



Crackers

COSMOPOLITAN CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA INC.

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

Cosmo Members Ailing

If you learn of one our members suffering from illness or injury, please notify Curt Whiteman, Memorial & Visitation Chair, 220-6833, whiteman@westmont.edu.

Nancy Edebo, daughter of Ralph Edebo, reports her father died of lung cancer in Sweden where he moved to be with his family.

Website and Online Membership Roster

Don Chalfant and Jim Stubchaer have updated our online system. We now have a "public" and a "private" website. The "private" website is intended for use by Cosmopolitan Club members and includes an online membership roster that can be accessed with a password. The password will only be available to the membership and will be periodically revised to insure privacy.

An invitation to access the "private" website has been sent to all members with email addresses. It was followed with a separate email with the password.

The traditional printed roster has been printed and is available to members at the regularly scheduled meetings. So, if you have not yet obtained your copy of the roster, come to a meeting and collect yours

CHECKS FOR LUNCH AT ELK'S CLUB

Our hardworking ticket sellers would like to remind the membership that checks for the \$22 lunch are to be made payable to the Elks Club. In addition, to minimize long lines, they encourage people to have their checks prepared before reaching the ticket table

NEXT MEETING

September 1, 2016

Jefferson Litten

Pathway to Clean Energy

Jefferson Litten is Director of Energy and Climate Programs at the Community Environmental Council of Santa Barbara. He administers CEC's initiatives in renewable energy, sustainable transportation and energy efficiency. Jefferson leads CEC's effort to bring community choice energy to Santa Barbara and sits on the South County Energy Efficiency Partnership (SCEEP), a collaboration of government energy managers and local utilities. He holds a Master's Degree in Environmental Science and Management from the Bren School at UCSB and a Bachelor of Arts from Tufts University.



Karl Hutterer will introduce Jefferson.

Dress Code

For Summer, the dress code is relaxed and jackets are not necessary.

Annual Dues

If you have not paid them already, your annual club dues of \$60 are now past due. Payments should be made by personal check payable to the Cosmopolitan Club. Checks may be deposited in the box on the luncheon ticket seller's table or sent by mail to: Cosmopolitan Club of Santa Barbara PO Box 3993 Santa Barbara, CA 93130-3993

September 15

Art Sylvester

Introduced by Charlie Greene

Geology of So. California

October 6

Ken Oplinger, SB Chamber of Commerce – CEO

Thoughts on the Business Environment in the Santa Barbara Region

Introduced by Karl Hutterer

October 20

Vern Bengtson

Introduced by Mead Northrop

Families and Faith

WINE DRAWING

Bob Zimels conducted the wine drawing.
Art Kvaas won a white wine, a Harney Lane – 2014 Albarino



Ken Jewesson received a bottle of 2012 Cru Monplaison Grand Vin de Bordeaux

Kevin Ryan MD was a recipient of a free lunch at the next Cosmo meeting. This drawing will be added regularly as a door prize as suggested by our Board of Directors.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Herb Friedman related that there weren't any guests at this meeting

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER

There were no new members introduced at this luncheon.

REGULAR EVENTS

DISCUSSION GROUP

August 18th, 2016

The Argument over National Security

Under the leadership of Jim Davis, members of Cosmo meet to discuss areas of mutual interest after the second regular monthly Cosmo meeting. Jim advises that until the video lectures on *The Great Debate* by Professor Pangle are finished the Group will meet twice a month as noted above. These sessions are held in the upstairs room immediately following our regular luncheon programs.

The 2016 Presidential election involves some major constitutional issues, ranging from separation of powers to a proposed amendment. It is timely to improve our understanding of how the Constitution was created, the arguments for and against federal power, and **The Great Debate** that illuminated the foundation of American government. The remaining topics to be discussed are as follows:

September 1st The Deep Difficulties in Each Position

September 15th Debating the Meaning of "Federalism"

October 6th The Madisonian Republic

October 20th The Argument over Representation

November 3rd Disputing Separation of Powers, Part 1

November 8th 2016 Presidential Election

November 17th Disputing Separation of Powers, Part 2

December 1st The Supreme Court and Judicial Review

January 5th The Bill of Rights

You are welcome to join the Discussion Group for these 30 minute video lectures by Professor Pangle, a political scientist, and the associated group discussion of the content of the lectures.

Jim suggests that while we are engaged in videos, it is a good time to develop other topics for presentation. He urges members of the discussion group to think about topics they would like to discuss and would like to lead a group discussion on that topic. He suggests the following topics for a future time:

- The Law of Unintended consequences
- The Role of CO₂ in Life on Earth

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 on a private court off Patterson Avenue starting at 7:45 am Thursdays and Fridays.. All tennis players are invited.

Contact Harrison Stroud at (805) 653-5117 stroud@hotmail.com or Peter Kruse.



GOLF

Mondays, we usually meet at the Santa Barbara Golf Club, (Muni). Tee times most often begin at 10:15 am. 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 games on Wednesdays and Fridays at other area courses.



October 12, 2016

Buena Ventura Golf Course at 5882 Olivas Park Drive is the site of the next Cosmo's Golf Tournament. There will be four man teams with the team member's best score per Hole being the team's score. Coordinators of the Tournament are Bill Clothier and Nic Martinovich.

Fees of \$65 include cart, green fees, food and prize money. Send your check (\$65) made out to the Cosmopolitan Club c/o Ron Singer, 3375 Foothill #916, Carpinteria, CA. 93013

Contact Ron Singer to get on the mailing list. The website cosmogolfclubsb.com is up and running. New members may use it to register and for additional news

SPECIAL EVENTS

OCTOBER 11, PIPERS WINERY DIXIELAND JASS AND DINNER

Do not miss this opportunity to hear and dance to live traditional dixieland jass (yes "jass" not "jazz") and enjoy a BBQ dinner. The winery is located at the top of Rincon Mountain located 5 miles northeast of Carpinteria. Music commences at 1pm for your listening pleasure and continues to 4pm. A chicken and pulled pork dinner and dessert will be served at 4pm. Your admission includes wine and beer tasting; sodas and water will be furnished throughout the afternoon.

The dress is casual and attendees provide their own transportation. Member's Guests are encouraged to attend. Carpooling is recommended. A map is available at our luncheons to guide to the Winery located at 6500 Casitas

Pass Road. The cost is \$60/ person with a limit of 35, so make your reservations early and are due by September 15. Send your check payable to Cosmopolitan Club to Thore Edgren, 6545 Camino Venturoso, Goleta, Ca. 93117 or pay at club meeting.

PETERSON AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM

The excursion was canceled because the minimal number of members did not sign up to make the visit economical for all.

LAST MEETING

August 18, 2016

Ticket sellers were Ken Jewesson and Steve Little, Punchbowl was ably handled by Kent Cullen. The audio-visual team of Bob Weber, Jack Patterson and Orlando Ramires took care of the electronics stuff. Sargeantof-Arms for this meeting was John Johnson.

Folowing our rendition of the National Anthem and pledge to the flag, Curt Whiteman provided the invocation. The ailing members report by Curt Whiteman included an update on the status of Bruce Long. Committee reports by Art Kvaas and Thore Edgren provided updates on the field trips for which you will find information elsewhere in the Crackers. Don Chalfant reminded members that the printed versions of the roster are available.

President Jim Davis reminded us that dues are now past due; thirty eight members now have their dues outstanding.

PROGRAM

Colonel Sig Lokensgard & Major Pat McBride

Aerial Fire Fighting

Because of local Fire Fighting needs, the scheduled speaker, Colonel Brian Kelly of The California Air National Guard was unable to speak at the Cosmopolitan Club on August 18. In discussing Aerial Fire Fighting, he was ably replaced by Colonel Sig Lokensgard of the 146th Airlift Wing and pilot Major Patrick McBride of the 115th Airlift Squadron. Harry Brown introduced the two capable speakers.

Col. Lokensgard explained while they had served in the Middle East conflicts providing Air Lift Transportation after being activated by Presidential Order, their primary focus was California Air National Guard duty. Stationed at the coastal Channel Island Station adjacent to Point Mugu, the platoon consists of 264 full time service men and over 800



Air Force Reserves. They have been called up for fire fighting duty 24 of the last 28 years by either the American President or the Governor of California.

One of the duties of the Air National Guard locally is spreading retardant to control fires. The Guard is only activated for fire fighting after civilian airplanes are unable to answer the demand. The local Channel Island Station has eight C130I Super Hercules Transport Aircraft to spread retardant for controlling fires.

The Hercules Transport Planes release the retardant, a form of fertilizer, flying at 150 knots an hour and only if the wind velocity is under 35 knots. They avoid bodies of

water as the retardant may be toxic to fish. The hazards of low altitude flying and cruising speed was given by Maj. McBride, a transport pilot.

The aerial fire fighting may be supplemented by helicopters dropping water to terminate fire pockets. Choppers also function as Eyes in the Sky observing the fires progress and directional changes. These aircraft originate from Moffet Field near San Jose.

This informative lecture was supplemented by many colorful slides and charts outlining how outdoor fires are fought. There was an edifying period of active questioning and discussion after the talk was completed.

