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Dues for 2014-2015

Dues for 2014-2015 are now due and payable at \$60/member. Checks can be deposited in a box near the entry to the Elks' Club or mailed to Cosmopolitan Club PO Box 3993 Santa Barbara, CA 93130-3993.

Meeting Staff:

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Time of Meetings 11:30 am - 1:30 pm



Next Meeting

September 18, 2014

Benjamin J. Cohen, PhD

"The International Political Economy"



Benjamin J. Cohen is Louis G. Lancaster Professor of International Political Economy at the University of California, Santa Barbara, where he has been a member of the Political Science Department since 1991. He was educated at Columbia University, earning a PhD in Economics in 1963. He has worked as a research economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (1962-1964), and previously taught at Princeton University (1964-1971) and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University (1971-1991). A specialist in the political economy of international money and finance, he serves on the editorial boards of several leading academic journals and is the author of fourteen books. Hugh Vos will introduce.

Future Meetings

October 2, 2014

Dr. David Kerr, MD, FRCPE

"Diabetes"



Professor Kerr qualified in Medicine from Aberdeen University in Scotland in 1981, and his Doctorate in Medicine from the University of Nottingham. Subsequently he spent two years at Yale University as a Research Fellow before being appointed as Consultant physician at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital in 1993. Since 2006 he has held a Gold Clinical Excellence award from the UK National Health Service.

As well as being a full time physician and endocrinologist, Dr. Kerr ran one of the largest insulin pump centers in the UK and continued his research interests across a spectrum of diabetes topics resulting in more than 200 publications. He also is Editor of Diabetes Digest and a board member of the Journal of Diabetes Science and Technology. In April 2014, Dr. Kerr took up his current post as Director of

Research and Innovation at the Sansum Diabetes Research Institute in Santa Barbara. Bob Logan will introduce.

October 16, 2014

Dr. Lori Gaston,

President, Santa Barbara City College

"Santa Barbara City College Today"



There were no guests present at the meeting.

WINE DRAWING BY BOB ZIMELS

Walter Naumann won a 2011 bottle of Foppiano Sonoma County Lot 96 Petite Syrah. Bob Zimels said it is his favorite red varietal.



No one claimed the winning ticket for the other bottle of wine, a 2011 Madrona Barbera, and it was awarded to the guest speaker, Colonel Brian Kelly!



Donald Wayne Montgomery

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Don originally hails from Huntington, Indiana. He holds B. A. and M. D. degrees. He was a physician in Fullerton, California for 31 years, after serving at the Kenner Army Hospital for three years.

Don and his wife Sandy have lived in Santa Barbara since September 2013. They have one son and four daughters.

Don indicated that he is a Fan of NCAA basketball and football and the NFL, and is interested in bible study. He also said that he has played golf.

Don is sponsored by Vern Kemp, Kevin Ryan, and Don Chalfant.

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 smmphd@cox.net; Co-chair Ed Loper, 967-8630, oliveoper@cox.net.

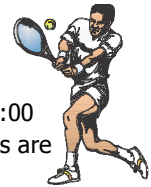
There was no bridge played on September 4, 2014.

S.A.G.E. Investment Group



We meet monthly at 10 AM on the first Tuesday at the Elks Club. 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.

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.

Golf



Mondays we usually meet at the 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 by the prior Friday for your tee time. These outings are a great way to gain new members, so invite your friends.

We also have additional games at various courses. Contact Ron Singer to get on the e-mail notification list for the Floating Golf Game Circuit. Wandering Wednesday and Floating Friday locations will include courses throughout the tri-county area. 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.

Upcoming Special Events

Sunday Matinee, October 5, 2014

Circle Bar B Ranch and Show

Wait-listed - This event is over-subscribed



Enjoy an outdoor barbeque lunch at 1 PM followed by a show at 2 PM. Lunch includes tri tip or chicken, veggies, salad and dessert. The show is the play "Boeing Boeing". It is a French farce adapted for the English-speaking stage and features a swinging bachelor whose perfect life gets bumpy when the 3 stewardesses he is engaged to arrive in town simultaneously. The play has played on Broadway and holds the Guinness Book of Records for the most performed French play throughout the world. Plan to arrive at the Ranch at 1800 Refugio Road, Goleta for the social hour 12 to 1 PM. The cost for lunch and show is \$42. Make checks out to Cosmopolitan Club. Contact Ben Chambers 712-9619 or hbenchambers@aol.com.

Operatic Opportunities

Once more Cosmopolitan Club members will be offered an opportunity to join others in Sunday lunch at La Cumbre Country Club followed by the following operas at the Granada Theater:

November 9 "Rigoletto" by G. Verdi

March 8 "L'Italiana in Algeri" (The Italian girl in Algiers) by G. Rossini

April 26 "A Streetcar Named Desire" by A. Previn

All performances start at 2:30 PM, and lunch at noon, allowing for ample time to get to the Granada Theater. The price of \$90.00 per person includes lunch and opera tickets.

If interested, please contact Fred Sidon at frsidon@impulse.net

Proposed Cosmo Roundtable

Jim Davis proposes a group or groups to discuss major themes in human affairs. Managed by a group organizer, the opening 30 minutes may feature a lead speaker or perhaps a video. Subsequent discussion will allow all participants the opportunity to share their thoughts. Jim posted a sign-up sheet in the lobby and is available to explore the idea with interested members: 884-9858, jidco@hotmail.com.

Last Meeting

Colonel Brian D. Kelly

"An Introduction to the California National Guard"



Colonel Brian D. Kelly

Colonel Kelly was introduced by Dr. Harry Brown. Harry said our guest speaker was looking for a few good men, so there would be a recruiting table out front.

Colonel Brian D. Kelly is the Vice Commander, 146th Airlift Wing, Channel Islands Air National Guard Station. He received his Bachelor's degree and then attended U.S. Navy Flight Training and became a U.S. Naval Aviator, flying both F-14's and F-18's for 10 years, then became a U.S. Air Force pilot when he transferred to the Air National Guard. During his most recent deployment he served as Squadron Director of Operations, Bagram, Afghanistan. His Guard experience has included fire fighting systems pilot and counter drug unit commander.

The Reserves and National Guard with their "Weekend Warriors" duties have changed since 9/11 – they are now operational reserves and are combat ready, and have been deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan many times. The reserve component of the U. S. military is now 50% Army and Air National Guard. If the U. S. goes to war, they mobilize the National Guard. Of 45,000 Guardsmen who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, 22,000 were from California.

The State National Guards serve a dual role. They provide ready forces for the federal military and support civil authorities in communities. In California, the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard are both under the direction of the Governor for civil support. It is up to the Governor to seek Federal support when needed.

The Guard has a strong role in civil support operations. Disasters are local, and the Guard provides support in case of hurricanes, earthquakes, and fires.

Colonel Kelly cited National Guard response after the Boston Marathon bombing. He said they were concerned it was a dirty bomb, which would have required mass evacuations. The Massachusetts National Guard had its 22 person civil support team (common to other State Guards) nearby which determined in 22 minutes that it was not biological, and identified the components of the bomb, which helped immeasurably in the response.

The State National Guards also participate in a partnership program wherein they support another country. California is assigned to two countries, Nigeria and Ukraine. Colonel Kelly said the purpose was to expose the country's military to the U. S. military. The Ukrainians mostly asked about how NATO worked, since Ukraine is leaning toward joining NATO.

Brian Kelly said he learned Spanish, Russian and Japanese. When he works in eastern Ukraine, he speaks Russian. In western Ukraine, he emphasizes the small difference of

Ukrainian speech. He believes the recent activities are clearly Russian, not just separatists, and with the U. S. a war weary nation, hopefully we can negotiate peace. He said there would be a major military exercise in western Ukraine, which would be a poke in the eye to Vladimir Putin. He said our emphasis is security cooperation. He is headed back to Ukraine in 30 days.

Colonel Kelly was asked about the National Guard doing the Border Patrol work. He said it is better if the National Guard just provides support, "What do you need from us?" He said he is more concerned about illegal activity from panga boats, and that the maritime border is more porous than the California-Mexico land border. He said the Guard coordinates with the Coast Guard by looking for panga boats, then turning over the target to the Coast Guard to provide law enforcement. They also spot marijuana plants on federal lands, and turn it over to local law enforcement.

Brian Kelly was asked whether the 11 Libyan commercial airliners that were recently seized by jihadists were seen as a terrorist threat against the U. S. homeland. He said with multiple countries' radar, analysis of the limited numbers of airfields available for refueling, and the possibility of scrambling NORAD fighters to combat them, there was little threat.

In the mind of the author, who served in the California Army National Guard, Colonel Brian Kelly gave a very reassuring assessment of the security and support provided by the California National Guard.

