

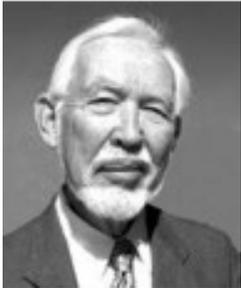


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Special Announcement

Ron Singer, Chair of the Marketing Committee, recently contacted Michael Self, a talk show person on a local radio station. He reached out to her about the possibility of being on her show to talk about the Cosmopolitan Club of Santa Barbara. It is now confirmed: on Wednesday, August 29th, at 10:00 a.m., Ron will be on Michael's show to talk about Cosmo. The episode will also be aired on the 29th at 10:00 a.m. and then rebroadcast on Sunday, September 3rd, at 10:00 a.m. Tune your dials in to KZSB 1290 AM.

Membership Dues—July 1, 2018

Membership dues for the 2018-2019 fiscal year are due by July 1, 2018. If you have not paid your dues yet, please do so as soon as possible. Send a \$100 check payable to the Cosmopolitan Club to PO Box 3993, Santa Barbara, CA.

Website and Online Membership Roster

Access the Cosmo website <http://sbcosmo.com> for current and archived issues of Crackers. A tab will lead to the password-protected roster. The password will be provided in the email that covers the distribution of the Crackers.

Cosmo Marketing Committee Announcement

Marketing Chairman Ron Singer has been asked by the board to suggest and implement a program to increase membership. Ron is proposing to set up a small committee of up to three people who will call members to give them the following information:

1.) Starting in July, if they have not done so already, remind members that new dues for 2018-19 are \$100 per member.

2.) Ask each member to bring in a potential new member, presenting them with a short suggestive conversation "script." The goal is to have each member bring in at least one new member.

2.) New incentive program: Every member who brings in a new member during the months of July, August and September will receive a \$25 check 30 days after the new member is accepted.

All members are being counted on to participate with a new member and bring the club roster up.

Cosmo Members Ailing

If you learn that one our members is ill or injured, please notify Curt at 220-6833, whiteman@westmont.edu.

Who Said That?

"You must keep your mind on the objective, not on the obstacle."

—William Randolph Hearst



Guidelines for Providing Free Lunch to New Members

To streamline the issuance of the free guest luncheon tickets, the president will pre-approve a number of luncheon chits and give these to the guest-intro desk manager. A qualified guest will fill out the guest form with the sponsor. The guest desk manager will determine the guest's eligibility and provide the chit with his/her name on it and the name of the host/sponsor. Also, at this time, the guest desk manager will provide each guest with a brochure and an application for membership.

If the guest attends the following scheduled luncheon meeting and hands in a completed application, he/she is entitled to a lunch chit for that meeting.

As in the past, a new member is provided a lunch chit at his/her new member introduction and will be seated at the president's table with the primary sponsor. This ticket will be provided by the president. The ticket sellers must understand that no lunch tickets will be provided without cash, check or a signed lunch chit.

Cosmo Joins Facebook

Cosmo now has its own Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CosmoClubSB/>. You can also find a link to it on our homepage.

All posts will be public, so that even members who have not yet joined Facebook can see our posts; however, if you have already joined Facebook, be sure to "like" our page and "share" our posts.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Editorial Assistant Cora Danielson at cora.danielson@gmail.com.

Dress Code

For our regularly scheduled luncheon meetings California Casual dress will be the preferred style year around. Let the weather be your guide.

NEXT MEETING

September 6, 2018

"Immunization for the Older Age Group"

Kevin Ryan will introduce Deborah Schultz, R.N. from the Santa Barbara Public Health Department, Division of Immunization.

Many individuals are uncertain about their need for inoculations after childhood (way beyond childhood!). Choices among three different "shingles shots", the annual flu vaccine, pneumonia prevention vaccines and others can be confusing. Ms. Schultz will address these issues and how they apply to the older age group in her talk.

Ms. Schultz graduated from LAC/USC Nursing School and worked as an ICU/CCRN nurse at USC and in the Neurosurgical ICU. After a move to the San Louis Obispo area, she worked at the local hospitals in the ICU and at the SLO jail and Juvenile Hall. She has traveled to the jungles of India and Peru to provide medical care encountering a multitude of big insects that she hopes she will never see again. She is a private pilot and enjoys hiking, skiing, traveling and gardening.



September 20, 2018

"The Future of Coral Reefs: Does It Depend on Help from Fish?"

John Warnock will introduce Dr. Deron Burkepile, an Associate Professor for the Department of Ecology, Evolution, and Marine Biology at UCSB. Dr. Burkepile will discuss how scientists are hoping to mitigate the declining numbers in coral reefs worldwide.

Coral reefs are a hub of marine biodiversity. They provide food, recreation and shoreline protection to some 1 billion people. But reefs around the globe have seen 50 to 90 percent declines in coral abundance, and forecasts of reef health have been dire. Long-term research by Dr. Burkepile's lab shows that reducing nutrient pollution and fish overharvesting can help reefs resist and recover from the impacts of large-scale disturbances such as coral bleaching – and may help corals survive in a warming world.



September 20 / "Future of Coral Reefs" cont'd..

Dr. Burkepile has been an Associate Professor at UCSB since 2015. He received his BA in Biology from the University of Mississippi in 1999, his PhD from Georgia Tech in 2006, and spent two years as a postdoctoral fellow at Yale University from 2006-2008. He was an Assistant Professor at Florida International University from 2008-2015 before moving to UCSB. Dr. Burkepile has received numerous grants from the National Science Foundation for his work on community ecology and the conservation/restoration of these systems.

REGULAR EVENTS

DISCUSSION GROUP

The Discussion Group meets once a month in the upstairs room immediately following regular luncheon programs. The future topics are:

September 20, Sandy Jones: **The Popular Narrative: How It Changes, and Changes Us**

October 18, Jim Hemmer: **10 Key Turning Points in the History of Western Civilization**

November 15, Jim Davis: **The Law of Unintended Consequences**



GOLF

Mondays we usually meet at the Santa Barbara Golf Club (Muni). Tee times most often begin at 10:15 a.m. Contact Ron Singer (805) 684-1355 or rsiner916@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. Contact Ron Singer to get on the mailing list. New members can use the website cosmogolfclubsb.com to register and sign up for additional news.



TENNIS

They play doubles four times a week on a private court off 122 Patterson Avenue behind the office buildings. The Cosmo Group starts rallying at 7:45

AM. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. All Club tennis players are invited. Contact Jim Subject at (805) 964-2020, jsubject@aol.com or Joe Abram at (805) 845-8579, jabrammd@gmail.com for additional information.



Proposed for Membership

Larry Williams

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Sponsors: Ed Bookin & Bill Stancer

Dr. Williams is a retired research scientist who grew up in Maquoketa, IA. After earning degrees in Chemistry and Anatomy from the University of Iowa and spending two years as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army Chemical Corps, Larry began his career as a research discovery neuroscientist in the pharmaceutical industry. Larry met his wife Mary, a native Californian, during his postdoc at UC San Diego, and promptly took her to Kalamazoo, MI (at the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Company), back to CA (at Amgen in Thousand Oaks), and then on to Baltimore, MD (at Guilford Pharmaceuticals) for the last 18 years. Larry retired after 7 years with the US Army Public Health Command at Aberdeen Proving Ground and brought Mary back to Santa Barbara in 2017. In addition to his career in research, Larry is also an accomplished musician and singer, and leads a harmonic rock band called RML; they have played the downtown wine bars and will debut at The James Joyce on September 14, 2018. Larry regularly interacts with the Kosik Alzheimer's lab at UCSB and leads a Quantum Field Theory and Consciousness Affinity Group at the Unitarian Society of Santa Barbara. Through Cosmo Larry hopes to discover knowledge inside and outside his field of interest, as well as contribute his own knowledge to the greater Cosmo organization.

Proposed for Membership cont'd...

Christine McNamara
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Sponsors: Kevin Ryan and Joe Abram

Christine "Chris" McNamara is a retired health care administrator. With her masters in public health, Chris's career has included serving as Senior VP of Operations for Sansum Clinic and Board Chair of Visiting Nurses and Hospice Care. She was named one of the Top 50 Women in Business by the Pacific Coast Business Times in 2009 and 2010; she was the Editor's Pick for this category in 2011. In her down time Chris enjoys travel, reading and cooking. She continues to remain active in her community as a member of the Women's Fund of Santa Barbara. By joining Cosmo, Chris looks forward to meeting a variety of people and helping to grow the number of women in the organization. Her husband, Jim McNamara, is also proposed for membership (see the August 16, 2018 issue).

George Luce Ritchey
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Sponsors: Allan Bullock and Chuck Evans

George Ritchey is a retired electrical engineer. Before retirement, George worked for Wyatt Technologies, a global company based here in Santa Barbara that makes instrumentation for chemical and material analysis. George's major courses of study included both Math and Electrical Engineering, and he went on to earn his BA, BSEE, and MSEE. George's career also involved serving in the US Army from 1967 to 1970. Presently, George is involved in the Andorra Homeowners Association (of which he is president) and the Santa Barbara Elks Club. He enjoys ballroom and folk dancing, as well as travel. By joining Cosmo, George hopes to become a better informed citizen, contribute to discussions, and assist in facilitating with club operations.

Thomas Alan Anglin
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Sponsors: David Medina and Pete Kruse

Thomas "Al" Anglin is a retired educator. Over the course of his 40 year career, Al taught grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and high school algebra. Professional highlights include being a runner up for New Mexico's Teacher of the Year award. Al moved to Santa Barbara in 2005 and enjoys hiking, backpacking, reading, and golf. He also a member of the Knights of Columbus. Al looks forward to becoming an activate participate of Cosmo.

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Ticket sellers were Ken Jewesson and Tom Boehme. The punchbowl host was Jim Gravitt. Audio-visual duties were handled by Bob Weber and Orlando Rameriz. Walt Clapp was sergeant-at-arms. The invocation prayer was offered by Ken Working.

Wine Drawing

Angie Herrera, a guest of David Medina scored a nice bottle of Klincker-Bruck Sauvignon Blace and Don Montgomery took home a Paso Diablo Syrah. Harv Turner subbed for Bob Zimels.



Welcome Our Guests

Pete Kruse introduced the following guests:

John Chere was the guest of Vern Kemp. John is a retired member of the US Foreign Service who spent much of his career in the Middle East. He enjoys reading, tennis, pickleball, softball, and travel.

Richard Leuba was another guest of Vern Kemp. Richard is a retired engineer and educator. He enjoys travel and being active; his past adventures have included climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro and Hut to Hut travel in the Swiss Alps.

Welcome Our Guests cont'd...

Roy Webley was the guest of Jim Davis. Roy's job titles before retirement included technology executive and lawyer for oil and gas extrapolation. He enjoys fly fishing, exercising, pickleball, and spending time with his kids and grandkids.

Lois Kaplan was the guest of George Frakes. Lois has remained very activate in her retirement, serving as President of the Vistas Lifelong Learning program and participating in activities with the Music Academy of the West. She enjoys reading, classical music, theatre, and travel.

Additional guests at this meeting which you can read about under the "Proposed for Membership" section include: Chris McNamara (guest of Kevin Ryan); George Ritchey (guest of Allan Bullock); Larry Williams (guest of Jim Hemmer); Al Anglin (guest of David Medina); and Herb Zipperstein (guest of Joe Abram—membership proposal in August 16, 2018 issue).

LAST MEETING

August 16, 2018

"Hamilton: The Man, The Myth, and The Musical"

Gordon Bjork introduced George Frakes, who gave a delightful presentation on Alexander Hamilton, one of the nation's Founding Fathers and the subject of the highly popular musical bearing his name. The musical *Hamilton* first premiered in 2015. Dr. Frakes compared the musical with traditional biographies of Alexander Hamilton, the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury. Dr. Frakes used several of Miranda's hip hop songs from the musical to provide examples of the popular version of history, as well as look at the impact of Hamilton on later U.S. history. As Dr. Frakes indicated, the musical *Hamilton* has become a fine way of learning about history for high schoolers and others.

Alexander Hamilton was very successful in the Revolutionary War. He was influential in establishing the United States of America. Hamilton was a major proponent, along with George Washington, of the U.S. Constitution, as well as a major proponent, together with James Madison, of the Bill of Rights.

In 1787, President George Washington picked Hamilton to be the Secretary of the U.S. Treasury. He established the first National Bank. He and Thomas Jefferson completed the Louisiana Purchase. He also founded the Coast Guard to protect the nation's coasts.

Hamilton was flamboyant, and he didn't know when to quit. He alienated and clashed with several important figures, including Thomas Jefferson and John Adams.

In 1804, Aaron Burr, who was the sitting U.S. Vice President, challenged Hamilton to a duel. It is not clear the reason for the duel, except there was long standing personal bitterness between them. Dr. Frakes indicated that duels were common for "honor's sake". As he had previously indicated he would do, Hamilton first fired a wasted shot into a tree, and then Burr fired and killed Hamilton.

