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Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

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START YOUR WEEKEND RIGHT ... DANCE WITH THE KATYDIDS ON FRIDAY NIGHT!

Our Star ...

**JIM
OSBORNE**



KATYDIDS CLUB CALLER FOR **10** FABULOUS YEARS !

CLUB CALENDAR

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Fri., May 01: Campbell United Church of Christ

400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:20 – 6:30 PM; Hard Plus Level
6:30 – 8:30 PM; Katydoer Class Dancing
8:30 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
Chirper distributed
THEME: "Be a Misfit" Night; Come as you are.

Fri., May 08: Campbell United Church of Christ

400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:20 – 6:30 PM; Hard Plus Level
6:30 – 8:30 PM; Katydoer Class Dancing
8:30 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: Welcome Mother's Day

Sat., May 09: Pizza Party & Installation of Officers

12 noon at the Wilhelmsen's home
455 Falcato Dr., Milpitas
Sign up for attending & the dish(es) you wish to bring
Bring your own table service

Mon., May 11: Executive Board Meeting

7:30 PM At the Darknell home

Fri., May 15: Campbell United Church of Christ

400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:20 – 6:30 PM; Hard Plus Level
6:30 – 8:30 PM; Katydoer Class Dancing
8:30 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing

Fri., May 22: Campbell United Church of Christ

400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:20 – 6:30 PM; Hard Plus Level
6:30 – 8:30 PM; Katydoer Class Dancing
8:30 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: Memorial Weekend Dance

Fri., May 29: Campbell United Church of Christ

400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:20 – 6:30 PM; Hard Plus Level
6:30 – 8:30 PM; Katydoer Class Dancing
8:30 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: **Jim Osborne** Appreciation Night

Fri., Jun. 05: Campbell United Church of Christ

400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:20 – 6:30 PM; Hard Plus Level
6:30 – 8:30 PM; Katydoer Class Dancing
8:30 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
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Fri., Jun. 12: Campbell United Church of Christ

400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:20 – 6:30 PM; Hard Plus Level
6:30 – 8:30 PM; Katydoer Class Dancing
8:30 – 9:30 PM; Katydids Dancing
THEME: Picnic Prep Night; Come as you are

Sun., Jun 14: Annual Club Alumni Reunion & Picnic

Arbor C, Santa Clara Central Park

SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS and DUTIES

Super Square Head
Stephanie Stevens (408-871-9525)

May 01Steele
 May 08Hebson
 May 15De Lapp
 May 22Wies / Stevens, Skip
 May 29 Bruns

 Jun 05Willey
 Jun. 12Franger / Moore
 Jun. 19Angotti / Smith
 Jun. 26Matolyak / Parsons

 Jul.03Krulee / Pitts
 Jul. 10Stevens
 Jul. 17Clark / Wies
 Jul. 24Tillman / Stevens, Steph

Before the dance:

- Notify the Super Square Head, Stephanie Stevens, 408-871-9525 of any needed changes to assigned dates.
- Purchase and bring 6 to 8 lbs ice for the water cooler.
- On scheduled night, the designated Square Heads should arrive by **6:00 PM** and stay until clean up is finished around 9:45 PM. A Katydid's member with a key will open the doors.
- Sweep floor if needed and set up tables and chairs.
- Make ice water and start hot water for tea & coffee..
- Set up food & drink tables and put out flyers on table.

During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone at the sign-in table.
- Collect a **\$5.00** donation from each guest and have them sign in. "Regular" guests sign the prepared sheet, new guests sign the guest book.
- In the green box, there is an envelope with petty cash for making change.
- Offer raffle tickets: 5 tickets for \$1.00.
- In the green box, there are envelopes for keeping track of money collected during the evening.
- Divide the raffle proceeds – 50% to the Club, 50% to the winner.
- Check that water and cups do not run out during the evening.

After the dance:

- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected to any Executive Board Member.
- ALL MEMBERS can help the Square Heads clean up. Help put away tables and chairs and pack up the coffee pot, cooler and other supplies put back into the Club cupboard.
- **Remove non-recyclable trash accidentally tossed into the designated recycle bins.** Take the trash bags out to the dumpster located in the side parking lot.
- Sweep or wet mop the floor as necessary.
- Note: Tables must go into the closet FIRST (remember the Caller's table, too), then the chair rack.
- Notify the Quartermasters, **Steven Lehnhoff or Naomi Grubb** (408-227-3631) of any supplies needed for the next week.

OTHER SQUARE DANCE EVENTS Plus Level Dances (except as noted)

- May 9: Black & White Ball; Krazy Dazys**
 Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
 728 W. Fremont, Sunnyvale
 7:30 – 8:00 PM, Caller: Barbara –Lynn Smith
 8:00 – 10:30 PM, Caller: **Jim Osborne**
- May 8-10: Silver State Square and Round Dance Festival**
 Grand Sierra Resort, Reno, NV
 Callers: Dan Nordbye, Bronc Wise, Jet Roberts
 Cuers: Chuck & Sandi Weiss
- May 16: General Dance; SCVSDA**
 Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
 728 W. Fremont, Sunnyvale
 7:30 – 10:00 PM Caller: Rick Hampton
- May 22-24: Golden State Round-up; NCSDA**
 San Ramon Marriott, San Ramon, CA
 Callers: DeeDee Dougherty, Jack Pladdys,
 Mike Seastrom, Matt Worley
 Cuer: TJ & Bruce Chadd
- May 30: Caller Appreciation Whing Ding, SCVSDA/SCVCA**
 Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
 728 W. Fremont, Sunnyvale
 7:30 – 8:00 PM; Cuers: Sue Harris, Barbara-Lynn-Smith
 8:00 – 10:30 PM; **Jim Osborne**, Robert Algea, Tork
 Clark, Bob Elling, Keith Ferguson, Kurt
 Gollhardt, Harlan Kerr, Diana Hilliard, Wayne
 Janssen, Al Knoppe, Mike Luna, **Roger Smith,**
Bob Steele, Vicki Woods
- June 6: Ice Cream Fling Thing; Bows and Beaus**
 John Muir Middle School
 1260 Branham Lane, San Jose
 7:30 – 8:00 PM Cuer: Sue Harris
 8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Michael Kellogg
- June 13: Strawberry Festival; Sunnyvale Squares**
 John Muir Middle School
 1260 Branham Lane, San Jose
 7:30 – 8:00 PM; Cuer: George Gardner
 8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Mike Seastrom
- Jun. 20: General Dance; SCVSDA**
 St. Andrews United Methodist Church
 4111 Alma St., Palo Alto
 7:30 – 10:00 PM; Callers: Keith Ferguson, Harlan Kerr
- Jun. 24-27: National Square Dance Convention**
 Springfield, MA
- Jul. 4: Slab Dance; Lucky Steppers**
 Mill Street, Ben Lomond
 7:00 - 7:30 PM; Pre-rounds
 7:30 – 10:00 PM; Dancing
- Jul. 11: General Dance; SCVSDA**
 Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
 728 W. Fremont, Sunnyvale

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Hi Katydids,

Well the elections are over and I am President again. You're stuck with me for another year. Everything seems to be going well. I did not receive any feedback from my president's message last month so everybody must be happy with the way the club is running.

Our class has been introduced to all the square dance calls thru Plus and we will be holding graduation for them in the near future.

I need feedback from the club members as to whether or not we should start another class here at Katydids on Friday night from 6:30 to 8:30.

Also let me know how you think the Club dances are going. Should we change the format or leave it alone. We will have an Executive Board Meeting on May 11th to make some decisions about what we should do this coming year. I would like input from all Katydids about the future of the club.

Thanks,

Lloyd

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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT ...

Results of the recent General Meeting are that the entire 2014-15 Executive Board offered to run again and were unanimously elected to a second term. Thank you so much for your continued service to our Club and the square dancing community!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!

- Bill MatolyakMay 08
- Art BrunsMay 18
- Ted ShaneyMay 23
- Jane BishopMay 31

NEWER DANCER HOEDOWN
Be an angel – Support our newest dancers!!

-- JANUARY (2015) CLASS LEVEL --

Sat., May.. 2nd

BUTTERFLY BALL; CPSD

Camden Community Center

3369 Union Ave., San Jose

7:30 – 9:45 PM

Caller: Rich Reel

-- MAINSTREAM LEVEL --

SAT., JUNE 27th

HOEDOWN; CASTAWAYS & ROCKIN' JOKERS

Resurrection Lutheran Church

2495 Cabrillo Ave., Santa Clara

7:30 – 10:00 PM

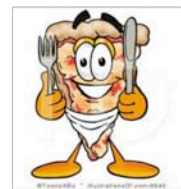
Callers: Tork Clark, Roger Smith

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Katydids Square Dance Club is having a officer Installation



Pizza Party



Date: 05/09/15
Time: 12:00 Noon

Contact person: Eric and Jacky
Wilhelmsen 408 945-1428 or
Maxine Darknell 408 241-7567

Bring something to share and your favorite Pizza Toppings.

You will be making your own Pizzas. See Sign up sheet.

The first Pizza will be ready at 12:30—Suggestions to bring.

- Salads Veggie Plates Pizza Toppings Finger Desserts Water
- Beverages Bring your own Plates, Cups, Napkins, and Utensils

455 Falcato Dr. in Milpitas, CA 95035

KATYDIDS AND FRIENDS PHOTOS

BUNNY HOP DANCE PARTY Friday, April 3, 2015



Hosoda Bunnies



Thank you Naomi, for bringing the VERY cute and tasty, bunny cake!



Raffle Bunnies

Photos courtesy of Stephanie Stevens

UPDATE ABOUT MEG FERGUSON

Below are some excerpts from email messages received this past month from Jim Osborne regarding Caller, Keith Ferguson's wife, Meg, who are both very much in our thoughts and prayers..

4/5 "Meg continues to do well. Keith was concerned because when she's awake, she's very alert but then she quickly goes back to sleep for a long time. The doctor assured him that this is usual and normal for the degree of trauma from the stroke as well as the surgery; she's thinking and reasoning, but creation of new neural pathways takes time, and healing, in general, takes a lot of energy..."

4/9 "The updates about Meg Ferguson continue to be very positive and hopeFULL. Progress in these matters is not always steady and yet Meg's healing continues to move forward splendidly. Her Medical Team has been wonderful. Prognosis is for a complete recovery in about a year with perhaps just a bit of residuals, but recovery nonetheless: slow and steady wins the race! Thank you everyone for your continued love, prayers, and healing thoughts...."

4/11 "... The plan is to move Meg to Kindred Hospital in San Leandro sometime this coming week, when a bed becomes available. This is a smaller hospital that specializes in providing the initial rehabilitative care needed by people like Meg. The doctors and staff at Good Sam are quite in-

sistent that Kindred is one of only a handful of hospitals in California that have a track record of working rehab miracles, including getting people to where they no longer need ventilators, tracheotomy tubes, and feeding tubes. They also provide Physical and occupational Therapy, but that seems secondary to their primary purpose. The average stay at Kindred is about 30 days, following that, Meg will probably return to this care for additional rehabilitation. It is worth noting that Meg is now breathing on her own, and no longer needs the ventilator, but the tracheotomy tube is still present to permit easier care of her lungs. ..."

4/20 "On Friday, April 17, Meg was moved to Room 411 Bed 3 in the regular hospital unit [at Kindred Hospital in San Leandro]..."

Several folks have asked if she can have visitors. The simple answer is "yes," but please be aware she spends much of her time "sleeping" (one doctor said it isn't really sleeping, but more "drowsy") so she may not be very responsive - it varies. She is reluctant to open her eyes, although at times she will. ...

... Kindred does strictly enforce their visiting policies:
Visiting Hours:
Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Weekends: 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
NO VISITORS from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. every day ..."

Chirper Chatter...

As your *Chirper Chatter* writer I am constantly on the alert to keep this column filled with amusing, interesting articles. I made up a pretty good list of graphic puzzles that illustrates the name of the Square Dance Calls. From time-to-time I have will be using these graphic puzzles not only for your amusement but to re-enforce knowing our calls. There will not be any prizes but the winner will be you...



#1



#10



Now, about my right hand ring finger. There is a discolored band underneath my finger nail about a 1/8" wide which my dermatologist was keeping an eye on and my last visit he recommended that I see a Stanford Dermatologist to get a biopsy taken for analysis (for melanoma). I had this done around 4 pm on Friday, April 10th which is why I arrived at our square dance with a big wad of gauze and bandage wrapped around my finger. They had to cut my cuticle, peel back, go under my finger nail to get a biopsy sample. Everything is fine now. It was negative but I could lose my nail and get a new one. Thank you all for your concern. I have the green light to play ball again...

I got a phone call from a retired square dancer friend of Hollister and she told me of another dancer living in Morgan Hill who is giving up square dancing and would like to donate her clothing. We made contact by phone and I went to pick them up Tuesday, April 21 in my small Mazda3 which I was concerned could be too

small. I took her to lunch since it was just past noon to Mama Mias Ristorante Italiano of Morgan Hill. I had a motive to go to Mama Mias. There are four Mama Mias Risorantes in this area, Gilroy, Morgan Hill, Felton and Campbell and I have finally completed the cycle. Our donor's name is **Jo Ann Johanssen**, who claims to know some of our Katydids...

Alice McManus wanted to visit with the Club on Friday, April 17, so we pre-arranged the time for pick-up and going back and agreed to my schedule. After opening up shop, I went to pick her up which fortunately is not too far from the church. She enjoyed visiting with everyone. She is coming along real great on her recovery but she did hint that she may not be returning. Nice to see you **Alice**...

If I just learned about their move perhaps others are not aware that past members and still occasional visitors, **Jack and Glenna Colistra**, have moved or "downsized" from their huge home in Saratoga to "The Villages" back in July. Congratulations!...

Lloyd Darknell and his son, David, went on a trip to Elko, Nevada Thursday April 23 for a Western Pacific Railroad convention which started Friday. They were able to learn about the history of the Western Pacific Railroad and other Western railroads during the 2 day seminar at the Red Lion Hotel. On the 3rd day they went to Ely, Nevada and spent the day at the Nevada Northern Railroad touring the facility and riding on their steam train. On their way home on Monday they stopped by the Nevada Railroad Museum and checked out the rail cars there...

Our Katydoer, Darlene Volkey, has missed many Fridays of SD Teach because she was hospitalized in March for 6 days for Pancreas Titus and visited her youngest son & family in West Virginia for several weeks. She is fine now and plans to resume her SD...

Read about **Char Pitts** recent trip to Chile elsewhere in this *Chirper*, it is too long for this column...

Morris Hosoda
moho77@gmail.com

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SAVE THE DATE !

Sun., June 14: Annual Club Reunion & Picnic
 Santa Clara Central Park, Arbor C
 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM

MY TRIP TO CHILE

Chile is not chilly, at least not right now. Right now, at least when I was there in late March, it was not chilly at all—in fact it was about 80-85 degree F, and a little cool in the morning. The seasons are reversed so it was late summer there. Santiago, where I was staying, is approximately the same latitude in the southern hemisphere as San Diego is in the north. Very pleasant, though somewhat smoggy. In fact, it looks and smells like a city in California that might be separated from the coast by a small mountain range. The plants are the same or very similar, all of which gives a very comfortable feeling. It is a very modern city with skyscrapers, freeways, fast and efficient subway system, beautiful old buildings downtown, and very modern buildings in the newer areas, including lovely shopping malls that rival those here in California, like the one at Stanford. And they have large medical centers for the people, most of whom have medical insurance—even the most poor. The culture is quickly moving to embrace the latest technologies not only in science, and computer hardware, but in agriculture and manufacturing. For this reason there are many companies there that are worthy of investors from all over the world. There is a lot of wealth there now.

Why was I there? My grand daughter, Alana, was getting married to a great guy, Pablo, whom she had met there about 3-4 years earlier when she had been living and working in Santiago. Fortunately Pablo speaks fluent English as he was educated in a private British school in Santiago. For those of you who might not know about my family, my son, Mike, married a Chilean woman, Cecilia, 32 years ago, and Alana is their middle daughter. The family lived there for about 10 years when their daughters were young. Cecilia has many relatives there in Santiago, so I was staying with one of her brothers and his wife who live in a very nice condominium complex of about 40 units that are about 2000 square feet each. Their home is on the 5th floor. Nice view.

The wedding was in a park area about an hour south of Santiago, a gorgeous venue. The ceremony started around 6:30 PM, dinner about 8:30-9:00 and the party lasted until 6:00 AM. Those Chilenos can really party! Except for the first dance, a traditional waltz featuring the newly married couple, there were no more slow numbers until the last dance. It was kind of a disco scene with shiny balls in the ceiling, a DJ, lots of dancers, and constant music—not too loud, fortu-

nately. At one point in the evening, maybe around 3:00 am, someone showed up with lots of crazy hats and masks for people to wear as they danced. Of course I got into the swing of things and finally quit dancing around 5:30 am. I have never seen anything like it!

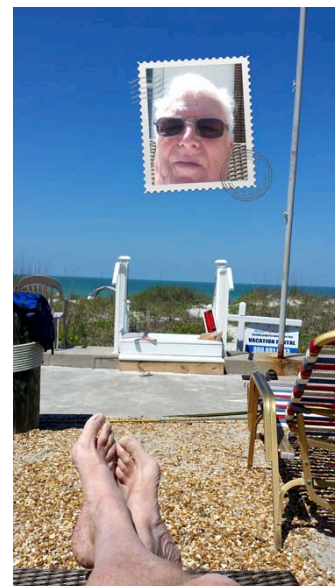
The rest of the time that I was there, we made a couple of trips, one to the south, about a 5 hour drive, to a lakeside home owned by one of Cecilia’s brothers. Very relaxing and peaceful after the hustle and bustle of the city and the excitement of the wedding. It rained quite a bit one day, so we stayed in and talked and ate. My Spanish has gotten quite a bit better. We made another trip of a couple of days to Viña del Mar, which is the coastal city closest to Santiago, about 2 hours by car. One of the most famous casinos in the world is there—not my cup of tea. Typical coastal city with lots of high-rise condos lining the beach, many very nice and not too expensive restaurants—which feature a lot of the seafood that Chile is famous for --small tourist shops, and a beautiful wide beach. The freeway between Viña and Santiago passes through the now thriving world-class winery area. Didn’t have time to go wine tasting though. Next time!!

That’s it, Folks!!

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While in Florida to celebrate his daughter’s birthday, Bob Hebson took this ‘selfie’ while relaxing on Indian Rock Beach after having been on a cruise in the Caribbean



Katydid's Square Dance Club

"Be A Misfit" Night

Come As You Are







Your Friday Night Fun Club
 A Theme Almost Every Friday Night
 Our Class is Almost Done, 6:30-8:20 PM
 Plus Dancing from 8:30 - 9:30 PM
 Only \$5/Person: 6:30-9:30
 Caller: Jim Osborne

To Our Matchless Friends
May 1, 2015
 Campbell United Church of Christ - 400 W. Campbell Ave. - Campbell, CA

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Welcome Mother's Day

Friday Dance





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Have a Mother's Day

Not all Superheroes wear Capes!
May 8, 2015
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Memorial Weekend

Friday Dance




With Honor & Gratitude We Remember

LAND OF THE FREE BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE


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All Gave Some - Some Gave All
May 22, 2015
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Caller Appreciation Night

FREE Fifth Friday Night



JIM OSBORNE

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 Plus Dancing from 8:30 - 9:30 PM
 JOIN US TO HELP CELEBRATE!

Our Caller for 10 Fabulous Years
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