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Katydids Square Dance Club Newsletter

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

SAY GOOD BYE TO SUMMER AND WELCOME TO FALL WITH A SALAD POTLUCK

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

6:30 PM • Bring a salad to share.

CLUB CALENDAR

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Fri., Sep. 04: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Fri., Sep. 11: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Fri., Sep. 18: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
6:30 – 9:30 PM, DBD PLUS WORKSHOP
****PARTY NIGHT**** Bring food to share
Wear **GREEN**. **POTLUCK DINNER!!**
Bring Salad to share and your table service

Sun., Sep. 20: **Executive Board Meeting**
6:30 PM at the Stevens' home

Fri., Sep. 25: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

Fri., Oct. 02: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, DBD PLUS WORKSHOP
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Fri., Oct. 09: ****DARK**** **Dancing at the Jubilee**

Fri., Oct. 16: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, DBD PLUS WORKSHOP
****PARTY NIGHT**** Bring food to share
Wear **GREEN**.

Fri., Oct. 23: **Campbell United Church of Christ**
400 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell
7:00 – 9:30 PM, DBD PLUS WORKSHOP

SQUARE HEAD ASSIGNMENTS and DUTIES

Super Square Heads
Bob & Opal Hebson (408) 255-3753

Sep 4 Caywood
Sep 11 Kernan / Hinze
Sep 18 Headman / Cosentino
Sep 25 Anderson

Oct 02 Pitts / Powell
Oct 09 DARK
Oct 16 Ashmall / Oros
Oct 23 Angotti / Gaubatz
Oct 30 Bennett

Nov 06 Benevento
Nov 13 Clark
Nov 20 Caywood
Nov 27 DARK

Before the dance:

- Notify the Super Square Head, Bob or Opal Hebson, at (408) 255-3753 of any needed change of duty assignment dates.
- Purchase and bring 6-8 lbs ice for the water cooler.
- On scheduled night, the designated Square Heads should arrive **by 6:30 PM.**
- Set up tables and chairs as needed. *Note: Chairs should be set up in a horseshoe shape with an opening at the back for access to food & drinks.*
- Make ice water.
- Start hot water for tea and coffee.
- * Attach special signs to recycle containers.

During Club dance:

- Welcome everyone at the sign-in table.
- Offer raffle tickets, 5 tickets for \$1.00.
- Have guests sign guest book and collect a \$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 **one single “prize” cup.**
- Check that water and cups do not run out.
- If Treasurer is not present, pass monies collected to any Executive Board Member.

After the dance –

- **ALL MEMBERS: Clean up!!** Help pack up supplies and jugs and put 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.
NOTE: tables must go into closet FIRST (remember the Caller's table, too), then the chair “rack”.
- Remove signs from recycle containers and put into cupboard.
- Notify the Super Square Head of any supplies that are needed.

UPCOMING SQUARE DANCE EVENTS — PLUS LEVEL —

Sep. 4-5: Mid-Cal Classic

Merced County Fairgrounds, Los Banos
Cuer: Sharon & Casey Parker
Callers: Bob Baier, Jet Roberts

Sep. 26: Harvest Moon Hoedown, Alameda Elks ‘n’ Does

Alameda Elks Lodge
8:00 – 11:00 PM; Caller: Eric Henerlau

Oct. 9-11: SCVSDA Jubilee

Santa Clara County Fairgrounds, San José

Oct. 17: HoooDown, Rockin’ Jokers

John Muir Middle School
Caller: Bronc Wise

Oct. 23-25: 50 th Annual Harvest Hoedown

Yuba County Fairgrounds
Cuer: Sherry Garza
Callers: Tony Oxendine, Bronc Wise, Andy Allemao
Info: 916-649-2714

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FALL CLASSES

BEGINNERS

TUESDAYS:

Committee to Promote Square Dancing (CPSD)

Instructor/Caller: Roger Smith
Camden Community Ctr., San José
6:30 – 8:45 PM

Starts: Sept. 1; \$5 per person per night

Couples & Singles

Contact: Jackie, 408-723-0315

or <http://www.c-p-s-d.org>

Single Squares of Sunnyvale

Instructor/Caller: Rich Reel
Murphy Park Comm. Ctr., Sunnyvale
7:00 – 8:30 PM
Starts: Sept. 1

ADVANCED

MONDAYS

Outlaws

Instructor/Caller: Eric Henerlau
Cambrian Park United Methodist Church
1919 Gunston Way, San José
6:55 – 8:30 PM
Starts: Sept. 14
Contact: Eric, 415-699-3239

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[**editor's note:** If you regularly receive the *Chirper* via postal mail and would like to “unsubscribe”, please let us know.]

From the Kitchen of Pat Angotti --

STRAWBERRY TROPICS CAKE

- 1 can (8 oz.) crushed pineapple in juice, well drained. Reserve juice.
- 1 box Betty Crocker SuperMoist Strawberry cake mix
- Vegetable oil and eggs called for in cake mix directions
- 2 tsp. grated orange peel
- 1 container Betty Crocker Whipped fluffy white or Rich & Creamy vanilla frosting
- 1/4 c. flaked coconut
- 2 tsp. grated orange peel
- Additional flaked coconut and fresh strawberries if desired (optional)

1. Heat oven to 350°F (325°F for dark or non stick pan). Grease or spray bottom only of 13x9" pan.
2. Add enough water to reserved pineapple juice to measure 1 1/4 cups. Make cake batter as directed on package--except use pineapple juice mixture instead of the water and stir in 2 teaspoons grated orange peel. Pour into pan.
3. Bake as directed for 13x9" pan. Run knife around sides of pan to loosen cake. Cool completely, about 1 hour.
4. Stir together frosting, pineapple, 1/4 cup coconut and 2 teaspoons orange peel. Spread frosting mixture over top of cake; garnish with additional coconut and strawberries if desired.

Store loosely covered.

NEWER DANCER HOEDOWN

Be an angel -- Support our newest dancers!!

-- May Class Level --

**Fri., September 11: Aloha Hoedown;
Sunnyvale Singles**

Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church
728 W. Fremont Ave., Sunnyvale
7:30 -- 10:00 PM; Caller: Rich Reel
& Eric Henerlau

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER --

Dear Katydid,

The Katydids were busy again this past month as you can see from the photographs on the next several pages. **Pat**, you organized and Gary Holloway led another terrific tour - this time to Angel Island. We couldn't have asked for a more perfect day -- weather, lunch, unexpected docent tour.

Congratulations to Club Members **Teri Cosentino**, **Tork Clark**, and **John Caywood** for attending the Norcal Callers' School. Those of us who were able to attend your Hoe-down were happy to dance to your calling!!

You know it is **HOT** when you are dancing outside **WITH** the fans blowing . . . ! That was the scene last Friday night at Creekside Park . It was quite the adventure! The custodian never showed up to let us into the hall; so being a resourceful bunch, we found an electrical outlet, conned a complete stranger into loaning us a folding table and proceeded to BE the entertainment for folks trying to cool off with their evening stroll in the park with their families. We also helped **Lloyd** celebrate his retirement with a yummy carrot cake. Congratulations, **Lloyd**!! We wish you many fun adventures in your retirement. **Annie Bennett** was there to cheer us on as we struggled to stay cool and not get too much of a foggy brain from the heat. It was great to see her up and about and looking so good!! Also on our recovery list is **Jenny Anderson** who is doing very well and walking up to a mile after her recent dual knee surgeries. She still can't twist on those new knees, yet, but when she can, we expect to see her on the dance floor!

Some of you know **Rich and Mary Bean** who occasionally attend our workshop ... Rich had a terrible accident and was badly injured last Sunday. He had surgery yesterday and is on the road to recovery. We wish him well.

A couple of reminders:

1) Please do not wear colognes, perfumes, etc. on Club night. One of our members and some of our guests have complained that they are allergic to these.

2) If you hear of some information (special birthdays or anniversaries, illness, surgery, trips, etc.) about a Club Member that our Sunshine person (**Sandy Franger**) should know about, please pass along the information so that she can send a card on behalf of the Club.

On our regularly scheduled September party night we will be having a potluck supper prior to dancing. Bring a salad to share, and your table service. Plan to be there by 6:30 PM to eat and then we'll have plenty of time to dance off the calories we just ate!!

Jim, we wish your beloved **Joann** much success with her upcoming surgery and hope and pray that she will be feeling better soon.

See you in a square soon!

Stephanie

PS: Please check the attached Club Roster for any errors.

Subject: *If you are retired, do not take your husband shopping ...*

CREATIVE IDEAS FOR THE RETIRED HUSBAND

After I retired, my wife insisted that I accompany her on her trips to Target. Unfortunately, like most men, I found shopping boring and preferred to get in and get out. Equally unfortunate, my wife is like most women – she loves to browse. Yesterday my dear wife received the following letter from the local Target.

Dear Mrs. Samsel,

Over the past six months, your husband has caused quite a commotion in our store. We cannot tolerate this behavior and have been forced to ban both of you from the store. Our complaints against your husband, Mr. Samsel, are listed below and are documented by our video surveillance cameras.

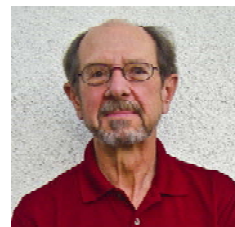
1. Jun. 15: Took 24 boxes of condoms and randomly put them in other people's carts when they weren't looking.
2. Jul. 02: Set all the alarm clocks in Housewares to go off at 5-minute intervals.
3. Jul. 07: He made a trail of tomato juice on the floor leading to the women's restroom.
4. Jul. 19: Walked up to an employee and told her in an official voice, "Code 3 in Housewares. Get on it right away." This caused the employee to leave her assigned station and receive a reprimand from her Supervisor that in turn resulted with a union grievance, causing management to lose time and costing the company money.
5. Aug. 04: Went to the Service Desk and tried to put a bag of M&Ms on layaway.
6. Aug. 14: Moved a 'CAUTION – WET FLOOR' sign to a carpeted area.
7. Aug. 15: Set up a tent in the camping department and told the children shoppers he'd invite them in if they would bring pillows and blankets from the bedding department to which twenty children obliged.
8. Aug. 23: When a clerk asked if they could help him he began crying and screamed, 'Why can't you people just leave me alone?' EMTs were called.
9. Sep. 04: Looked right into the security camera and used it as a mirror while he picked his nose.
- 10.Sep.10: While handling guns in the hunting department, he asked the clerk where the antidepressants were.
- 11.Oct. 03: Darted around the store suspiciously while loudly humming the 'Mission Impossible' theme.
- 12.Oct. 06: In the auto department, he practiced his 'Madonna look' by using different sizes of funnels.
- 13.Oct. 18: Hid in a clothing rack and when people browsed through, yelled 'PICK ME! PICK ME!'
- 14.Oct. 21: When an announcement came over the loud speaker, he assumed a fetal position and screamed 'OH NO! IT'S THOSE VOICES AGAIN!'

And last, but not least:

- 15.Oct. 23: Went into a fitting room, shut the door, waited awhile, then yelled very loudly, 'Hey! There's no toilet paper in here.' One of the clerks passed out.

Meet our new Katydid -

Vic Oros



Vic is almost a native of San Jose having lived in the area since he was one year old – when his parents moved from East Chicago, Indiana – to secure employment here.

He started square dancing in the Fall of 1979 with the Single Squares of Sunnyvale (SSS) and graduated in the Spring of 1980. Back then, following the completion of the Mainstream class, graduates were asked to come to Club Night a half hour early for instruction on the Plus Level calls that Gary Carnes would use that night. His late wife was a student of the 1984 SSS class – they married in 1987.

Now a widower, he went back into square dancing with the May 2008 SSS class and was surprised by how much the demographics had changed. Back in the early eighties, the students were mostly in their 20's to 40's – now it is mostly seniors.

Vic is currently a member of SSS, Bows and Beaus, and now the Katydids.

For relaxation, he enjoys flying radio control helicopters, road bike riding, hiking, reading and, of course, square dancing.

~~Submitted by Don Gaubatz

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY !!

Bill & Betty Benevento Sep. 8

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

Stephanie Stevens Sep. 05

Parker Willey Sep. 07

Vic Oros Sep. 22



Lloyd and Maxine Darknell

Friday, July 24



Jeannie LaRue, Donn Powell, Tillie Tillman, Karen Markus & Michael Giusto,
Linda Caywood, Ann Kernan

Friday, August 7



Mary playing with her dog



Teri Cosentino, Jeannie LaRue



Gary Hinze, Val Peterson, Gina von Motz
And, what point were you trying to convey,
Val?

Friday, August 14



Maxine & Lloyd Darknell, Carmen Hea, Gary Hinze,
Dory & Tork Clark, Linda Caywood

Photographs courtesy of John Caywood

NEW CALLERS HOEDOWN

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2009

Katydid's Student Callers:

John Caywood, Tork Clark, Teri Cosentino



Tork Clark



Jim Osborne, Dory Clark, Louise Hosoda



John Caywood



Louise Hosoda, Char & Roger Hemsley, Teri Cosentino, Jackie Damaino

Photographs courtesy of John Caywood

Friday, August 28 at Creekside Park, Cupertino



Happy Retirement, Lloyd!



Maxine Darknell & Jeannie LaRue having some fun!

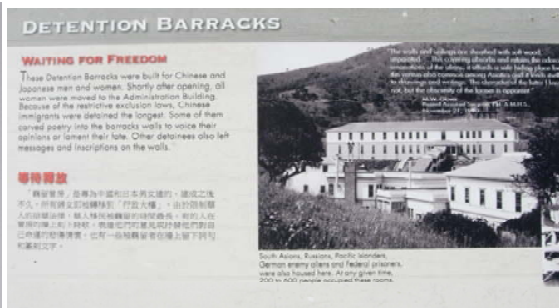


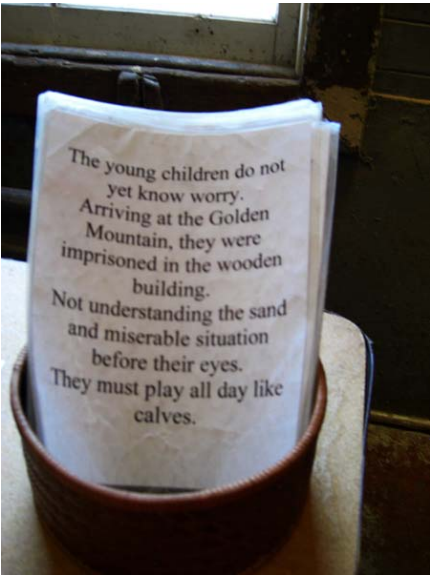
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ANGEL ISLAND TRIP

with Tour Guide Extraordinaire, Gary Holloway

Saturday, August 15, 2009





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Copy **deadline** for the October issue is **Sept. 25th**. You can submit articles to the *Chirper* Editor, Stephanie Stevens at:

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