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Annual \$60 dues for 2011-2012 are now overdue. If you have not already paid, please do so promptly. There will be a box at the Luncheon Ticket Table so you can drop your dues check, payable to Cosmopolitan Club or mail it to PO Box 3993, Santa Barbara, CA 93130-3993

Next Meeting

July 7th COSMO'S ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC

This is our 29th annual picnic - a great time to get together with your wife and guests at lower Manning Park. The fun starts at 11 AM with social time (bring your own beverages and appetizers), followed at 12:30 with our great Cavalli tri-tip and chicken BBQ.



Future Meetings

July 21 Cosmo's Own Published Authors

Cosmopolitan Club members who are published authors will display their works and offer brief commentary on their subject matter. Gordon Bjork will moderate.

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August 4 Peter Kruse "From Mao to Now and Beyond"

Cosmo member and Past President Peter Kruse is a well-know lecturer on a wide variety of current events, particularly in association with Vistas Lifelong Learning. He has lead several recent seminars on China, drawing information from published sources, such as Gavin Menzies' "1421, The Year China Discovered the World", "Mao, the Unknown Story" by Jung Chang, MinZin Pei's, "China's Trapped Transition", Theodore White's "Thunder Out of China", Jan Wong's books "Red China Blues" and "A Comrade Lost and Found: A Beijing Memoir". Peter gleaned insight from Professor MinZin Pei, Director of Keck Center for International and Strategic Studies, Claremont McKenna College, and Katy Drew, a Santa Barbara resident who lived in Mao's China as a child and young adult. Peter will touch on the history of China from 1400 AD to today, and then pose a series of questions regarding the role of China in the 21st Century in light of its current position as the world's second largest GDP nation, and particularly the challenges that it faces which flow from its history. Mead Northrop will introduce Peter.

August 18 Diane Wisby "Goleta Valley Hospital Today"

Charles Chester will introduce.

Meeting Staff:
Punchbowl: Ray Rosecrans
Tickets: Pete Klein & Joe Szerwo
Invocation: Bill Spangler

Wine Drawing with Bob Zimels picking a trifecta of winners:

Jim Belden scored the 2008 Guenoc Cabernet; Art Kvaas won the Gnarly Head 2009 chardonnay and Don Truex picked up the 2008 Margerum M5.



Welcome Our Guests

with Harry Brown presenting:
Tom Bruice hosted by Harv Turner
Dean Clements feted by Dale Charpentier
Allen Gersh joined Still Chase
J.P. Hughes treated by Ron White
Sam Moffett honored by John MacKenzie
Wilson Quarre feted by Arlie Skov
George Surmeier hosted by Mike Rodrigue

Welcome New Member

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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. David noted that he spoke to the Cosmo Club in 1993 when it met at Montecito CC. His interests include music and theater, interior and environmental design, and tennis. He is a fellow of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy. He was sponsored by Bob Hankins, Steven Morgan, and Bruce Long.

Outgoing President John MacKenzie acknowledged the 13 Past Presidents hosted at today's meeting. Tim Kelly is most senior, having served as president in 1993-94. Also recognized were Bill Irvine and Cliff Sponsol, each of whom is a 30-year Cosmo member. President John then presented Incoming President Arlie Skov with the club gavel. President Arlie cited the legacy of quality club leadership and promised to do his best in the year to come.

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.

2011-2012 Cosmo President Arlie Skov



Arlie was born on an Oklahoma farm in 1928, graduating from Sumner (OK) HS in 1946, third in a class of three. He worked a few years in construction, and after two years in the US Army (1950-52), enrolled in the Univ. of Oklahoma, graduating in 1956 with a BS in Petroleum Engineering. His professional career began in Pauls Valley, OK, with Sohio Petroleum Co. He transferred to Oklahoma City in 1958, and was named Manager Special Projects in 1966. He next moved to San Francisco with BP Alaska in 1975, as Manager Production Planning for the giant Prudhoe Bay Field on Alaska's North Slope. After stints on the Alaska Gas Pipeline project, and as Manager Frontier Research, he moved to Dallas in 1983, as Director of Production Technology, and back to Houston in 1988, as a Senior Consultant for BP worldwide. Arlie retired 1992, forming his eponymous consulting company.

Active in the SPE (the International Society of Petroleum Engineers), Arlie served as President in 1991, and as President of the SPE Foundation in 2004 & 2005. He is a Distinguished Member of SPE, an Honorary Member, and also a Legion of Honor member. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the SPE Foundation. He also served on the National Petroleum Council (based in Washington, DC) for six years (1994 to 2000) at the invitation of three different U. S. Secretaries of Energy. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Oklahoma and Texas, and with his wife Luella retired to Santa Barbara in 1995.

Regular Events

Bridge – Join us for FUN Bridge upstairs at the Elks Club after all regular meetings; we play until 3:30 PM. Chairman Steve Morgan, 637-1322, or smmphd@cox.net.



Top scorers on June 16:

Bob McMillin	4080
Mike Cribbs	2970
Ed Loper	2610

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; Chair Howard Glenn, 967-2633, hbglennc@cox.net.



S.A.G.E. Investment Group -S.A.G.E. 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. Co-Chairs Dick Evans, 967- 6930, dickevans@mac.com and Walter Naumann, 448-5061, wjnaumann@aol.com.



Golf

Glen Annie Golf Club Tournament – Monday, July 18
Open to guests – bring a friend – registration deadline is July 10.

Join us at Glen Annie July 18th for a great day of golf, beginning with a sit-down lunch from menus at 11:30. We will enjoy a shotgun start so all will finish at the same time and get the results soon after completing your round. The cost is \$61 which covers green fee, cart, lunch with soft drink, tea etc., and the prize fund. For information and registration, email either Pete Kruse at sbpete8@gmail.com or Harv Turner at olharv@gmail.com.



Wednesday, August 10

Montecito Country Club golf tournament
Save the date! Details to follow. Event Chair Marty Tucker, 969-0760, tuckmet@aol.com

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. 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.

Upcoming Special Events

Sunday, July 24 Santa Barbara Polo Club

We need all the folks who have signed up to complete their payment (\$50.00 per person) to confirm they are coming. We have to provide an exact number of guests before July 18 and pay for everything in advance. Mail your check, payable to Cosmopolitan Club, to Ron Singer, 3375 Foothill Rd., #916, Carpinteria 93013.



Event Information:

Directions:

All guests will enter from the main entrance on Via Real. Polo Club is between two 101 exits. Coming from the north, exit Padero Rd., cross over freeway, turn right on Via Real 1/2 mile to main entrance. From the south, exit Santa Claus Ln., turn right and then turn left on Via Real, 1/2 mile to main entrance. After entering main entrance of the Santa Barbara Polo Club, go to Valet Parking straight ahead. Tell attendant you are with the Cosmopolitan Club. You will be greeted and given a colored paper wrist band. This will identify you and you'll be able have lunch and entrance to our private area.

Arrival:

Arrive by 12 Noon; at around 12:15 PM Ron Singer will conduct a demonstration, explain the game and answer questions.

Lunch – No Host Bar:

Lunch and Ice Tea is included in your fee. No host open bar for all other beverages. We will have a special Cosmopolitan Cocktail available for purchase @\$6.

Two Polo Games:

First game starts at 1 PM. Second game starts at 3 PM. If you stay for both games, you should be on your way by 4:30 PM. You will receive the 2011 Santa Barbara Polo Magazine and players program.

Dress of the Day:

Casual elegant comfortable. Suggest you bring a jacket or wrap. We will be in a covered tent and have additional umbrella tables. Women: Wear comfortable shoes, you will be walking on grass. This is hat day if you'd like to show off your hat. There will be prizes.
Men: Shirt, slacks - no ties. Suggest hats for everyone.

Sunday, September 25 Circle Bar B Ranch Dinner Theater – Matinee

Howdy! Enjoy a Western dinner and great show at the Circle Bar B Ranch, a 20-minute drive up the coast. It is located at 1800 Refugio Rd., north of Goleta off Hwy 101. The theater, an intimate converted barn and bunkhouse, has presented

comedies and musicals for 37 years. Dinner features barbequed Santa Maria tri tip and chicken. Plan to arrive at 12:30pm for socializing, with dinner served at 1pm. At 2pm we'll attend the show "Silvia", a beautiful, funny and profound play about a couple's life after their children have left the nest. Cost for the dinner and show is \$37 per person. Attendees provide their own transportation. Send your check, payable to Cosmopolitan Club, to R. Willett, 7793 Wagon Wheel Dr., Goleta 93117-1006. Tickets also will be sold at upcoming Cosmo meetings. Event chair is Dick Willett, 685-9252.

Last Meeting:

George Handler introduced our guest speaker UCSB Professor in Chemistry and Physics, Dr. Walter Kohn, 1998 Nobel Prize in Chemistry recipient. In remarks entitled "The Prospects for a World Powered Predominately by Solar and Wind Energy", Prof. Kohn set the table by identifying the pending juncture where growing world population intersects declining fossil fuel energy sources. Energy production in 2010 breaks out as follows: gas 23%; coal 27%; oil 36%; other 14%. Many models indicate that fossil fuel sources are dwindling. Extraction techniques are environmentally damaging and the conversion of fossil fuels into energy pollutes our atmosphere. While natural sciences do not produce immutable truths to the same degree as mathematics, there is growing evidence that man-made pollutants are factors in climate change and global warming. Exacerbating the fossil fuel energy challenge is our population explosion and growing demand for energy. The world population hit 2.5 billion in 1950. By 2040, our planet is projected to host 9 billion people. Prof Kohn cited Pogo's remark "we have met the enemy and the enemy is us" to highlight this conundrum.

Prof. Kohn reported that solar and wind energy production is doubling in output every two years. A significant barrier to the viability of renewable energy is transportation e.g. wind and solar energy are captured in mostly unpopulated areas. There are significant infrastructure challenges to expanding and integrating electrical grids to deliver renewable energy to populated areas. Nevertheless, Prof Kohn projects that by the year 2021, solar and wind energy may start to exceed fossil fuel energy. The critical ingredient to this source energy conversion is greater commitment of effort to conservation and pollution mitigation.

Cosmo in Profile

Joseph J. 'Joe' O'Brien

A native New Yorker, Joe O'Brien enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1953. He was commissioned a regular officer under the Meritorious Noncommissioned Officer Program in 1958. Following a 3-year tour in Hawaii, Joe served as Adjutant to the First Marine Corps District in Garden City, NY while also earning his BA. Promoted to Captain in 1963, Joe subsequently was assigned as CO, Marine Detachment on the heavy guided missile cruiser USS Boston. Following duty in Vietnam and Okinawa, and promotion to Major, in 1968 he returned to CONUS where he earned his MA from The American University. After a 3-year tour as Systems Project Leader, Data Systems Division, HQ, Joe returned to Vietnam in 1972, where he served as Senior Brigade Advisor to the Vietnamese Marine Corps. In 1973, he was assigned to Naval Weapons Center, China Lake. Promoted to Lt. Colonel in 1975, Joe then attended the US Naval War College in RI. Assigned to the First Marine Division in 1978, he served as Executive Officer and then CO, 7th Marines when he was promoted to Colonel in 1980. In 1985, Joe retired as Head, Ground Combat Requirements Branch, HQ, Marine Corps. Colonel O'Brien's personal decorations include the Navy Cross, Silver Star Medal, Legion of Merit with Gold Star in lieu of a second award, Bronze Star Medal with Combat Distinguishing Device and Gold Star in lieu of a second award, Purple Heart with Gold Stars in lieu of second, third and fourth awards, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal and Combat Action Ribbon. His foreign personal decorations include three awards of the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry (Gold, Silver and Bronze Stars), Vietnam First Class Honor Medal, and Vietnam First Class Staff Service Honor Medal. Joe is married to the former Catherine (Kay) Tully of Bronx, NY. He joined Cosmo in 2007.

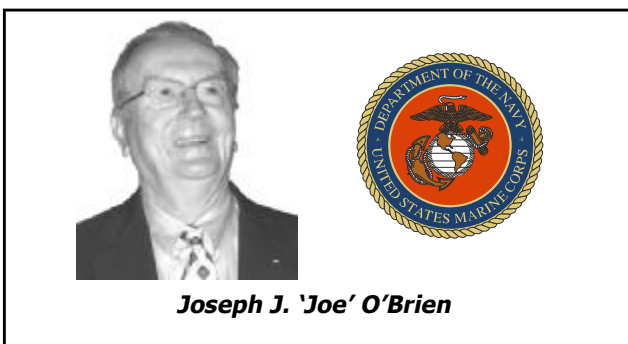
PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

Robert Stephen 'Steve' White

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Steve hails from the Sunflower State. Parents to 2 children, he and wife Freda settled in Santa Barbara in 1992. With advanced degrees in Chemistry and Physics, Steve was a Professor of Physics at UC Riverside where he served as department head for 8 years and Director of the Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics for 25 years before retiring in 1992. Prior to entering teaching, he served on the scientific staff of Berkeley and Livermore National Laboratories. The author of 3 books, Steve enjoys sports, music and opera. He is sponsored by Charles Greene, Don Chalfant and Paul Barrett.



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