



# Crackers

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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 [wtd84@cox.net](mailto:wtd84@cox.net). Don will arrange to send a Cosmo 'Get Well' card wishing our member a quick rebound.

### Next Meeting:

#### April 21: Ambassador Glen Holden, Retired, "Serving as U.S. Ambassador to Jamaica"

Ambassador Holden is a long-time resident of Los Angeles. He holds a BS degree from the University of Oregon. He is an experienced businessman who began his career in the mid-1950's as a life insurance agent in Portland, Oregon. From 1964 to 1973, he was President and Director of the Variable Annuity Life insurance Company (VALIC) of Washington, D.C. and Houston, Texas. Under Ambassador Holden's guidance, VALIC pioneered the variable annuity product in the United States. Throughout his career, Ambassador Holden has had a keen interest in Latin America and the Caribbean, has traveled extensively throughout the region, as well as 43 countries around the world. During the Bush administration, Ambassador Holden served as the U.S. Ambassador to Jamaica from 1989 until 1993. Ron Singer will introduce

### Future Meetings

May 5  
Rod Camp  
"Effect of Drug Cartels on Contemporary Mexico"

May 19  
Barbara Levi  
"Fraud in Physics"

June 2  
Bruce McPherson  
"CA Forward: California's Fiscal Problems"

June 16  
Walter Kohn  
"Prospects for a World Powered Predominantly by Solar and Wind Energy"

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Next Meeting: **April 21, 2011**

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### July 7 Annual Picnic

#### Are you a published Author?

The Cosmo program committee is exploring a suggestion to celebrate Cosmo Authors at a future meeting. Program chair Chuck Curtis has asked members to let him know if they are published authors, novelists, poets, journalists, etc. We believe there are many members who have written on diverse and interesting subjects, and that a display of such books, with authors present, could be an unusual and edifying event. The books could be displayed in the outer room before the meeting, and if there is sufficient interest, perhaps each author could speak briefly about his book subject(s). Please call Chuck Curtis at 708-0588 on his cell phone or e-mail him at [rcurtissog@cox.net](mailto:rcurtissog@cox.net) with your comments, or contact him at the next meeting.

**Wine Drawing** with Bob Zimels doing the honors:  
New Member Gordon Hess scored the Summerland 2008 Chardonnay  
Bob Buegler collected the Summerland Zinfandel



### Welcome Our Guests

Howard Glenn brought Dr. James Subject  
Karl Kassity: Bob Reed, M.D.  
Bob Sorich: Jerry Sorich  
Mike Cribbs: Geoge Holbrook  
Steve Little: Bob Rockwell

### Spring Dinner-Dance held at the Yacht Club April 5

Kudos to Albert Mercado, Howard Glenn, Richard Kennelly, Jim Patillo and other members of the Dance Committee for organizing this wonderful event that was thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attended, with special thanks to Jim Patillo for once more giving each of the ladies an orchid corsage.

## Regular Events

### Bridge

Results for 7 April, 2011:

- 1st Place – Ed Loper: 4230 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Ralph Edebo - 2130
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Howard Glenn - 2010



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](mailto:maryherbfriedman@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](mailto: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](mailto:hbglennc@cox.net), and Frank Katch 964-2734, [fkatch@mac.com](mailto:fkatch@mac.com): Co Chairmen.



Cosmo webmaster Jim Stubchaer invites Cosmo techies to discuss serving as backup to help Jim manage the club's website. Contact Jim at [m7030@stubchaer.com](mailto:m7030@stubchaer.com) or 964-2926.

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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. Clarke and Steven Stonefield will select the floating golf game sites, so you may contact either of them. Ron Singer, Golf Chair: [rsinger916@aol.com](mailto:rsinger916@aol.com).

Cosmopolitan Club April Golf Tournament

**When: Wednesday April 27**

**Tee off: First tee time 10:30 AM**

**Where: Soule Park Golf Club, Ojai,**

**Cost: \$45, includes greens fees, cart fees, prize money**

**We have tee times for 6 foursomes, first 24 players to sign up**

**We will assist in setting up car pools, as desired.**

**Please email [abclarke3@cox.net](mailto:abclarke3@cox.net) if you wish to play**

Co-organizers: Mike Nutik and A. B. Clarke

**Golf Tournament** coming this summer. Mark this date in your calendar; details will follow. July 18th

### Special Events Opera

Those of us who were clever enough to sign up for and attend the recent opera experience were treated to a wonderful catered luncheon in Victoria Court and a delightful performance of La Traviata at the Granada Theatre. Our seats for the opera were excellent; the cast was very strong and the supporting music was very beautifully performed. And, yes, she died at the end. (several times)

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

Wait list sign-up. See prior issues of Crackers for details. 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. 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](mailto:dchalfant@cox.net) or by phone, 687-3478.

### Saturday, May 7 L. A. Philharmonic and Dinner at the Granada Theatre

Join other Cosmo members for this unusual opportunity to see the L. A. Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Gustavo Dudamel, who is acclaimed worldwide as one of the most exciting and compelling conductors of our time. The program will consist of the following:

- Johannes Brahms: Academic Festival Overture
- Oswaldo Golijov: Violin Concerto (World Premiere) performed by Violinist Leonidas Kavakos
- Brahms: Symphony No. 1 in C Minor, Opus 68

We will all meet for dinner at 6:00 PM at Jane Restaurant at 1311 State St., one block north of the Granada Theatre. Price per person is \$38 for the L. A. Phil performance. Tickets are limited. The cost of dinner is not included. We will order from the menu (entrees are \$10 to \$26.)

Our tickets for this event are sold out.. You may have your name added to the wait list by contacting Thore Edgren at 967-4001.

### Friday, May 13 SBCC Ben Walsh Memorial Dinner

This culinary extravaganza in memory of Col. Ben Walsh is probably sold out, but take a chance and call Harry Stroud, 653-5117 if you are burning to go.

### Sunday, July 24 Santa Barbara Polo Club.

Ron Singer has arranged for an invitation to attend the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary event at our own Polo Club. World-class players will be playing in the event and we will be treated to lunch and a "back-stage" tour by Ron, a member of the Polo Club for some 40 years. The cost for this event includes lunch, the games and the behind-the-scenes tour is \$50- per person. Ron mentioned that this event will also be a special Ladies Extravagant Hat Day. Prizes will be awarded to the most remarkable chapeaus. Call Ron Singer at (805) 684-1355 to get on the list. Event chair Ron Singer, 684-1355, [rsinger916@aol.com](mailto:rsinger916@aol.com). See Page 5 of eCrackers for details and registration form

## WELCOME 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. Charles Greene sponsored Still.

### **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 was sponsored by Bill Isbell.

### **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. Harry Brown sponsored Dave.

### **Gordon C. "Gordy" Hess**

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Gordon Hess originally hails from Glendale, California. He obtained a Bachelor's from UCLA, a Master's in Divinity and a PhD in psychology from Princeton. He has been a psychotherapist and a Presbyterian minister. He has been a resident of Santa Barbara since 1978. Gordon and his wife Sandy have two children – a boy and a girl. His avocational interests are fine wines, great books, travel and his 5 grandchildren. He has been a tennis player in the past. Gordy was sponsored by Don Cross.

## PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

### **Dwight Lloyd Carlson, M.D.**

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Dwight was born in Bell, CA, is married with two children, served in the U.S. Navy. Among his interests and writing and speaking. He practiced psychiatry for 28 years, and is the author of 8 books. He is a member of the American Psychiatric Association, the California Psychiatric Association, and the Christian Medical association. He is sponsored by Fred Marsic, Dar Holian, and Jim Smith

### **Frederick W. Clough**

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Born in the country of Honduras, Fred studied history followed by a law degree. Courtesy of the U.S. Army, he served duty in Vietnam and is recipient of the Bronze Star. Fred and wife Linda moved to Santa Barbara in 1973, raising daughter Carrie and son Greg. He retired a year ago as Executive VP and General Counsel for Pacific Capital Bancorp. Many of you recall Fred's wonderful presentation on bicycling across the USA. In addition, he skis, plays volleyball and enjoys reading and travel. His sponsors are Jim Shaw, Don Truex and Chuck Curtis.

### **James R. Dow**

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Jim was born in Fort Madison, Iowa; He holds BA and DDS degrees and worked as a dentist. He is married with two children, and is interested in oil and watercolor painting, and plays golf. He served in the US Coastguard, and is a member of the Santa Barbara/Ventura Dental Association, is a fellow of the American College of Dentistry, and a board member of Delta Dental Insurance. He is a member of the Goeta Rotary and the Goleta Boys Club. His sponsors are Robert G. Williams, Robert Jenkins, and Henry Levy

### **Richard Brian Hill**

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Born in Pasadena, Dick is married with two children., and lived in Palos Verdes for 46 years before moving recently to SB. He holds a BA and an MBA. He worked as a CPA (as a partner in his LA firm), enjoys golf, tennis, travel and investments. He is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the California Society of CPAs. Brian is sponsored by Fred Marsic, Dar Holin, and Jim Smith.

### **David Tedford McKee**

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David was born in Toronto, Canada, holds BA, MBA, and PhD degrees, and is married with two children. His career included stints as a university professor, a healthcare foundation executive, and finally, a philanthropy consultant. His interests include music and theater, interior and environmental design, and tennis. He is a fellow of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy. He is sponsored by Bob Hankins, Steven Morgan, and Bruce Long

### **Warner Barry Owens**

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Warner was born in Detroit, is married and has two children. He earned a BS degree from UCLA, and had a career as a physical therapist, director of Rehabilitation Services, and corporate executive. His interests include growing wine grapes, mentoring boys, and playing golf. He is a member of the American Physical Therapy Association. Warner is sponsored by James B. McKillup, Fred Marsh, and John B. MacKenzi

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Jim was born in Sacramento, served in the US Army for two years, is married, with three sons and a daughter. He earned BA and DDS degrees, and worked as a dentist for 42 years. He is a woodworker, a builder of wooden boats in particular, and enjoys tennis. Jim is sponsored by Ron White, Howard Glenn, and R. Gerrity

**Palm Springs Trip, report by Harry Stroud**

Always a Cosmo sellout, forty of our members and wives over-nighted in Palm Springs on March 22. That afternoon the group attended the world renowned Palm Springs Follies featuring performers in their 50s, 60s and 70s. This patriotic show is in its 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive year offering classic favorite songs from the 1940s into the 1970s. The Four Preps headlined this wonderfully nostalgic entertainment. The following morning the group toured the "Living Desert" botanical gardens and zoo. This venue has grown dramatically over the years, and now includes a spacious model electric train center and a live animal show.

**New Cosmo Officers**

President:	Arlie Skov
Vice President:	Mead Northrup
Secretary:	Don Chalfant
Treasurer:	Ron Singer
Director 1st yr:	Jim Davis
Director 2nd yr:	Hank Pfister

**Last Meeting:** Jean-Michel Cousteau "A Life for the Water Planet "

Jean-Michel was introduced by Charles Greene. Explorer, environmentalist, author, educator, and Emmy-award winning film producer, Jean-Michel Cousteau has dedicated himself to communicating to people of all nations and generations his love and concern for our water planet. Since first being "thrown overboard" by his father at the age of seven with newly invented SCUBA gear, Jean-Michel has been exploring the ocean realm. The son of pioneer ocean explorer Jacques Cousteau, Jean-Michel is especially concerned this year to commemorate his father's 100<sup>th</sup> year anniversary with books and a film. Like his dad, he has investigated the world's oceans aboard *Calypso* and *Alcyone*. Honoring his heritage, Jean-Michel founded Ocean Futures Society in 1999, now based in Santa Barbara, to carry on this pioneering work. This is non-profit marine conservation and education organization serving as a "Voice for the Ocean" by communicating the critical bond between people and the sea and the importance of wise environmental policy. Jean Michel showed several video clips on debris in the Laysan Islands in the Pacific— a consequence of human negligence – and on Orca whales, the world's largest dolphins, stressing "what we do not see" in the world's oceans that cover 70% of the planet. Orcas are dying in great numbers because of chemicals leached into the oceans, especially the highly toxic PEDE, which comes from fire retardants used in the manufacture of many household goods including children's toys. Cousteau's assistant spoke of her son's exposure to toxic chemicals, and Ocean Future Society's efforts to have toxic chemicals banned. He closed his talk with a video on Humpback Whale Ballet.



**Santa Barbara Polo Club is celebrating their 100th year. Picture above is from 1976 featured in Hurlingham International Polo Magazine 2010**

**Cosmopolitan Club Member Ron Singer**

**Played polo for 40 years and will be hosting this event.**

**Sunday July 24 High Goal Polo Game and Lunch**

**See the best players in the world**

**+ Ron is going to take you behind the scenes before the 1<sup>st</sup> game  
Meet players, See the horses and players prepare for the game**

**\$50 Per Person Members and Guests field side seating including lunch and parking**

**Arrive 11:45 AM pre-game Tour behind the scenes**

**1<sup>st</sup> Game 1 PM second Game 3 PM**

**Lunch served during 1<sup>st</sup> Game**

**Sign up early: Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Total People \_\_\_\_\_**

**Send \$50 per person to:**

**Cosmopolitan Club, % Ron Singer, 3375 Foothill #916, Carpinteria, CA 93013**