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Cosmo Members Ailing

If you know of a COSMO member ailing, please notify Curt Whiteman, Memorial & Visitation Chairman, 684-1034, whiteman@westmont.edu.

Guest Incentive Program

Members are encouraged to bring guests to our meetings, especially potential future members. The club will pay the guest's lunch on the guest's first visit. When a new member is inducted, the club will host lunch for the primary sponsor and the new member.

Meeting Staff

Ticket Sellers: Dan Cross, Bill Costello & Julio Veyna
Punchbowl: Ron White with an assist from Bob Zimels

Invocation: Peter Kruse

Audio-Visual: Jack Patterson, Bob Weber, Bill Alexander, Orlando Ramirez, Jim Belden

Sergeant-at-Arms: Sherm Starr

Photographers: Ron White and Dan Truex

Increase in Cost of Lunch

Members are reminded that the lunch costs are now \$22 per person and the exact change is always appreciated. Checks should be made payable to the Elks Club. To facilitate ticket selling, checks should be prepared in advance.

NEXT MEETING

May 7, 2015

Hobby Day Show

Twenty members have signed-up to share their hobby interests with all of us. They will display their works and collections as the program for this meeting.

All members who have signed up for the show should plan to install their exhibits on Thursday, May 7, beginning at 11 am. The exhibit is to be in the Elks Club North Entry Special Purpose Room. Entry will be available through the North or the East entrance. Each participating member's table and easel location will be identified. Contact Thore Edgren at theman3@cox.net or 967-4001 with any questions.

FUTURE MEETINGS

May 21, 2015



Jim Davis

History and Research at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Dr. Davis served as an Associate Director at the Lawrence Livermore National Lab. He received B.S. and Ph.D. in physics; did laser and weapons R&D in private industry and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, where he was Associate Director for Lasers; published widely, testified at congressional hearings; lectured at university; received Hughes and NSF Fellowships; and is a member of the American Physical Society.

His talk will focus on the funding and evolution of the Lab and will discuss some nuclear weapons controversies and compare nuclear weapons and natural energy releases. He will explain the connections among nuclear weapons, lasers and the Strategic Defense Initiative, sometimes referred to as "Star Wars." The conclusion of his presentation will review some ongoing programs at Livermore, and will show the relevance of these programs to maintaining nuclear weapons capability.

He will be introduced by Chuck Curtis

June 4, 2015

Scott Reed

Expanding the Concept of Classical Music – A Summer Festival for Everyone



Scott Reed became the fourth president of the Music Academy of the West in August 2010. Under his leadership the renowned classical music institution has forged an unprecedented partnership with the New York Philharmonic, opened the Luria Education Center, and launched the Mosher Guest Artist Residency Program, which brings classical music luminaries to the Music Academy each summer. Participants have included Dame Kiri Te Kanawa, Midori, Jeremy Denk, Deborah Voigt, and Jean-Yves Thibaudet. Mr. Reed will present the Music Academy’s program.

Mr. Reed previously served as vice president for Institutional Advancement at the Music Academy. He dramatically increased the Academy’s fundraising capabilities and spearheaded a succession of multimillion-dollar campaigns for campus renovations. He came to the latter position via the San Francisco Opera, where he worked as associate director of development and led the nationally renowned Bravo! Club for nearly two years.

Mr. Reed served the Music Academy in many capacities, and was instrumental in the development of several signal initiatives, including the Academy’s innovative Compeer Program, which pairs Fellows with donors and other Santa Barbara community members for informal socializing throughout the summer season.

Mr. Reed earned his bachelor’s degree in vocal performance at the University of California, Santa Barbara, where he performed in opera productions, vocal ensembles, and solo recitals, and was awarded a music affiliate scholarship.

July 2, 2015

Independence Day Picnic

Tuckers Grove Park

Our annual Picnic for all members and guests starts at 11 am at Manning Park in Montecito. BYOB as the caterer does not have a license to serve alcoholic beverages. Delicious barbequed lunch with punch and lemonade will be provided. Please purchase tickets in advance at the May and June meetings so that we can give the caterer an accurate head-count. Only \$15.00/person, paid in advance to ‘Cosmo Club’ c/o Bruce Long, 4477-K Shadow Hills 93105 (692-4072). Please include names of attendees so that the nametags may be prepared in advance. A flyer is included with this edition.

WELCOME OUR GUESTS 

Bill Berry introduced our guests:

Don Davis, hosted by Ron Singer and Joe Abram hosted by George Campbell.

Welcome New Members

Burt Bernstein

“Burt”
626 Carlo Dr. Goleta, CA 93111
Attorney: Sovereign Life
967-4393
E-mail: burtins@cox.net
Birthday: May 13
Elected: 2015



Wife: Judith
Interests: Golf, Bridge, Travel, Reading
Introduced by George Surmeier

Daniel F Creasey

“Dan”
27 W. Anapamu St. #411
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
Insurance Risk Management:
Harvard Risk Mgmt. Fndtn.
617-869-6271

E-mail: dcreasey@hotmail.com
Birthday: February 6
Elected: 2015
Wife: Carolyn
Interests:
Introduced by Walt Clapp

David K Hughes

“David”
1608 Lasuen Rd.
Santa Barbara, CA 93103
Attorney: Price, Postel & Parma
962-2966



E-mail: dclk@cox.net
Birthday: February 7
Elected: 2015
Wife: Linda
Interests: Golf, Skiing, Hiking, Reading, Volunteering
Introduced by Ron Singer

WINE DRAWING

Bob Zimels handled the wine drawing duties: The lucky winners were: Paul Fink, who took home a bottle of ‘11 Daniel Gehrs Gewürztraminer, and Jack Patterson who won a bottle of Bob Hassler’s Mammoth Crest ‘10 Syrah



REGULAR EVENTS

DISCUSSION GROUP

The Discussion Group meets the third Thursday of every month in the upstairs room at roughly 1:45 pm, after the regular meeting adjourns. It is scheduled to conclude at 3:30 pm. The presentation generally takes some 30-45 minutes with the balance of the time available for discussion.

The group is open to individuals interested in engaging in fun discussions on important topics. All members are welcome and encouraged to offer comments and/or give a presentation. The next meeting of the COSMO DISCUSSION GROUP will be on May 21, and the topic is **Immigration Reform**. Albert Mercado will lead the discussion.

BRIDGE

Join us for FUN Bridge upstairs at the Elks Club after all regular meetings; we play until 3:30 PM. Chair Ed Loper, 967-8630, oliveloper@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.

GOLF

Mondays we usually meet at the Santa Barbara Golf Club, (Muni). Tee times range between 9:30 am to 11:00 am. But seem to be most often beginning at 10:15. 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, Steven Stonefield and Bill Clothier select the floating golf game sites. Ron Singer, Golf Chair: rsinger916@aol.com.

The recent golf club scramble event at Santa Barbara Municipal Golf Course was enjoyed by three teams on April 28th. The winning team was captained by John Mac Kenzie and included Stephen Stonefield, A.B. Clarke and Bill Kelly. The event was organized and managed by Paul Fink and John Mac Kenzie.



SPECIAL EVENTS

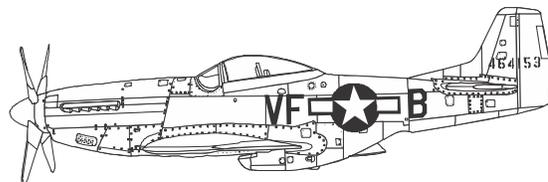
Opera Opportunity

Sunday, April 26

On April 26th, Cosmopolitan Club members joined others in Sunday Brunch at La Cumbre Country Club, followed by "A Streetcar Named Desire" by Andre Previn at the Granada Theater. The event took place after this edition of the Crackers went to press, thus no review is available. Fred Sidon at frsidon@impulse.net.

WWII Airplanes

May 1-3



The Collings Foundation WWII aircraft will return to Santa Barbara on May 1 and be available for viewing that afternoon in addition to the weekend of May 2 and 3. The aircraft will be the B-17, B-24, B-25 and P-51.

Tribute to Ben Walsh

SBCC Dinner

Saturday May 2

Harry Stroud announced that the annual dinner in memory of Ben Walsh and our remaining WWII veterans will be held at the Santa Barbara City College on Saturday, May 2. Doors open at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm by the Culinary Arts students.



Harry Stroud (805) 653-5117.

LAST MEETING

April 16, 2015

Wes St. Clair and Jo Ann Mermis presented "Santa Barbara By Air"



Wes St. Clair and Jo Ann Mermis are both graduates of the University of Kansas, both Rotarians, and work together as real estate brokers. After recognizing and enjoying the unique perspective one gets from a helicopter, Wes became a helicopter pilot in 1992 and an aerial photographer in 1994.

Jo Ann has long been active in caring for the beauty and history of Santa Barbara. She is a docent at Lotusland and a board member of Santa Barbara Beautiful.

They presented an interesting program of aerial photographs of about fifty historic buildings and homes in Santa Barbara County. Jo Ann provided us with a most interesting history of the properties, their architects and famous residents. Wes and Jo Ann were introduced by Harry Brown.

The selection of fifty aerial photos from their collection of more than 1000 represents their historic Buildings sort. These photos represent buildings that exemplify some of the more definitive Santa Barbara style architecture. The Spanish Colonial Revival - Moorish style became very popular in the early 20th century. The earlier Cape Cod and Queen Anne styles became popular with the availability of lumber due to the construction of Stearn's wharf. Earlier architectural styles that are representative of Santa Barbara are the adobe - tile roof buildings derived to a large degree from the Spanish architecture of the mission and the presidio and construction necessitated by the materials availability of the time.

Photos of hidden estates were of interest as most of us have passed by these gems seeing only the large thick bordering trees and hedges that protect the owners' privacy. Photos included such beautiful properties as Stow House, Fernald House, Dibblee estate, Clark estate, Valley Club, the Reagan Ranch Center, the Presidio and the three Santa Barbara County Missions.



Cosmopolitan Club 4th July Picnic Celebration Thursday July 2nd 2015



Thursday July 2nd

2015 BBQ by "Cavelli's" with "all the fix in's"

Only \$15.00 per person, mailed with check payable to Cosmo Club c/o Bruce Long 4477 Shadow Hills Blvd. S Santa Barbara 93105 tel 805-692-4072

FURNISH Bruce with spelling of names of Guests for Nametags

All Friends and relatives and Guests of members welcome.!! Musical entertainment will be provided.

To be held upon arriving at 11:00 AM Area 9 Lower Manning Park. Picnic served after a BYOB social hour starting at 100 o'clock *Directions:* From Freeway drive to Montecito on W 101 ND EXIT Onto San Ysidro Rd, go North 1 mile then exit to Lower Manning Park at Santa Rosa Lane.