



Crackers

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Club meetings are held 1st and 3rd Thursdays at
Elks Lodge, 150 N Kellogg Ave, Goleta.

Meeting start time: 12 p.m. prompt
(Please arrive 11:30-11:45 a.m.)

Free Lunch Guidelines for New Members

Upon a prospective member's first visit to a regular lunch meeting, he/she will be entitled to receive a free lunch, courtesy of the club. To arrange for this, the guest's sponsor will introduce the guest to the assigned "Guest Introduction" member stationed at the welcome desk. *The Guest Introduction member will provide a "chit" which may be exchanged for a meal ticket at the "Ticket Taker's" desk near the entry to the hall.*

A second set of chits will be given to a new member and his/her sponsor at the meeting where they are seated at the president's table and the sponsor introduces the new member to the membership at that meeting. *If the chits are not already at the Ticket Taker's table, check with the president to obtain these so that they may be exchanged for meal tickets.*

Cosmo Marketing Committee

The Marketing Committee is encouraging all current members to recruit additional members. Please go to sbcosmo.com and click on one of the four links at the bottom of the homepage, which include: a recording of a radio program interview with current members; a link to the Club email where prospects can request information about applying; a link to a downloadable Membership Application; and a link to review the Club's Constitution. We hope all of these tools will help in our recruiting efforts.

Website and Online Membership Roster

Access the Cosmo website sbcosmo.com for current and archived issues of Crackers. A link will lead to the password-protected Roster. The password will be provided in the email that covers the distribution of the Crackers. If you find any errors in your listing in the Roster, please contact Editorial Assistant [Eric Torbet](mailto:Eric.Torbet).

Cosmo Joins Facebook

Cosmo now has its own Facebook page: 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 [Eric Torbet](mailto:Eric.Torbet).

Cosmo Members Ailing

If you learn that one of our members is ill or injured, please notify Editorial Assistant [Eric Torbet](mailto:Eric.Torbet).

Dress Code

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

Upcoming Meetings

December 5, 2019

November 21, 2019

“The Case for Freedom to Choose”

Kevin Ryan will introduce our own **Jim Davis**, who spent his career in applied science and technology. He earned his BS in physics from CalTech and his PhD in physics from UCLA. During his career, he worked extensively with Congress, federal agencies through Cabinet level and the White House, and with industry executives both as an industrial manager and as a national laboratory leader. He led and/or participated in the development of laser range finders and designators for smart weapons, laser radar for detection and imaging, solid state lasers for fusion, all aspects of Atomic Vapor Laser Isotope Separation (AVLIS), materials processing technologies, environmental restoration and waste management technologies, international technology transfer, and the formulation of business plans to convert military bases to civilian industrial parks. He received a Hughes Fellowship and a National Science Foundation Fellowship. He is a permanent member of the American Physical Society.



After retirement, Jim has maintained a strong interest in the advancement of science and technology. In recent years, he has done a lot of research into how these advances have had a remarkable influence on our interpretation of many long-standing social and philosophical controversies.

For example, the advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has led to speculation that machines can achieve the same level of intelligence as humans, causing some researchers to claim that we humans are just more advanced physical things. But are humans more than advanced machines, i.e. do humans have a level of freedom and intelligence that machines can never achieve?

There is an immense literature on human freedom that stretches back almost as far as philosophy itself. The issues concern what we are, how we fit into nature and the difficulty of explaining our actions in terms of the natural order. We find that there are many reasons to question the validity of the opinion that we are not free to choose our actions, i.e. that we do not have free will.

“Experiencing 6 Years of Family Life Among Baffin Island Inuit Early in Their Transition to a New Way of Life”



Bob Weber will introduce our own **Bill Berry**, who will talk about his time living with the Inuit. Bill experienced daily life among the aboriginal hunter-gatherer survival culture, where older generations remembered years of poor food harvest when female infanticide, occasional cannibalism and suicide of the elderly and sick were needed to prevent extended family camps from dying out. The government responded to the Inuit desire for a better standard of living and a more secure and healthy life.

Bill Berry was born in Montreal in 1937, and raised in Ville de Lery, a French-Canadian farm village southwest of Montreal, where he learned French and became a lifetime bilingual. He graduated from McGill University in 1958 with a B.Sc. in geology and chemistry.

After graduation he became Area Administrator with the Canadian Federal Government on Baffin Island, which lies to the west of Greenland, in the Canadian Eastern Arctic. In this capacity he, with his cohort of Area Administrators throughout the Arctic, was called by the Inuit “INULIRIJ”: he who works with the Inuit. He remained there over six years with his young family, and will describe the experience in his talk.

The second phase of his career began with an MBA from the University of Western Ontario in 1967 followed by working as a Federal civil servant in Montreal for several years before subsequent years in the private sector in various industries with offices for government affairs such as the Canadian Textiles Institute, where he became Executive Vice President, followed by manager of Government Affairs Ultramar Canada, the largest refiner and marketer of oil products in Quebec and the Atlantic Provinces. Next in 1987 to 1989 Bill was Executive Director of the Crop Protection Institute of Canada, the trade association of the Canadian pesticide industry. In all of these positions he was responsible for the advancement of industry issues and positions, contributing to the formation of public policies, using research, position papers and testimony to senior officials, Boards, Commissions and Parliamentary Committees in English and French.

December 19, 2019

San Marcos High School Madrigal Choral Presentation

John Warnock will introduce the **San Marcos High School Madrigal Singers**, directed by Eleni Pantages. Don't miss this wonderful program that will definitely put you in the holiday mood.

As in the past, spouses and friends are welcome at this luncheon.



Special Events

December 3, 2019

Christmas Dinner & Dance

Our ever popular annual Christmas Dinner/Dance party will be held at La Cumbre Country Club from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The price is **\$90/person**, the same as last year. Either bring your payment to our next meeting or send it in with the reservation form found on page 5 of this issue. We need your payment by Nov. 27, to allow for satisfactory seating arrangements.



This is always a perfect event for bringing your guests to enjoy their company in an outstanding venue. We hope to see you all there.

February 6, 2020

Hobby Day

All members who have hobbies and special interests such as Woodworking, Art pieces, Winemaking, Photography, Sculpturing, Pottery, Jewelry Making, Collections, Ceramics, etc. are invited to display their hobbies and special interests at this special club meeting.

A questionnaire titled HOBBY DAY SHOW was included in the [Nov. 7 Crackers issue](#), page 5. If you are interested, complete the questionnaire and send to Thore Edgren before Dec. 5.



Regular Events

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 at (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. Contact Ron Singer to get on the mailing list. New members can use the website sites.google.com/view/cosmosb/home 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 info.



Discussion Group

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



November 21 (Gerard Kuiken): *Relating English and Sanskrit: Without Sanskrit, No Internet*

December 19: *No meeting this month*

Last Meeting

November 7, 2019

Ticket sellers were Walt Clapp and Don Simons. The punchbowl host was Jim Gravitt. Audio-visual duties were handled by Bob Weber, Orlando Ramirez, and Bill Alexander. Ken Wolf was sergeant-at-arms. The invocation prayer was offered by Bill Alexander.

Last Meeting, cont'd...

Wine Drawing

Bob Zimels told another of his famous jokes and then announced the tickets drawn for the wine door prizes: Charlie Greene won a bottle of Chloe Vintage 2017 pinot grigio (Italy), and JC Elliot won a bottle of Francis Coppola 2016 Diamond Collection zinfandel.



Welcome Our Guests

Gerard Kuiken introduced the following guests:



Carolyn (Keri) and Jimme Wilson, sponsored by Vern Kemp, are retired ranchers now residing at Valle Verde. Jimme earned a B.S. at University of Montana and served as an aviator officer in U.S. army. They managed the Bonnie J Ranch in Montana and the Diamond C Ranch in Arizona, and Jimme was past president of the National Cattlemen Association. In retirement, Keri enjoys painting, and they both look forward to meeting interesting people in the Cosmo Club.

Program Synopsis

“Stories of the Way It Was in Santa Barbara”

John MacKenzie introduced **Hattie Beresford**, a retired teacher of English and American History with the SB School District. Hattie writes a local history column for the Montecito Journal called “The Way It Was”, where she has been able to indulge her long-standing interest in the people and events of Santa Barbara’s past. She has also been a contributor to their semi-annual Magazine edition, most recently with an article on the early days of the Doulton family and their Miramar-by-the-Sea. She has also collaborated with the SB Historical Museum and the Community Arts Music Association in projects of local history.



In her Cosmo presentation, Hattie highlighted one of the persons described in her new book who made a significant difference to our community but is not as well known as other founders. Dr. Jane Edna Spaulding, who was brought in as administrator of Cottage Hospital, was a highly organized and well loved senior staff

person responsible for the initial years of the hospital. She was invited in 1884 to that position by Mary Ashley, chair of the Board, after they determined they needed help with fundraising for the hospital.

Spaulding had determined to become a physician despite the concern of her friends that it was not “respectable”, but deciding after consideration that “If it’s right, make it respectable.” She attended three years at the New York Medical College for Women in 1863 and practiced on Kelly’s Island in upstate New York, then spent some time in Larned, KS, and for 9 years from 1873 worked out of the Occidental Hotel on de la Vina Street in Santa Barbara.

She was successful in organizing the staff and providing excellent service, but the hospital did not become financially successful until the recruitment of Dr. Richard Hall in 1895, after which it remained on a solid financial footing. She retired in 1911 due to the impact of her arteriosclerosis, but remained interested in the hospital until the new facility was dedicated on July 31, 1913. She died on August 21, 1913.

Hattie also briefly described other significant early founders, including Albert and Adel Herter, Dr. Charles and Helen Caldwell Paul, and Alexander Harmer. All is told in the new book, *The Way It Was: Santa Barbara Comes of Age*, just published by Hattie Beresford.

COSMOPOLITAN CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA



Christmas Dinner Dance!

Tuesday, December 3, 2019

La Cumbre Country Club

6:00 pm Cocktails, social hour

No host bar

7:00 pm DINNER with wine



Dancing to the music of: Pier 101 Band

Your non-member friends will be welcome!

MENU

Caesar Salad

Choice of:

Grilled Salmon with Lemon Butter

Or

Sliced Tenderloin of Beef with Morel Musroom

With

Au gratin potatoes

Asparagus

Desert: Tiramisu with Cream Fraiche

Price: **\$90 pp**

Dress: Formal or cocktail attire

RESERVATION FORM



	<i>Salmon</i>	<i>Beef</i>
Name_(print)_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Spouse or Guest_(print)_____	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Seating Preference (if any)	<input type="radio"/> near Dance Floor	<input type="radio"/> quiet location
I wish to be seated with: _____ and _____		
and _____ and _____ and _____		

**Mail form and check payable to Cosmopolitan Club of SB to:
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