

Jonathan Fox: Ensemble Theater



Tie One On!

In a dead heat, Ron White announced that Howard Glenn and Harry Stroud tied for patriotic necktie sartorial splendor. Harry copped the winner's bottle of wine in a straw draw.



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ON
JULY 3 2008

Hooch Honchos:

George Handler scored the 2005 Summerland Chardonnay.

The 2005 Mondavi Cabernet Sauvignon was ticketed by anonymous.



Welcome Our Guests

Marty Tucker presented our guests...

Kent Cullen hosted Dean Vogel

Bob Willams treated Bob Buegler

Hank Pfister courted Dennis Gaon

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Derral Caswell

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A Santa Barbara native, Derral was the owner/operator of Knapp Nursery until his retirement in 1992. An avid reader of American history, he and wife Doris have two sons. Pat Brumbach was Derral's lead sponsor.



Robert D. "Bob" Cresap

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A native Californian, Bob retired in 2003 capping a 40-year career with Insurance by Allied Brokers. Wife Judy and Bob have two daughters and one son. He is a food & wine aficionado, and loves to travel. Bob's lead sponsor was Walter Clapp.



Thaddeus C. "Ted" Ross

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Born in Warsaw, Poland, Ted trained as an Electrical Engineer and retired in 1995 as chairman of Santa Barbara-based Anarat, Inc. Residents of SB since 1961, Ted and wife Kathie are parents to two sons and one daughter. Ted is a tennis buff, bikes and hang glides, and enjoys reading and oil painting. Bob Logan is his lead sponsor.



Crackers Content:

Our occasional reminder that content for Crackers should be submitted to the editor by Monday noon following our Thursday meeting. If you submit content by email, please copy Jim Munroe (jmspin@cox.net) and request receipt acknowledgement from the editor (who occasionally will be one in the same).

New Roster:

Check the current roster for any changes you would like included in the upcoming 2008-09 edition. Submit your change requests to: Don Chalfant, 687-3478, dchalfant@cox.net

\$60 Annual Dues Due July 1

Notice of annual 2008-2009 dues now payable.

Gentlemen: Please remit \$60.00 to Cosmopolitan Club of S.B., P.O. Box 3993, S.B. CA 93130-3993.

In Memorium:

Karl N. Keever died June 12th. Karl was a member of the Cosmopolitan Club since 1993, and greatly enjoyed his affiliation with Cosmo. Our condolences to his wife Mary and family.

Cosmo Special Events

Solvang TheatreFest – August 14

Save August 14, 2008 and join fellow Cosmos for a great Theaterfest Event. Package includes an overnight at the Inn in Petersen Village, Solvang. Event includes full buffet breakfast and two reservation tickets to the PCPA show under the Stars production of "RAGTIME." Included is wine tasting and gourmet dinner for two in the hotel restaurant – Café Provence. All inclusive cost of \$299.00 per couple. Sign up early, since only a limited number of rooms can be held. Call Angelo Crippa – 962-0843 for details.



4-Day Baja Mexico Cruise – October 13-17

Terrific Rate of \$876 per couple for Outside Cabin (Includes insurance, tax and fuel supplement). Leave Long Beach, Monday at 5:30 P. M.; Tuesday at Catalina Island; Wednesday at Ensenada, Mex.; Thursday at sea; dock Long Beach Friday morning at 8:00 A.M.

To book your reservation, call Cathy at AAA, 898-2821. Mention 'Cosmo'.

Angelo Crippa, 962-0843



Regular Events:

Bridge winners for June 19 were:

1 st – Ron White	4800
2 nd – Ralph Edebo	4560
3 rd – Howard Glenn	3500



We meet upstairs after the meeting and play until 3:30. No Bridge on July 3 due to the picnic format. Contact Pres Gould at 964-6568 or pwgould@cox.net

Golf Weekly:

More golfers needed – please join us for relaxed golf & great camaraderie...

At Twin Lakes - Mondays at 9:00 A.M. (Tuesday on Monday holidays). \$9.00 for 9 holes (par 29); have fun improving your short game. Easy walking, flat course, open to all Cosmo members.



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. Chair Lynn Garten, 969-2466, garten_sba@msn.com

S.A.G.E. Investment Group:

Welcome to all Cosmo members to discuss economic trends & current issues. We meet at 10 A.M. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Elks Club, 2nd floor, followed by a no-host luncheon. Our July 1 meeting will feature comments by Gordon Bjork about recent developments in the economy and stock market, as well as possible future directions. We do not select or buy any stocks.

Chair Dick Evans, 967-6930, dickevans@mac.com



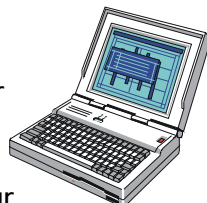
Tennis:

The Cosmo Tennis Group plays 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. Bruce Long, 692-4072 or Walter Mead, 682-3045.



Cosmo Computer Society:

Our recent meeting featured Murray H. Kalisher who is an SB Adult Ed. computer instructor. He told us about the utilities that are available for Windows, and about the status of Flash Memory for our computers. It was quite interesting, and 13 of us stayed



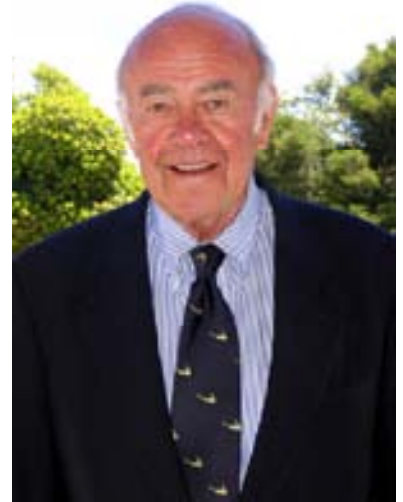
for lunch with the speaker.

Next meeting is Tuesday, July 15th. Jim Stubchaer will give a presentation on Personal GPS's. We meet upstairs at the Elks Club on the third Tuesday of each month. Open discussion starts at 10 AM. The feature presentation follows at 10:30, concluding with a no-host fellowship luncheon.

Jim Stubchear, and Bob Gerity, Program Chairmen Chair, Howard Glenn, 967-2633, hbglennc@cox.net

Last Meeting:

Getting a jump on his new administration, President Robin Durkee chaired our meeting in the absence of traveling Peter Kruse. In an act of executive enlightenment, President Robin suggested we dress down to shirtsleeves. Harold Englund coaxed us through the National Anthem, and Elwood Wissmann offered the invocation.



Sander Vancour

Always dapper Ben Walsh presented speaker Sander Vanocur. An esteemed journalist for over half a century, "Sandy" joined NBC News in 1957 as White House Correspondent. In 1977 he moved to CBS News, serving among other capacities as Chief Diplomatic Correspondent.

Sandy couched his brief remarks within the framework of two recent events. One was the death of Tony Schwartz. The other was the birth of Barack Obama's "Fight the Smears" website.

Citing the evolution of 24-hour cable news which forces mainstream media to gin up 24 hours of content, Sandy said 'I do not esteem the media – I wish for a lack of suffocating opinion news.'

In 1964, Tony Schwartz created the "daisy" commercial for Lyndon Johnson's presidential campaign against Barry Goldwater. The commercial portrayed a young girl counting petals as she picked them off a daisy. In the background a male commentator solemnly counted down to zero at which point a mushroom cloud blossomed in the distance. Goldwater's name was never mentioned, but the cross-party backlash was so vehement that this commercial never ran again – as a commercial. The news media, however, ensured it received ample air time.

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This past week, Barack Obama launched his “Fight the Smears” website to correct inaccuracies, innuendo and unsubstantiated charges that seem to grow increasingly pervasive in America’s political landscape.

Sandy’s position is that in large part it is due to the unending need for content that results in slipshod news casts reporting unvetted “opinion news”. His disdain for this “chirping birds” media style was evident.

During Q&A, Sandy said he feels the current restrictions posited by the Fairness Doctrine are okay – “the system is fine”. On another subject, he feels the print media face a huge challenge in attracting younger generations who do not read (at least newspapers, for sure).

