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Katyids Square Dance Club Newsletter

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

WELCOME KATYDOER CLASS!

CLUB CALENDAR

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- Fri., Nov. 07: Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:30 – 7:00 PM; Cha Dance Class with John
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Club & **KATYDOER'S** Dancing
Theme: Fall Colors
- Fri., Nov. 14: Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:30 – 7:00 PM; Cha Dance Class with John
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Club & **KATYDOER'S** Dancing
Theme: Falling Leaves
- Fri., Nov. 21: Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:30 – 7:00 PM; **Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner**
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Club & **KATYDOER'S** Dancing
- Fri., Nov. 28: **DARK** Happy Thanksgiving!!**

- Fri., Dec.05: Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:30 PM Holiday Potluck begins
6:30 – 7:00 PM; Cha Dance Class with John
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Club & **KATYDOER'S** Dancing
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- Fri., Dec. 12: Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:30 – 7:00 PM; Cha Dance Class with John
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Club & **KATYDOER'S** Dancing
Theme: Holiday Goodies; bring your favorite to share
- Fri., Dec. 19: Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:30 – 7:00 PM; Cha Dance Class with John
7:00 – 9:30 PM; Club & **KATYDOER'S** Dancing
Theme: Holiday Spirit Dance; wear red and/or green; surprises.
- Fri., Dec. 26: **DARK****

SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS

and DUTIES

Super Square Head

Lloyd Darknell (408-482-9320)

- Nov. 07Franger / Moore / Steele
- Nov. 14Wilhelmsen / Gray
- Nov. 21Darknell / Tillman
- Nov. 28DARK - Thanksgiving

- Dec. 05Angotti / Smith / Matolyak
- Dec. 12Stevens / Krulee
- Dec. 19Hebson / McManus
- Dec. 26DARK -- Christmas

- Jan. 02Shaney / Clark
- Jan. 09Darknell / Tillman
- Jan. 16Wilhelmsen / Krulee
- Jan. 23Shaney / Parsons
- Jan. 30Hebson / McManus

Before the dance:

- Notify the Super Square Head, Lloyd Darknell, 408-482-9320 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 **6:15 PM** and **stay until clean up is finished around 9:30 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.

UPCOMING SQUARE DANCE EVENTS

Plus Level Dances (except as noted)

- Nov. 08: Anniversary Dance; Farmers & Farmerettes**
Walters Jr. High School, 39600 Logan Dr., Fremont
7:30 – 8:00 PM; Pre-Rounds: George Gardner
8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Dan Nordbye

- Nov. 15: Cactus Jack Hoedown; Sunnyvale Squares**
John Muir Middle School
1260 Branham Ln, San Jose
Caller: Hunter Keller
Cuer: Sharon & Casey Parker

- Nov. 22: General Dance; SCVSDA**
St. Andrews United Methodist Church
4111 Alma St. Palo Alto
7:30 – 10:00 PM; Caller: Scot Byars

- Nov. 25: Thanksgiving Dinner & Salvation Army Toy Dance**
Contact: Jane Bishop 408-356-7796

- Nov. 29: Whing Ding; SCVSCA/SCVSDA**
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds: Barbara Lynn-Smith
8:00 PM Callers: Tork Clark, Wayne Janssen, Roger Smith

- Dec. 13: General Dance; SCVSDA**

- Dec. 13: Ranchero Squares**
Walters Jr. High School, 39600 Logan Dr., Fremont
7:30 – 8:00; PM; Pre-Rounds: George Gardner
8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Bob Baier

- Dec. 31: Glass Slipper Ball; Rockin' Jokers**
Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
728 W. Fremont, Sunnyvale
8:30– 9:00 PM; Pre-Rounds: Erin Byars
9:00 – Midnight; Caller: Scot Byars
Squares, Ballroom, Rock & Roll

- Jan. 03: Running Bear Hoedown; Krazy Dazys**
Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
728 W. Fremont, Sunnyvale
7:30 – 8:00 PM; PreRounds: Sue Harris
8:00 – 10:30 PM; Caller: Eric Henerlau
10:30 PM Advanced Tip

Jan. 16-18: Winter Festival, King City

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY !

Ted & Kathy ShaneyNov. 12
Skip & Steph StevensNov. 12

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Goodness Gracious! It's November already.

October was packed full of fun events each week. I can see positive results from having theme parties each week at Katydids. Those days of "Party night = wear Green" may have been fun 30 years ago, but times have changed. If a club wants to grow and attract more visitors it needs something besides wearing Green. That being said, during October we had Hawaiian Nights in October with Hawaiian Pizza's, Rock & Roll Music Night w/Guest Cuer Barbara-Lynn Smith, Hip-pie Night with prizes for the best hippies, Castaways Scare Party, Mainstream Special Night welcoming newer dancers and Rockin Jokers 5th Wednesday Hal-loween party night. Finally, Katydids Free 5th Friday Halloween costume party where 13 prizes were won. We had 8 squares dancing at the peak of the evening. The last tip still had 6 squares dancing. I'd call this evidence of success. As I write the day-after I'm feeling a bit tired from so much fun this month. This is what Katydids needs if you want Katydids to survive. It takes energy, imagination, effort, hospitality, themes, and activities. Your finger foods are always very much appreciated each week too.

Our Caller is doing "Definition Oriented Basic & Mainstream Workshop" on Fridays for dancers who've completed Mainstream or Plus and want to refresh their skills. At the same time the Katydoers are learning many new calls.

Katydids will take a breath in November as we approach the holidays. Looking at the calendar, there's Fall Colors, Falling Leaves (let there be leaves) and Thanksgiving Pot Luck. The potluck sign-up sheet at sign-in desk looks pretty good so far. November 25th is the Salvation Army Toy Dance & Pot Luck Dinner at John Muir Middle School. If you are going, bring a toy donation.

November 28th is dark in observance of Thanksgiving. Remember to count your Blessings. This month promises to fly by too! Santa Claus may visit Katydids in December. What do you want Santa to bring? You have plenty of time to think about it.

Linda

WELCOME KATYDOERS & CLASS ANGELS!

It has been a few Fridays now that you have been dancing with the Katydids (and guests) and I can tell you are all enjoying this activity. We thank you for bringing refreshments to share and to participate in the theme dances that we have been having. You will also discover that you will really find it more fun and enjoyable as you learn a few more calls and become more proficient with the calls you have learned. Allow us to give you some hints since most of you are single. We are dancing in the church fellowship hall, not the sanctuary, so try to dance up front. We can't all dance up front but try rotating around. Since most are singles, it is okay if the ladies ask around to partner up before the tip begins and here again try rotating your partners. You will feel more comfortable to dance in the same square with close friends but try to keep the number of Katydoers in the same square to no more than two couples. If you are not sure of some calls, I would be pleased to help you as I am qualified to do that (40 years of square dancing and 3 Caller Schools). Another name for this activity: **Exercise Your Mind and Body and Enjoy Doing It!!!**

Morris & Louise Hosoda, Head Angels

CAN YOU HELP OUT?

Club Member, **Roger Smith**, has started a new Castaways Class on Tuesdays from 7:00 – 9:30 PM at the Resurrection Lutheran Church. He needs Angels, especially men to help with the new dancers. It will really help and Katydids may even be able to get some new dancers.

Tork Clark's new class, also on Tuesday evenings from 6:30–8:30 PM, at the Camden Community Center on Union Ave. can use Angels, as well.

NEWER DANCER HOEDOWN
Be an angel – Support our newest dancers!!
-- SEPTEMBER (2014) CLASS LEVEL --
Snowflake Ball; CPSD
Sat., December 6th
7:30 – 9:45 PM
Camden Community Center
3369 Union Ave., San Jose
Caller: Roger Smith

CALLER'S CORNER



Starting October 17 the Katydoer class began dancing with Katydids on a permanent basis. This class has been running for around 20 weeks. These New Dancers are progressing well (Look at <http://3osb.com/katydoers.html> for Class Progress detail). Katydoers are currently about 1/2 way through EXPOSURE to the Mainstream program. Further progress will require Love of Modern Western Square Dancing with considerable effort and sacrifice on the part of club members. Additionally EXPOSURE does not equate to Learned or Mastery of a dance level. So progress with dance capability will require considerable floor time learning & dancing.

No matter how you slice it MWSD is a Couples activity ALWAYS. I and many others learned and danced without a regular partner for MANY years. BUT there is an overriding reality:

For a STUDENT to progress they NEED to attend regularly. Very probably requiring WEEKLY encouragement phone contact from club officers or members (historically e-mail contact has NOT proven successful)(Please volunteer to make motivational phone calls to students). For CLASS progress to occur, EVERY Student also NEEDS a partner so they can dance near every instruction tip. A partner can be acquired in only 3 ways. #1 Bring a partner to the dance. #2 Find a partner at the dance (other student or class supporting Angel). #3 The club or class organizers via the efforts of a Super Angel assign a partner for a specific tip.

As I see it #3 is a tough situation, but VERY real. If there are Students without partners, in all probability a club member of the same sex will NEED to be asked to sit so the STUDENT can dance. If they do not dance TOTAL Class Progress is impaired. One or more Super Angels working with the caller to evaluate the floor will NEED to place demands on NON-Student dancers. The Super Angel does not have the Luxury of slow contemplative diplomatic evaluation of WHO is selected. They also do not have time to discuss the matter as a request. A tough decision (not always perfect) had to be made within only a few seconds. The tip is starting NOW, not in 1 minute, or even 30 seconds, but NOW. As Morris has similarly pointed out, this NEEDED Super Angel making these assignments can instantly becomes a villain if the Paying Club Member (Non Student) does not 100% understand and support what is occurring.

FYI Same BUT Different: *Though not widely discussed some of my San Francisco club members had been discussing how to have class on another night than club. BUT the club just experienced over a 100% increase in hall fees making a second night impossible. OH! the next closest hall price in SF is well over 200% above the 100% increase. If this club was the size it was in 1984 or even 1999, second night costs and logistics would be NO PROBLEM. BUT for many years (before me) they did not have classes because students & graduates stunted club dance level.*

If MWSD (Not just Katydids) is going to survive we NEED New Dancers and frequent classes (2 classes a year is extraordinarily difficult. BUT 1 year class cycles is a death wish). Unfortunately a significant number current club level dancers will have to experience some sacrifice and express a LOVE for our activity. The ONLY solution is More New Dancers as frequently as possible. There IS a feeling of Warm Fuzzies if you help a New Dancer acquire the skills to enjoy Square Dancing.

JIM (Katydids Club Caller)

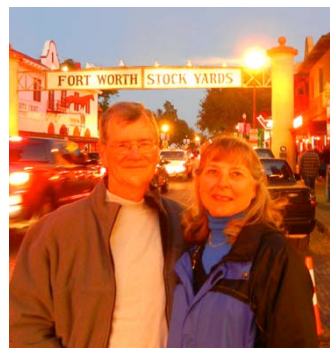
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FOUND IN THE PUMPKIN PATCH

About 10 years ago Katydids members Bill and Sandy Ferrill moved to Sevierville, TN to be closer to their daughter. Skip and Stephanie Stevens visited them Oct. 25 and found them both well and looking forward to visiting their daughter who has now moved to Austin, TX.



Skip and Steph also visited Rod & Mary Garges who had been Katydids members prior to their becoming fulltime RVers. We spent the Halloween evening walking the Old Stockyard District in Ft. Worth, TX. Sandy & Bill and Rod & Mary send their greetings to Club members who may remember them.



Submitted by Steph Stevens

Chirper Chatter...



Bill and Betty Benevento report that their home remodel is far from over and hope to be done early next year. But by then by the time we finish and moved back in, the Katydoers will be too advanced for us. They will rely on “muscle memory” and their muscles are getting pretty thin these days as is their pocket-book. Hang in there!...

After not leaving the Valley for about five years, **Bea Clark** loaded several trips into October and November. First, she flew to Boise, ID, to see family and attend her aunt’s funeral. Second, she went to New York to see her daughter and granddaughters and help out with a move, a new job and new classroom subjects to teach. Then she headed to Tahoma (near Tahoe City) to see her new grandson, born Oct. 12, and his mom and dad. Finally, she will be gone again from Nov. 14 to 24 on a Mexican Riviera cruise...

Char Pitts was gone for couple a weeks to visit her sister at this time for a reason. The Phoenix Mormon Temple building project was completed and open to the public Oct. 10-26 and she was able to see the marvelous marble floors, special wood paneling, timeless art, a huge baptismal font supported by 12 life-size oxen, sacred rooms all done in white or near white, stain-glass ceilings and door panels. There are now 140 temples worldwide, all beautiful.

Her arm is getting better and is aiming to become an active member in November...

Maxine & Lloyd Darknell, Pat Angotti, Roger Smith and class Angel, Sylvia Kay are all enjoying their cruise having departed the Hawaiian Islands were headed for Apia, Samoa, the same place my friend said he was heading for. Sounds like he is on the same cruise ship, another small world story...

Val Paterson sprained her back somehow and has been curtailing square dancing for awhile...

Did anyone look at the picture of Japanese American baseball players, living legends, dating back to World War II on the front page of the Local News Section, Monday, Oct. 27 issue of the San Jose Mercury News, wondering if **Morris Hosoda** might be in the photo (I know, they all look alike)? Yes, he was in the photo but as an attendee and not as a honoree. He is sitting left of the podium and left edge of the photo...

Morris Hosoda
moho77@gmail.com

LOOK AT THIS!!



Our own MoHo a Hall of Famer, with the Seniors SF Giants long before this years World Series ended!

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RESULTS OF GENERAL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 3rd

The Club Membership had a short meeting on Friday, October 3rd for the purpose of electing a new Vice-President to replace **Val Paterson** who unexpectedly found it necessary to resign her position. Congratulations to **Lloyd Darknell**, our new Vice-President.

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CUER'S CORNER



Hi Katydids,
The whirlwind season of Halloween is finally behind us, as we look forward to Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years in rapid succession. I have several round dance cuer/teacher activities during the week. On Tuesday at Sue Harris’ class, I cue phase 3 and 4 for about a half hour. On Wednesday at Rockin Jokers, I teach a free half hour Waltz class from 7 to 7:30 and cue double rounds. On Friday at Katydids, I teach a half hour Cha class and cue single rounds. On Sunday, I do angel duty at Sue Harris’ Two Step class.

If you want more round dancing, ask me about these.

John Caywood
Katydids Round Dance Cuer

KATYDIDS AND FRIENDS PHOTOS

October 3, 2014

TILLIE'S 95th BIRTHDAY(!) & HAWAIIAN THEME NIGHT



Photos courtesy of Linda Caywood



October 10, 2014
ROCK 'N' ROLL THEME NIGHT



Photos courtesy of Linda Caywood



October 17, 2014
HIPPIE THEME NIGHT



Photos courtesy of Linda Caywood and Parker Willey

October 25, 2014
SCARE HOEDOWN
Resurrection Lutheran Church
Santa Clara



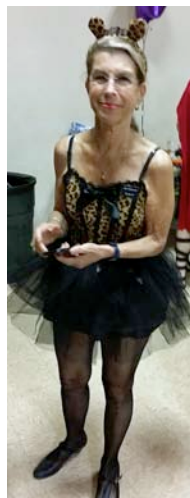
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October 29, 2014
5th Wednesday Rockin' Jokers Halloween Party

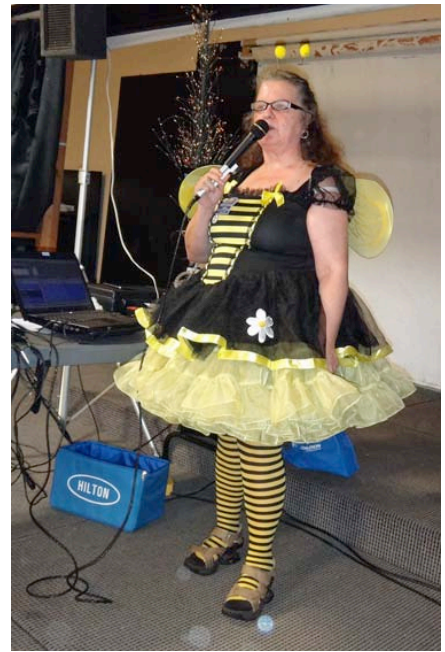


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October 31, 2014
HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY
Free 5th Friday at the Katydids



Photos courtesy of Parker Willey & John & Linda Caywood



EMAIL FROM LINDA 10/18

It's not too early to start bringing your donations for the Sweetheart Special (SHS) February 14th. I made a few baskets today, and starting early is easier than waiting until the last few weeks. Lets make it a great 2015 SHS Raffle

Here are some suggestions;

- Large baskets,
- Glasses, Dishes, Kitchen ware, Bath items
- Tools, things men like or could use
- pretty knick-knacks, table cloth
- Household items
- Office items
- DVD's
- Unusual items
- Toys, baby things
- Italian foods to go in an Italian basket
- Box of Candy
- Coffee items to go in a coffee basket
- Alcohol, (any kind) if you have a bottle of wine that was a gift and you don't want it, please consider donating as it will definitely get attention.

Remember please, nice items; new or gently used

SQUARE DANCE VIDEOS

Enjoy!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ITyJhEfpw34>

(Roger's in this)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eHNpDc7JB-Q>

(Jim's in this one)

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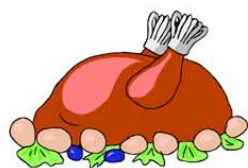




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THANKSGIVING POTLUCK



Potluck starts at 6:30 PM

November 21, 2014 - 7:00 to 9:30 PM

Nelson Hall, Campbell United Church of Christ

Only \$5.00 per Guest

Caller: Jim Osborne Cuer: John Caywood



We are known for our **REFRESHMENTS!**

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