

**COSMO CRIER
Aurora Cosmopolitan Club
Aurora, IL
March 13, 2019**

Happy March! Have you recovered from Springing Forward? Not sure I have. Hopefully the bad weather is behind us. I don't know about you, but I'm glad we are heading towards Spring.

- 1. Last weekend I attended the Winter Board meetings at the Crown Pointe Hotel in Rosemont. Vic and Rita were in attendance as well. The hotel has very nice rooms, several restaurants in the hotel as well as many within walking distance. Walking distance, - well you need to determine that yourself, as my knee/leg was bothering me and fortunately, several of us drove the mile to a restaurant and 4 others walked to that one. I also learned that if you have a walking issue – you might ask when checking in – to get a room near the elevator (not necessarily a handicap room). I will do that in the future with motel/hotel stays if walking is a problem.**

18 Cosmo's attended the meetings – some were Executive Board members, and some were CDF members and others were current Governor's or Governor Elects and two guests. The board covered a lot of ground – information on items passed will be forthcoming. Exciting news was interim Exec Director David House was voted to be the permanent ED. There was a search committee and they interviewed several candidates, but always came back to David's qualifications – he had served on many Cosmo committees, board member up through the ranks, Governor, VP at the Executive level and two years ago was International President. He is the tech knowledge and has saved the organization \$\$ in that capacity. Congratulations David!

- 2. Our club is planning to continue having guest speakers or presentations. I had something else written but decided to just say – please be respectful of any person giving of their time and knowledge – your full attention. Please do not be talking among yourselves. It is very hard to conduct a meeting, present a program and the like. Thank you!**

- 3. The Mid-States Convention will be Saturday, May 11th at the Crown Pointe Hotel. We will have the opportunity to see the banquet and meeting rooms that will be used for the convention. Of course, we hope that many of you will be able to attend. More information later.**

- 4. WINE EVENT: We are getting sponsorships – have you picked up your tickets or asked others for sponsorships? A new item will be the “wine pull” – This will cost our guests \$20.00 for a bottle of red or white wine – Brand will be unknown as the bottle will be in a brown bag. Members are asked to donate a nice bottle of wine – starting at \$8.00 and up. Maybe you know wine lovers – they may wish to donate a nice bottle of wine. Of course, the fun begins when they can google their bottle and find out it’s worth – unfortunately, Fox Valley Winery has asked this not be done at the Winery – conflict of interest. We are looking for at least 10+ red and 10+ white (or more if we can get the bottles) donated – and this will be all profit.**

Raffle Baskets – Pat and Ernie will take them any time – or bring to the March meeting. Baskets are available if you need one or two.

Food Committee - They have met and are deciding on the foods. Anyone Wishing to be a sponsor – please contact Ann McBride or Karen Scroggins.

- 5. Camp Scholarships – I have 4 requests – and will be getting them to Sherrill Means so the committee can meet. One parent mentioned the applications were delayed around February 14th. She notified me last week – applications are now being accepted. All requests must be in by March 31st.**

- 6. Rummage Sale – Two rooms of everything – household, linens, toys, baby items, furniture, Christmas and other holiday items are being sorted and marked. This Saturday from 11-4 is being planned for sorting and pricing as well as Sunday after 1:00 pm. If you are available, let me know. Please consider helping with the sale on Friday, April 5th and Saturday, April 6th. We are all busy – with jobs, babysitting, etc.... but hopefully, you will find 4 hours or more to help. Also, if you have a card table or other table that can be borrowed, let Bella or myself know. We do need the tables from Newark Fire Department – and will save Vic the time and delivery and then pickup and delivery of tables this year.**
- 7. Jackie will take payment of dues anytime – remember – cash, check or credit card is available.**
- 8. Remember Cosmo Business meetings are the 3rd Thursday of the month.**
- 9. Please remember you are an important part of our club – your input – your attendance – your participation – is all part of the organization.**
- 10. Is there someone you could invite to our meetings? Please do so.**
- 11. We do not have actual membership events, but every time we have a meeting or event – it is a membership “event.”**

MEMBERS

Mary Arch*	Laurie Jaffee	Kenlyn Nash-Demeter
Tony Arch*	John Jaros	Chuck Nelson
Lisa Babler	Ernie Jones	George Pappas
Mike Baum	Pat Jones	Helen Pappas
Joanie Boldan	Deanna Karountz	ToMorie Sanders
Deanna Bush	Jackie Klaisner	Karen Scroggins
Ed Carroll	David Lies	Theresa Shoemaker
Pat Carroll	Bella Love	Paul Smith
Donna Carter	Jeff Love	Rita Smith
Gary Christensen	Ann McBride	Vic Smith
Stacy Corson	Jenny McCain*	Richard Stefanich
Charles Demeter	Matt McCain*	Marilyn Wittenwyler
Jeff George*	John McKenzie	
Marilyn George	Linda Marquardt	*Members since
Russ George	Carlos Martinez*	July 2018
Peggy Hasenhauer	Ed Means	
Susan Hasenhauer	Sherrill Means	
LaVonne Hawking		
Arlene Hawks*		
Richard Hawks*		

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY'S TO:

Chuck Demeter – March 4

John Jaros – March 11

Carlos Martinez – March 11

Jenny McCain – March 15

Mary Arch – March 20

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO:

John McKenzie Family – for the loss of their son, Tim
Kenlyn Nash-Demeter, Chuck Demeter and Joanie Boldan on the loss
of Kenlyn's nephew and Chuck and Joanie's cousin Brian

INTERNATIONAL BOARD

International President – Rick Swansbro

President-Elect – Judy Weitkemper

VP – Finance – Keith Shepard

VP – Membership/New Clubs – LaVonne Hawking

VP – Fundraising/Marketing – Tracy Miller

Judge Advocate – Larry Hein

Executive Director – David House

MID-STATES FEDERATION

Governor – Dayton Smith, Rockford

Governor-Elect – Vic Smith, Aurora

Secretary –

Treasurer –

AURORA CLUB OFFICERS

President – Russ George

VP-Elect & Fundraising – Paul Smith

Secretary – LaVonne Hawking

Treasurer – Jackie Klaisner

Sargeant at Arms – Pat Jones

Awards – LaVonne Hawking

Public Relations – Kenlyn Nash-Demeter

Website/Facebook – Ann McBride

Board of Managers – Gary Christensen

Board of Managers – Sherrill Means

Board of Managers – Rita Smith

Board of Managers meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month

Business/Member Meeting the 3rd Thursday of the month

**COSMO CALENDAR
2019**

Saturday, March 16 – Sci-Tech Fundraiser at Piper’s Banquets
Tuesday, March 19 – Board of Manager’s Mtg – KCTCU
Thursday, March 21 – Business Meeting – Oak Street
Friday, April 5 – Annual Rummage Sale – Timberlake Clubhouse
Saturday, April 6 – Annual Rummage Sale – Timberlake Clubhouse
Tuesday, April 16 – Board of Manager’s Mtg – KCTCU
Thursday, April 18 – Business Meeting – Oak Street
Friday, April 26 – Annual Wine Fundraiser – Fox Valley Winery
Saturday, May 11 – Mid-States Federation Meeting
Crown Pointe Hotel, Rosemont
Tuesday, May 14 – Board of Manager’s Mtg – KCTCU
Thursday, May 16 – Business Meeting – Oak Street
Friday, June 7 – BBQ at Sci-Tech – pending on approval
Thursday, July 4 – Event at the Tanner House
Saturday, July 27 – Sycamore Speedway Event
Tuesday, August 6 – National Night Out – Washington Middle School

Thanks for reading.....

LaVonne