



Cosmopolitan International

THE CLUB THAT FIGHTS DIABETES



January 2019 Newsletter



2019 International Convention will be held in Rosemont, IL (a suburb of Chicago) on the following Dates:

July 17-21 – Wed, Thurs, Fri, and Sat Hotel nights - \$129.00/room rate.
Wednesday July 17 will feature several day trips and events close to the Hotel
Thursday through Saturday July 18-20 Convention events at the Hotel
Sunday, July 21 – Travel day home

Registration and event schedule will be published in early 2019.



Leaders Manual – While this was updated a couple of years ago, we are now beginning to look at how to add Video Tutorials to the Website for some of the various tasks club officers are responsible for.



Many of us have, at one time or another, made purchases from Amazon.com. But did you know that Amazon offers a way that your purchase can benefit the Cosmopolitan Diabetes Foundation (CDF)? Simply log onto smile.amazon.com and select Cosmopolitan Diabetes Foundation as the charity of your choice. When you do, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase price to the CDF. There is no cost to participate. This is a very simple way for Cosmos to show their support for the CDF. Log on and sign up today!



The Award entry forms for individual awards may be found on the website at www.cosmopolitan.org > Resources > Award Entry Forms. All federations should use these forms when submitting nominations to International for judging. Also, the Awards Brochures has been improved aesthetically with consistent due dates and appears on the website with the entry forms. Important: There are NO changes to any award criteria this awards year.



If you have not already checked out the new online store, do so today at www.cosmopolitan.org > Shop! The new store features Cosmopolitan attire along with great gift ideas for club speakers and guests, such as mugs, pens, tote bags, and much more! The online store also is our new resource for name badges and club plaques. All club secretaries are encouraged to order members' name badges through the store. Contact IED David for any assistance with your online store purchase.



The 2018-2019 International President's Award has been announced! Rick Swansbro will award the "Step Up" bannerette to all clubs who achieve the following during the current Cosmo year. Winning clubs must:

1. Achieve a 10% membership increase over 2017-2018;
(10 members for clubs over 100 members)
2. Hold 2 Fund Raising Events during the year;
3. Confirm Full Delegate Count attending International Convention;
(Must be confirmed to CI by July 1, 2019)

Make sure your club earns this prestigious award. It just requires your club to 'Step Up'



Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Immediate Past International President John Hubert, is calling for nominations for Executive Committee offices for 2019-2020. If you are considering volunteering your time and talents on the Executive Committee for next year, contact IED David at headquarters@cosmopolitan.org to submit your name for a position or for information on qualifications.



Video Town Hall Meetings are being held this spring with the International President, President Elect, and Executive Director. Meeting dates are tentatively scheduled as follows:

- Monday, January 21
- Tuesday, February 19
- Wednesday, March 20
- Thursday, April 18

Meeting times will be 7:00 – 8:00 pm Central Time. They will be open to the first 12 people requesting a seat, so don't delay. Emails will be sent from International approximately 10 days prior to the Town Hall. Requests for seats will need to be made via a response to the email. Only 12 seats will be available for each meeting.



Diabetic Alert Dog gets reassigned to Family in Sioux City, IA

Here is a great story of a Club working with local resources to procure the placement of a Diabetic Alert Dog to a new owner from a previous owner who passed. Sometimes we need to think outside the box a little.

<https://www.siouxlandproud.com/news/local-news/local-family-receives-important-furry-gift/1684060749>

And finally,



"It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change."

-- Charles Darwin