



# Crackers

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## Cosmo Member Ailing

If you learn of one of our members suffering from illness or injury, please notify Arlie Skov, 965-5101, [askov@earthlink.net](mailto:askov@earthlink.net)

## Dress Code Update

Since October 17 we revert to wearing coats; however we will continue the practice of not requiring ties, making them optional wear. There is a caveat; you will not be turned away for not wearing a coat on a hot day. Let the weather be your guide!

## Meeting Staff:

Ticket Sellers: Pete Schenk & Harvey Stancer  
Punchbowl: Marv Norman  
Invocation: Peter Kruse  
Sergeant-at-Arms: Bill Montag

## Punch Glass Update

The Cosmo Club is now using slightly larger glasses for the pre-meeting punch. Be aware, this is not a sobering development.

## Next Meeting

**November 7, 2013**

Bob Kieding, well known by local sailors and yacht enthusiasts; writes a weekly column in the SB News Press on Yachts and sailing. He has been a Santa Barbara sailor and chandler for decades and is a strong source of information on these topics, especially those associated with our local waters. His title: "Waters Off Santa Barbara"

Intro by Harry Brown

**November 21, 2013**

**Gary Byre, Ph.D. – Cosmopolitan Club Speaker**

**Topic: Stock Market Future**

Since 2000 the Dow Jones Industrial Average has moved up about 2% per year to its current level of approximately 15,000. What phenomena have limited growth in both GDP and the markets over this 13 year period? Are we doomed to repeat the 1929 to 1953 period when the markets didn't move above their 1929 highs for 24 years? Or, are there special characteristics over the past 13 years that have kept stocks from moving parallel with economic growth? These questions will be considered in light of both international developments as well as specific domestic issues such as the political gridlock in Washington DC.

Dr. Byrne received his BA from University of the Redlands and his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina. From 1990 to 1996 presidents Bush and Clinton appointed him



**Save the Date**  
**Cosmo Christmas**  
**Dinner Dance**

**Tuesday**  
**Dec 10, 2013**

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chairman and administrator to a number of business related Federal Boards. He is also a former college professor, bank president, and author of several business related books. Currently he is the president of an investment company called Vesta Capital Partners.

James Shaw will introduce.

### New Member Sponsor Incentive

The following new member sponsor plan is effective from October 3, 2013 to January 15, 2014

- 1) Bring a potential member as your guest to a lunch meeting and the guest lunch will be free. All members that bring a qualifying guest to the meeting will be put in a special drawing to be held at the meeting on Feb 6, 2014.
- 2) If a member submits a new member application for his guest he will receive 1 more chance (2 TOTAL) in the special drawing and a free lunch for him and the nominee at the meeting where the applicant is interviewed.
- 3) When the new inductee is presented as a new member, the primary sponsor for the new member will receive 2 free lunch passes.

Prize: Free Cosmopolitan Club lunch for the remainder of 2014

### Wine Drawing

Bob Zimels conducted the wine drawing. The 2010 Pikorua Sauvignon Blanc was won by Ted Ross; Art Kvaas drew the Donovan-Parke Cabernet Sauvignon



### WELCOME OUR GUESTS



Manny Espig introduced our guests:

- Martin Kramer courtesy of Ron Singer
- Chris Price hosted by Bill Stancer
- Bob Swider courtesy of Ron Singer
- Willard Thompson treated by Pete Kruse

## Proposed for Membership

### Lance E. Mason

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 Phone 805-910-5491; email: [lmason@silcom.com](mailto:lmason@silcom.com)  
 B.S. – Bio Science; D.D.S. – Dentistry  
 Lance retired in 2008 after 40 years in dental practice and professional teaching.  
 His interests are cross country cycling, non-fiction writing, reading and wine production.  
 Lance is sponsored by Jim Shaw, Fred Clough, and Don Truex.

### Raymond N. Stauffer

3836 Calle Cita, Santa Barbara, Ca. 93110  
 Phone 805-770-2987  
 Associate Degree Industrial Design  
 Ray retired in 1998 from I.B.M. after 33 years as a Field Engineer where he worked on Special Contracts and Government Projects.  
 Ray is sponsored by Phil Whaley, Pete Kruse and Bruce Long

### 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, 637-1332, or [smmpha@cox.net](mailto:smmpha@cox.net);  
 Co-chair Ed Loper, 967-8630, [oliveloper@cox.net](mailto:oliveloper@cox.net).

#### October 17<sup>th</sup> Winners:

1 <sup>st</sup> place:	Steve Morgan	2330
2 <sup>nd</sup> place:	Ralph Edebo	1560
3 <sup>rd</sup> place:	John Calvert	1360

### "OUR DIGITAL WORLD" aka The Cosmo Computer Society



In recognition of changes in usage of electronic devices, **The Cosmo Computer Society** is changing its name and emphasis to **"Our Digital World"**. We changed the meeting day to the 2nd Thursday of the month so we can enjoy lunch and camaraderie at the Elks Club Grill after our meetings. Please bring your gadgets such as smart phones, notebooks, tablets, or any other digital device. You can show us how it works or ask other members how they think it works. Discussion starts at 10:00 AM upstairs at the club. Ring bell button at the front door if not open. All members and special guests are welcome. Howard Glenn, Chairman, 967-2633, Bob Gerity, Co- Chairmen, 963-9413, Robert Gerity <[robtgerity@cox.net](mailto:robtgerity@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. Chair: Walter Naumann, 448-5061, [wjnaumann@aol.com](mailto:wjnaumann@aol.com).



## 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).



## Golf

### Mondays - Santa Barbara Golf Club (Muni).

Tee times range between 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM. Regular walking senior rate is \$26 for 18 holes. Contact Ron Singer (805) 684-1355 or [rsinger916@aol.com](mailto:rsinger916@aol.com) by prior Friday for your tee time. Twin Lakes (Par 29) at 9:00 AM. Work on your short game. These outings are a great way to gain new members, so invite your friends.



**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, and Friday 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).

## Upcoming Special Events

Saturday, November 23, 2013

### Andersen's Dinner & All Mozart Symphony Concert

Now an annual Cosmo night out, don't miss our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual dinner and Granada symphonic concert. We'll dine at Andersen's Restaurant and then walk over to the Granada Theatre for Santa Barbara Symphony's "All Mozart Evening" with Guest Conductor Matthias Bamert, formerly Music Director of the London Mozart Players. The delicate mastery of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart will be fully revealed in three of his works: Serenade No. 10 "Gran Partita" for Winds; Strings featured in



Serenade in G Major "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik"; and the unifying Symphony No. 25. Ticket sales have begun and the all-inclusive price is just \$70 pp. Send your checks made out to Cosmopolitan Club of Santa Barbara to Art Kvass, 933 Roble Lane, Santa Barbara, CA 93103.

Tuesday, December 10, 2013

### Cosmo Holiday Dinner Dance

Attached as p.5 is the flyer announcement of the club's premier social event at La Cumbre Country Club. Please complete the reservation form and send to Al Mercado.

March 25-26, 2014

### Palm Springs Follies and Living Desert Gardens & Zoo

This is the final season for the Palm Springs Follies after 23 years. We will depart early on Tuesday, March 25, lunch and attend the Follies matinee. Our lodging will again be at the Pine Mountain Resort, easy walking distance from downtown and the show. We should be able to accommodate those on walkers or wheelchairs. On Wednesday, March 26, we will tour by tram the beautiful Living Desert gardens and zoo. After lunch we will return to Santa Barbara by early evening. The good news is the cost remains \$375 per couple including lodging, baggage handling, bus, driver's tip, refreshments and admission to the Follies and the botanical gardens.

This trip is always a sell-out. You are urged to get your name on the list ASAP. Please contact Harry Stroud, 805-653-5117

## Last Meeting

Dr. Karl Hutterer, former Director of the S.B. Museum of Natural History

### "What is Nature"

Steve Hicks introduced Dr. Hutterer, who studied theology, philosophy and anthropology in Vienna, Bonn, the Philippines and the University of Hawaii, specializing in the archaeology of S.E. Asia. Dr. Hutterer reflected on his ever-changing view of nature and what these changing perspectives may mean about how we understand nature and the natural world.



Dr. Karl Hutterer  
Photo by Ron White

Hutterer, born in 1940, grew up on a 7 acre family farm in the lake region of Austria formed by glaciers in the Alps. His family has owned the farm for 250 years where they produced everything they ate and sold some produce from

the 7 acres. Much work was done by hand. Forests were used for firewood. There was a total recycling system and no unused land. Fertilizer was animal and human waste composted. He and his father loved nature and strolled through the fields on Sundays.

In 1965, Hutterer went to S.E. Asia for 5 years to conduct research in Borneo, Malaysia and So. China, which were forgotten places until the 1950's. Early human fossils of Java man (homo-erectus) and stone tools from human cultures were found dating back 2 million years. These findings started a debate about where agriculture began and its importance to human development. S.E. Asia was the place of the development of agriculture, i.e. squash, peas, beans and nuts. Hutterer studied the diversity of the cultures of "hunters and gatherers," citing those in Borneo who used blow pipes and spear blades to hunt wild boar.

Hutterer stated that the Philippine islands are a microcosm of S.E. Asian cultures from the hunter-gatherers to 1521 when Ferdinand Magellan and Miguel Lopez claimed the land for the King of Spain. The settlement of the S.E. Asian world by the Portuguese and Spaniards marked the beginning of the first international trading network, whereby Spanish, Chinese and Arabic traders came together in the Philippines to unload Western goods and take Eastern goods in very lucrative trade for 250 years.

Archaeological projects in the Philippines produced evidence of:

Trade in Chinese porcelain and gold

Caves in the rain forest used continuously for 10,000 years of human occupation which brought agriculture, stone and bone tools

Trade begun 500 years ago with farmers that changed the hunter-gatherers life

Rain forest canopies kept light out of the ground for 9,500 years, creating poor conditions for human growth and development

Human development was highest on the mountain tops where humans have been present for many years. Logging since the 1950's has given access to human impact on the landscape.

Hutterer concluded that all parts of the world and nature are affected by humans, which makes us think about our relationship to nature and the interaction. Humans are impacted by nature, and the human species impacts nature. As the dominant vertebrate specie on earth humans have a worldwide presence and role in shaping nature.



