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Next Meeting:

February 3

Randolph E. Siple:

"A History of Dixieland Jass"

Historian, musician, attorney, vintner, organic farmer, educator, body surfer, automobile restorer, political activist, radio and TV commentator – Randolph Siple has cred! Educated at Stanford with a JD from USC Law School, he private practiced real estate and business litigation law in Ventura until 1995. In 1996, Mr. Siple founded Organic Certifiers, licensed by the state of CA and US Dept. of Agriculture to certify organic operations nationally and internationally. He currently hosts the 1290 AM radio show "The Rooster Crows". His music talents lead with the Trombone, plus an additional twelve instruments in his quiver. Mr. Siple has formed several Swing and New Orleans-style Jass bands...the focus of his Cosmo presentation. Harry Brown will introduce.



Future Meetings

February 17

Dennis Clegg, PhD

"Treating Macular Degeneration Using Stem Cells"

Dr. Clegg will discuss the latest advances in stem cell research in the treatment of macular degeneration (age related central visual loss due to retina degeneration). Dr. Clegg earned his BS degree in biochemistry at UC Davis and his PhD in biochemistry at UC Berkley. As a postdoctoral scholar at UCSF,

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he studied neural development and regeneration. He has continued this avenue of research since joining the UCSB faculty, with a current interest in stem cell research. Dr. Clegg is the recipient of the UCSB Distinguished Teaching Award, has served as Chair of the Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, is a member of the Neuroscience Research Institute, and is Co-Director for the UCSB Center for Stem Cell Biology and Engineering.

March 3

Fred Clough

"Bicycling Coast to Coast" Jim Shaw will introduce

March 17

Ladies Day Celebration. - Nir Kabaretti

"Santa Barbara Symphony"

Luncheon tickets are \$17 each for you and your guest, and must be purchased in advance. Tickets will be on sale through March 3. No tickets will be available at the door. Guest speaker for Ladies Day is Nir Kabaretti, Music Director of the Santa Barbara Symphony. Art Kvass will introduce

April 7

Cosmo Member Don Chalfant

"Santa Cruz Island Acoustic Range"

April 21

Glenn Holden

"Serving as U.S. Ambassador to Jamaica"

Ron Singer will introduce

PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

Stillman C. 'Still' Chase

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A native Californian, Still Chase majored in Electrical Engineering prior to settling with wife Nancy in Santa Barbara in 1963. He first retired in 1992 when he was an electro-optical engineer and department manager for Raytheon in Goleta. Still then enjoyed another 15-year career consulting in electro-optics before fully retiring in 2005. Father to four children, he is a guitarist and private pilot, and avid cyclist. His sponsors are Charles Greene, Don Chalfant and Bill Stancer.

Walter Joel Naumann

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From the 'Show Me State' Missouri, Walter Naumann is a physicist who retired as Director of Engineering for Veeco Corp. in 2000. His specialties were in instrumentation and field testing. Walter and wife Kay settled in Santa Barbara in 1969, and are the parents of two offspring. He is a pilot and sailor. Walter is sponsored by Bill Isbell, Don Terrell and Robin Durkee.

David L. 'Dave' Williams

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Dave Williams is an MD, Doctor of Ophthalmology, who ran his own private practice until retiring in 1995. He is California-born, coincidentally from Pasadena as is Still Chase. Dave and wife Janet moved to Santa Barbara in 1974 where they raised a son and daughter. In military service, he was based at Vandenberg AFB where he headed the Ophthalmology Dept. Dave enjoys travel, gardening, photography and horseback riding. He is a member of the Downtown Rotary Club. His sponsors are Harry Brown, Ron White and Manny Espig.

Wine Drawing:

Three bottles were in the drawing:

Jack Patterson scored a Meridian Merlot
Bob Sorich won the Meridian Chardonnay
Dennis Gaon got the 2008 Margerum M5



Welcome Our Guests

Putt Mills introduced seven members hosting their guests

Kent Cullen hosted Bob Reid
Bob Hankins hosted Bert Willoughby
Steve Little hosted Bob Rockwell
John Mac Kenzie hosted John Chere
Jim Munroe hosted John Bidegain
Fred Marsh hosted Gordon Hess
Harv Turner hosted Jack Orr

In Memoriam

A Cosmo member since 2000, Robert `Rob' Henny passed away January 15. We extend sincere condolences to his wife Melissa and family.

Regular Events

Bridge – Herb Friedman is the new chairman of the Cosmopolitan Club Bridge Group. Join us for FUN Bridge upstairs at the Elks Club after all regular meetings; we play until 3:30 PM. Contact Herb Friedman, 687-6228, or email at maryherbfriedman@cox.net. **The top three scores at the January 20 meeting:**

Ed Loper	2630
Howard Glenn	2400
Hugh Vos	2150



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.



Cosmo Computer Society -

Cosmo Computer Society meets monthly on the third Tuesday, upstairs at the Elks Club. Discussion starts at 10:00 AM, and a feature presentation starts at 10:30 AM, concluding with a no-host fellowship luncheon in the Elks Grill. All COSMO members are welcome. Bob Gerity, Program Chair, Howard Glenn (805) 967-2633 hbglennc@cox.net, & Frank Katch 964-2734, fkatch@mac.com: Co Chairmen.



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. At S.A.G.E. we discuss past and possible future trends in the economy and the stock market. We would welcome your participation.



Dick Evans, Chairman (805) 967- 6930 or dickevans@mac.com.

Golf

Mondays - Santa Barbara Golf Club (Muni).

Tee times from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM. Regular walking senior rate is \$25 for 18 holes.

Contact Ron Singer (805) 684-1355 or rsinger916@aol.com by prior Friday 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.

Additional play at various courses. - Contact Ron Singer to get on the e-mail notification list for the Floating Golf Game Circuit. Mondays are usually at Muni, Wednesdays are often at Glen Annie, Fridays' locations have included La Purisma, Glen Annie, Soule Park, and Rancho San Marcos. A. B. Clark and Steven Stonefield will select the floating golf game sites, so you may contact either of them. Ron Singer, Golf Chair: rsinger916@aol.com.

Special Events

Tuesday, February 22

Descanso Gardens

Spend the day on these beautiful grounds, with acres of oaks and thousands of blooms—camellias, daffodils, cherry trees and magnolias.

\$42.00 per person includes bus trip, admission and our own narrated tram tour of this spectacular property located just north of Glendale/Pasadena in La Canada-Flintridge. Bus arrives Elks Lodge 8:30, departs 8:45. Wear comfortable walking shoes! Payment due by Thurs Feb 3. Please bring your checks to the Feb 3 meeting, or mail them before that date to: Richard Kennelly

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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.

Sunday, March 6

Opera and Lunch at the Granada Theatre.

Join your Cosmo mates for a Sunday Matinee performance of Giuseppe Verdi's La Traviata. The third most-performed opera in the USA, Verdi tells the story of a courtesan, a Marquis, unrequited love, romantic misunderstandings and, of course, the usual tragic conclusion.



We will meet at Noon in the "Victoria Room" 1221 State Street, Suite 3 (directly in front of the Granada Theater) where lunch will be served.

Our menu choices are:

- A) Cauliflower, leek & potato potage
Roasted wild salmon with Beurre Rouge
Warm Apple Tart Tatin w/fresh whipped cream
- B) Gorgonzola Walnut Salad
Chicken Breast Provencal
Chocolate pecan Tart w/fresh whipped cream

In all cases there will be a glass of red or white wine, coffee or tea. We will cross the street to the Granada for the 2:30 performance of "La Traviata". Price per person, all inclusive: \$95.00 Please select your menu choice and specify who is having what (so name tags may be prepared), and send your check made out to Cosmopolitan Club, POB 3983, S.B. 93130. Fred Sidon, 967-6757, frsidon@impulse.net.

Tue-Wed, March 22-23

Living Desert Trip

There will be an early departure to attend the matinee of the famous Palm Springs Follies, featuring the "4 Preps". The next morning we will enjoy the included breakfast followed by a shuttle tour of the Living Desert Zoo and Gardens. We will return to Santa Barbara by late afternoon or early evening on Wednesday March 23. This tour is handicapped friendly.

The cost is \$375 per couple. This includes the bus driver's tip, admission tickets to both events, hotel with breakfast, baggage delivery and refreshments. Your only additional cost will be for meals. The Follies has always been a sellout for Cosmo members. Please make your reservations now by calling Harry Stroud at 653-5117. Checks for the trip are NOW DUE.

Palm Springs Follies and



Saturday, April 23 Private Car Rail Trip - Santa Barbara/San Luis Obispo/Santa Barbara



We have a reprise of the very popular private rail car trips taken last year. You can enjoy a day's trip to/from San Luis Obispo in a lovingly restored 1949 Club Lounge Railway Car. The car will pass through some of the most scenic areas on the Coast Route. Much of this can be seen only from the train, as there are no public roads from Gaviota to the northern end of Vandenberg Air Force Base. Don Chalfant, an experienced Trails & Rails Guide, will be on the trip to enhance your tour. There will be complimentary food service including a relish tray and chips and dip. Red and White wines will also be provided. There will be a short (about 1-hour, 15 minutes) layover in San Luis Obispo. The trip will depart from both the Santa Barbara Station and the Goleta Station on Saturday, April 23, 2011. Total time for the roundtrip will be 6-7 hours. All 36 spaces for the trip were reserved on the first day. We will now take reservations for a "Wait List". No payment is required to be on this list. If enough interest is shown, an attempt will be made to secure the car for a second trip later this year. To be placed on the list, please contact Don Chalfant by email, dchalfant@cox.net or by phone, 687-3478

Last Meeting:

Skip Cole [standing in for Harry Brown] introduced our speaker, **Frank Goss** of the well-known Sullivan Goss "An American Gallery" and the Arts & Letters Café, across from Santa Barbara's Art Museum & Library. Frank's Topic was "**Lockwood de Forest (1850-1932) - Luminist, California Plein Air Painter**". Frank explained that this painter was not to be confused with his son, the famous Santa Barbara landscape architect, Lockwood de Forest III. Frank's gallery has recently found and acquired 80 paintings of **Lockwood de Forest** that are over 100 years old, and were painted of the Santa Barbara area. He had moved in mid-career from Manhattan, New York to Santa Barbara. Frank asked the question: "If you are an artist, what is the best location in America you to reside? Of course it's

Manhattan! Certainly not Santa Barbara! So why did **de Forest**, at age 52, suddenly leave the city of his birth where he was a recognized painter as well as an interior & building designer, a furnishings importer who had partnerships with Louis Comfort Tiffany, and a member of the American National Academy of Art and Design in New York, and move to Santa Barbara in 1902? Frank said no one knows. But de Forest spent the last 30 years of his life living in Santa Barbara. He bought a house here in 1915, and died in 1932.

Frank said that **Lockwood de Forest** was one of America's fine atmospheric painters, who took the lessons of the Hudson River School and applied them in his own manner, creating a looser landscape "sketch".

Frank introduced his impressive young associate, **Jeremy Tessmer**, who is in charge of the dead artists department at Sullivan Goss American Gallery, to show and discuss paintings of **Lockwood de Forest**, many depicting familiar scenes in the Santa Barbara area. Many were "Nocturnes" painted in the evening and some in the dead of night. Others were scenes near sunset, like the ones shown below.



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Editor's Note:

Wanted – Crackers Feature Article Writer

Your Crackers team would like to add color content to Cosmo's newsletter, and invites your suggestions. One avenue that offers great variety and interest is to profile Cosmo leadership and members. This would be an occasional piece where time is not of the essence. Subject member would be asked to provide biographical and/or career information that our 'feature writer' will craft into a dazzling sketch of 300-400 words (FYI - this editor's note is 179 words). Additional special topics also would fall within this craftsman's purview. Anyone interested in discussing this occasional, unique, one-off, fleeting fame, low-pay opportunity...contact Jim Munroe, jmspin@cox.net. Additionally, Crackers would like to publish more pictures and narrative recap on our club's many special events. When a Crackers editor participates, it's a lock inside job. But many events go unreported. We invite any participating member to submit pictures (captions are helpful e.g. photo subject and who's in the picture) and short synopses for any special event. We reserve the right to edit content and photo selection. Please submit all content to Jim Munroe, jmspin@cox.net.

A note from President John MacKenzie:

WANTED – MORE NEW MEMBERS

The Club is always looking for new members to join our outstanding organization. Two free lunch passes will be given to those who bring in new members.

Upcoming Events

April 2011	Annual Spring Dance
April 23, 2011	Private Rail Car trip to SLO
May 7, 2010	LA Philharmonic at the Granada Theatre
May 13, 2011	Ben Walsh Memorial Gourmet Dinner, SBCC
June 2011	PCPA Theatrefest, Petersen Valley Inn, Solvang
July 2011	Polo Club Buffet and Match, SB Polo Grounds
August 2011	Circle Bar B Ranch Dinner and Show, Gaviota