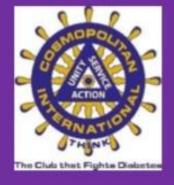




Cosmopolitan Rays, April 15, 2024



The Cosmo Rays



Shining Light on the Cosmopolitan Club's Activities

Published After Each Meeting by the Noon Cosmopolitan Club Meetings Held at Noon on Mondays at Thirsty's at 819 West Main, Rapid City, South Dakota President Elect Becky Kerr Called the Meeting to Order at 12:00 PM



President Elect Becky Kerr Led the Members in Pledge of Allegiance







Jim Schuh, Led the Members in Prayer.









President Elect Becky Kerr talked to the Members about the upcoming Shen Yun Preforming Atrs Show on April 17th.



President Elect Becky Kerr Passed out Chocolate Mini Cakes to the Members.





Jim Schuh talked to the Members about the Cosmo's doing Brantley Gilbert concert on April 25th and Marshal's Football on April 20th and May 12th (Mothers Day)



Rodney Gunn talked to the Members about the 2023-2024 Rush Hockey Season..



Gloria Gunn talked to the Members about upcoming Summer Nights Season.



















Arletta Schuh was the Lucky Mrs. X for the Day. She Won \$5.00

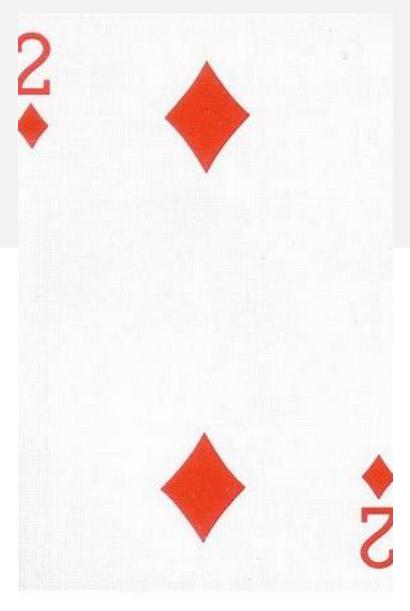






Kelly Whiting was the Lucky 50-50 Winner. He won \$8.00. She gave \$4.00 back.







Eileen Desmond was the Lucky 2 of Diamonds Winner. She drew the 5 of Spades. There were 18 Cards left and it was worth \$304.50.

Upcoming Cosmopolitan Meetings

April 22, 2024. Noon Meeting

April 29, 2024. Noon Meeting

May 6, 2024. Noon Meeting

May 13, 2024. Brian Machino – Hives For Heroes

May 20, 2024. Noon Meeting

May 27, 2024. No Meeting. Memorial Day



Member Birthdays

Name
Scholl, Bill
Rodriguez, Susan
Miller, Dan
Newell, Michael
Edelen, Rachel
Dzintars, Viktor

Date

April 5

April 7

April 9

April 22

April 23

April 28



Date Joined RC Cosmopolitan Club

Anniversaries for August

<u>Name</u>	Years	<u>Date</u>
Kahler, Dick	65 years 11 months	Apr. 01 1958
Goodsell, G.	47 years 11 months	Apr. 05 1976
Murchison, Robbie	33 years 11 months	Apr. 20 1990
Locke, Clay	33 years 11 months	Apr. 24 1990
Rodriguez, Susan	29 years 11 months	Apr. 07 1994
Keck, Bill	27 years 11 months	Apr. 11 1996
Dzintars, Lesley	20 years 11 months	Apr. 28 2003
Schuh, Jim	18 years 11 months	Apr. 06 2005
Sumption, Brian	15 years 11 months	Apr. 22 2008



Date Joined RC Cosmopolitan Club

Anniversaries for August

<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Date</u>
Kahler, Bev	13 years 11 months	Apr. 05 2010
Gunn, Rodney	13 years 11 months	Apr. 05 2010
Ferley, Elizabeth-Anne 13 years 11 months		Apr. 05 2010
Evans, Michelle	12 years 11 months	Apr. 18 2011
Miller, Dan	12 years 11 months	Apr. 20 2011
Culver, Nola	11 years 11 months	Apr. 06 2012
Spreizer, Christina	5 years 11 months	Apr. 23 2018
Diers, Cleon	2 years 11 months	Apr. 01 2021
Kerr, Becky	2 years 11 months	Apr. 01 2021



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Anniversaries for August

<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Date</u>
Silcox, Marian	1 year 11 months	Apr. 01 2022
Blackwell, Jim	1 year 11 months	Apr. 01 2022
Miller, Kathy	1 Year	Apr. 01 2023



Cosmo Ushering Event Coordinators

- Please e-mail or call the team in charge to sign up for the event or if you need to cancel
- Becky Kerr Theater <u>barefootbecky3209@gmail.com</u>
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- Gloria Gunn Summer Nights grgunn@rap.midco.net (C) (605) 381-7075
- Jim and Arletta Schuh Summit and Barnett Arena gymshoe122964@gmail.com
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- Rod Gunn Club's Website https://portal.clubrunner.co/101337
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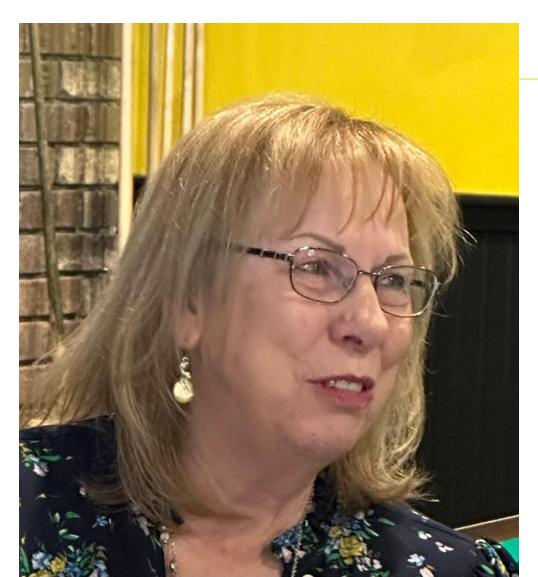
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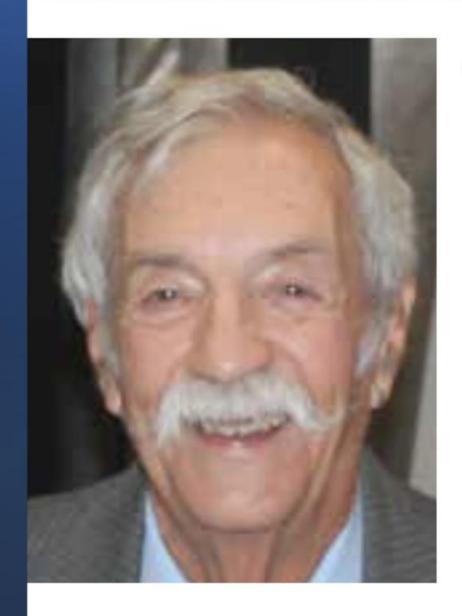


• The close of our 2022-2023 year is now history and it was closed out in grand fashion with a fun filled convention. Not only the fun, there was also the opportunity to attend some outstanding education seminars in marketing, membership and more. If you were at International convention, you were able to bring home many ideas to share with the members of your club and it is now time to use those ideas as you look to the future

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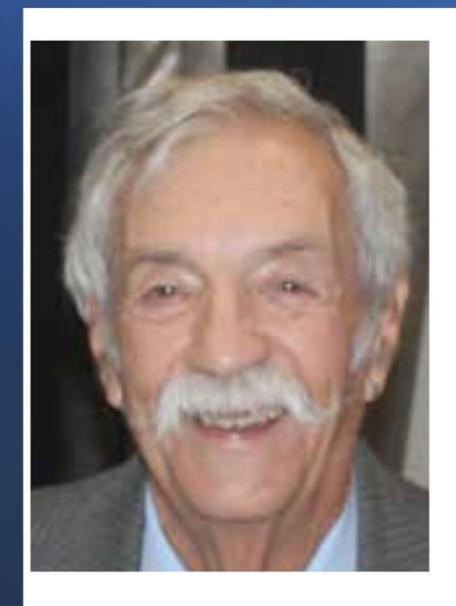
WHAT IS YOUR WISH FOR COSMOPOLITAN INTERNATIONAL -THE SKY'S THE LIMIT!





International President Dick Groton

 We are fortunate to have some really talented people serving as officers who will help with the implementation of our programs. Plus, you have Candy to help me and for that you are most fortunate! Most of you have had some contact with her as she contacted your clubs to update member rosters, current club officers, and names of members who have passed away this year for memorial recognition at the International Convention. Speaking of the International Convention, I can't remember the first convention Candy and I attended. It's been a few years ago. It may have been the convention in New Orleans; that was certainly a memorable one as we paraded down Bourbon Street complete with marching band!



International President Dick Groton

- The conventions offer a number of opportunities and benefits. The first is to renew old friendships and make new ones. As a member of Cosmopolitan you will be able to participate in our business meetings and make decisions that are critical to our success. You will also visit some interesting places, places that you might not have seen if it were not for our conventions. Places like Gettysburg, New Orleans, Calgary, Rapid City, Omaha, Las Vegas, and Norfolk. Lastly, our conventions provide the latest information on what is happening with diabetes research and offer the opportunity to develop a new Cosmo project to help find a cure for this dreaded disease!
- Dick Gorton Cosmopolitan Presidentthegortons@cox.net

International
President and
First Lady
Dick and Candy
Gorton



How did you become a Cosmo?

I golfed with a bunch of guys who were Cosmos and they asked me to join.

What is one thing about you that you want people to know?

I have three that help define me. The first is that I am one of the fortunate few to have overcome diabetes. The second is that I was one of the first people in the federal government to have the responsibility to implement the environmental laws that were passed from 1970 to 1973. The third is that I was a combat engineer platoon leader in Vietnam.

What was your first job?

I started working in a drug store at age 14.

Tell us about your career.

For most of my career I worked for the Army Corps of Engineers as an engineer. The last 15 years of my career I worked for an engineering firm, HDR, in Omaha. I retired when I was 70.

How do you feel your career experience helps you with being the International President?

I spent a lot of my time working with people, both in the office and the general public. I think that experience helps me in working with the people in Cosmos.

What is some of the best advice you have ever received?

I will learn more with my ears open and my mouth shut.

Tell us about Candy, our First Lady. How did you meet? What are some wonderful things to know about her? Candy and I met while working for the Army Corps of Engineers in Omaha. She cares about people, especially family. She is one of the smartest people I know. Her organizational skills help me continuously. The fact that she loves me and married me is amazing to me!

Tell us about your family.

We have a blended family. Candy and I each have children from previous marriages. We also have extended family. All told we have four kids, 20 grandkids, and 14 great grandkids with two more on the way. We have been fortunate in that our blended family all get along. For instance, our two youngest sons are both plumbers and have worked together for years.

Another example was shortly after we got married, we had Christmas at our house and invited all the family over. It was the first time they would be getting together in a large group. I was curious as to how everyone would relate, especially our 20 grandkids. They all knew each other, but hadn't been together in a combined family setting. As the families arrived, the siblings split up and joined their "cousins" who were their age. It occurred to me that our blended family may be OK.

5 Favorites:

Favorite TV Show: Pretty much any PBS Masterpiece Mystery

Favorite Movie: The Big Chill

Favorite Food: LaCasa's Pizza (an Omaha Italian restaurant I started going to in 1957 when I was in high school)

Favorite Book: Lord of the Rings

Favorite Sports Team: any Nebraska Husker team! Go Big Red!

Cosmopolitan International Officers

International President Dick Gorton, Omaha
Cornhusker Club

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