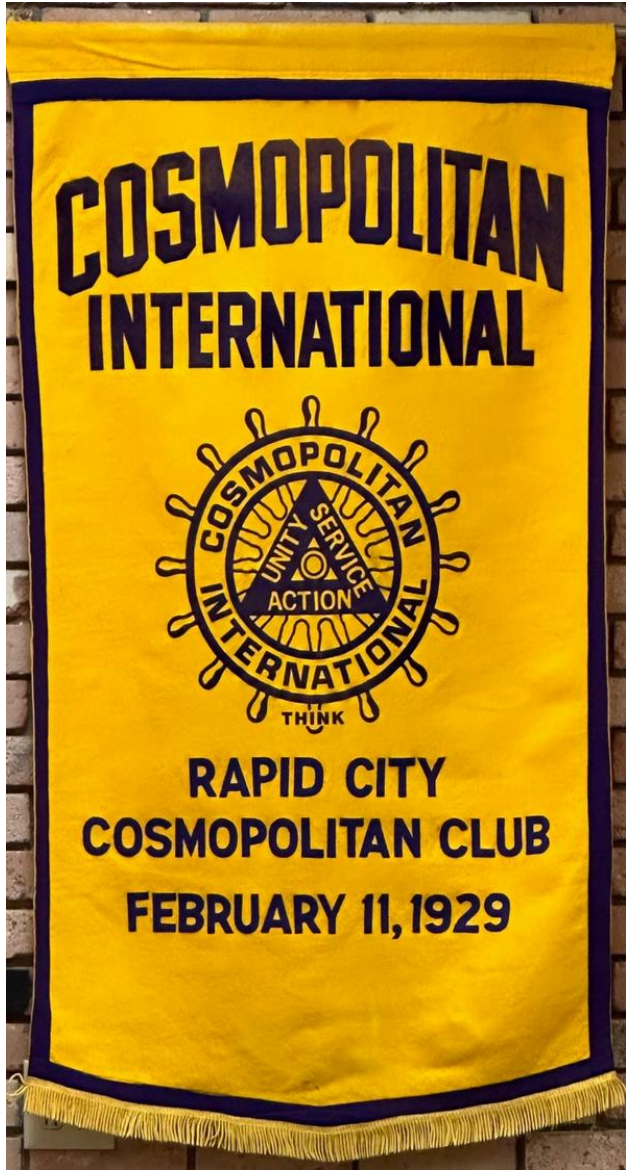


# Cosmopolitan Ray's June 1, 2026





President Becky  
Kerr Called the  
Meeting to  
order at  
12:00 PM.



Jim Schuh, Led the Members in Prayer.



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BARS & BEER  
RAPID CITY, SD 57702



**GONE  
SQUATCHIN'**







President Becky  
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Members in the  
Pledge Of  
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GENE SEABOARD

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Guest Club Food Distribution Spk  
Monday, 8/15/20, 5:00-7:00 PM  
RSVP to Kelly Whiting  
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MICHELLE'S ULTRA	4.0	
PARTY BLUE RIBBON	4.7	
PALEIC LIGHT	4.2	
MILLER LETT	4.2	
SEVEN BOLT BLU	4.6	
SEVEN LEONS PAW LAGER *	4.5	
50/50 WAVE	5.0	
HARD SELTZER *	4.5	
SMOOTH BOMBER MT. AINIA *	4.7	
WIGHT	4.7	
WAZZIE SODA IPA *	4.8	
SEVEN DUST IPA	4.7	
SEVEN MANGO LIME SHIM	6.0	
SEVEN WHITE FINNISH IPA	6.0	

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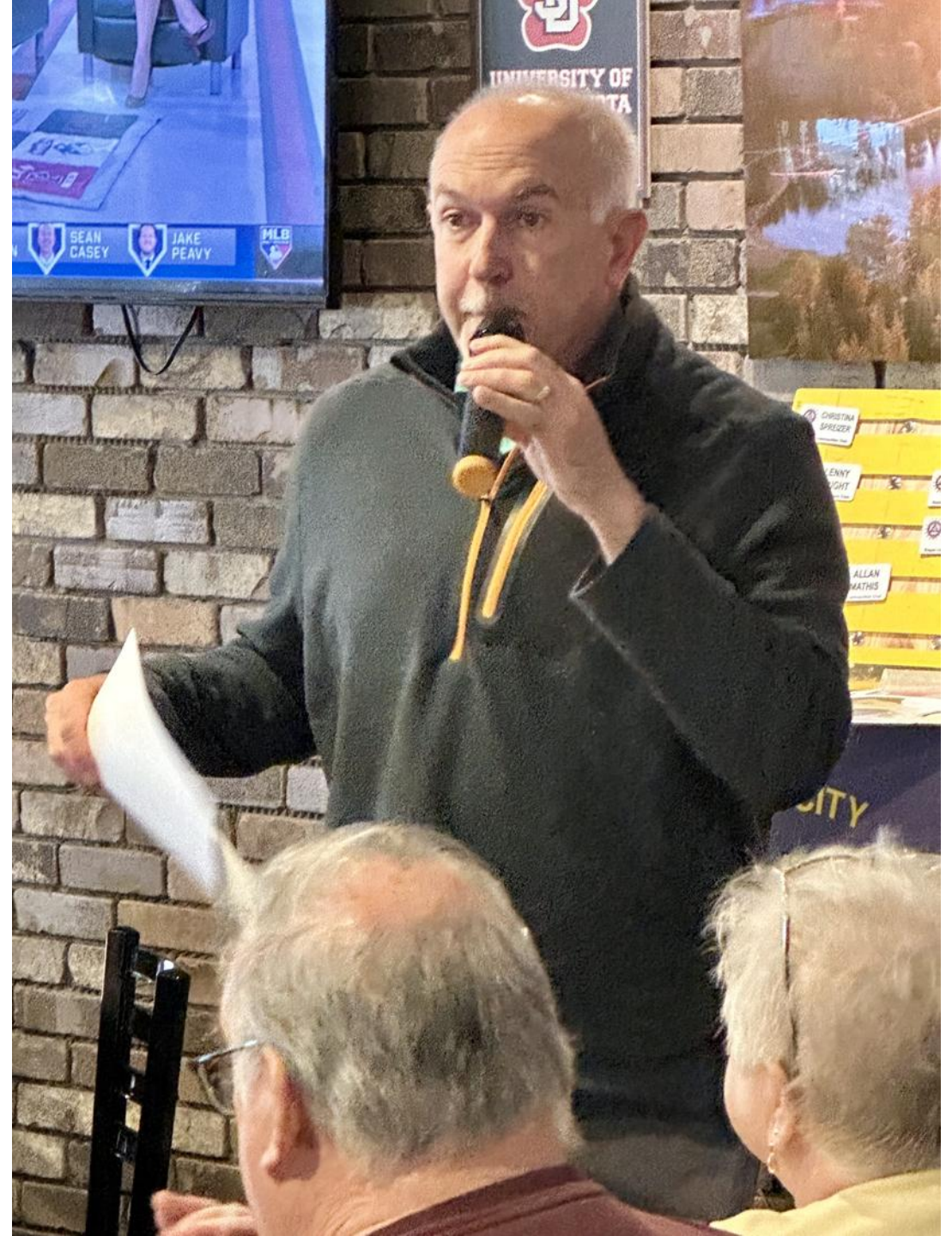
Club Member Gloria Gunn presented a Memorial check from her family member that had past away and had some donations given to our Club.



Club Member Gloria Gunn talked to the Members about the upcoming Summer Nights event on June 4<sup>th</sup>.



Club President Elect Kelly Whiting reported that the Civic Center would like the Cosmo's to be more involved in assisting attendees at events at the Summitt Arena, such as assisting them to find seating areas and restrooms etc.



Club President Elect Kelly Whiting talked to the Members about the Cosmos working the Weird Al Yankovic event and updating the Club's Commottees.



Club Event Coordinator  
Beth-Anne Ferley  
introduced Leah Braun  
from the City of Rapid City.



Leah Breau talked to the Member's about the events planned by the City for America's 250<sup>th</sup> Bithday.





..... JULY 1 - JULY 5, 2026 .....



# AMERICA'S 250<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

*Real America.* ★ **RAPID CITY, SD**

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- **Artisan Marketplace:** Showcasing curated vendors, crafts, and food/food trucks.

### Signature Evening Events

Each night will culminate in major events:

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- **July 3:** Brandon Jones concert at Main Street Square and a Mount Rushmore fireworks watch party
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- **July 5:** Real America Birthday Bash 5K run

To view the public-facing schedule, visit [www.realamericabirthdaybash.com](http://www.realamericabirthdaybash.com)



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*America's 250th*

# **Year-Round Events**

We're Celebrating America's Birthday  
All Year Long - Come Join Us!



## Year-Round Highlights

Let your patriotism shine throughout 2026, with these year-round events that are sure to be fun for all ages!

- **The Great American Road Trip:** It's time to hit the highways, byways, and backroads of America in celebration of our nation's 250th birthday. The Great American Road Trip drives by iconic landmarks and scenic routes to inspire your adventure across the the United States. Spoiler alert, Mount Rushmore, Dinosaur Park, and Storybook Island all made the road trip itinerary! Visit <https://roadtripinamerica.com/> to learn more.
- **America's Potluck:** America's Potluck on Sunday, July, 5, 2026, is an opportunity for neighbors to join with one another to share a fun, communal meal, creating a sense of connection and belonging and fostering interactions among people from all walks of life. Visit <https://america250.utah.gov/americaspotluck/> to learn more.
- **Rapid City Public Library Reading Challenge:** Help us read 250,000 books this year for America's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday! Make sure to track your reading through <https://rapidcitylibrary.org/> for a chance to win prizes in monthly drawings.

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- **America 250 Volunteer Challenge:** Help us make 2026 a record setting year of volunteer service. Join people and organizations across the country in giving back. Visit <https://america250.org/america-gives/> to find volunteer opportunities.
- **National Flag Foundation Light to Unite:** As night falls on Saturday, July 4, 2026, citizens are encouraged to light up buildings and landmarks in red, white, and blue. Visit <https://nationalflagfoundation.org/> to learn more.
- **South Dakota Walk 250:** Sponsored by the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks, this program encourages South Dakotans to track their miles as they walk through the varied landscapes of South Dakota. Track your miles at <https://americas250th.sd.gov/>.

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# HOW TO GET INVOLVED

To host an event; submit a special; sponsor; volunteer; or get the marketing toolkit visit <https://www.visitrapidcity.com/america250-for-partners/>

Join us as we gear up for the nation's 250th birthday in 2026 – right here in Rapid City.

Visit Rapid City, in partnership with the



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGEMENT

**Host an Event:** Host something patriotic—big or small! Brand your event with America 250 or start from scratch. Include your event on the Visit Rapid City website!

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Visit Rapid City, in partnership with the City of Rapid City, is leading local efforts for America 250, the nationwide celebration of our country's independence. Together with local businesses, attractions, and organizations, we'll highlight what makes our community distinctly American – authentic people, iconic places, and deep hometown pride.

Partner with us and showcase your patriotism in the City of Presidents.

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**Submit A Special:** Show your patriotic pride with an America 250 promotion! Offer a creative deal – like a \$17.76 sale or 25% off special. All specials featured on the Visit Rapid City Website

**Support The Celebration:** Get involved in America 250! Sponsor or partner in upcoming citywide celebrations and events.

**Volunteer:** Join the team to help pull off the Real America Birthday Bash July 1-4 in downtown Rapid City.

## PARTNER TOOLKIT

Find an America 250 brand toolkit on the Visit Rapid City website. Kit includes logos, fonts, photos, and more!



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**SAVE THE DATE!!**  
*Cosmo Club Fund Distribution Lunch*  
Monday, 6/15/26, Elks Lodge  
~~\$15~~ **RSVP to Kelly Whiting** by June 1st  
\$20 605-430-4283  
kwhiting949@rap.midco.net



HAPPY HOUR  
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
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AMERICA'S BIRTHDAY  
HOW TO GET INVOLVED





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MANCY FROSTMAN

COSMOPOLITAN CLUB  
SOUTH CAROLINA

PRESIDENT

ESPN BASEBALL 10 Florida St 2 | St John's  
NCAA Baseball Championship - Tall



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SLOAN PAPA MASS CARE  
MILKSHAKE ULTRA  
B&W BLUE PEARL  
BUSH LIGHT  
MILLER LETT  
SMITH B&W  
FRANCIS LEONIS PAW I AM  
K&N B&W  
GREEN HAWK  
BLACK TOWN BROWN PAW AM  
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Alaska Highway

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**RAPID CITY**  
**COSMOPOLITAN**  
**SOCIETY**

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 Join the Fun! Register Now!  
 RSVP to Kelly Whiting  
 605-432-4333  
 kwhiting@rapidcitycosmo.com

**BEFORE**  
**MEMBER**  
**MEETING**  
**GRABBER**

Play with purpose.  
 [Logo]



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MIDWEST MANGO LONG SANG 4.99  
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IPA  
DESCRUTES

Grain Belt



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SOUTH DAKOTA

A woman with short blonde hair, wearing a black and white striped shirt, stands and speaks into a microphone.

An elderly woman with short white hair and glasses, wearing an orange shirt, sits at a table with a red insulated cup.

**JIM SCHUH**  
A man in a white polo shirt with a Rotary Club logo and a name tag sits at a table.

**HAWAII**  
A woman in a grey hoodie with the word 'HAWAII' printed on the back sits at a table.

**NANCY TRAUTMAN**  
A woman in a red cardigan with a name tag sits at a table.

An elderly man with glasses and a grey beard, wearing a grey jacket, sits at a table.

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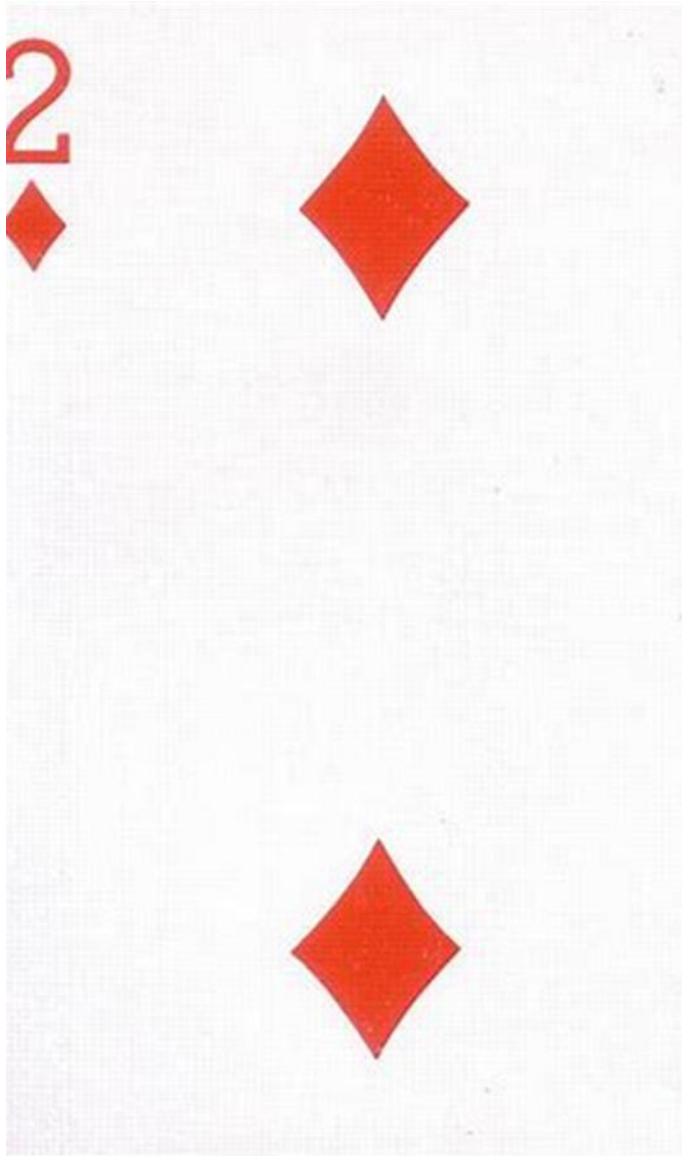


***Kaye Duffield was  
the Lucky Mrs. X  
for the Day. She  
won \$5.00 and  
gave it back to the  
Club/***





***Rodney Gunn was the Lucky 50-50 winner. He won \$10.00 and gave it back to the Club.***



**Eileen Desmond was the Lucky 2 of Diamonds Winner. She drew the Deuce of Clubs. There were 44 Cards left and it was worth \$100.**

# *Upcoming Cosmopolitan Meetings*

*June 8, 2026. Noon Meeting at Thirsty's*

*June 15, 2026. Noon Meeting at Thirsty's*

*June 22, 2026. Noon Meeting at Thirsty's Thomas Durkin speaking on Program on "James Webb Space Telescope Overcoming 344 Ways to Fail"*

*June 29, 2026. Noon Meeting*

*July July 6, 2026. Noon Meeting*

*July 13m 2026. Larry Larsen Mayor of Box Elder*

# *Member Birthdays*

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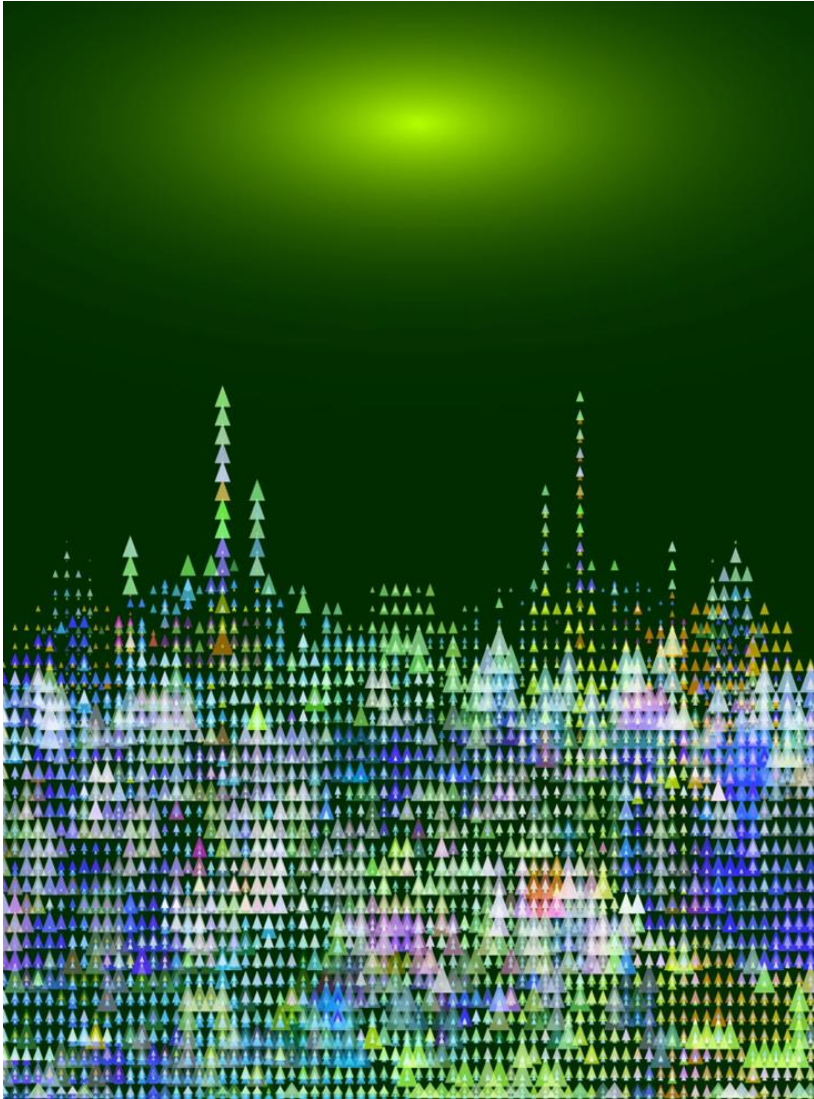
# Date Joined RC Cosmopolitan Club

<u>Name</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Date</u>
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Dzintars, Viktor	37 years 11 months	Jun. 09 1988
Keck, Jr., Jim	37 years 11 months	Jun. 22 1988
Duffield, Kaye	7 years 11 months	Jun. 04 2018

Years

Date



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.

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## ***Rapid City Cosmopolitan Club President***

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- ***Becky Kerr***
  - ***PO Box 994***
  - ***Rapid City, South Dakota***
  - ***57709***
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# Rapid City Cosmopolitan Club President Elect

- **Kelly Whiting**
- **Rapid City, South Dakota**



Rapid City  
Cosmopolitan  
Club Secretary

- Rhonda Reuwsatt
- Rapid City, South Dakota



Rapid City  
Cosmopolitan Club  
Treasurer

- Jim Keck Jr.
- Rapid City, South Dakota



***Rapid City Cosmopolitan  
Club Sergeant Of Arms***

- ***Kathy Miller***
  - ***Rapid City, South Dakota***
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# CFC Board Member

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**CFC Board Member**

**John Duffield**

**Rapid City, South Dakota**



# CDF Board Member

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**BOB White**

**Rapid City, South Dakota**



# Cosmopolitan Yearly Board Members

**1 Year Board Member      Club Board Member      Dave Daughters**

**2 Year Board Member      Club Board Member      Richard Edelen**

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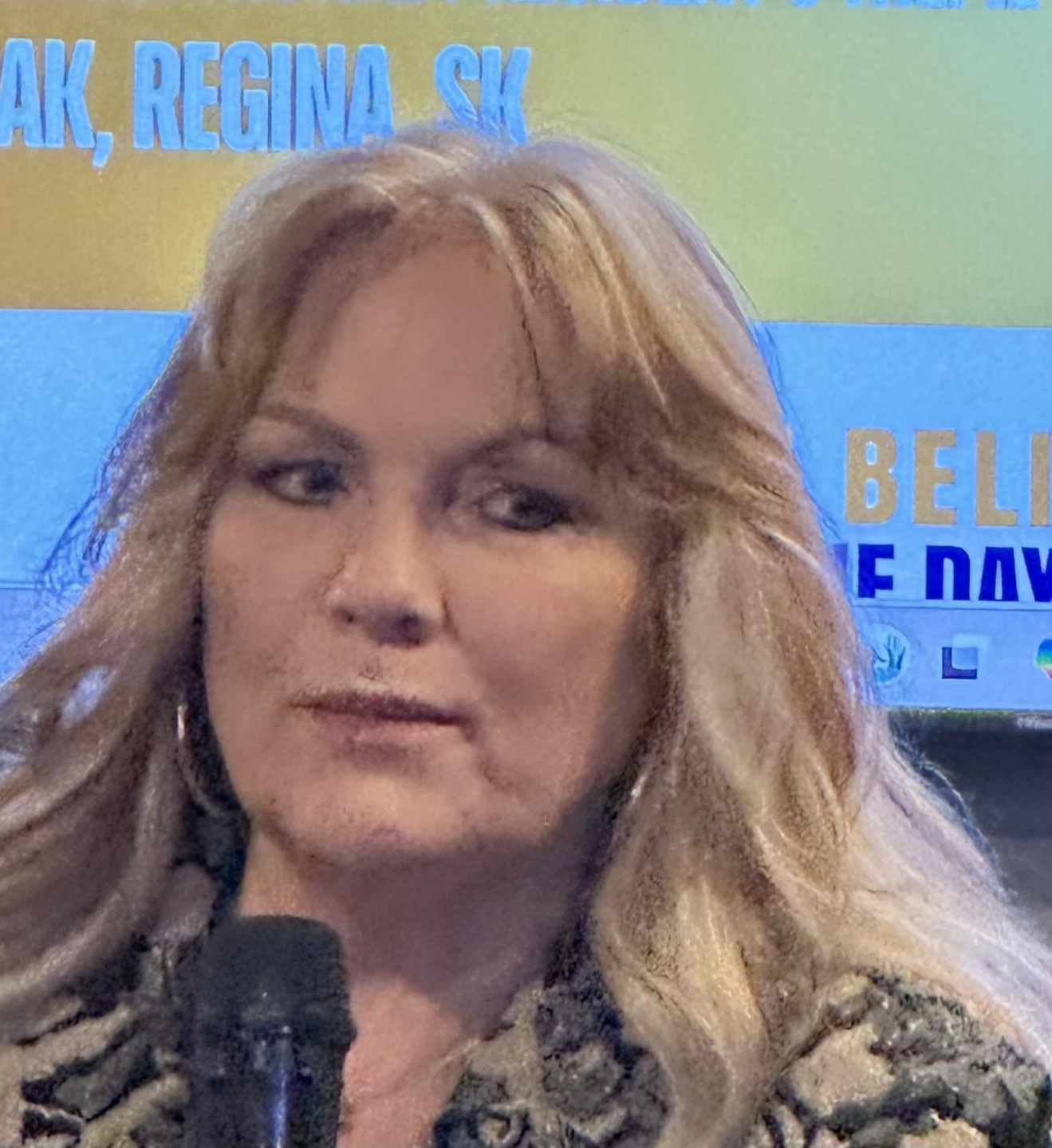
**3 Year Board Member      Club Board Member      Lenny Wright**

**3 Year Board Member      Club Board Member      Karl Merbach**

The background of the image is a photograph of the Sioux Falls State Capitol building at dusk. The building is a large, classical-style structure with a prominent central dome and a portico with columns. The sky is a deep blue, and the building's lights are on, creating a warm glow. There are some trees and streetlights in the foreground, and a few cars are visible on the street.

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THE SKY'S THE LIMIT!***





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