

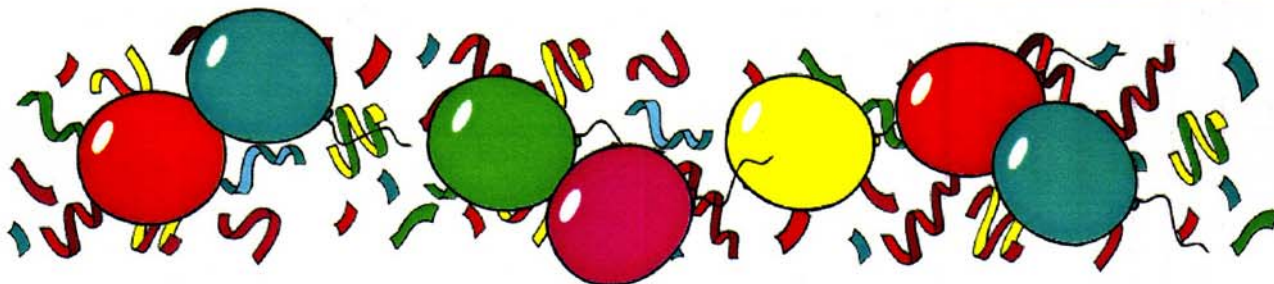
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Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

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It's Time to **PARTY** !!

Installation Brunch -- Sunday, April 23rd

Sign ups begin Friday, April 7th

CLUB CALENDAR	www.katydids.info
Fri., Apr. 7: Congregational Church of Campbell 400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Class 8:00 – 9:30 PM, Club dancing 8:30 PM General Meeting & Elections <i>Chirper</i> distributed Sign ups begin for Installation Brunch	Fri., Apr. 28: Congregational Church of Campbell 400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Class 8:00 – 9:30 PM, Club dancing 9:30 PM In / Out Board Meeting
Sat., Apr. 8: Dance-of-the-Month Circus Circus; Rockin' Jokers John Muir Middle School 7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds with the Hursts 8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller Larry Ward	Fri., May 5: Congregational Church of Campbell 400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Class 8:00 – 9:30 PM, Club dancing <i>Chirper</i> distributed
Fri., Apr. 14: **DARK** No dancing tonight.	Fri., May 12: Congregational Church of Campbell 400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Class 8:00 – 9:30 PM, Club dancing
Fri., Apr. 21: Congregational Church of Campbell 400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Class 8:00 – 9:30 PM, Club dancing **PARTY NIGHT** Wear Green	Fri., May 19: Congregational Church of Campbell 400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Class 8:00 – 9:30 PM, Club dancing **PARTY NIGHT** Wear Green
Sun., Apr. 23: New Board Installation Brunch Michael's at Shoreline in Mtn. View 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Sun., Jun. 11: **SAVE the DATE** Annual Katydids Club Picnic

**SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS
&
Duties**

*Acting Super Square Head - Lloyd Darknell
(408) 286-7262*

Apr. 07	Stagnitto
Apr. 14	Stevens
Apr. 21	Willey
Apr. 28	Benevento
May 05	Anderson
May 12	Hebson

On dance night *PRIOR* to your duty night:

- Help pack up supplies and jugs and put into Club Closet. Notify Acting Super Square Head (Lloyd Darknell 408-286-7262) of any needed supplies or change of duty assignments dates.

Before the dance:

- Contact Square Head for following week to be sure they will be there .
- On scheduled nights, the designated Square Heads should arrive **before** 7:00 P.M.
- Set up tables and chairs as needed.
- Bring 6-8 lbs ice for cooler and make ice water.
- Start hot water for tea and coffee.

During club dance:

- Welcome everyone at the door.
- Offer raffle tickets. 5 tickets for \$1
- Have guests sign guest book and collect \$4.00 donation per guest.
- Give guest names to president or membership chair for introduction during announcements.
- Divide the raffle proceeds--50% to the Club, 50% to the "cups".
- Check that water and cups do not run out.
- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected on to any Executive Board Member.

After the dance: *Clean up!!* Take the trash bags out to the dumpster located inside the fence enclosure in the side parking lot.

**UPCOMING SQUARE DANCE
EVENTS**

Apr. 14: Annual Spring Dance; Farmers & Farmerettes
Newark Pavilion
8:00 – 8:20, PreRounds with Sue Harris
8:20 – 11:00 PM, Caller: Daryl Clendenan

Apr. 21, 22, 23: Dance by the Sea
Calif. Square Dance Council State Convention
Ventura Co. Fairgrounds, Ventura

Apr. 29: Presidents Ball – Whing Ding SCVSDA & SCVCA
John Muir Middle School
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds with Sue Harris
8:00 – 10:45 PM; Callers; Robert Algea, Keith Ferguson, **Harold Fleeman, Jim Osborne**

May 11, 12, 13, 14: Silver State
Reno Hilton/ Grand Sierra Resorts
Callers: Randy Dougherty, Gary Shoemake, Mike Sikorsky
Cuers: The Vogts, The Storms

May 13: Black and White Ball; Krazy Dazys
John Muir Middle School
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds with the Hursts
8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: **Jim Osborne**

May 26, 27, 28: NCSDA Golden State Roundup
San Ramon, CA
Callers: John Marshall, Marshall Flippo, Phil Farmer, Tim Crawford
Cuer: Bob & Kay Kurczewski

Jun. 3: Ice Cream Fling Thing

Jun. 10: Strawberry Festival; Sunnyvale Singles

Jun. 21, 22, 23, 24: National Square Dance Convention
San Antonio, Texas



**SPRING 2006 BEGINNER
Square Dance Classes**

Tuesdays:

Sunnyvale Single Squares: Instructor: Eric Henerlau
Start: May 2; 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Murphy Park, 260 N. Sunnyvale Avenue, Sunnyvale
Contact: Joe (408) 996-0174 or Joy (650) 968-1432
Singles, couples, former dancers
First night free; \$20 per month per person thereafter

Katydids

INSTALLATION BRUNCH

**Sunday, April 23rd
11:00 – 2:00 PM**

Michaels at Shoreline

2960 N. Shoreline Blvd., Mtn. View

\$10 per Club Member, Payable in advance

DIRECTIONS:

- From Hwy 85 North towards Hwy 101 North
- After crossing over Hwy 101, puts you onto a temporary road that parallels Hwy 101. Exit for Shoreline is just prior to entry to Hwy 101 No.
- Turn left onto No. Shoreline Blvd. and follow it to the end (road curves to the left).



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY !!

- Morris & Louise Hosoda . . . Apr. 05
- Jim & JoAnn Osborne. . . . Apr. 07
- Sal & Louise Stagnitto. . . . Apr. 07
- Lee & Mackey Lunsford. . . Apr. 14
- Robb & Gayle Moore. . . . Apr. 16

NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS!!

**SIGN UP FOR JIM'S
FOCUS-MOVE-OF-THE-WEEK**

Our Club Caller, **Jim Osborne**, is continuing his "Focus Move of the Week" and is sending an email each week listing the movement he will be emphasizing that week. To let him know that you wish to be added to his "send" list, send him an email:

<learn2sqdance@rcn.com>

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER - -

Hi Katydids,

This year has gone very fast for me as President. Many things have changed for me over the past few months. Maxine and I recently got married in Gold Canyon, Arizona, and we are in the process of merging households.

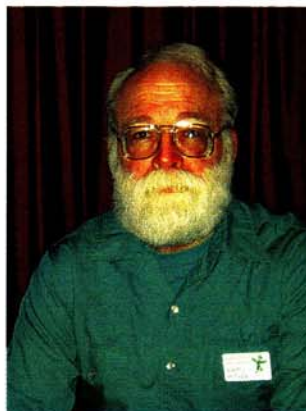
I have agreed to run as President again this year but I need everyone's help to plan for the future of the Katydids. We will be voting on Friday, April 7, for the new officers and we need every one to come out and vote. The installation brunch will be on Sunday, April 23, and the "In and Out" board meeting will be on Friday, April 28, after the club dance. There are some positions not yet filled. Please consider helping out!

Sunday, June 11, at 11:00 a.m. will be our picnic and many volunteers will be needed so that it will be fun for everyone. Set up will be at 10:00 a.m. and eating at noon. Please contact me to let me know how you can help.

~ ~ *Lloyd Darknell*



WELCOME NEW MEMBER, GARY HINZE



Gary Hinze joined us in March. He is an example of how some can learn square dancing real fast. He started square dancing in September 2004 and already he is dancing A2. How does he do it? This is one way: he dances on Sunday with

the *Star Eights*, on Tuesday he dances with the *Single Squares of Sunnyvale* class, on Wednesday with the *Rockin' Jokers*, Thursday with the *Square Hoppers*, and finally on Fridays with the *Katydids*. Gary enjoys working with model airplanes, photography, and designing and flying kites. He is an energizer and any club would welcome that...so welcome, **Gary**.

Morris Hosoda, Membership

Remembering Dr. Bill Lawrence

Born May 25, 1920 – Died March 11, 2006

Dr. Bill was born in Salinas, CA and took his pre-med training at Santa Clara University. Later he received his M.D. from Creighton Univ., Omaha, NE. Upon graduation he returned to Valley Medical Hospital in San Jose to complete his internship. Because of WWII, he immediately entered the army and was assigned to Oklahoma and then to posts in Philippines and Japan. Upon discharge he opened his practice of 51 years in San Jose.

Dr. Bill was an avid antique car “nut”. He collected and restored numerous pre-1916 cars and even a 1920s fire engine. He was active in the Santa Clara Valley Chapter of the Horseless Carriage Club of America (HCCA) and also served as its national president.

Bill and his wife, Betty, joined the Katydids in the late 1970s and went inactive in Nov. 1995. Because of Betty’s problem with her legs they resigned in 1997. Dr. Bill returned in 2000 with Adele Baker as his dance partner (*Adele Baker and husband, Bill, were also Katydids about the same time and fellow members of HCCA. Bill has since passed on earlier to be with the Lord.*) Because of his own stamina problem they resigned from Katydids around June 2002.

For many, many years the Lawrence’s hosted the after-party at their lovely spacious home in Saratoga. The after-party has been a tradition after we completed our Sweetheart Hoedown where we can relax, have refreshments and reminisce about our successful hoedown.

Thank you Dr. Bill and Betty for sharing your glorious life with us.

... Morris Hosoda



HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!

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| Nicki Brookwell | April 14 |
| Mackey Lunsford | April 21 |
| Louise Stagnitto | April 21 |
| Betty Benevento | April 25 |
| Louise Hosoda | April 29 |

SUNSHINE REPORT

In March we helped the following Katydids celebrate their birthdays with cards: **Elsie Ignacio** March 4, **Denis Moore** March 11, **Marilyn Shaver** March 11, **Paul Schneider** March 11, **Jenny Andersen** March 17, **Bob Pyle** March 23, and **Char Pitts** March 30.

Larry and Carol Griffith celebrated their anniversary on March 25, a card was sent. We hope they all enjoyed special celebrations and have many more.

A get well card was sent to **Kathy Shaney**. We hope her recovery is going well and she will be back soon. We miss her.

The Katydids send our deepest sympathy to **Rodney and June Helfrich** and family on the passing of Rodney’s mother. We also sent a sympathy card to **Betty Lawrence** and family on the passing of **Dr. Bill Lawrence**. They were members of the Katydids for many years.

~~ *Marilyn Shaver*, Chaplain



Katydoer Progress Report

We need to thank Don Gaubatz and Pat Angotti for stepping in our roles while we were either away or unable to serve because of illness. It is nice to know that we have dependable backups. Thank you!

The class is really going great guns! Imagine learning *Load the Boat, Track II, Follow Your Neighbor, Acey Deucey, Extend* and (*Anything*) and *Roll* which means we are now encroaching Plus calls.

Again I thank all the angels that come early to help and urge other Katydids to come early to help not only the class but yourselves as well as the class is going very strong into these Plus calls which we all need to reinforce our skills.

Morris and Louise Hosoda, Head Angels



Special congratulations to the Stagnittos and the Lunsfords. Both will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries this month.

**MINUTES
Katydid Executive Board Meeting
March 24, 2006**

President, Lloyd Darknell, called the meeting to order at 9:37 PM.

Officers Present: President, Lloyd Darknell; Vice President, Bob Bennett; Treasurer, Bob Hebson; Membership, Morris Hosoda.

Officers Absent: Secretary, Bill Benevento; Don Gaubatz, Publicity; Marilyn Shaver, Chaplain.

Visitors: *Chirper* Editor, Stephanie Stevens; Annie Bennett

Minutes of the February 24, 2006 Executive Board Meeting were approved as published.

REPORTS:

1. **Treasurer:** The tentative net profit appears to be about \$733 from the 2006 Sweetheart Special. Final report will be presented at the next Board meeting.

2. **Membership:** Application for membership by Gary Hinze was approved. The Griffiths are taking a leave of absence. Discussed making up a new membership/welcome packet for new members.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **General Meeting:** The annual General Meeting of the Club membership for the purpose of electing a new Executive Board will be held on Friday, April 7th at 8:30 PM. Besides announcing this at Club on Fridays, an email will go out to the membership as well.

2. **Installation Brunch:** The installation of the new Board will take place on Sunday, April 23rd at Michael's at Shoreline in Mountain View. Brunch begins at 11:00 AM. Cost will be \$10 per person. The Club treasury will pick up the rest of the bill for the occasion.

3. **Picnic:** The Club annual picnic will be held on Sunday, June 11th at Central Park in Santa Clara. We need someone to coordinate the activities for this event.

4. **5th Friday Dance:** Agreed to host a 5th Friday Dance on March 31st. Dancing will be from 7:00 – 9:30 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **2007 Sweetheart Special:** Lloyd has asked Eric henerlau and the Hursts to return next year. He has no confirmation, yet.

Dance-of-the-Month: April 8th; Circus, Circus. We encourage all Katydids to attend...the Jokers cancelled their event on Feb. 11th so that they could attend our Sweetheart Special. It is time for the Katydids to reciprocate.

Party Night will be on April 21st.

"In/Out" Board Meeting will be on April 28th.

Agenda for the April meeting:

1. Recap of Installation
2. Club Picnic
3. Final 2006 Sweetheart Special financials

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 PM. Moved by Bob Bennett and seconded by Lloyd Darknell

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Stevens
Acting Secretary



From Harro & Marianne Hohenner:

Did you notice that in recent advertisements for Sunnyview Retirement Community, they are using a photo of Mac and Lee McMillan walking hand-in-hand? He is gone but never forgotten.



NEWER DANCER HOEDOWN

Be an angel – support our newest dancers!!

September 2005 Class Level

Sat., May 6: Lucky Steppers

John Muir Middle School

8:00 – 10:15 PM; Callers: Harold Fleeman
and Roger Smith

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My first day in the VESPER CHURCH. Together with wonderful women from the German-American Women's Club and the Priest, we stood in line and served food to homeless people. I was amazed at how organized it was.

So many poor people came, and it seemed the line was never-ending. For me it was a memorable experience. Not only homeless people came, but the lonely and senior citizens, too. So here we were in a great church, with many tables and chairs, having had a beautiful day together. We had food and good words for everyone. After four hours I finished my duty. Never in my life have I been so-o tired, and happy!

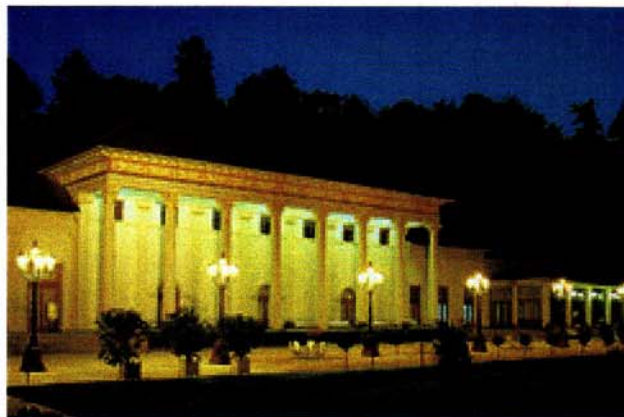
March 2

--Line Dance...ugh. My goodness it is hard. I had many problems with my feet and I felt sorry for my neighbors. Everybody is so fast. I danced to the left, smiled...and everybody else to the right, and in inverse order. The music is amazing and I felt like I was with the Bows and Beaus and the Katydids at the same time...but if I start dreaming I mess up (at least not a square!). Every Thursday same place, and it looks as if I'm the only one with problems. I try to give a pretty cool eye. I try to smile but...after a short time I give a look of despair to Willi...and call HELP...but he danced concentrating like Fred Astaire in a cowboy outfit and I see I have to help myself. Well, I have to change my shoes. I think it is absolutely not nice with my cowboy boots because they are so pointed -- in front like a weapon...taper off. We also tried some couple dances with partners (NOT their own spouse but with an experienced other dancer, a so called Club Angel). That helped me a lot to get the steps into my brains and feet.

March 11

You remember I wrote about the Rueckkehrer -Workshop, the seminar with other ex-pat couples coming home after staying abroad for some years in different countries. So, this weekend all 5 couples (from Mexico, Belgium, France, Brazil, and us from the States) met in BADEN -- BADEN. Wow, what an interesting city. We enjoyed the THALASSO ther-

mal treatment, an ideal combination of the revitalizing force of the sea with the healthy effect of BADEN-BADEN thermal waters, with their high content in mineral salt. It was a great day with friends and a lot of fun. Our Belgian couple lives there, and besides the Thalasso, they also organized a guide, who showed us the famous Baden-Baden Casino behind the scenes. A very exclusive, old fashioned classic Casino, about 200 years old, which was very impressive. NO WAY TO WIN, NO WAY TO PLAY because it was a GUIDED TOUR. She told about the history, the paintings, all about the games...how to do and, and, and! Next year we are coming to California and I can tell you that we will be very happy to see you all. I hope we can meet all our wonderful friends again.

**March 18****The Stuttgart NIGHT OF THE MUSEUMS**

A night with many HIGHLIGHTS, including 25000 visitors. It was breath taking! With one ticket you can see over 80 museums, galleries, cultural institutions, and spectacular exhibitions all over the city until 2 :00 a.m. in the night. Everywhere food, live music, light shows, and people, people, people. What a Night !!!!!!! Shuttle buses brought us around and everybody was in a amazing good mood. Willi and I and three friends had a fantastic time.

March 19

We are a little bit tired after coming home at 3 a.m., but full of good memories. Today is the first warm Spring day in Germany after an extremely long wintertime this year. We cleaned up our balcony, the birds were singing, and besides working, we had a good time.

Curly

MEET MAXINE ...

March 8, 2006



Rain, rain go away is my mantra this past week. However, I woke up to a absolutely gorgeously beautiful, sunny day. Feeling great, I whiz through my morning chores and head off for a delicious walk in the park. Following my walk, I arrange to meet Maxine Cintas for lunch and a Chirper interview. Feeling great, all seems like a beautiful Daylight Savings

Time Summer Day. OOPS! I am embarrassed as Maxine informs me that I am an hour early. We accommodate to the situation and I read the morning paper as Maxine finishes preparing for lunch.

Lunch is most enjoyable, however very noisy – not the best for an interview. We return to Maxine's house in Santa Clara where she reveals her secrets for all to read here in the Chirper. She was married to John Cintas for 34-1/2 years. John worked for GE Nuclear in San Jose until heart problems ended his career and eventually took his life in March '03. Maxine has four children (three boys and one girl) and eight grandchildren – all living in California. With an older sister and younger brother, Maxine grew up with her parents in Campbell and graduated from Campbell High.

Out of high school, Maxine took a job at Westinghouse working with personnel. She was responsible for processing insurance claims. In 1970 she left Westinghouse to start a wonderful family and become a stay-at-home mom.

With all sorts of spare time available, Maxine keeps out of mischief by volunteering through her church. She especially enjoys working with people and helping others. She is in charge of two church related ministries – the Good Samaritans and the Food Pantry. Like most of us, Maxine is a collector and has developed a delightful collection of Moonstone and Candle Wick glassware.

Her husband's work involved much world travel and Maxine accompanied him on many of his assignments – Spain, Taiwan, Puerto Rico, and Mexico. They also traveled to Alaska, Canada, and Hawaii. A highlight of her travels was to meet Roy Rogers in person at the Roy Rogers Museum. Now she would like to see much more of our own country.

Oh, oh – don't put out a jigsaw puzzle if Maxine comes to visit. There is always just one more piece to put in. She won't be able to leave until the last piece is in place.

Maxine does not wear much jewelry because it always seems to get in her way. But for likes – ummm, spicy Mexican food for her. Oh yes, she has difficulty passing up a good steak no matter how it is prepared.

Maxine's older sister was a square dancer and was admired and envied by Maxine. So it did not take much to get her to a square dance class about a year after her husband died. In May '04 she started dancing with the Sunnyvale Singles and hopes to be up to an A1/A2 class this coming Fall. Her greatest challenge is a problem most of us must contend with – This is my right, turn right and this is my left, turn left – and don't mix up the two.

Maxine and Lloyd Darknell plan to dance at the Bakersfield Fiesta and then head on to Arizona for a few days of sight seeing and visiting with Maxine's sister and brother-in-law.

Since I had this interview with Maxine and before we could print it in the Chirper, we have another news flash. If you haven't already heard, Maxine and Lloyd eloped! While visiting her sister in Arizona, they decided to get married. This occurred on Tuesday afternoon, March 21, in a church nearby. To get a marriage license, all they needed was their drivers' license. Maxine's sister and brother-in-law were their attendants, witnesses and congregation.

Lloyd is in the process of moving into Maxine's home which is just 5 minutes from Kaiser Hospital in Santa Clara where he works. It will be a challenge to get all their stuff under one roof and they are predicting about 6 months to accomplish this great feat!

~ ~ Don Gaubatz, Publicity



GREETINGS FROM SANDY ~ ~

We'll be coming to dance with you **Friday, April 27th**. Hope we get to see all of you! We're up to speed and have been dancing faithfully once a week. The Knoxville Squares had so much fun with the archived moves in February that the caller decided to extend "History Month" through March. OK, do any of you remember these: Bucket of Worms, Grand Spin, Suzy Curl, Wah Hoo, and Ah So?

The September class is dancing Plus now. I think there are 6 survivors left, but on workshop nights, Tuesday, we have 2 or 3 squares. Then the club filters in around 8:30pm and we have 3 or 4 squares. Often as it gets later, couples slip away and we're left with an odd number. The caller does a lot of fun things with 6 couples in a square, and sometimes we use a broom for a person, when we don't have a full couple.

My 3 year old grandson introduced us to Curly Fries the last time we stopped at a fast food joint for provisions. They are the most divine food on the planet, even better than Crispy Cremes. They must have been named after our Curly in Germany: they're unforgettable, very special, and greatly loved.

By the time you read this the Final Four outcome will be in the history records. Our Lady Vols disappointingly collapsed in the Elite Eight. They went to the Final Four the past 4 consecutive years, so of course, expectations were high. The men's team was miraculously given a 2 seed. The sports talk shows talked about it for weeks.

The war against the hemlock wooly adalgid continues. Every once in awhile we hear it mentioned briefly in the news. New factoids we've learned: a new variety of lady bug here bites; allergy season lasts 10 months; "visitor season" lasts 11 months and the business sector is trying their hardest to grow tourism as a year round staple.

We'll be visiting friends all along the way to San Jose. I'm looking forward so much to seeing my parents, friends, church, Safeway, Michael's and Trader Joe's again. Some friends just can't be duplicated. Can't wait to see all y'all! Until then, have a blessed Easter.

~~ Sandy Ferrill

5th Friday Dance and Celebration-3/31/06

